



## Stability of Hyper 3-Homomorphisms and Hyper 3-Derivations in Ternary Algebras

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we introduce hyper 3-homomorphisms and hyper 3-derivations in complex ternary algebras and we prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of hyper 3-homomorphisms and hyper 3-derivations in complex ternary algebras for the following 3-additive functional equation

$$f(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2) = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 f(x_i, y_j, z_k). \quad (1)$$

Further, we investigate isomorphisms between complex ternary algebras, associated with the 3-additive functional equation.

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### 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

The first stability problem was raised by Ulam [1] during his talk at University of Wisconsin in 1940. In 1941, Hyers [2] gave a first affirmative answer to the question of Ulam for Banach spaces. Let  $f : E \rightarrow E'$  be a mapping between Banach spaces such that

$$\|f(x + y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \leq \delta$$

for all  $x, y \in E$  and for some  $\delta > 0$ . Then, there exists a unique additive mapping  $l : E \rightarrow E'$  such that

$$\|f(x) - l(x)\| \leq \delta$$

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for all  $x \in E$ . This stability phenomenon is called the Hyers-Ulam stability of the additive functional equation  $g(x+y) = g(x) + g(y)$ . In 1978, Rassias [3] generalized the theorem of Hyers by considering the stability problem with unbounded Cauchy differences. Moreover if  $f(\mu x)$  is continuous in  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$  for each fixed  $x \in E$ , then  $l$  is  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear. Găvruta [4] obtained a generalized result of the Rassias theorem which allows the Cauchy difference to be controlled by a general unbounded function. The stability problems of various functional equations and functional inequalities have been extensively investigated by a number of authors (see [5–14]).

Ternary structures and their generalization, the so-called  $n$ -ary structures, raise certain hopes in view of their applications in physics (see [15–17]). A general ternary algebra is defined as internal ternary multiplication in a vector space. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a linear space over a complex number field equipped with a mapping  $[\cdot, \cdot, \cdot] : \mathcal{A}^3 = \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  with  $(x, y, z) \mapsto [x, y, z]$ , which is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear in each outer variable and conjugate  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear in the middle variable, and satisfies the following associative identity condition

$$[[x, y, z], u, v] = [x, [y, z, u], v] = [x, y, [z, u, v]]$$

for all  $x, y, z, u, v \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then the pair  $(\mathcal{A}, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot])$  is called a complex ternary algebra. Assume that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a complex ternary algebra. Then we say that  $\mathcal{A}$  has a unit if there exist an element  $e \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $[e, e, a] = [e, a, e] = [a, e, e] = a$  for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ . Park [18] and Moslehian [19] contributed works on the stability problem of ternary homomorphisms and ternary derivations and Bavand Savadkouhi [20] investigated the stability problem of ternary Jordan homomorphisms and ternary Jordan derivations. The stability problems of several functional equations have been extensively investigated by a number of authors and there are many interesting results, containing ternary homomorphisms and ternary derivations, concerning this problem (see [21–26]).

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{A}'$  be complex ternary algebras. A  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear mapping  $H : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}'$  is called a ternary algebra homomorphism if

$$H([x, y, z]) = [H(x), H(y), H(z)]$$

for all  $x, y, z \in \mathcal{A}$ . If, in addition, the  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear mapping  $H$  is bijective, then the  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear mapping  $H : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}'$  is called a ternary algebra isomorphism. A  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear mapping  $\delta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is called a ternary algebra derivation if

$$\delta([x, y, z]) = [\delta(x), y, z] + [x, \delta(y), z] + [x, y, \delta(z)]$$

for all  $x, y, z \in \mathcal{A}$  (see [27–30]).

Let  $X$  be a complex ternary algebra. A mapping  $f : X^3 \rightarrow X$  is *3-additive* if

$$f(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2) = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 f(x_i, y_j, z_k)$$

for all  $x_1, y_1, z_1, x_2, y_2, z_2 \in X$ . A mapping  $f : X^3 \rightarrow X$  is called *3-linear* if  $f$  is 3-additive and  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear for each variable.

