



## Approximate Generalized Additive Mappings in Proper Multi-CQ\*-Algebras

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we approximate the following additive functional inequality

$$\left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} f(x_{1i}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} f(x_{ki}) \right) \right\|_k \leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{d+1} x_{1i}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{d+1} x_{ki}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k$$

for all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in X$ . We investigate homomorphisms in proper multi-CQ\*-algebras and derivations on proper multi-CQ\*-algebras associated with the above additive functional inequality.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be Banach spaces with norms  $\|\cdot\|_X$  and  $\|\cdot\|_Y$ , 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

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

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Th.M. Rassias [1] showed that there exists a unique  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear mapping  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

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

for all  $x \in X$ . Găvruta [2] 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

$$\tilde{\varphi}(x, y) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j} \varphi(2^j x, 2^j y) < \infty$$

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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 [3] applied the Găvruta’s result to linear functional equations in Banach modules over a  $C^*$ -algebra. Several functional equations have been investigated in [4]–[20].

In this paper, we prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of the multi-additive functional inequality

$$\left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} f(x_{1i}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} f(x_{ki}) \right) \right\|_k \leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{d+1} x_{1i}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{d+1} x_{ki}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k, \tag{1}$$

where  $d \geq 2$  is a fixed integer.

## 2. Multi-normed spaces

The notion of multi-normed space was introduced by H.G. Dales and M.E. Polyakov in [21]. This concept is somewhat similar to operator sequence space and has some connections with operator spaces and Banach lattices. Motivations for the study of multi-normed spaces and many examples are given in [21–23].

Let  $(\mathcal{E}, \|\cdot\|)$  be a complex normed space, and let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{E}^k$  the linear space  $\mathcal{E} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathcal{E}$  consisting of  $k$ -tuples  $(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ , where  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{E}$ . The linear operations on  $\mathcal{E}^k$  are defined coordinate-wise. The zero element of either  $\mathcal{E}$  or  $\mathcal{E}^k$  is denoted by 0. We denote by  $\mathbb{N}_k$  the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  and by  $\Sigma_k$  the group of permutations on  $k$  symbols.

**Definition 2.1.** A multi-norm on  $\{\mathcal{E}^k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a sequence

$$(\|\cdot\|_k) = (\|\cdot\|_k : k \in \mathbb{N})$$

such that  $\|\cdot\|_k$  is a norm on  $\mathcal{E}^k$  for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  :

$$(A1) \quad \|(x_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, x_{\sigma(k)})\|_k = \|(x_1, \dots, x_k)\|_k \quad (\sigma \in \Sigma_k, x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{E});$$

$$(A2) \quad \|(\alpha_1 x_1, \dots, \alpha_k x_k)\|_k \leq (\max_{i \in \mathbb{N}_k} |\alpha_i|) \|x_1, \dots, x_k\|_k \\ (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \in \mathbb{C}, x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{E});$$

$$(A3) \quad \|(x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}, 0)\|_k = \|(x_1, \dots, x_{k-1})\|_{k-1} \quad (x_1, \dots, x_{k-1} \in \mathcal{E});$$

$$(A4) \quad \|(x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k-1})\|_k = \|(x_1, \dots, x_{k-1})\|_{k-1} \quad (x_1, \dots, x_{k-1} \in \mathcal{E}).$$

In this case, we say that  $(\{\mathcal{E}^k, \|\cdot\|_k\} : k \in \mathbb{N})$  is a multi-normed space.

**Lemma 2.2.** [23] Suppose that  $(\{\mathcal{E}^k, \|\cdot\|_k\} : k \in \mathbb{N})$  is a multi-normed space, and take  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then

$$(a) \quad \|(x, \dots, x)\|_k = \|x\| \quad (x \in \mathcal{E});$$

$$(b) \quad \max_{i \in \mathbb{N}_k} \|x_i\| \leq \|(x_1, \dots, x_k)\|_k \leq \sum_{i=1}^k \|x_i\| \leq k \max_{i \in \mathbb{N}_k} \|x_i\| \quad (x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{E}).$$

It follows from (b) that, if  $(\mathcal{E}, \|\cdot\|)$  is a Banach space, then  $(\mathcal{E}^k, \|\cdot\|_k)$  is a Banach space for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ; in this case  $(\{\mathcal{E}^k, \|\cdot\|_k\} : k \in \mathbb{N})$  is a multi-Banach space.

Now we state two important examples of multi-norms for an arbitrary normed space  $\mathcal{E}$  ; cf. [21].

**Example 2.3.** The sequence  $(\|\cdot\|_k : k \in \mathbb{N})$  on  $\{\mathcal{E}^k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  defined by

$$\|x_1, \dots, x_k\|_k := \max_{i \in \mathbb{N}_k} \|x_i\| \quad (x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{E})$$

is a multi-norm called the minimum multi-norm. The terminology ‘minimum’ is justified by property (b).

**Example 2.4.** Let  $\{(\|\cdot\|_k^\alpha : k \in \mathbb{N}) : \alpha \in A\}$  be the (non-empty) family of all multi-norms on  $\{\mathcal{E}^k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , set

$$\|x_1, \dots, x_k\|_k := \sup_{\alpha \in A} \|(x_1, \dots, x_k)\|_k^\alpha \quad (x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{E}).$$

Then  $(\|x_1, \dots, x_k\|_k : k \in \mathbb{N})$  is a multi-norm on  $\{\mathcal{E}^k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , called the maximum multi-norm.

We need the following observation which can be easily deduced from the triangle inequality for the norm  $\|\cdot\|_k$  and the property (b) of multi-norms.

