

JORDAN $*$ -HOMOMORPHISMS BETWEEN UNITAL C^* -ALGEBRAS: A FIXED POINT APPROACH

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Abstract. Let A, B be two unital C^* -algebras. By using fixed point methods, we prove that:

a) Every almost unital almost linear mapping $h : A \rightarrow B$ which satisfies $h(2^n uy + 2^n yu) = h(2^n u)h(y) + h(y)h(2^n u)$ for all $u \in U(A)$, all $y \in A$, and all $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, is a Jordan homomorphism.

b) For a unital C^* -algebra A of real rank zero, every almost unital almost linear continuous mapping $h : A \rightarrow B$ is a Jordan homomorphism when $h(2^n uy + 2^n yu) = h(2^n u)h(y) + h(y)h(2^n u)$ holds for all $u \in I_1(A_{sa})$, all $y \in A$, and all $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$.

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