Throughout the paper, assume that  $X$  is a complex ternary algebra,  $Y$  is a complex ternary Banach algebra and  $t$  is a fixed nonzero real number with  $|t| < 1$ .

## 2. Stability of hyper 3-homomorphisms in ternary algebras

In this section, we prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of hyper 3-homomorphisms in complex ternary algebras and we investigate ternary algebra isomorphisms between complex ternary algebras, associated with the 3-additive functional equation (1).

**Definition 1.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be complex ternary algebras. A 3-linear mapping  $h : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  is called a hyper 3-additive mapping if  $h$  satisfies

$$8h(x_1, y_1, z_1) = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 h(x_i + (-1)^i x_2, y_j + (-1)^j y_2, z_1 + (-1)^k z_2) \quad (2)$$

for all  $x_1, y_1, z_1, x_2, y_2, z_2 \in X$ .

**Definition 2.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be complex ternary algebras. A 3-linear mapping  $h : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  is called a hyper 3-homomorphism if  $h$  satisfies

$$h([x_1, y_1, z_1], [x_2, y_2, z_2], [x_3, y_3, z_3]) = [h(x_1, x_2, x_3), h(y_1, y_2, y_3), h(z_1, z_2, z_3)]$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3, z_1, z_2, z_3 \in X$ .

**Lemma 1.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be complex ternary algebras. Let  $h : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  be a hyper 3-additive mapping and satisfy  $h(2x, 2y, 2z) = 8h(x, y, z)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X^3$ , then  $h$  is 3-additive.

*Proof.* For  $x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, z_1, z_2 \in X$ , we define

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 &:= \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, p_2 := \frac{x_1 - x_2}{2}, q_1 := \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}, \\ q_2 &:= \frac{y_1 - y_2}{2}, r_1 := \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad r_2 := \frac{z_1 - z_2}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from (2) that

$$\begin{aligned} h(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2) &= h(2p_1, 2q_1, 2r_1) \\ &= 8h(p_1, q_1, r_1) \\ &= \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 h(p_1 + (-1)^i p_2, q_1 + (-1)^j q_2, r_1 + (-1)^k r_2) \\ &= \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 h(x_i, y_j, z_k). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

**Lemma 2.** [31] Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be complex vector spaces and  $f : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  be a 3-additive mapping such that

$$f(\lambda x, \mu y, \nu z) = \lambda \mu \nu f(x, y, z)$$

for all  $\lambda, \mu, \nu \in \mathbb{T}^1 := \{\kappa \in \mathbb{R} \mid |\kappa| = 1\}$  and  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then  $f$  is 3-linear.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be complex ternary algebras and  $t$  be a real number satisfying  $|t| < 1$ . Assume that a mapping  $h : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  satisfies

$$h(0, a, b) = h(a, 0, b) = h(a, b, 0) = 0$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| 8h(x_1, y_1, z_1) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 h(x_1 + (-1)^i x_2, y_1 + (-1)^j y_2, z_1 + (-1)^k z_2) \right\| \\ & \leq \left\| t \left( 8 \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 h\left(\frac{x_1 + (-1)^i x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + (-1)^j y_2}{2}, \frac{z_1 + (-1)^k z_2}{2}\right) - 8h(x_1, y_1, z_1) \right) \right\| \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

for all  $a, b \in X$  and all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$ . Then  $h$  is hyper 3-additive.