**Lemma 2.5.** Suppose that  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $(x_1, \dots, x_k) \in \mathcal{E}^k$ . For each  $j \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ , let  $(x_n^j)_{n=1,2,\dots}$  be a sequence in  $\mathcal{E}$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n^j = x_j$ . Then for each  $(y_1, \dots, y_k) \in \mathcal{E}^k$  we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n^1 - y_1, \dots, x_n^k - y_k) = (x_1 - y_1, \dots, x_k - y_k).$$

**Definition 2.6.** Let  $(\{\mathcal{E}^k, \|\cdot\|_k\} : k \in \mathbb{N})$  be a multi-normed space. A sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $\mathcal{E}$  is a multi-null sequence if, for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|(x_n, \dots, x_{n+k-1})\|_k < \varepsilon \quad (n \geq n_0).$$

Let  $x \in \mathcal{E}$ . We say that the sequence  $(x_n)$  is multi-convergent to  $x \in \mathcal{E}$  and write

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$$

if  $(x_n - x)$  is a multi-null sequence.

**Definition 2.7.** [21, 24] Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed algebra such that  $(\{\mathcal{A}^k, \|\cdot\|_k\} : k \in \mathbb{N})$  is a multi-normed space. Then  $(\{\mathcal{A}^k, \|\cdot\|_k\} : k \in \mathbb{N})$  is a multi-normed algebra if

$$\|(a_1 b_1, \dots, a_k b_k)\|_k \leq \|(a_1, \dots, a_k)\|_k \cdot \|(b_1, \dots, b_k)\|_k$$

for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and all  $a_1, \dots, a_k, b_1, \dots, b_k \in \mathcal{A}$ . Further, the multi-normed algebra  $(\{\mathcal{A}^k, \|\cdot\|_k\} : k \in \mathbb{N})$  is a multi-Banach algebra if  $(\{\mathcal{A}^k, \|\cdot\|_k\} : k \in \mathbb{N})$  is a multi-Banach space.

**Example 2.8.** [21, 24] Let  $p, q$  with  $1 \leq p \leq q < \infty$ , and  $\mathcal{A} = \ell^p$ . The algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is a Banach sequence algebra with respect to coordinatewise multiplication of sequences. Let  $(\|\cdot\|_k : k \in \mathbb{N})$  be the standard  $(p, q)$ -multi-norm on  $\{\mathcal{A}^k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Then  $(\{\mathcal{A}^k, \|\cdot\|_k\} : k \in \mathbb{N})$  is a multi-Banach algebra.

**Definition 2.9.** Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach star algebra with involution  $*$ . A Multi- $C^*$ -algebra is multi-Banach algebra such that

$$\|(a_1 a_1^*, \dots, a_k a_k^*)\| = \|(a_1, \dots, a_k)\|^2$$

In a series of papers [25]–[32] and [17]–[19], many authors have considered a special class of quasi  $*$ -algebras, called proper  $CQ^*$ -algebras, which arise as completions of  $C^*$ -algebras. They can be introduced in the following way:

Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be a linear space and  $\mathcal{A}$  a  $*$ -algebra contained in  $\mathfrak{A}$ . We say that  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a quasi  $*$ -algebra over  $\mathcal{A}$  if the right and left multiplications of an element of  $\mathfrak{A}$  and an element of  $\mathcal{A}$  are always defined and linear, and an involution  $*$  which extends the involution of  $\mathcal{A}$  is defined in  $\mathfrak{A}$  with the property  $(ab)^* = b^* a^*$  whenever the multiplication is defined.

A quasi  $*$ -algebra  $(\mathfrak{A}, \mathcal{A})$  is called topological if a locally convex topology  $\tau$  on  $\mathfrak{A}$  such that :

- (Q1) the involution  $a \mapsto a^*$  is continuous
- (Q2) the maps  $a \mapsto ab$  and  $a \mapsto ba$  are continuous for each  $b \in \mathcal{A}$
- (Q3)  $\mathcal{A}$  is dense in  $\mathfrak{A}$  with topology  $\tau$ .

In a topology quasi  $*$ -algebra the associative law holds in the following two formulations

$$a(bc) = (ab)c; \quad b(ac) = (ba)c \quad (b, c \in \mathcal{A}, a \in \mathfrak{A}).$$

A CQ $*$ -algebra is a topological quasi $*$ -algebra  $(\mathfrak{A}, \mathcal{A})$  with the following properties:

(CQ1)  $(\mathcal{A}, \|\cdot\|_*)$  is a C $*$ -algebra with respect to the norm  $\|\cdot\|_*$  and the involution  $*$ .

(CQ2)  $(\mathfrak{A}, \|\cdot\|)$  is a Banach space and  $\|a^*\| = \|a\|$  for every  $a \in \mathfrak{A}$ .

(CQ3) for every  $b \in \mathcal{A}$  we have

$$\|b\|_* = \max\{\sup_{\|a\| \leq 1} \|ab\|, \sup_{\|a\| \leq 1} \|ba\|\}.$$

F. Bagarello and C. Trapani [33] showed that both  $(L^p(X, \mu), C_0(X))$  and  $(L^p(X, \mu), L^\infty(X))$  are CQ $*$ -algebras.

Now, we define the multi-CQ $*$ -algebra.

Let  $(\mathfrak{A}, \mathcal{A})$  be a CQ $*$ -algebra. We say that  $\{(\mathfrak{A}^k, \mathcal{A}^k) : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a multi-CQ $*$ -algebra if for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  the couple  $(\mathfrak{A}^k, \mathcal{A}^k)$  is a CQ $*$ -algebra where  $\{\mathfrak{A}^k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  and  $\{\mathcal{A}^k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  are multi-Banach and multi-C $*$ -algebra respectively.

