

# Can one identify two unital JB\*-algebras by the metric spaces determined by their unitary sets?

## A Hatori-Molnár type theorem for unital JB\*-algebras

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### Theorem

Let  $M$  and  $N$  be two unital JB\*-algebras, and let  $\mathcal{U}(M)$  and  $\mathcal{U}(N)$  denote the sets of all unitaries in  $M$  and  $N$ , respectively. Suppose  $\Delta : \mathcal{U}(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}(N)$  is a surjective isometry, and that one of the following holds:

- $\|\mathbf{1}_N - \Delta(\mathbf{1}_M)\| < 2$ ;
- $\exists \omega_0 \in \mathcal{U}(M)$  such that  $U_{\omega_0}(\Delta(\mathbf{1}_M)) = \mathbf{1}_N$ .

Then there exists a unitary  $\omega$  in  $N$  satisfying

$$\Delta(e^{iM_{sa}}) = U_{\omega^*}(e^{iN_{sa}}).$$

Furthermore, there exist a Jordan \*-isomorphism  $\Phi : M \rightarrow N$ , and a central projection  $p$  in  $N$  such that

$$\Delta(e^{ih}) = U_{\omega^*}(p \circ \Phi(e^{ih})) + U_{\omega^*}((\mathbf{1}_N - p) \circ \Phi(e^{ih})^*), \quad \forall h \in M_{sa}.$$

Consequently, the restriction  $\Delta|_{e^{iM_{sa}}}$  admits a (unique) extension to a surjective real linear isometry from  $M$  onto  $N$ .

### Corollary

The following statements are equivalent for any  $M$  and  $N$  unital JB\*-algebras:

- $M$  and  $N$  are isometrically isomorphic as (complex) Banach spaces;
- $M$  and  $N$  are isometrically isomorphic as real Banach spaces;
- There exists a surjective isometry  $\Delta : \mathcal{U}(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}(N)$ .

### Unitary Tingley's problem for JBW\*-algebras

Let  $\Delta : \mathcal{U}(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}(N)$  be a surjective isometry, where  $M$  and  $N$  are two JBW\*-algebras. Then there exist a unitary  $\omega$  in  $N$ , a central projection  $p \in N$ , and a Jordan \*-isomorphism  $\Phi : M \rightarrow N$  such that

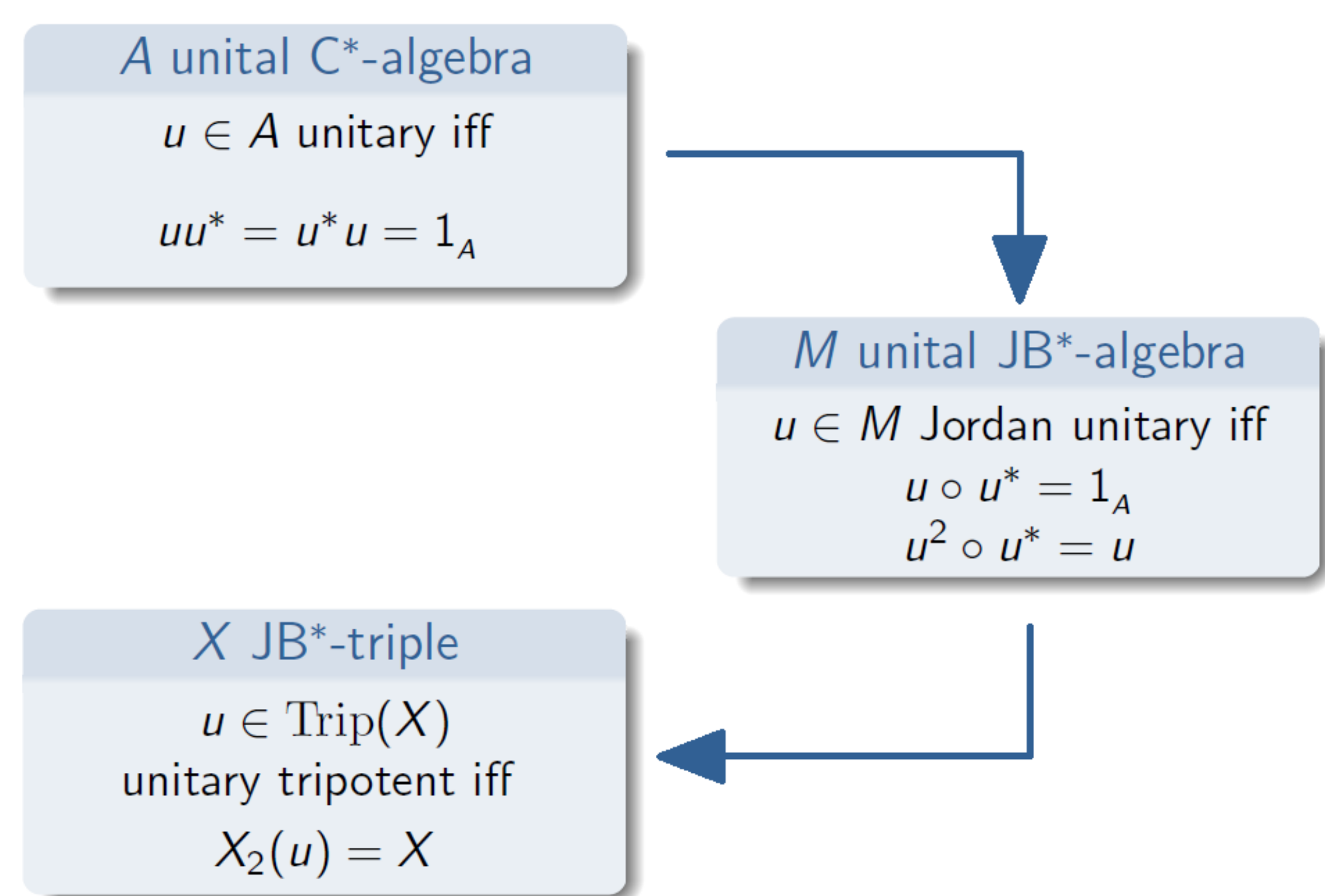
$$\Delta(u) = U_{\omega^*}(p \circ \Phi(u)) + U_{\omega^*}((\mathbf{1}_N - p) \circ \Phi(u)^*), \quad \forall u \in \mathcal{U}(M).$$

