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# ISOMORPHISM THEOREMS ON QUASI MODULE

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### Abstract

A quasimodel is an algebraic axiomatisation of the hyperspace structure based on a module. We initiated this structure in our paper [2]. It is a generalisation of the module structure in the sense that every module can be embedded into a quasi module and every quasi module contains a module. The structure a quasimodel is a conglomeration of a commutative semigroup with an external ring multiplication and a compatible partial order. In the entire structure partial order has an intrinsic effect and plays a key role in any development of the theory of quasi module. In the present paper we have discussed order-morphism which is a morphism like concept. Also with the help of the quotient structure of a quasi module by means of a suitable compatible congruence, we have proved order-isomorphism theorem.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Quasi module is an algebraic axiomatisation of the hyperspace structure based on a module. We proposed this structure in our paper [2], while we were studying the family  $\mathscr{C}(M)$  of all nonempty compact subsets of a Hausdorff topological module M over some topological unitary ring R. This family, commonly known as *hyperspace*, is closed under usual addition of two sets and the ring multiplication of a set defined by:  $A + B := \{a + b : a \in A, b \in B\}$  and  $rA := \{ra : a \in A\}$ , for any  $A, B \in \mathscr{C}(M)$  and  $r \in R$ . Moreover, in the semigroup  $\mathscr{C}(M)$  singletons are the only invertible elements,  $\{\theta\}$  acting as the identity ( $\theta$  being the identity in M). Considering these singletons as the minimal elements of  $\mathscr{C}(M)$  with respect to the usual set-inclusion as partial order, we can identify the collection  $\{\{m\} : m \in M\}$ of all minimal elements of  $\mathscr{C}(M)$  with the module M through the isomorphism  $\{m\} \longmapsto m \ (m \in M)$ . Again for any two  $r, s \in R$  and  $A, B \in \mathscr{C}(M)$  we have  $(r+s)A \subseteq rA + sA$  and  $rA \subseteq rB$ , whenever  $A \subseteq B$ . We have axiomatised these properties of the hyperspace  $\mathscr{C}(M)$  and introduced the concept of *quasi module* whose definition is as follows:

**Definition 1.1** [2]. Let  $(X, \leq)$  be a partially ordered set, '+' be a binary operation on X [called *addition*] and '.':  $R \times X \longrightarrow X$  be another composition [called *ring multiplication*, R being a unitary ring]. If the operations and partial order satisfy the following axioms then  $(X, +, \cdot, \leq)$  is called a *quasi module* (in short *qmod*) over R.

 $\begin{array}{l} A_1: \ (X,+) \text{ is a commutative semigroup with identity } \theta. \\ A_2: \ x \leq y \ (x,y \in X) \Rightarrow x+z \leq y+z, \ r \cdot x \leq r \cdot y, \ \forall z \in X, \forall r \in R. \\ A_3: \quad (\text{i)} \ r \cdot (x+y) = r \cdot x + r \cdot y, \\ \quad (\text{ii)} \ r \cdot (s \cdot x) = (rs) \cdot x, \\ \quad (\text{iii)} \ (r+s) \cdot x \leq r \cdot x + s \cdot x, \\ \quad (\text{iv)} \ 1 \cdot x = x, \ \text{`1' being the multiplicative identity of } R, \\ \quad (\text{v)} \ 0 \cdot x = \theta \text{ and } r \cdot \theta = \theta \ \forall x, y \in X, \ \forall r, s \in R. \\ A_4: \ x + (-1) \cdot x = \theta \text{ if and only if } x \in X_2 := \{z \in X : u \notin z, \forall u \in X_2\} \end{array}$ 

 $A_4: x + (-1) \cdot x = \theta \text{ if and only if } x \in X_0 := \left\{ z \in X : y \nleq z, \forall y \in X \smallsetminus \{z\} \right\}.$  $A_5: \text{ For each } x \in X, \exists y \in X_0 \text{ such that } y \le x.$ 

The elements of the set  $X_0$  are the minimal elements of X with respect to the defined partial order of X. These elements of  $X_0$  are called 'one order' elements of X. In [2] we have shown that this  $X_0$  becomes a module over the same unitary ring R. In the same paper [2] it has also been shown that every module can be embedded into a quasi module in the following sense: "Given any module M over some unitary ring R, there exists a quasi module X over R such that M is isomorphic with  $X_0$  as a module." For this reason we call 'quasi module' a generalisation of the module structure.