**Example 2.10.** In [33], the authors showed that the couple  $(\mathfrak{A}, \mathcal{A})$  is CQ $*$ -algebra where  $\mathfrak{A} = \ell^p$  and  $\mathcal{A} = c_0$ . Now, consider Example 2.8 then  $\{(\mathfrak{A}^k, \mathcal{A}^k) : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a multi-CQ $*$ -algebra.

The purpose of this paper is to investigate the Hyers-Ulam stability of homomorphisms in proper multi-CQ $*$ -algebras and of derivations on proper multi-CQ $*$ -algebras associated with the additive functional inequality (1). We denote that  $\mathbb{T}^1 := \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid |\lambda| = 1\}$ .

### 3. Stability of $\mathbb{C}$ -linear mappings in multi-Banach spaces

We investigate the Hyers-Ulam stability of  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear mappings in multi-Banach spaces associated with the multi-additive functional inequality

$$\left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} f(x_{1i}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} f(x_{ki}) \right) \right\|_k \leq \left\| \left( mf\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{d+1} x_{1i}}{m}\right), \dots, mf\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{d+1} x_{ki}}{m}\right) \right) \right\|_k,$$

where  $d \geq 2$  is a fixed integer. In this section, we assume that  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  and  $(Y, \|\cdot\|)$  are Banach spaces such that  $(X^k, \|\cdot\|_k)$  and  $(Y^k, \|\cdot\|_k)$  are multi-Banach spaces.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a mapping satisfying (1) in which  $f(0) = 0$ . Then  $f$  is additive.

*Proof.* Letting  $x_3 = \dots = x_{d+1} = 0$  and replacing  $x_1$  by  $x$  and  $x_2$  by  $-x$  in (1), we get

$$\|f(x) + f(-x)\| \leq \|mf(0)\| = 0$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Hence  $f(-x) = -f(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

Replacing  $x_1$  by  $x$ ,  $x_2$  by  $y$  and  $x_3$  by  $-x - y$  and putting  $x_4 = \dots = x_{d+1} = 0$  in (1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(x) + f(y) - f(x + y)\| &= \|f(x) + f(y) + f(-x - y)\| \\ &\leq \|mf(0)\|_Y = 0, \quad \forall x, y \in X. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y), \quad \forall x, y \in X.$$

This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be a mapping. If there exists a function  $\varphi : \mathcal{X}^{kd+k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying

$$\left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} f(x_{1i}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} f(x_{ki}) \right) \right\|_k \tag{2}$$

$$\leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{d+1} x_{1i}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{d+1} x_{ki}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k + \varphi(x_{11}, \dots, x_{1d+1}, \dots, x_{k1}, \dots, x_{kd+1}),$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \widetilde{\varphi}(x_{11}, \dots, x_{1d+1}, \dots, x_{k1}, \dots, x_{kd+1}) : \tag{3} \\ & = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} d^j \varphi \left( d^{-j-1} x_{11}, \dots, d^{-j-1} x_{1d+1}, \dots, d^{-j-1} x_{k1}, \dots, d^{-j-1} x_{kd+1} \right) < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in \mathcal{X}$ , then there exists a unique additive mapping  $L : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|(f(x_1) - L(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - L(x_k))\|_k \tag{4} \\ & \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \widetilde{\varphi}(x_1, x_1, \dots, -dx_1, \dots, x_k, x_k, \dots, -dx_k) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{X}$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\widetilde{\varphi}(0, \dots, 0) < \infty$  in (3), we have  $\varphi(0, \dots, 0) = 0$  and so  $f(0) = 0$ . Replacing  $x_{i1}, \dots, x_{id}$  by  $x_i$  and  $x_{id+1}$  by  $-dx_i$  in which  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , respectively in (2). Since  $f(0) = 0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \|(df(x_1) - f(dx_1), \dots, df(x_k) - f(dx_k))\|_k \\ & = \|(df(x_1) + f(-dx_1), \dots, df(x_k) + f(-dx_k))\|_k \\ & \leq \|(mf(0), \dots, mf(0))\|_k \\ & + \varphi(x_1, x_1, \dots, -dx_1, \dots, x_k, x_k, \dots, -dx_k) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{X}$ . From the above inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( f(x_1) - df \left( \frac{x_1}{d} \right), \dots, f(x_k) - df \left( \frac{x_k}{d} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \varphi \left( \frac{x_1}{d}, \frac{x_1}{d}, \dots, -x_1, \dots, \frac{x_k}{d}, \frac{x_k}{d}, \dots, -x_k \right) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{X}$ . Replacing  $x_i$  by  $d^{-n}x_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , in the above inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( d^n f \left( \frac{x_1}{d^n} \right) - d^{n+1} f \left( \frac{x_1}{d^{n+1}} \right), \dots, d^n f \left( \frac{x_k}{d^n} \right) - d^{n+1} f \left( \frac{x_k}{d^{n+1}} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq d^n \varphi \left( \frac{x_1}{d^{n+1}}, \frac{x_1}{d^{n+1}}, \dots, -\frac{x_1}{d^n}, \dots, \frac{x_k}{d^{n+1}}, \frac{x_k}{d^{n+1}}, \dots, -\frac{x_k}{d^n} \right) \end{aligned}$$