*Proof.* Letting  $x_1 = x_2 := x, y_1 = y_2 := y$  and  $z_1 = z_2 := z$  in (3), we get

$$\|h(2x, 2y, 2z) - 8h(x, y, z)\| \leq 0$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . So  $h(2x, 2y, 2z) = 8h(x, y, z)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . It follows from (3) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| 8h(x_1, y_1, z_1) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 h(x_1 + (-1)^i x_2, y_1 + (-1)^j y_2, z_1 + (-1)^k z_2) \right\| \\ & \leq \left\| t \left( 8h(x_1, y_1, z_1) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 h(x_1 + (-1)^i x_2, y_1 + (-1)^j y_2, z_1 + (-1)^k z_2) \right) \right\| \end{aligned}$$

for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$ . Thus

$$8h(x_1, y_1, z_1) = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 h(x_1 + (-1)^i x_2, y_1 + (-1)^j y_2, z_1 + (-1)^k z_2)$$

for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$ , since  $|t| < 1$ . Thus, the mapping  $h$  is hyper 3-additive.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $X$  be a complex ternary algebra,  $Y$  be a complex ternary Banach algebra and  $t$  be a real number satisfying  $|t| < 1$ . Let  $\varphi : X^6 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  and  $\psi : X^9 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be functions such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{+\infty} 8^j \varphi\left(\frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j}, \frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j}\right) < \infty$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^{+\infty} 8^{3j} \psi\left(\frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j}\right) < \infty$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . Assume that a mapping  $h : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  satisfies

$$h(0, a, b) = h(a, 0, b) = h(a, b, 0) = 0$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| 8\mu h(x_1, y_1, z_1) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 h(\mu(x_1 + (-1)^i x_2), \mu(y_1 + (-1)^j y_2), \mu(z_1 + (-1)^k z_2)) \right\| \quad (4) \\ & \leq \left\| t \left( 8\mu h(x_1, y_1, z_1) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 h\left(\mu \frac{x_1 + (-1)^i x_2}{2}, \mu \frac{y_1 + (-1)^j y_2}{2}, \mu \frac{z_1 + (-1)^k z_2}{2}\right) \right) \right\| \\ & + \varphi(x_1, y_1, z_1, x_2, y_2, z_2) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $a, b \in X$  and all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$  and all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . Let  $h : X^3 \rightarrow X$  satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} & \|h([x_1, y_1, z_1], [x_2, y_2, z_2], [x_3, y_3, z_3]) - [h(x_1, x_2, x_3), h(y_1, y_2, y_3), h(z_1, z_2, z_3)]\| \quad (5) \\ & \leq \psi(x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3, z_1, z_2, z_3) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3, z_1, z_2, z_3 \in X$ . Then there exists a unique hyper 3-homomorphism  $H : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|h(x, y, z) - H(x, y, z)\| \leq \sum_{j=0}^{+\infty} 8^j \varphi\left(\frac{x}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{y}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{z}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{y}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{z}{2^{j+1}}\right) \quad (6)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

*Proof.* Letting  $\mu = 1, x_1 = x_2 := x, y_1 = y_2 := y$  and  $z_1 = z_2 := z$  in (4), we get

$$\|h(2x, 2y, 2z) - 8h(x, y, z)\| \leq \varphi(x, y, z, x, y, z)$$

and so

$$\left\| h(x, y, z) - 8h\left(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{y}{2}, \frac{z}{2}\right) \right\| \leq \varphi\left(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{y}{2}, \frac{z}{2}, \frac{x}{2}, \frac{y}{2}, \frac{z}{2}\right)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| 8^l h\left(\frac{x}{2^l}, \frac{y}{2^l}, \frac{z}{2^l}\right) - 8^{l+k} h\left(\frac{x}{2^{l+k}}, \frac{y}{2^{l+k}}, \frac{z}{2^{l+k}}\right) \right\| \quad (7) \\ & \leq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \left\| 8^{l+j} h\left(\frac{x}{2^{l+j}}, \frac{y}{2^{l+j}}, \frac{z}{2^{l+j}}\right) - 8^{l+(j+1)} h\left(\frac{x}{2^{l+j+1}}, \frac{y}{2^{l+j+1}}, \frac{z}{2^{l+j+1}}\right) \right\| \\ & = \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} 8^{l+j} \left\| h\left(\frac{x}{2^{l+j}}, \frac{y}{2^{l+j}}, \frac{z}{2^{l+j}}\right) - 8h\left(\frac{x}{2^{l+j+1}}, \frac{y}{2^{l+j+1}}, \frac{z}{2^{l+j+1}}\right) \right\| \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} 8^{l+j} \varphi \left( \frac{x}{2^{l+j+1}}, \frac{y}{2^{l+j+1}}, \frac{z}{2^{l+j+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{l+j+1}}, \frac{y}{2^{l+j+1}}, \frac{z}{2^{l+j+1}} \right)$$