**Example 1.2.** Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  be the ring of integers and  $\mathbb{Z}^+ := \{n \in \mathbb{Z} : n \ge 0\}$ . Then under the usual addition,  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  is a commutative semigroup with the identity 0.

Also it is a partially ordered set with respect to the usual order  $(\leq)$  of integers. If we define the ring multiplication  $\because : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^+ \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+$  by  $(m, n) \longmapsto |m|n$ , then it is a routine work to verify that  $(\mathbb{Z}^+, +, \cdot, \leq)$  is a quasi module over  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Here the set of all one order elements is given by  $[\mathbb{Z}^+]_0 = \{0\}$ .

To prove some isomorphism theorem we need first some morphism-like concept between two quasi modules over a common unitary ring. So we start with the concept of 'order-morphism' which is capable enough to have some adequate theory on isomorphisms. We shall also discuss with the help of suitable examples some properties of order-morphisms.

**Definition 1.3** [2]. A mapping  $f : X \longrightarrow Y(X, Y)$  being two quasi modules over a unitary ring R) is called an *order-morphism* if

- (i)  $f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y), \forall x, y \in X$
- (ii)  $f(rx) = rf(x), \forall r \in R, \forall x \in X$
- (iii)  $x \le y \ (x, y \in X) \Rightarrow f(x) \le f(y)$
- (iv)  $p \leq q$   $(p,q \in f(X)) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(p) \subseteq \downarrow f^{-1}(q)$  and  $f^{-1}(q) \subseteq \uparrow f^{-1}(p)$ , where  $\uparrow A := \{x \in X : x \geq a \text{ for some } a \in A\}$  and  $\downarrow A := \{x \in X : x \leq a \text{ for some } a \in A\}$  for any  $A \subseteq X$ .

A surjective (injective, bijective) order-morphism is called an *order-epimorphism* (*order-monomorphism*, *order-isomorphism* respectively).

If  $f : X \longrightarrow Y$  is an order-morphism and  $\theta, \theta'$  be the identity elements of X, Y respectively then  $f(\theta) = f(0,\theta) = 0.f(\theta) = \theta'$ .

**Example 1.4.** Let  $f: \mathbb{Z}^+ \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+$  be defined by  $f(n) := 2n, \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then for any  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  we have f(n+m) = 2(n+m) = 2n + 2m = f(n) + f(m). Also  $f(r \cdot n) = f(|r|n) = 2|r|n = |r|f(n) = r \cdot f(n)$ , for any  $r \in \mathbb{Z}$  [Note that the ring multiplication '·' in  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  is defined by  $r \cdot n := |r|n, \forall r \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , see Example 1.2]. Now for  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $n \leq m \Leftrightarrow 2n \leq 2m \Leftrightarrow f(n) \leq f(m)$ . This justifies that f is an order-monomorphism, since  $f^{-1}(2n) = \{n\}$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . This is not onto, since  $f^{-1}(3) = \emptyset$ .

**Example 1.5.** Let us consider the ring of integers  $\mathbb{Z}$  which can be thought of as a topological module over the ring  $\mathbb{Z}$  with respect to the discrete topology on  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Then the set  $\mathscr{C}(\mathbb{Z})$  of all nonempty compact subsets of  $\mathbb{Z}$  form a quasi module over  $\mathbb{Z}$  with respect to the operations defined as:

- (i)  $A + B := \{a + b : a \in A, b \in B\},\$
- (ii)  $n.A := \{na : a \in A\},\$

where  $A, B \in \mathscr{C}(\mathbb{Z}), n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and usual set-inclusion as the partial order of  $\mathscr{C}(\mathbb{Z})$ .