From the above inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \left\| \left( d^n f \left( \frac{x_1}{d^n} \right) - d^q f \left( \frac{x_1}{d^q} \right), \dots, d^n f \left( \frac{x_k}{d^n} \right) - d^q f \left( \frac{x_k}{d^q} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \sum_{j=q}^{n-1} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \left\| \left( d^{j+1} f \left( \frac{x_1}{d^{j+1}} \right) - d^j f \left( \frac{x_1}{d^j} \right), \dots, d^{j+1} f \left( \frac{x_k}{d^{j+1}} \right) - d^j f \left( \frac{x_k}{d^j} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \sum_{j=q}^{n-1} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} d^j \varphi \left( \frac{x_1}{d^{j+1}}, \frac{x_1}{d^{j+1}}, \dots, -\frac{dx_1}{d^{j+1}}, \dots, \frac{x_k}{d^{j+1}}, \frac{x_k}{d^{j+1}}, \dots, -\frac{dx_k}{d^{j+1}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{X}$  and all non-negative integers  $q, n$  with  $q < n$ . From (3), the sequence  $\left\{d^n f\left(\frac{x}{d^n}\right)\right\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  and convergent in the complete multi-norm  $\mathcal{Y}$ . So we can define a mapping  $L : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  by

$$L(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^n f\left(\frac{x}{d^n}\right)$$

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

In order to prove that  $L$  satisfies (4), if we put  $q = 0$  and let  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in the previous inequality then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|(f(x_1) - L(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - L(x_k))\|_k \\ & \leq \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} d^j \varphi\left(\frac{x_1}{d^{j+1}}, \frac{x_1}{d^{j+1}}, \dots, -\frac{dx_1}{d^{j+1}}, \dots, \frac{x_k}{d^{j+1}}, \frac{x_k}{d^{j+1}}, \dots, -\frac{dx_k}{d^{j+1}}\right) \\ & = \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{\varphi}(x_1, x_1, \dots, -dx_1, \dots, x_k, x_k, \dots, -dx_k) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{X}$ .

Replacing  $x_{ij}$  by  $\frac{x_{1j}}{d^n}$ , ( $1 \leq i \leq k$  and  $1 \leq j \leq d + 1$ ) respectively, and product by  $d^{n+1}$  in (2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} d^n f\left(\frac{x_{1i}}{d^{n+1}}\right) \right\| \\ & \leq \left\| m d^n f\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{d+1} x_{1i}}{m d^{n+1}}\right) \right\| + d^n \varphi\left(\frac{x_{11}}{d^{n+1}}, \dots, \frac{x_{1d+1}}{d^{n+1}}, \dots, \frac{x_{11}}{d^{n+1}}, \dots, \frac{x_{1d+1}}{d^{n+1}}\right), \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_{1j} \in \mathcal{X}$  ( $1 \leq j \leq d + 1$ ). Since (3) gives that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^n \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \varphi\left(\frac{x_{11}}{d^{n+1}}, \dots, \frac{x_{1d+1}}{d^{n+1}}, \dots, \frac{x_{11}}{d^{n+1}}, \dots, \frac{x_{1d+1}}{d^{n+1}}\right) = 0$$

for all  $x_{1j} \in \mathcal{X}$  ( $1 \leq j \leq d + 1$ ), if we let  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in the above inequality then we get

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} L(x_{1i}) \right\| \leq \left\| mL\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{d+1} x_{1i}}{m}\right) \right\|, \tag{5}$$

and so  $L$  is additive by Lemma 3.1.

Now to prove the uniqueness of  $L$ , let  $L' : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be another additive mapping satisfying (4). Since  $L$  and  $L'$  are additive, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|L(x) - L'(x)\| \\
 &= d^n \left\| L\left(\frac{x}{d^n}\right) - L'\left(\frac{x}{d^n}\right) \right\| \\
 &\leq d^n \left( \left\| L\left(\frac{x}{d^n}\right) - f\left(\frac{x}{d^n}\right) \right\| + \left\| L'\left(\frac{x}{d^n}\right) - f\left(\frac{x}{d^n}\right) \right\| \right) \\
 &\leq d^n \cdot 2\tilde{\varphi}\left(\frac{x}{d^n}, \dots, \frac{x}{d^n}, \frac{-dx}{d^n}, \dots, \frac{x}{d^n}, \dots, \frac{x}{d^n}, \frac{-dx}{d^n}\right) \\
 &= 2 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} d^{n+j} \varphi \left( \overbrace{\left( \overbrace{\frac{x}{d^{n+j+1}}, \dots, \frac{x}{d^{n+j+1}}, \frac{-dx}{d^{n+j+1}}, \dots, \frac{x}{d^{n+j+1}}, \dots, \frac{x}{d^{n+j+1}}, \frac{-dx}{d^{n+j+1}} \right)^{d+1}}^k \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

which goes to zero as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  by (3). Consequently,  $L$  is the unique additive mapping satisfying (4), as desired.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be a mapping with  $f(0) = 0$ . If there exists a function  $\varphi : \mathcal{X}^{kd+k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying (2) and*

$$\tilde{\varphi}(x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+k}) := \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{d^{j+1}} \varphi(d^j x_{11}, \dots, d^j x_{kd+k}) < \infty, \tag{6}$$

for all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+k} \in \mathcal{X}$ , then there exists a unique additive mapping  $L : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|(f(x_1) - L(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - L(x_k))\|_k \\
 & \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{\varphi}(x_1, x_1, \dots, -dx_1, \dots, x_k, x_k, \dots, -dx_k)
 \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{X}$ .

*Proof.* The proof is the same as in the corresponding part of the proof of Theorem 3.2, as desired.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.4.** *Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be a mapping satisfying*

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_i) + \mu f(x_{d+1}) \right\| \leq \left\| mf\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_i + \mu x_{d+1}}{m}\right) \right\|, \tag{8}$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_1, \dots, x_{d+1} \in \mathcal{X}$ . Then  $f$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear.

*Proof.* If we put  $\mu = 1$  in , then  $f$  is additive by Lemma 3.1.