for all nonnegative integers  $l, k$  and all  $x, y, z \in X$ . It follows that  $\{8^j h(\frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j})\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for each  $(x, y, z) \in X^3$ . Since  $Y$  is complete,  $\{8^j h(\frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j})\}$  converges. Thus one can define the mapping  $H : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  by

$$H(x, y, z) := \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^n h \left( \frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{y}{2^n}, \frac{z}{2^n} \right)$$

for all  $(x, y, z) \in X^3$ . Moreover, letting  $l = 0$  and passing the limit  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in (7), we get (6). It follows from (4) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| 8\mu H(x_1, y_1, z_1) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 H(\mu(x_1 + (-1)^i x_2), \mu(y_1 + (-1)^j y_2), \mu(z_1 + (-1)^k z_2)) \right\| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^n \left\| 8\mu h \left( \frac{x_1}{2^n}, \frac{y_1}{2^n}, \frac{z_1}{2^n} \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 h \left( \mu \frac{x_1 + (-1)^i x_2}{2^n}, \mu \frac{y_1 + (-1)^j y_2}{2^n}, \mu \frac{z_1 + (-1)^k z_2}{2^n} \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^n \left\| t \left( 8\mu h \left( \frac{x_1}{2^n}, \frac{y_1}{2^n}, \frac{z_1}{2^n} \right) \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 h \left( \mu \frac{x_1 + (-1)^i x_2}{2^n}, \mu \frac{y_1 + (-1)^j y_2}{2^n}, \mu \frac{z_1 + (-1)^k z_2}{2^n} \right) \right) \right\| \\ &+ \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^n \varphi \left( \frac{x_1}{2^n}, \frac{y_1}{2^n}, \frac{z_1}{2^n}, \frac{x_2}{2^n}, \frac{y_2}{2^n}, \frac{z_2}{2^n} \right) \\ &= \left\| t (8\mu H(x_1, y_1, z_1) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 H(\mu(x_1 + (-1)^i x_2), \mu(y_1 + (-1)^j y_2), \mu(z_1 + (-1)^k z_2))) \right\| \end{aligned}$$

for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| 8\mu H(x_1, y_1, z_1) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 H(\mu(x_1 + (-1)^i x_2), \mu(y_1 + (-1)^j y_2), \mu(z_1 + (-1)^k z_2)) \right\| \\ &\leq \left\| t (8\mu H(x_1, y_1, z_1) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 H(\mu(x_1 + (-1)^i x_2), \mu(y_1 + (-1)^j y_2), \mu(z_1 + (-1)^k z_2))) \right\| \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . Let  $\mu = 1$  in (8). By Theorem 1, the mapping  $H : X^3 \rightarrow X$  is 3-additive. It follows from (8) and the 3-additivity of  $H$  that

$$\left\| \left\| 8\mu H(x_1, y_1, z_1) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 H(\mu(x_1 + (-1)^i x_2), \mu(y_1 + (-1)^j y_2), \mu(z_1 + (-1)^k z_2)) \right\| \right. \\ \left. \leq \|t(8\mu H(x_1, y_1, z_1) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 H(\mu(x_1 + (-1)^i x_2), \mu(y_1 + (-1)^j y_2), \mu(z_1 + (-1)^k z_2)))\| \right\|$$

for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . Since  $|t| < 1$ ,

$$8\mu H(x_1, y_1, z_1) = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 H(\mu(x_1 + (-1)^i x_2), \mu(y_1 + (-1)^j y_2), \mu(z_1 + (-1)^k z_2)),$$