Let  $f: \mathbb{Z}^+ \longrightarrow \mathscr{C}(\mathbb{Z})$  be defined by  $f(n) := [-n, n], \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where

$$[-n,n] := \{-n, -n+1, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, n-1, n\}, \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

and  $f(0) := \{0\}$ . Since [-n, n] is a finite subset of  $\mathbb{Z}$  it follows that [-n, n] is compact in  $\mathbb{Z}$  and hence  $[-n, n] \in \mathscr{C}(\mathbb{Z}), \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . This justifies that f is well-defined. We now show that f is an order-morphism.

Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then  $[-m, m] + [-n, n] = [-m - n, m + n] \Rightarrow f(m) + f(n) = f(m + n)$ . Here by the set [-0, 0] we mean  $\{0\}$ . Again for any  $r \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have  $f(r \cdot n) = f(|r|n) = [-|r|n, |r|n] = r[-n, n] = rf(n)$ . Now let  $n \leq m$  in  $\mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then  $[-n, n] \subseteq [-m, m] \Rightarrow f(n) \subseteq f(m)$ .

To complete our justification that f is an order-morphism let  $A, B \in f(\mathbb{Z}^+)$ with  $A \subseteq B$ . Then  $\exists n, m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that A = f(n) = [-n, n] and B = f(m) = [-m, m]. So we can say that  $n \leq m$ . Since f is injective we have  $f^{-1}(A) = \{n\}$  and  $f^{-1}(B) = \{m\}$ . So  $n \leq m$  implies  $f^{-1}(A) \subseteq \downarrow f^{-1}(B)$  and  $f^{-1}(B) \subseteq \uparrow f^{-1}(A)$ . Thus f is an order-monomorphism which is not surjective. In fact, for  $C = \{1\} \in \mathscr{C}(\mathbb{Z}), f^{-1}(C) = \emptyset$ .

**Example 1.6.** Let  $\mathscr{C}_s(\mathbb{Z}) := \{A \in \mathscr{C}(\mathbb{Z}) : 0 \in A, A \text{ is symmetric about } 0\}$ . Then  $\mathscr{C}_s(\mathbb{Z})$  is a quasi module over  $\mathbb{Z}$  with respect to the operations and partial order as defined in above Example 1.5.

Let  $f : \mathscr{C}_s(\mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+$  be defined by  $f(A) := \max A, \forall A \in \mathscr{C}_s(\mathbb{Z})$ . Since each  $A \in \mathscr{C}_s(\mathbb{Z})$  is compact and hence finite so max A exists. Also A being symmetric about 0 it follows that  $\max A \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . This justifies that f is well-defined. We now show that f is **not** an order-morphism although it satisfies *almost all* the axioms of an order-morphism.

We first show that f preserves the addition and ring multiplication on  $\mathscr{C}_s(\mathbb{Z})$ . For this let  $A, B \in \mathscr{C}_s(\mathbb{Z})$ . Then  $\max(A + B) = \max A + \max B \Rightarrow f(A + B) = f(A) + f(B)$ . Again for any  $r \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $A \in \mathscr{C}_s(\mathbb{Z})$  we have

$$\max(rA) = \begin{cases} r. \max A, & \text{if } r \ge 0\\ r. \min A, & \text{if } r < 0 \end{cases}$$
$$= \begin{cases} |r|. \max A, & \text{if } r \ge 0\\ -|r|. \min A, & \text{if } r < 0 \end{cases}$$
$$= \begin{cases} |r|. \max A, & \text{if } r \ge 0\\ |r|. \max(-A), & \text{if } r < 0 \end{cases}$$
$$= |r|. \max A \text{ [$: A = -A$ for, $A$ is symmetric].}$$

The above calculation implies that  $f(rA) = |r|f(A) = r \cdot f(A)$ . If  $A, B \in \mathscr{C}_s(\mathbb{Z})$  such that  $A \subseteq B$  then max  $A \leq \max B \Rightarrow f(A) \leq f(B)$ . Before verifying the remaining axiom for f to be an order-morphism let us observe that f is surjective. In fact, for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  the set  $[-n, n] \in \mathscr{C}_s(\mathbb{Z})$ , where  $[-n, n] := \{-n, -n + 1, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, n - 1, n\}$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $[-0, 0] \equiv \{0\}$ , as is explained in the above Example 1.5. Then  $f([-n, n]) = \max[-n, n] = n$ .