Putting  $x_1 = x, x_i = 0, 2 \leq i \leq d$  and  $x_{d+1} = -x$ , respectively, we get  $f(\mu x) + \mu f(-x) = 0$  and so  $f(\mu x) = \mu f(x)$  for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ . Thus we have  $f(\mu x + \bar{\mu} x) = f(\mu x) + f(\bar{\mu} x) = \mu f(x) + \bar{\mu} f(x)$  for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ , and so  $f(tx) = tf(x)$  for any real number  $t$  with  $|t| \leq 1$  and all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ .

On the other hand, since  $f(mx) = mf(x)$ , we get  $f(m^n x) = m^n f(x)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . So for any real number  $t$ , there is a natural number  $n$  with  $|t| \leq m^n$ . Thus we have

$$f(tx) = f\left(m^n \cdot \frac{t}{m^n} x\right) = m^n f\left(\frac{t}{m^n} x\right) = m^n \cdot \frac{t}{m^n} f(x) = tf(x).$$

Now we consider any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\alpha = t + si$  for some real numbers  $t, s$ . Since  $f(ix) = if(x)$  holds, we have

$$f(\alpha x) = f(tx) + f(six) = tf(x) + sf(ix) = tf(x) + sif(x) = \alpha f(x)$$

and so  $f$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear, as desired.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be a mapping. If there exists a function  $\varphi : \mathcal{X}^{kd+k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying (3) and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{1i}) + \mu f(x_{1d+1}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{ki}) + \mu f(x_{kd+1}) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{1i} + \mu x_{1d+1}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{ki} + \mu x_{kd+1}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & + \varphi(x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1}), \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in \mathcal{X}$ , then there exists a unique  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear mapping  $L : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  satisfying (4).

*Proof.* If we put  $\mu = 1$  in (9), then by Theorem 3.2 there exists a unique additive mapping  $L : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  defined by

$$L(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^n f \left( \frac{x}{d^n} \right)$$

for all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  which satisfies (4). By a similar method to the corresponding part of the proof of Theorem 3.2,  $L$  satisfies

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^d L(x_i) + \mu L(x_{d+1}) \right\| \leq \left\| mL \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_i + \mu x_{d+1}}{m} \right) \right\|,$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_1, \dots, x_{d+1} \in \mathcal{X}$ . Thus Lemma 3.4 gives that  $L$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.6.** Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be a mapping with  $f(0) = 0$ . If there exists a function  $\varphi : \mathcal{X}^{kd+k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying (6) and (9), then there exists a unique  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear mapping  $L : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  satisfying (7).

*Proof.* The rest of the proof is the same as in the corresponding part of the proof of Theorem 3.5, as desired.  $\square$

#### 4. Stability of homomorphisms in proper multi-CQ\*-algebras

We investigate the Hyers-Ulam stability of isomorphisms in proper multi-CQ\*-algebras associated with the additive functional inequality. In this section, we assume that  $(\mathcal{A}, \|\cdot\|)$  and  $(\mathcal{B}, \|\cdot\|)$  are Banach algebras such that  $(\mathcal{A}^k, \|\cdot\|_k)$  and  $(\mathcal{B}^k, \|\cdot\|_k)$  are multi-Banach algebras.

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  be a mapping. If there exists a function  $\varphi : \mathcal{X}^{kd+k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying (3) and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{1i}) + \mu f(x_{1d+1}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{ki}) + \mu f(x_{kd+1}) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{1i} + \mu x_{1d+1}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{ki} + \mu x_{kd+1}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & + \varphi(x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1}), \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in \mathcal{A}$ . If, in addition, there exists a function  $\phi : \mathcal{A}^{2k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \|(f(x_1 y_1) - f(x_1)f(y_1), \dots, f(x_k y_k) - f(x_k)f(y_k))\|_k \\ & \leq \phi(x_1, y_1, \dots, x_k, y_k), \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$



$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} d^{2n} \phi(d^{-n}x_1, d^{-n}y_1, \dots, d^{-n}x_k, d^{-n}y_k) = 0 \tag{12}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. Then there exists a unique proper CQ\*-algebra homomorphism  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|(f(x_1) - h(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - h(x_k))\|_k \\ & \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \widetilde{\varphi}(x_1, x_1, \dots, -dx_1, \dots, x_k, x_k, \dots, -dx_k) \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 3.5, we have a unique  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear mapping  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  defined by

$$h(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^n f\left(\frac{x}{d^n}\right)$$

for all  $x \in \mathcal{A}$  which satisfies (4).

Now we show that  $h(xy) = h(x)h(y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined.

Replacing  $x_i, y_i$  by  $d^{-n}x_i, d^{-n}y_i, 1 \leq i \leq k$ , respectively, and multiplying by  $d^{2n}$  in (11), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| (d^{2n}[f(d^{-n}x_1d^{-n}y_1) - f(d^{-n}x_1)f(d^{-n}y_1)] \right. \\ & \quad \left. , \dots, d^{2n}[f(d^{-n}x_kd^{-n}y_k) - f(d^{-n}x_k)f(d^{-n}y_k)]) \right\|_k \\ & \leq d^{2n} \phi(d^{-n}x_1, d^{-n}y_1, \dots, d^{-n}x_k, d^{-n}y_k) \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^{2n} f(d^{-n}xd^{-n}y) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^{2n} f(d^{-2n}xy) = h(xy) \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^{2n} f(d^{-n}x)f(d^{-n}y) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^n f(d^{-n}x) \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^n f(d^{-n}y) = h(x)h(y) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. If we let  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in the above inequality then (12) gives  $h(xy) = h(x)h(y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ , whenever the multiplication is defined.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.2.** Let  $\theta, p$  be nonnegative real numbers with  $p > 1$  and  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  be a mapping satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{1i}) + \mu f(x_{1d+1}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{ki}) + \mu f(x_{kd+1}) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \left\| \left( mf\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{1i} + \mu x_{1d+1}}{m}\right), \dots, mf\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{ki} + \mu x_{kd+1}}{m}\right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \quad + \theta \cdot \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p, \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in \mathcal{A}$ . If, in addition,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|(f(x_1y_1) - f(x_1)f(y_1), \dots, f(x_ky_k) - f(x_k)f(y_k))\|_k \\ & \leq \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^{2p} + \|y_i\|^{2p}) \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. Then there exists a unique proper CQ\*-algebra homomorphism  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  satisfying

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|(f(x_1) - h(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - h(x_k))\|_k \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{d^{p-1} + 1}{d^{p-1} - 1} \theta \sum_{l=1}^k \|x_l\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .

Proof. Let  $\varphi : \mathcal{A}^{kd+k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be

$$\varphi(x_{11}, \dots, x_{1d+1}, \dots, x_{k1}, \dots, x_{kd+1}) = \theta \cdot \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p.$$

When  $p > 1$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \widetilde{\varphi}(x_{11}, \dots, x_{1d+1}, \dots, x_{k1}, \dots, x_{kd+1}) : \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} d^j \varphi(d^{-j-1}x_{11}, \dots, d^{-j-1}x_{1d+1}, \dots, d^{-j-1}x_{k1}, \dots, d^{-j-1}x_{kd+1}) \\ &= \frac{1}{d} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{d^{j+1}}{d^{(j+1)p}} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \theta \cdot \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p \\ &= \frac{\theta}{d^p - d} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p. \end{aligned}$$

In addition, let  $\phi : \mathcal{A}^{2k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be

$$\phi(x_1, y_1, \dots, x_k, y_k) = \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^{2p} + \|y_i\|^{2p}).$$

When  $p > 1$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^{2n} \phi(d^{-n}x_1, d^{-n}y_1, \dots, d^{-n}x_k, d^{-n}y_k) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d^{2n}}{d^{2pn}} \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^{2p} + \|y_i\|^{2p}) = 0$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$ . By applying Theorem 4.1, there exists a unique proper CQ\*-algebra homomorphism  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  such that

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|(f(x_1) - h(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - h(x_k))\|_k \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{d^p + d}{d^p - d} \theta \sum_{l=1}^k \|x_l\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 4.3.** Let  $\theta, p$  be nonnegative real numbers with  $p > 1$  and  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  be a mapping satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{1i}) + \mu f(x_{1d+1}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{ki}) + \mu f(x_{kd+1}) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{1i} + \mu x_{1d+1}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{ki} + \mu x_{kd+1}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \quad + \theta \cdot \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p, \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in \mathcal{A}$ . If, in addition,

$$\|(f(x_1 y_1) - f(x_1)f(y_1), \dots, f(x_k y_k) - f(x_k)f(y_k))\|_k \leq \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^p \cdot \|y_i\|^p) \tag{18}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. Then there exists a unique proper CQ\*-algebra homomorphism  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  satisfying

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|(f(x_1) - h(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - h(x_k))\|_k \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{d^{p-1} + 1}{d^{p-1} - 1} \theta \sum_{l=1}^k \|x_l\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\varphi : \mathcal{A}^{kd+k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be

$$\varphi(x_{11}, \dots, x_{1d+1}, \dots, x_{k1}, \dots, x_{kd+1}) = \theta \cdot \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p.$$

When  $p > 1$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \widetilde{\varphi}(x_{11}, \dots, x_{1d+1}, \dots, x_{k1}, \dots, x_{kd+1}) : \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} d^j \varphi(d^{-j-1}x_{11}, \dots, d^{-j-1}x_{1d+1}, \dots, d^{-j-1}x_{k1}, \dots, d^{-j-1}x_{kd+1}) \\ &= \frac{1}{d} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{d^{j+1}}{d^{(j+1)p}} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \theta \cdot \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p \\ &= \frac{\theta}{d^p - d} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p. \end{aligned}$$

In addition, let  $\phi : \mathcal{A}^{2k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be

$$\phi(x_1, y_1, \dots, x_k, y_k) = \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^p \cdot \|y_i\|^p).$$

When  $p > 1$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^{2n} \phi(d^{-n}x_1, d^{-n}y_1, \dots, d^{-n}x_k, d^{-n}y_k) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d^{2n}}{d^{2pn}} \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^p \cdot \|y_i\|^p) = 0$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$ . By applying Theorem 4.1, there exists a unique proper CQ\*-algebra homomorphism  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  such that

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|(f(x_1) - h(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - h(x_k))\|_k \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{d^p + d}{d^p - d} \theta \sum_{l=1}^k \|x_l\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.4.** Let  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  be a mapping with  $f(0) = 0$ . If there exists a function  $\varphi : \mathcal{X}^{kd+k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying (6) and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{1i}) + \mu f(x_{1d+1}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{ki}) + \mu f(x_{kd+1}) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{1i} + \mu x_{1d+1}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{ki} + \mu x_{kd+1}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & + \varphi(x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1}), \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in \mathcal{A}$ . If, in addition, there exists a function  $\phi : \mathcal{A}^{2k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \| (f(x_1 y_1) - f(x_1) f(y_1), \dots, f(x_k y_k) - f(x_k) f(y_k)) \|_k \\ & \leq \phi(x_1, y_1, \dots, x_k, y_k), \end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} d^{-2n} \phi(d^n x_1, d^n y_1, \dots, d^n x_k, d^n y_k) = 0 \tag{21}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. Then there exists a unique proper CQ\*-algebra homomorphism  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \| (f(x_1) - h(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - h(x_k)) \|_k \\ & \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \widetilde{\phi}(x_1, x_1, \dots, -dx_1, \dots, x_k, x_k, \dots, -dx_k) \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .

*Proof.* We omit the proof because it is similar to the proof of Theorem 4.1.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.5.** Let  $\theta, p$  be nonnegative real numbers with  $p < 1$  and  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  be a mapping satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{1i}) + \mu f(x_{1d+1}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{ki}) + \mu f(x_{kd+1}) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{1i} + \mu x_{1d+1}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{ki} + \mu x_{kd+1}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & + \theta \cdot \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p, \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in \mathcal{A}$ . If, in addition,

$$\begin{aligned} & \| (f(x_1 y_1) - f(x_1) f(y_1), \dots, f(x_k y_k) - f(x_k) f(y_k)) \|_k \\ & \leq \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^{2p} + \|y_i\|^{2p}) \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. Then there exists a unique proper CQ\*-algebra homomorphism  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  satisfying

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \| (f(x_1) - h(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - h(x_k)) \|_k \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{d + d^p}{d - d^p} \theta \sum_{l=1}^k \|x_l\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\phi : \mathcal{A}^{2k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be

$$\phi(x_1, y_1, \dots, x_k, y_k) = \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^{2p} + \|y_i\|^{2p}).$$

When  $p < 1$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^{-2n} \phi(d^n x_1, d^n y_1, \dots, d^n x_k, d^n y_k) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d^{2np}}{d^{2n}} \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^{2p} + \|y_i\|^{2p}) = 0$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$ . By applying Theorem 4.4, there exists a unique proper CQ\*-algebra homomorphism  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  such that

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|(f(x_1) - h(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - h(x_k))\|_k \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{d + d^p}{d - d^p} \theta \sum_{l=1}^k \|x_l\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 4.6.** Let  $\theta, p$  be nonnegative real numbers with  $p < 1$  and  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  be a mapping satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{1i}) + \mu f(x_{1d+1}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{ki}) + \mu f(x_{kd+1}) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{1i} + \mu x_{1d+1}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{ki} + \mu x_{kd+1}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \quad + \theta \cdot \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p, \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in \mathcal{A}$ . If, in addition,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|(f(x_1 y_1) - f(x_1) f(y_1), \dots, f(x_k y_k) - f(x_k) f(y_k))\|_k \\ & \leq \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^p \cdot \|y_i\|^p) \end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. Then there exists a unique proper CQ\*-algebra homomorphism  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  satisfying

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|(f(x_1) - h(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - h(x_k))\|_k \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{d + d^p}{d - d^p} \theta \sum_{l=1}^k \|x_l\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\phi : \mathcal{A}^{2k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be

$$\phi(x_1, y_1, \dots, x_k, y_k) = \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^p \cdot \|y_i\|^p).$$

When  $p < 1$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^{-2n} \phi(d^n x_1, d^n y_1, \dots, d^n x_k, d^n y_k) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d^{2pn}}{d^{2n}} \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^p \cdot \|y_i\|^p) = 0$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$ . By applying Theorem 4.4, there exists a unique proper CQ\*-algebra homomorphism  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  such that

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|(f(x_1) - h(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - h(x_k))\|_k \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{d + d^p}{d - d^p} \theta \sum_{l=1}^k \|x_l\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .  $\square$

### 5. Stability of derivations on proper CQ\*-algebras

We investigate the Hyers-Ulam stability of derivations in proper multi-CQ\*-algebras associated with the additive functional inequality. In this section, we assume that  $(\mathcal{A}, \|\cdot\|)$  is a Banach algebra such that  $(\mathcal{A}^k, \|\cdot\|_k)$  is a multi-Banach algebra.

**Theorem 5.1.** *Let  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be a mapping. If there exists a function  $\varphi : \mathcal{X}^{kd+k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying (3) and*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{1i}) + \mu f(x_{1d+1}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{ki}) + \mu f(x_{kd+1}) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{1i} + \mu x_{1d+1}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{ki} + \mu x_{kd+1}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & + \varphi(x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1}), \end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in \mathcal{A}$ . If, in addition, there exists a function  $\psi : \mathcal{A}^{2k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \| (f(x_1 y_1) - f(x_1) y_1 - x_1 f(y_1), \dots, f(x_k y_k) - f(x_k) y_k - x_k f(y_k)) \|_k \\ & \leq \psi(x_1, y_1, \dots, x_k, y_k), \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} d^{2n} \psi(d^{-n} x_1, d^{-n} y_1, \dots, d^{-n} x_k, d^{-n} y_k) = 0 \tag{29}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. Then there exists a unique derivation  $\delta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \| (f(x_1) - \delta(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - \delta(x_k)) \|_k \\ & \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{\varphi}(x_1, x_1, \dots, -dx_1, \dots, x_k, x_k, \dots, -dx_k) \end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 3.5, we have a unique  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear mapping  $\delta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  defined by

$$\delta(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^n f \left( \frac{x}{d^n} \right)$$

for all  $x \in \mathcal{A}$  which satisfies (30).

Now we show that  $\delta(xy) = \delta(x)\delta(y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined.