and  $H(\mu(x_1, y_1, z_1)) = \mu H(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1) \in X^3$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . By Lemma 2, the mapping  $H : X^3 \rightarrow X$  is 3-linear. It follows from (5) and the 3-additivity of  $H$  that

$$\|H([x_1, y_1, z_1], [x_2, y_2, z_2], [x_3, y_3, z_3]) - [H(x_1, x_2, x_3), H(y_1, y_2, y_3), H(z_1, z_2, z_3)]\| \\ = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^{3n} \left\| h \left( \frac{[x_1, y_1, z_1]}{8^n}, \frac{[x_2, y_2, z_2]}{8^n}, \frac{[x_3, y_3, z_3]}{8^n} \right) \right. \\ \left. - \left[ h \left( \frac{x_1}{2^n}, \frac{x_2}{2^n}, \frac{x_3}{2^n} \right), h \left( \frac{y_1}{2^n}, \frac{y_2}{2^n}, \frac{y_3}{2^n} \right), h \left( \frac{z_1}{2^n}, \frac{z_2}{2^n}, \frac{z_3}{2^n} \right) \right] \right\| \\ \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^{3n} \psi \left( \frac{x_1}{2^n}, \frac{x_2}{2^n}, \frac{x_3}{2^n}, \frac{y_1}{2^n}, \frac{y_2}{2^n}, \frac{y_3}{2^n}, \frac{z_1}{2^n}, \frac{z_2}{2^n}, \frac{z_3}{2^n} \right) = 0.$$

So

$$H([x_1, y_1, z_1], [x_2, y_2, z_2], [x_3, y_3, z_3]) = [H(x_1, x_2, x_3), H(y_1, y_2, y_3), H(z_1, z_2, z_3)]$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3, z_1, z_2, z_3 \in X$ . Therefore, the mapping  $H$  is a unique hyper 3-homomorphism satisfying (6).

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $X$  be a complex ternary algebra,  $Y$  be a complex ternary Banach algebra and  $t$  be a real number satisfying  $|t| < 1$ . Let  $h : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  be a bijective mapping satisfying (4) such that*

$$h([x_1, y_1, z_1], [x_2, y_2, z_2], [x_3, y_3, z_3]) = [h(x_1, x_2, x_3), h(y_1, y_2, y_3), h(z_1, z_2, z_3)] \tag{9}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3, z_1, z_2, z_3 \in X$ . If  $h(\alpha x_0, \beta y_0, \gamma z_0)$  is continuous in  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  for each fixed  $(x_0, y_0, z_0) \in X^3$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^n h \left( \frac{e}{2^n}, \frac{e}{2^n}, \frac{e}{2^n} \right) = e'$ , then the mapping  $h : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  is a hyper 3-isomorphism.

*Proof.* Since  $h$  satisfies (9), the mapping  $h : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  satisfies (4) by Theorem 1, there exists a hyper 3-homomorphism  $H : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  satisfying (6). The mapping  $H : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  is defined by

$$H(x, y, z) := \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^n h\left(\frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{y}{2^n}, \frac{z}{2^n}\right)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . It follows from (9) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \| [H(x_1, x_2, x_3), H(y_1, y_2, y_3), H(z_1, z_2, z_3)] - [H(x_1, x_2, x_3), H(y_1, y_2, y_3), h(z_1, z_2, z_3)] \| \\ &= \| H([x_1, y_1, z_1], [x_2, y_2, z_2], [x_3, y_3, z_3]) - [H(x_1, x_2, x_3), H(y_1, y_2, y_3), h(z_1, z_2, z_3)] \| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^{2n} \left\| h\left(\left[\frac{x_1}{2^n}, \frac{y_1}{2^n}, z_1\right], \left[\frac{x_2}{2^n}, \frac{y_2}{2^n}, z_2\right], \left[\frac{x_3}{2^n}, \frac{y_3}{2^n}, z_3\right]\right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left[ h\left(\frac{x_1}{2^n}, \frac{x_2}{2^n}, \frac{x_3}{2^n}\right), h\left(\frac{y_1}{2^n}, \frac{y_2}{2^n}, \frac{y_3}{2^n}\right), h(z_1, z_2, z_3) \right] \right\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^{2n} \psi\left(\frac{x_1}{2^n}, \frac{x_2}{2^n}, \frac{x_3}{2^n}, \frac{y_1}{2^n}, \frac{y_2}{2^n}, \frac{y_3}{2^n}, z_1, z_2, z_3\right) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3, z_1, z_2, z_3 \in X$ . So

