# A Perturbation of Jensen \*-Derivations from K(H)into K(H)

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**Abstract.** Let's take *H* as an infinite–dimensional Hilbert space and K(H) be the set of all compact operators on *H*. Using Spectral theorem for compact self–adjoint operators, we prove the Hyers–Ulam stability of Jensen \*-derivations from K(H) into K(H).

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## 1 Introduction

In a Hilbert space H, an operator T in B(H) is called a compact operator if the image of unit ball of H under T is a compact subset of H. Note that if the operator  $T: H \longrightarrow H$  is compact, then the adjoint of T is compact, too. The set of all compact operators on H is shown by K(H). It is easy to see that K(H) is a  $C^*$ -algebra [1]. Moreover, every operator on H with finite range is compact. The set of all finite range projections on Hilbert space H is denoted by P(H).

An approximate unit for a *C*<sup>\*</sup>-algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is an increasing net  $(u_{\lambda})_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  of positive elements in the closed unit ball of  $\mathcal{A}$  such that  $a = \lim_{\lambda} a u_{\lambda} = \lim_{\lambda} u_{\lambda} a$  for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ . Every *C*<sup>\*</sup>-algebra admits an approximate unit [2].

**Example 1.1.** Let *H* be a Hilbert space with orthonormal basis  $(e_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ . The *C*\*-algebra K(H) is non–unital since  $dim(H) = \infty$ . If  $P_n$  is a projection on  $\mathbb{C}e_1 + \cdots + \mathbb{C}e_n$ , then the increasing sequence  $(P_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is an approximate unit for K(H).

**Theorem 1.1** (see [2]). Let  $T: H \longrightarrow H$  be a compact self-adjoint operator on Hilbert space H. Then there is an orthonormal basis of H consisting of eigenvectors of T. The nonzero eigenvalues of T are from finite or countably infinite set  $\{\lambda_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  of real numbers and  $T = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k P_k$ , where  $P_k$  is the orthogonal projection on the finite-dimensional space of eigenvectors corresponding to eigenvalues. If the number of nonzero eigenvalues is countably infinite, then the series converges to T in the operator norm.

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The problem of stability of functional equations originated from a question of Ulam [5] concerning the stability of group homomorphisms: let (G1,\*) be a group and let (G2,\*,d) be a metric group with the metric  $d(\cdot,\cdot)$ . Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , does there exist a  $\delta(\varepsilon) > 0$  such that if a mapping  $h: G_1 \longrightarrow G_2$  satisfies the inequality

$$d(h(x*y),h(x)\star h(y)) < \delta$$

for all  $x, y \in G_1$ , then there exists a homomorphism  $H: G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  with

$$d(h(x),H(x)) < \varepsilon$$

for all  $x \in G_1$ ? If the answer is affirmative, we would say that the equation of homomorphism H(x\*y)=H(x)\*H(y) is stable. Thus, the stability question of functional equations is that how the solutions of the inequality differ from those of the given functional equation.

Hyers [3] gave the first affirmative answer to the question of Ulam for Banach spaces. Let *X* and *Y* be Banach spaces. Assume that  $f: X \longrightarrow Y$  satisfies

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

for all  $x, y \in X$  and some  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then, there exists a unique additive mapping  $T : X \longrightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - T(x)\| \leq \varepsilon$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Also, if the function  $t \mapsto f(tx)$  from  $\mathbb{R}$  to Y is continuous for each fixed  $x \in X$ , then T is an  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear function. This method is called the direct method or Hyers–Ulam stability of functional equations.

Note that if *f* is continuous, then the function  $r \mapsto f(rx)$  from  $\mathbb{R}$  into *Y* is continuous for all  $x \in X$ . Therefore *T* is  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear.

**Definition 1.1.** Let *X* and *Y* be real linear spaces. For  $n \in \{2,3,4,\dots\}$  the mapping  $f:X \longrightarrow Y$  is called a Jensen mapping of *n*-variable, if *f* for each  $x_1,\dots,x_n \in X$  satisfies the following equation

$$f\left(\frac{x_1+\cdots+x_n}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{n} (f(x_1)+\cdots+f(x_n)).$$

In 2003, J. M. Rassias and M. J. Rassias [4] investigated the Ulam stability of Jensen and Jensen type mappings by applying the Hyers method. In 2012, M. Eshaghi Gordji and S. Abbaszadeh [6] investigated the Hyers–Ulam stability of Jensen type and generalized *n*-variable Jensen type functional equations in fuzzy Banach spaces.

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra. A mapping  $d: \mathcal{A} \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}$  with  $d(a^*) = d(a)^*$  for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  (\*-preserving property) is called a Jensen \*-derivation if d satisfies

$$d(x_1x_2) = x_1d(x_2) + d(x_1)x_2$$

and

$$d\left(\frac{\lambda x_1 + \dots + \lambda x_n}{n}\right) = \frac{\lambda}{n} (d(x_1) + \dots + d(x_n))$$

for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $x_1, \cdots, x_n \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $n \in \{2, 3, 4, \cdots\}$ .