Replacing  $x_i, y_i$  by  $d^{-n}x_i, d^{-n}y_i, 1 \leq i \leq k$ , respectively, and multiplying by  $d^{2n}$  in (28), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| (d^{2n} [f(d^{-n} x_1 d^{-n} y_1) - d^{-n} f(d^{-n} x_1) y_1 - d^{-n} x_1 f(d^{-n} y_1)], \dots, \right. \\ & \quad \left. d^{2n} [f(d^{-n} x_k d^{-n} y_k) - d^{-n} f(d^{-n} x_k) y_k - d^{-n} x_k f(d^{-n} y_k)]) \right\|_k \\ & \leq d^{2n} \psi(d^{-n} x_1, d^{-n} y_1, \dots, d^{-n} x_k, d^{-n} y_k) \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^{2n} f(d^{-n} x d^{-n} y) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^{2n} f(d^{-2n} xy) = \delta(xy) \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^{2n} f(d^{-n} x) d^{-n} y &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^n f(d^{-n} x) \cdot y = \delta(x)y \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d^{2n} d^{-n} x f(d^{-n} y) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x \cdot d^n f(d^{-n} y) = x\delta(y) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. If we let  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in the above inequality then (31) gives  $\delta(xy) = \delta(x)y - x\delta(y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined.  $\square$

**Corollary 5.2.** Let  $\theta, p$  be nonnegative real numbers with  $p > 1$  and  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be a mapping satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{1i}) + \mu f(x_{1d+1}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{ki}) + \mu f(x_{kd+1}) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{1i} + \mu x_{1d+1}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{ki} + \mu x_{kd+1}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & + \theta \cdot \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p, \end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in \mathcal{A}$ . If, in addition,

$$\begin{aligned} & \| (f(x_1 y_1) - f(x_1) y_1 - x_1 f(y_1), \dots, f(x_k y_k) - f(x_k) y_k - x_k f(y_k)) \|_k \\ & \leq \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^{2p} + \|y_i\|^{2p}) \end{aligned} \tag{33}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. Then there exists a unique derivation  $\delta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  satisfying

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \| (f(x_1) - \delta(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - \delta(x_k)) \|_k \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{d^p + d}{d^p - d} \theta \sum_{l=1}^k \|x_l\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .

*Proof.* Apply Theorem 5.1, the proof is the same of that of Corollary 4.2.  $\square$

**Corollary 5.3.** Let  $\theta, p$  be nonnegative real numbers with  $p > 1$  and  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be a mapping satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{1i}) + \mu f(x_{1d+1}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{ki}) + \mu f(x_{kd+1}) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{1i} + \mu x_{1d+1}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{ki} + \mu x_{kd+1}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & + \theta \cdot \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p, \end{aligned} \tag{34}$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in \mathcal{A}$ . If, in addition,

$$\begin{aligned} & \| (f(x_1 y_1) - f(x_1) y_1 - x_1 f(y_1), \dots, f(x_k y_k) - f(x_k) y_k - x_k f(y_k)) \|_k \\ & \leq \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^p \cdot \|y_i\|^p) \end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. Then there exists a unique derivation  $\delta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  satisfying

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \| (f(x_1) - \delta(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - \delta(x_k)) \|_k \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{d^p + d}{d^p - d} \theta \sum_{l=1}^k \|x_l\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .

**Theorem 5.4.** Let  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be a mapping with  $f(0) = 0$ . If there exists a function  $\varphi : \mathcal{X}^{kd+k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying (4) and (27). If, in addition, there exists a function  $\psi : \mathcal{A}^{2k} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \| (f(x_1 y_1) - f(x_1)f(y_1), \dots, f(x_k y_k) - f(x_k)f(y_k)) \|_k \\ & \leq \psi(x_1, y_1, \dots, x_k, y_k), \end{aligned} \tag{36}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} d^{-2n} \psi(d^n x_1, d^n y_1, \dots, d^n x_k, d^n y_k) = 0 \tag{37}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. Then there exists a unique derivation  $\delta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \| (f(x_1) - \delta(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - \delta(x_k)) \|_k \\ & \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \widetilde{\varphi}(x_1, x_1, \dots, -dx_1, \dots, x_k, x_k, \dots, -dx_k) \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .

*Proof.* We omit the proof because it is similar to the proof of Theorem 5.1.  $\square$

**Corollary 5.5.** Let  $\theta, p$  be nonnegative real numbers with  $p < 1$  and  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be a mapping satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{1i}) + \mu f(x_{1d+1}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{ki}) + \mu f(x_{kd+1}) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{1i} + \mu x_{1d+1}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{ki} + \mu x_{kd+1}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & + \theta \cdot \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p, \end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in \mathcal{A}$ . If, in addition,

$$\begin{aligned} & \| (f(x_1 y_1) - f(x_1)y_1 - x_1 f(y_1), \dots, f(x_k y_k) - f(x_k)y_k - x_k f(y_k)) \|_k \\ & \leq \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^{2p} + \|y_i\|^{2p}) \end{aligned} \tag{40}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. Then there exists a unique derivation  $\delta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  satisfying

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \| (f(x_1) - \delta(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - \delta(x_k)) \|_k \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{d + d^p}{d - d^p} \theta \sum_{l=1}^k \|x_l\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .

**Corollary 5.6.** Let  $\theta, p$  be nonnegative real numbers with  $p < 1$  and  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be a mapping satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{1i}) + \mu f(x_{1d+1}), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^d f(x_{ki}) + \mu f(x_{kd+1}) \right) \right\|_k \\ & \leq \left\| \left( mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{1i} + \mu x_{1d+1}}{m} \right), \dots, mf \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d x_{ki} + \mu x_{kd+1}}{m} \right) \right) \right\|_k \\ & + \theta \cdot \sum_{l=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} \|x_{li}\|^p, \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$



for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$  and all  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kd+1} \in \mathcal{A}$ . If, in addition,

$$\begin{aligned} & \| (f(x_1 y_1) - f(x_1) y_1 - x_1 f(y_1), \dots, f(x_k y_k) - f(x_k) y_k - x_k f(y_k)) \|_k \\ & \leq \theta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{d+1} (\|x_i\|^p \cdot \|y_i\|^p) \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathcal{A}$  whenever the multiplication is defined. Then there exists a unique derivation  $\delta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  satisfying

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \| (f(x_1) - \delta(x_1), \dots, f(x_k) - \delta(x_k)) \|_k \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{d + d^p}{d - d^p} \theta \sum_{l=1}^k \|x_l\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ .

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