$$[H(x_1, x_2, x_3), H(y_1, y_2, y_3), H(z_1, z_2, z_3)] = [H(x_1, x_2, x_3), H(y_1, y_2, y_3), h(z_1, z_2, z_3)]$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3, z_1, z_2, z_3 \in X$ . Letting  $x_1 = y_1 = x_2 = y_2 = x_3 = y_3 = e$  in the last equality, we get  $h(z_1, z_2, z_3) = H(z_1, z_2, z_3)$  for all  $z_1, z_2, z_3 \in X$ . Therefore, the bijective mapping  $h : X^3 \rightarrow Y$  is a hyper 3-isomorphism.

### 3. Stability of hyper 3-derivations in ternary algebras

In this section, we prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of hyper 3-derivations in complex ternary algebras.

**Definition 3.** Let  $X$  be a ternary algebra. A 3-linear mapping  $f : X^3 \rightarrow X$  is called a hyper 3-derivation if  $f$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} f([x_1, y_1, z_1], [x_2, y_2, z_2], [x_3, y_3, z_3]) &= [f(x_1, x_2, x_3), [y_1, y_2, y_3], [z_1, z_2, z_3]] \\ &+ [[x_1, x_2, x_3], f(y_1, y_2, y_3), [z_1, z_2, z_3]] \\ &+ [[x_1, x_2, x_3], [y_1, y_2, y_3], f(z_1, z_2, z_3)] \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3, z_1, z_2, z_3 \in X$ .

**Theorem 4.** Let  $X$  be a ternary algebra and  $t$  be a real number satisfying  $|t| < 1$ . If a mapping  $f : X^3 \rightarrow X$  satisfies

$$\left\| f(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 f(x_i, y_j, z_k) \right\| \tag{10}$$



$$\leq \left\| t \left( 8f \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}, \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2} \right) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 f(x_i, y_j, z_k) \right) \right\|$$

for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$ . Then  $f$  is 3-additive.

*Proof.* Letting  $x_1 = x_2 := x, y_1 = y_2 := y$  and  $z_1 = z_2 := z$  in (10), we get

$$\|f(2x, 2y, 2z) - 8f(x, y, z)\| \leq 0$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . So  $f(2x, 2y, 2z) = 8f(x, y, z)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . It follows from (10) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| f(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 f(x_i, y_j, z_k) \right\| \\ & \leq \left\| t \left( f(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2) - \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 f(x_i, y_j, z_k) \right) \right\| \end{aligned}$$

for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$ . Thus

$$f(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2) = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 f(x_i, y_j, z_k)$$

for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$ , since  $|t| < 1$ . Thus the mapping  $f$  is 3-additive.

**Theorem 5.** Let  $X$  be a ternary Banach algebra and  $t$  be a real number satisfying  $|t| < 1$ . Let  $\varphi : X^6 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  and  $\psi : X^9 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be functions such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{+\infty} 8^j \varphi \left( \frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j}, \frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j} \right) < \infty$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^{+\infty} 8^{3j} \psi \left( \frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j} \right) < \infty$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . Let  $f : X^3 \rightarrow X$  be a mapping satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| f(\mu(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2)) - \mu \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 f(x_i, y_j, z_k) \right\| \\ & \leq \left\| t \left( 8f \left( \mu \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}, \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2} \right) \right) - \mu \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 f(x_i, y_j, z_k) \right) \right\| \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