**Definition 1.3.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra. A mapping  $d: \mathcal{A} \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}$  with  $d(a^*) = d(a)^*$  for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  (\*-preserving property) and d(0) = 0 is called a Jensen Jordan \*-derivation if d satisfies

$$d(x_1x_2+x_2x_1) = x_1d(x_2) + d(x_1)x_2 + x_2d(x_1) + d(x_2)x_1$$

and

$$d\left(\frac{\lambda x_1 + \dots + \lambda x_n}{n}\right) = \frac{\lambda}{n} (d(x_1) + \dots + d(x_n))$$

for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $x_1, \cdots, x_n \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $n \in \{2, 3, 4, \cdots\}$ .

B. E. Johnson [7] investigated almost algebra \*-homomorphism between Banach \*algebras. Recently, M. Eshaghi Gordji et al. have investigated several stability results on homomorphisms and Jordan homomorphisms on C\*-algebras (see [8]).

In the present paper, using spectral theorem for compact self–adjoint operators, we prove that every almost-Jensen \*-preserving map  $\varphi:K(H) \longrightarrow K(H)$  satisfying  $\varphi(T2^nP) = T2^n \varphi(P) + \varphi(T)2^n P$  for all  $P \in P(H)$ , can be Jensen \*-derivation. Also, we show that every almost-Jensen \*-preserving map  $\varphi:K(H) \longrightarrow K(H)$  satisfying

$$\varphi(T2^nP+2^nPT) = T2^n\varphi(P) + \varphi(T)2^nP+2^nP\varphi(T) + 2^n\varphi(P)T$$

for all  $P \in P(H)$ , can be Jensen Jordan \*-derivation.

## 2 Jensen \*-derivations and Jensen Jordan \*-derivations

From now on, we suppose that *H* is an infinite dimensional Hilbert space, K(H) is the set of all compact operators and P(H) is the set of all finite range projections on *H*.

It is easy to see that if a Jensen mapping  $\varphi$  satisfies the condition  $\varphi(0) = 0$ , then  $\varphi$  is additive. We use this fact in the main results of this paper.

**Lemma 2.1.** Assume that X and Y be linear spaces. If a mapping  $f: X \longrightarrow Y$  is additive and for each fixed  $x \in X$ ,  $f(\lambda x) = \lambda f(x)$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{T}^1_{\theta_0} := \{e^{i\theta} : 0 \le \theta < \theta_0 \le 2\pi\}$ . Then f is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear.

*Proof.* If  $\lambda$  belongs to  $\mathbb{T}^1$ , then there exists  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$  such that  $\lambda = e^{i\theta}$ . It follows from  $\frac{\theta}{n} \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$  that there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\lambda_1 = e^{i\frac{\theta}{n_0}}$  belongs to  $\mathbb{T}^1_{\theta_0}$  and  $f(\lambda x) = f(\lambda_1^{n_0} x) = \lambda_1^{n_0} f(x) = \lambda f(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Let  $t \in (0,1)$ . Putting  $t_1 = t + i(1-t^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $t_2 = t - i(1-t^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , then we have  $t = \frac{t_1+t_2}{2}$  and  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . It follows that

$$f(tx) = f(\frac{t_1 + t_2}{2}x) = \frac{t_1}{2}f(x) + \frac{t_2}{2}f(x) = tf(x).$$

If  $\lambda \in B_1 := \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}; |\lambda| \le 1\}$ , then there exists  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$  such that  $\lambda = |\lambda|e^{i\theta}$ . It follows that

$$f(\lambda x) = f(|\lambda|e^{i\theta}x) = |\lambda|f(e^{i\theta}x) = \lambda f(x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . If  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  then there exist  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  (from  $\frac{\lambda}{n} \to 0$  as  $\to \infty$ ) such that  $\lambda_0 = \frac{\lambda}{n_0} \in B_1$ and for all  $x \in X$ 

$$f(\lambda x) = f(n_0 \lambda_0 x) = n_0 \lambda_0 f(x) = \lambda f(x).$$

Thus, we complete the proof.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let *H* be an infinite dimensional Hilbert space and  $\varepsilon > 0$  is given; if a continuous mapping  $\varphi: K(H) \longrightarrow K(H)$  with  $\varphi(0) = 0$  satisfies the following conditions: (1)  $\varphi(TP) = T\varphi(P) + \varphi(T)P$  for all  $T \in K(H)$  and  $P \in P(H)$ ; (2)  $\|\varphi\left(\frac{\lambda T_1 + \dots + \lambda T_n}{n}\right) - \frac{\lambda}{n}(\varphi(T_1) + \dots + \varphi(T_n))\| < \varepsilon$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{T}^1_{\theta_0}$  with  $0 < \theta_0 \le 2\pi$ ; (3)  $\|\varphi(T^*) - \varphi(T)^*\| < \varepsilon$  for all  $T \in K(H)$ . Then there exists a unique Jensen \*-derivation  $D: K(H) \longrightarrow K(H)$  such that

$$\|D(T) - \varphi(T)\| < \varepsilon$$

for all  $T \in K(H)$ .