Consequently,  $\Delta$  admits a (unique) extension to a surjective real linear isometry from  $M$  onto  $N$ .

### [ JB\*-algebras ]

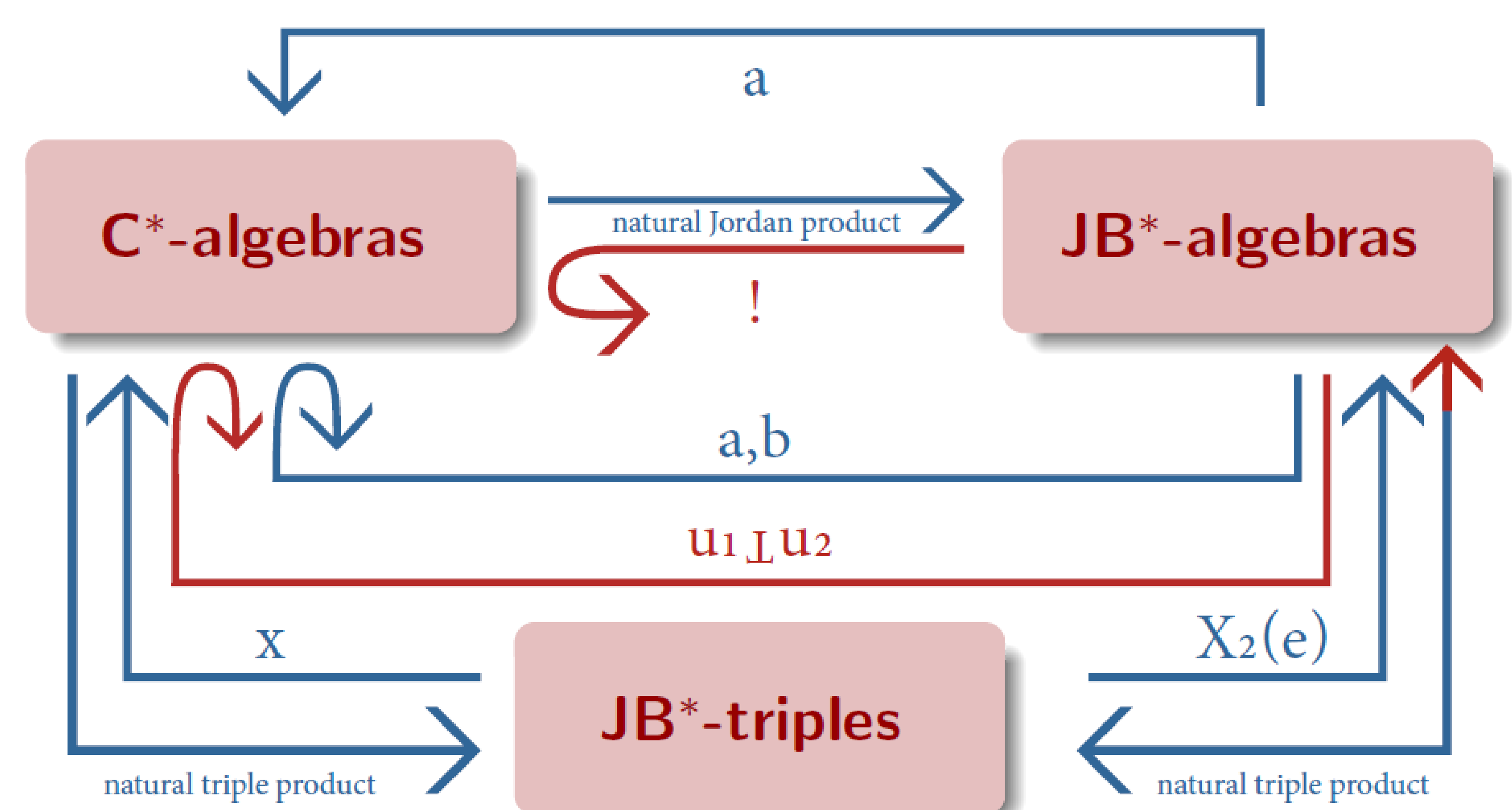
$M$  complex Jordan Banach algebra  
 $*$  :  $M \rightarrow M$  involution  
 $\|U_a(a^*)\| = \|a\|^3, \quad \forall a \in M$

where  $U_a(x) = 2(a \circ x) \circ a - a^2 \circ x, \quad (x \in M)$



### Jordan-Stone's one-parameter theorem

Let  $M$  be a unital JB\*-algebra. Suppose  $\{u(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is a family in  $\mathcal{U}(M)$  satisfying  $u(0) = \mathbf{1}$ , and  $U_{u(t)}(u(s)) = u(2t + s)$ , for all  $t, s \in \mathbb{R}$ . We also assume that the mapping  $t \mapsto u(t)$  is continuous. Then there exists  $h \in M_{sa}$  such that  $u(t) = e^{ith}$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .



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