Now let  $n \leq m$  in  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  and  $A \in f^{-1}(n)$ . Then  $f(A) = \max A = n$ . Put  $B := A \cup \{m, -m\}$ . Then B is compact in Z and symmetric about 0 so that  $B \in \mathscr{C}_s(\mathbb{Z})$ . Since  $\max A = n \leq m$  it follows that  $f(B) = \max B = m$ . Clearly  $A \subseteq B$ . Thus we have  $f^{-1}(n) \subseteq \downarrow f^{-1}(m)$ .

Next let  $D \in f^{-1}(m)$ . Then  $f(D) = \max D = m$ .

Case I. If  $n \in D$  then put  $C := \{x \in D : |x| \leq n\}$ . Then C being a finite subset of D is compact, symmetric (by construction) and hence  $C \in \mathscr{C}_s(\mathbb{Z})$ . Now  $f(C) = \max C = n$  and  $C \subseteq D \Rightarrow D \in \uparrow f^{-1}(n)$ .

Case II. If  $n \notin D$  then D cannot contain any symmetric proper subset E such that max E = n, since max  $E \in E$ . So such a  $D \in f^{-1}(m)$  cannot lie in  $\uparrow f^{-1}(n)$ . Consequently,  $f^{-1}(m) \not\subseteq \uparrow f^{-1}(n)$ .

Thus although f satisfies *almost all* the axioms of an order-morphism, it fails to do so the last axiom.

**Definition 1.7** [2]. Let  $f : X \longrightarrow Y$  (X, Y) being two qmods over the same unitary ring R) be an order-morphism. We define ker  $f := \{(x, y) \in X \times X : f(x) = f(y)\}$  and call it the 'kernel of f'.

It is immediate from definition that  $(x, x) \in \ker f$ ,  $\forall x \in X$  and thus if we write  $\Delta := \{(x, x) : x \in X\}$  then  $\Delta \subseteq \ker f$ , equality holds iff f is injective.

We now discuss some concepts which will be necessary for the further development of the theory in this paper.

**Definition 1.8** [2]. Let  $\{X_{\mu} : \mu \in \Lambda\}$  be an arbitrary family of quasi modules over the unitary ring R. Let  $X := \prod_{\mu \in \Lambda} X_{\mu}$  be the Cartesian product of these quasi modules defined as:  $x \in X$  if and only if  $x : \Lambda \longrightarrow \bigcup_{\mu \in \Lambda} X_{\mu}$  is a map such that  $x(\mu) \in X_{\mu}, \forall \mu \in \Lambda$ . Then by the axiom of choice we know that Xis nonempty, since  $\Lambda$  is nonempty and each  $X_{\mu}$  contains at least the additive identity  $\theta_{\mu}$  (say).

Let us denote  $x_{\mu} := x(\mu), \forall \mu \in \Lambda$ . Also we write each  $x \in X$  as  $x = (x_{\mu})$ , where  $x_{\mu} = p_{\mu}(x), p_{\mu} : X \longrightarrow X_{\mu}$  being the projection map,  $\forall \mu \in \Lambda$ . Now we define addition, ring multiplication and partial order as follows: for  $x = (x_{\mu}),$  $y = (y_{\mu}) \in X$  and  $r \in R$ 

(i)  $x + y = (x_{\mu} + y_{\mu});$  (ii)  $r.x = (rx_{\mu});$  (iii)  $x \le y$  if  $x_{\mu} \le y_{\mu}, \forall \mu \in \Lambda.$ 

**Definition 1.9** [4]. Let E be an equivalence relation on a qmod X over an unitary ring R. Then E is said to be a *congruence* on X if it satisfies the following:

(i)  $(a,b) \in E \Longrightarrow (x+a,x+b) \in E, \forall x \in X,$ 

- (ii)  $(a,b) \in E \Longrightarrow (ra,rb) \in E, \forall r \in R,$
- (iii)  $x \le y \le z \& (x, z) \in E \Longrightarrow (x, y) \in E$  and hence  $(y, z) \in E$ ,
- (iv)  $a \leq x \leq b \& (x, y) \in E \implies \exists c, d \in X \text{ such that } c \leq y \leq d \text{ and } (a, c) \in E, (b, d) \in E.$

Any congruence E on a qmod X (over a unitary ring R) produces the quotient set  $X/E := \{[x] : x \in X\}$ , where [x] denotes the equivalence class containing x(with respect to E) i.e.,  $[x] := \{y \in X : (x, y) \in E\}$ . We now make this quotient set a quasi module by defining operations and partial order suitably.

**Theorem 1.10** [4]. For any congruence E on a qmod X over a unitary ring R, X/E becomes a qmod over R with respect to the following operations and partial order.

- (i)  $[x] + [y] := [x + y], \ \forall [x], [y] \in X/E,$
- (ii)  $r[x] := [rx], \forall [x] \in X/E, \forall r \in R,$
- (iii)  $[x] \preccurlyeq [y] \iff$  for any  $x' \in [x], \exists y' \in [y]$  such that  $x' \leq y'$  and for any  $y'' \in [y], \exists x'' \in [x]$  such that  $x'' \leq y''$ .

**Proposition 1.11** [2]. If  $\phi : X \longrightarrow Y(X, Y \text{ being two qmods over an unitary ring } R) be an order-morphism then ker <math>\phi$  is a congruence on X.

We now give a quotient structure on X using the above congruence. For this let us construct the quotient set  $X/\ker\phi := \{[x] : x \in X\}$ , where [x] is the equivalence class containing x obtained by the congruence  $\ker\phi$ . We define addition, ring multiplication and partial order on  $X/\ker\phi$  as follows. For  $x, y \in X$ and  $r \in R$ ,

(i) [x]+[y] := [x+y]; (ii) r[x] := [rx]; (iii)  $[x] \le [y]$  if and only if  $\phi(x) \le \phi(y)$ .

**Theorem 1.12** [2]. If  $\phi : X \longrightarrow Y(X, Y \text{ being two qmods over an unitary ring } R) be an order-morphism then <math>X/\ker \phi$  is a quasi module over R.

**Proposition 1.13** [2]. Let  $\phi : X \longrightarrow Y(X, Y \text{ being two qmods over an unitary ring } R)$  be an order-morphism. Then the canonical map  $\pi : X \longrightarrow X/\ker \phi$  defined by  $\pi(x) := [x], \forall x \in X$  is an order-epimorphism.

**Lemma 1.14** [2]. Let X, Y, Z be three quasi modules over the unitary ring R,  $\alpha : X \longrightarrow Y$  be an order-epimorphism and  $\beta : X \longrightarrow Z$  be an order-morphism such that ker  $\alpha \subseteq \ker \beta$ . Then  $\exists$  a unique order-morphism  $\gamma : Y \longrightarrow Z$  such that  $\gamma \circ \alpha = \beta$ .



#### 2. Second order-isomorphism theorem

In this section we shall use the concept of congruence from the above section to prove the Second order-isomorphism theorem. For this we need three quasi modules over a common unitary ring and two order-morphisms between them.