$$+\varphi(x_1, y_1, z_1, x_2, y_2, z_2)$$

for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} & \|f([x_1, y_1, z_1], [x_2, y_2, z_2], [x_3, y_3, z_3]) - [f(x_1, x_2, x_3), [y_1, y_2, y_3], [z_1, z_2, z_3]] \\ & - [[x_1, x_2, x_3], f(y_1, y_2, y_3), [z_1, z_2, z_3]] - [[x_1, x_2, x_3], [y_1, y_2, y_3], f(z_1, z_2, z_3)]\| \\ & \leq \psi(x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3, z_1, z_2, z_3) \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3, z_1, z_2, z_3 \in X$ . Then there exists a unique hyper 3-derivation  $D : X^3 \rightarrow X$  such that

$$\|f(x, y, z) - D(x, y, z)\| \leq \sum_{j=0}^{+\infty} 8^j \varphi\left(\frac{x}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{y}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{z}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{y}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{z}{2^{j+1}}\right) \tag{13}$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

*Proof.* Letting  $\mu = 1, x_1 = x_2 := x, y_1 = y_2 := y$  and  $z_1 = z_2 := z$  in (11), we get

$$\|f(2x, 2y, 2z) - 8f(x, y, z)\| \leq \varphi(x, y, z, x, y, z)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . By induction, we have

$$\left\|f(x, y, z) - 8^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{y}{2^n}, \frac{z}{2^n}\right)\right\| \leq \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} 8^j \varphi\left(\frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j}, \frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j}\right)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\|8^l f\left(\frac{x}{2^l}, \frac{y}{2^l}, \frac{z}{2^l}\right) - 8^k f\left(\frac{x}{2^k}, \frac{y}{2^k}, \frac{z}{2^k}\right)\right\| \\ & \leq \sum_{j=l}^{k-1} \left\|8^j f\left(\frac{x}{2^j}, \frac{y}{2^j}, \frac{z}{2^j}\right) - 8^{j+1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{y}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{z}{2^{j+1}}\right)\right\| \\ & \leq \sum_{j=l}^{k-1} 8^j \varphi\left(\frac{x}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{y}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{z}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{y}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{z}{2^{j+1}}\right) \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

for all nonnegative integers  $l, k(k > l)$  and all  $x, y, z \in X$ . It follows that the sequence  $\{8^k f(\frac{x}{2^k}, \frac{y}{2^k}, \frac{z}{2^k})\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for each  $(x, y, z) \in X^3$ . Since  $X$  is complete, the sequence  $\{8^k f(\frac{x}{2^k}, \frac{y}{2^k}, \frac{z}{2^k})\}$  converges. Thus one can define the mapping  $D : X^3 \rightarrow X$  by

$$D(x, y, z) := \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{y}{2^n}, \frac{z}{2^n}\right)$$

for all  $(x, y, z) \in X^3$ . Moreover, letting  $l = 0$  and passing the limit  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in (14), we get (13). It follows from (11) that

$$\|D(\mu(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2)) - \mu \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 D(x_i, y_j, z_k)\|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^n \left\| \left\| f \left( \mu \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2^n}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2^n}, \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2^n} \right) - \mu \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 f \left( \frac{x_i}{2^n}, \frac{y_j}{2^n}, \frac{z_k}{2^n} \right) \right) \right\| \\
 &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^n \left\| \left\| t \left( 8f \left( \mu \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2^{n+1}}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2^{n+1}}, \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2^{n+1}} \right) \right) - \mu \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 f \left( \frac{x_i}{2^n}, \frac{y_j}{2^n}, \frac{z_k}{2^n} \right) \right) \right\| \\
 &+ \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^n \varphi \left( \frac{x_1}{2^n}, \frac{y_1}{2^n}, \frac{z_1}{2^n}, \frac{x_2}{2^n}, \frac{y_2}{2^n}, \frac{z_2}{2^n} \right) \\
 &= \left\| \left\| t \left( 8D \left( \mu \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}, \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2} \right) \right) - \mu \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 D(x_i, y_j, z_k) \right) \right\| \right\|
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\|D(\mu(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2)) - \mu \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 D(x_i, y_j, z_k)\| \tag{15} \\
 &\leq \left\| \left\| t \left( 8D \left( \mu \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}, \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2} \right) \right) - \mu \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 D(x_i, y_j, z_k) \right) \right\| \right\|
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . Let  $\mu = 1$  in (15). By Theorem 4, the mapping  $D : X^3 \rightarrow X$  is 3-additive. It follows from (15) and the 3-additivity of  $D$  that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\|D(\mu(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2)) - \mu \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 D(x_i, y_j, z_k)\| \\
 &\leq \left\| \left\| t \left( D(\mu(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2)) - \mu \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 D(x_i, y_j, z_k) \right) \right\| \right\|
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in X^3$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . Since  $|t| < 1$ ,