*Proof.* From condition (2), there exists a unique Jensen mapping  $D: K(H) \longrightarrow K(H)$  with  $D(T) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \varphi(2^n T)$  such that

$$\|D(T) - \varphi(T)\| < \varepsilon$$

for all  $T \in K(H)$  (see [4,6]). Note that D(0) = 0, thus D is additive. Now, it follows from condition (2) and Lemma 2.1 that D is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear.

It follows from condition (1) that

$$D(TP) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \varphi(2^n TP) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \left[ T\varphi(2^n P) + \varphi(T) 2^n P \right] = TD(P) + \varphi(T)P$$
(2.1)

for all  $T \in K(H)$  and  $P \in P(H)$ . So, since *D* is linear we get

$$D(TP) = \frac{D((2^{n}T)P)}{2^{n}} = TD(P) + \frac{1}{2^{n}}\varphi(2^{n}T)P$$

for all  $T \in K(H)$  and  $P \in P(H)$ . By tending *n* to infinity in the last equality above, we obtain

$$D(TP) = TD(P) + D(T)P$$
(2.2)

for all  $T \in K(H)$  and  $P \in P(H)$ . By (2.1) and (2.2), we have  $\varphi(T)P = D(T)P$  for all  $T \in K(H)$  and  $P \in P(H)$ .

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Now, we show that  $D \equiv \varphi$ . Let  $\{P_m\} \subset P(H)$  be an approximate unit of K(H), then we get

$$D(T) = \lim_{m} D(T) P_{m} = \lim_{m} \varphi(T) P_{m} = \varphi(T)$$

for all  $T \in K(H)$ .

Given  $S,T \in K(H)$ , there are compact self adjoint operators  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  such that  $S = S_1 + iS_2$ . According to Theorem 1.1 we have

$$S = S_1 + iS_2 = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i P_i + i \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \beta_j P_j,$$

where  $P_k \in P(H)$  and  $\alpha_k, \beta_k \in \mathbb{C}$  for all  $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ . It follows from linearity and continuity of *D* and *T* that

$$D(TS) = D\left(T\left\{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i P_i + i \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \beta_j P_j\right\}\right)$$
  
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} D\left(T\alpha_i P_i\right) + i \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} D\left(T\beta_j P_j\right)$$
  
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left[TD\left(\alpha_i P_i\right) + D(T)\alpha_i P_i\right] + i \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left[TD\left(\beta_j P_j\right) + D(T)\beta_j P_j\right]$$
  
$$= T\left\{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} D\left(\alpha_i P_i\right) + i \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} D\left(\beta_j P_j\right)\right\} + D(T)\left\{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i P_i + i \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \beta_j P_j\right\}$$
  
$$= TD(S) + D(T)S.$$

The last equality obtained by continuity of  $\varphi$ . Indeed,  $\sum_{i=1}^{m} P_i \rightarrow S_1$  uniformly. Hence

$$\begin{split} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} D\left(\alpha_{i} P_{i}\right) &= \lim_{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} D\left(\alpha_{i} P_{i}\right) = \lim_{n} D\left(\sum_{i=1}^{m} \alpha_{i} P_{i}\right) \\ &= \lim_{m} \lim_{n} \frac{1}{2^{n}} \varphi\left(2^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \alpha_{i} P_{i}\right) = \lim_{n} \lim_{m} \frac{1}{2^{n}} \varphi\left(2^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \alpha_{i} P_{i}\right) \\ &= \lim_{n} \frac{1}{2^{n}} \varphi\left(2^{n} \lim_{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \alpha_{i} P_{i}\right) = \lim_{n} \frac{1}{2^{n}} \varphi\left(2^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_{i} P_{i}\right) \\ &= D\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_{i} P_{i}\right). \end{split}$$

From the condition (3) we conclude that

$$||D(T^*) - D(T)^*|| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} ||\varphi(2^n T^*) - \varphi(2^n T)^*|| \to 0.$$

Hence, *D* is \*-preserving. This means that *D* is a Jensen \*-derivation.

**Corollary 2.1.** Let *H* be an infinite dimensional Hilbert space and  $\varepsilon > 0$  is given; if a mapping  $\varphi: K(H) \longrightarrow K(H)$  with  $\varphi(0) = 0$  satisfies the following conditions:

(1) 
$$\varphi(TP+PT) = T\varphi(P) + \varphi(T)P + P\varphi(T) + \varphi(P)T$$
 for all  $T \in K(H)$  and  $P \in P(H)$ ;

(2) 
$$\left\|\varphi\left(\frac{\lambda T_1+\dots+\lambda T_n}{n}\right)-\frac{\lambda}{n}\left(\varphi(T_1)+\dots+\varphi(T_n)\right)\right\|<\varepsilon$$
 for all  $\lambda\in\mathbb{T}^1_{\frac{1}{n_0}}$ 

(3)  $\|\varphi(T^*) - \varphi(T)^*\| < \varepsilon$  for all  $T \in K(H)$ .

Then  $\varphi$  is Jensen Jordan \*-derivation.

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