Let X, Y, Z be three quasi modules over an unitary ring R and  $\phi_1 : X \to Y$ ,  $\phi_2 : X \to Z$  be two order-morphisms such that ker  $\phi_2 \subseteq \ker \phi_1$ . So if  $[x]_1 := \{y \in X : (x, y) \in \ker \phi_1\}$  and  $[x]_2 := \{y \in X : (x, y) \in \ker \phi_2\}$  denote the equivalence classes containing x with respect to the congruences ker  $\phi_1$  and ker  $\phi_2$  respectively then we must have

$$[x]_1 = \bigcup \Big\{ [y]_2 : (y, x) \in \ker \phi_1 \Big\}.$$

Also ker  $\phi_2$  being a congruence on X,  $X/\ker \phi_2$  is a quasi module over R (by Theorem 1.10). It is thus natural to define a relation on  $X/\ker \phi_2$  as follows:

$$\ker \phi_1 / \ker \phi_2 := \Big\{ \big( [x]_2, [y]_2 \big) \in X / \ker \phi_2 \times X / \ker \phi_2 : (x, y) \in \ker \phi_1 \Big\}.$$

Now the question is whether ker  $\phi_1/\ker \phi_2$  is a congruence on  $X/\ker \phi_2$  and if so, whether it generates a quotient qmod from  $X/\ker \phi_2$  which is order-isomorphic to  $X/\ker \phi_1$ . We shall give answers to these in affirmative.

**Proposition 2.1.** ker  $\phi_1$  / ker  $\phi_2$  is a congruence on X/ ker  $\phi_2$ .

**Proof.** For convenience let us denote  $\Gamma \equiv \ker \phi_1 / \ker \phi_2$ . Now  $\ker \phi_1$  being an equivalence relation it follows that  $\Gamma$  is also an equivalence relation. To show that  $\Gamma$  is a congruence let  $([x]_2, [y]_2) \in \Gamma$  and  $[z]_2 \in X / \ker \phi_2$ ,  $r \in R$ . Then  $(x, y) \in \ker \phi_1$ . So  $\ker \phi_1$  being a congruence we have

(i)  $(x+z,y+z) \in \ker \phi_1 \Rightarrow ([x+z]_2, [y+z]_2) \in \Gamma \Rightarrow ([x]_2+[z]_2, [y]_2+[z]_2) \in \Gamma.$ (ii)  $(rx,ry) \in \ker \phi_1 \Rightarrow ([rx]_2, [ry]_2) \in \Gamma \Rightarrow (r[x]_2, r[y]_2) \in \Gamma.$ 

(iii) Now let  $[x]_2 \preccurlyeq [y]_2 \preccurlyeq [z]_2$  and  $([x]_2, [z]_2) \in \Gamma$ . Then  $(x, z) \in \ker \phi_1$ and  $x \leq y' \leq z'$  for some  $y' \in [y]_2$ ,  $z' \in [z]_2$ . So  $(z', z) \in \ker \phi_2 \subseteq \ker \phi_1 \Rightarrow$  $(x, z') \in \ker \phi_1 \Rightarrow (x, y') \in \ker \phi_1$  [::  $\ker \phi_1$  is a congruence]  $\Rightarrow ([x]_2, [y]_2) =$  $([x]_2, [y']_2) \in \Gamma$ .

(iv) Next let  $[a]_2 \preccurlyeq [x]_2 \preccurlyeq [b]_2$  and  $([x]_2, [y]_2) \in \Gamma$ . Then  $(x, y) \in \ker \phi_1$ and  $a \leq x' \leq b'$  for some  $x' \in [x]_2$ ,  $b' \in [b]_2$ . Now  $(x', x) \in \ker \phi_2 \subseteq \ker \phi_1$  $\Rightarrow (x', y) \in \ker \phi_1 \Rightarrow \exists c, d \in X$  such that  $c \leq y \leq d$  and  $(a, c), (b', d) \in \ker \phi_1$ [ $\because \ker \phi_1$  is a congruence]  $\Rightarrow ([a]_2, [c]_2), ([b']_2, [d]_2) \in \Gamma$ . Again  $b' \in [b]_2 \Rightarrow$  $[b']_2 = [b]_2$ . Thus  $([b]_2, [d]_2) \in \Gamma$ .