$$D(\mu(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2)) = \mu \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 D(x_i, y_j, z_k)$$

and  $D(\mu(x_1, y_1, z_1)) = \mu D(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  for all  $(x_1, y_1, z_1) \in X^3$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . By Lemma 2, the mapping  $D : X^3 \rightarrow X$  is 3-linear. It follows from (12) and the 3-additivity of  $D$  that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\|D([x_1, y_1, z_1], [x_2, y_2, z_2], [x_3, y_3, z_3]) - [D(x_1, x_2, x_3), [y_1, y_2, y_3], [z_1, z_2, z_3]] \\
 &- [x_1, x_2, x_3], D(y_1, y_2, y_3), [z_1, z_2, z_3]] - [[x_1, x_2, x_3], [y_1, y_2, y_3], D(z_1, z_2, z_3)]\| \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^{3n} \left\| \left\| f \left( \frac{[x_1, y_1, z_1]}{8^n}, \frac{[x_2, y_2, z_2]}{8^n}, \frac{[x_3, y_3, z_3]}{8^n} \right) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. - \left[ f \left( \frac{x_1}{2^n}, \frac{x_2}{2^n}, \frac{x_3}{2^n} \right), \frac{[y_1, y_2, y_3]}{8^n}, \frac{[z_1, z_2, z_3]}{8^n} \right] \right\| \right\|
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & - \left[ \frac{[x_1, x_2, x_3]}{8^n}, f\left(\frac{y_1}{2^n}, \frac{y_2}{2^n}, \frac{y_3}{2^n}\right), \frac{[z_1, z_2, z_3]}{8^n} \right] \\ & - \left[ \frac{[x_1, x_2, x_3]}{8^n}, \frac{[y_1, y_2, y_3]}{8^n}, f\left(\frac{z_1}{2^n}, \frac{z_2}{2^n}, \frac{z_3}{2^n}\right) \right] \parallel \\ & \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 8^{3n} \psi\left(\frac{x_1}{2^n}, \frac{x_2}{2^n}, \frac{x_3}{2^n}, \frac{y_1}{2^n}, \frac{y_2}{2^n}, \frac{y_3}{2^n}, \frac{z_1}{2^n}, \frac{z_2}{2^n}, \frac{z_3}{2^n}\right) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3, z_1, z_2, z_3 \in X$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} D([x_1, y_1, z_1], [x_2, y_2, z_2], [x_3, y_3, z_3]) &= [D(x_1, x_2, x_3), [y_1, y_2, y_3], [z_1, z_2, z_3]] \\ &- [[x_1, x_2, x_3], D(y_1, y_2, y_3), [z_1, z_2, z_3]] - [[x_1, x_2, x_3], [y_1, y_2, y_3], D(z_1, z_2, z_3)] \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3, z_1, z_2, z_3 \in X$ . Therefore, the mapping  $H$  is a unique hyper 3-derivation satisfying (13).

#### 4. Conclusion and future work

In this paper, we introduced hyper 3-homomorphisms and hyper 3-derivations in ternary algebras and we proved the Hyers-Ulam stability of hyper 3-homomorphisms and hyper 3-derivations in ternary Banach algebras, associated with the 3-additive functional equation (1). We will provide suitable examples and useful applications in next work.

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