We now show that  $[c]_2 \preccurlyeq [y]_2 \preccurlyeq [d]_2$ . For this let  $c' \in [c]_2$  be arbitrary. Then ker  $\phi_2$  being a congruence,  $c \leq y \Rightarrow \exists y' \in [y]_2$  such that  $c' \leq y'$  (by axiom (iv) in the definition of congruence 1.9). Again by the same argument, for any  $y'' \in [y]_2$ ,  $\exists c'' \in [c]_2$  such that  $c'' \leq y''$ . This implies  $[c]_2 \preccurlyeq [y]_2$ . Similarly, we can show that  $[y]_2 \preccurlyeq [d]_2$ , since  $y \leq d$ . This justifies that  $\Gamma$  is a congruence on  $X/\ker \phi_2$ .

**Theorem 2.2** (Second Order-isomorphism Theorem). Let X, Y, Z be three quasi modules over an unitary ring R and  $\phi_1 : X \longrightarrow Y$ ,  $\phi_2 : X \longrightarrow Z$  be two ordermorphisms such that ker  $\phi_2 \subseteq \ker \phi_1$ . Then the quotient qmod  $\frac{X/\ker \phi_2}{\ker \phi_1/\ker \phi_2}$  is order-isomorphic to  $X/\ker \phi_1$ .

**Proof.** ker  $\phi_1 / \ker \phi_2$  being a congruence on  $X / \ker \phi_2$  by Proposition 2.1, we have by Theorem 1.10 that  $\frac{X / \ker \phi_2}{\ker \phi_1 / \ker \phi_2}$  is a quasi module over R. If

$$\begin{array}{cc} \pi_1: & X \longrightarrow X/\ker \phi_1 \\ & x \longmapsto [x]_1 \end{array} \right\} \text{ and } \begin{array}{cc} \pi_2: & X \longrightarrow X/\ker \phi_2 \\ & x \longmapsto [x]_2 \end{array} \right\}$$

are the canonical order-epimorphisms then  $\ker \pi_2 = \{(x, y) \in X \times X : [x]_2 = [y]_2\} = \ker \phi_2 \subseteq \ker \phi_1 = \ker \pi_1$ . So by Lemma 1.14,  $\exists$  a unique order-morphism  $\gamma : X/\ker \phi_2 \longrightarrow X/\ker \phi_1$  such that  $\gamma \circ \pi_2 = \pi_1$ .

Now let  $\pi: X/\ker \phi_2 \longrightarrow \frac{X/\ker \phi_2}{\ker \phi_1/\ker \phi_2}$  be the canonical order-epimorphism.

Then 
$$\ker \pi = \ker \phi_1 / \ker \phi_2$$
  

$$= \left\{ \left( [x]_2, [y]_2 \right) \in X / \ker \phi_2 \times X / \ker \phi_2 : (x, y) \in \ker \phi_1 \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \left( \pi_2(x), \pi_2(y) \right) : \pi_1(x) = \pi_1(y) \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \left( \pi_2(x), \pi_2(y) \right) : \gamma \circ \pi_2(x) = \gamma \circ \pi_2(y) \right\}$$

$$= \ker \gamma.$$

So by Lemma 1.14,  $\exists$  a unique order-morphism  $\Psi : \frac{X/\ker \phi_2}{\ker \phi_1/\ker \phi_2} \longrightarrow X/\ker \phi_1$  such that  $\Psi \circ \pi = \gamma$ . So  $\Psi \circ \pi \circ \pi_2 = \gamma \circ \pi_2 = \pi_1$ . The following commutative diagram clarifies this.



 $\pi_1$  being onto it follows from above diagram that  $\Psi$  is onto. To prove that  $\Psi$  is injective let  $\Psi \circ \pi \circ \pi_2(x) = \Psi \circ \pi \circ \pi_2(y)$  for some  $x, y \in X$ . Then  $\gamma \circ \pi_2(x) = \gamma \circ \pi_2(y)$  $\Rightarrow (\pi_2(x), \pi_2(y)) \in \ker \gamma = \ker \pi \Rightarrow \pi \circ \pi_2(x) = \pi \circ \pi_2(y)$ . This justifies that  $\Psi$  is injective. Consequently,  $\Psi$  is an order-isomorphism.

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