

QUOTIENT RINGS OF Φ -TRIVIAL EXTENSIONS

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Let R be a ring with identity and M an (R, R) -bimodule. In his paper [3], Kitamura has shown that every right quotient ring of the trivial extension of R by M is a trivial extension of a right quotient ring of R by a suitable bimodule if ${}_R M$ is flat and is finitely generated by elements each of which commutes with every element of R .

The purpose of the present paper is to extend this result to the corresponding one for Φ -trivial extensions. Let Λ be the Φ -trivial extension of R by an (R, R) -bimodule M with pairing Φ . For each R -module U , $V = U \oplus M^*$ can be seen as a right Λ -module, where M^* is the dual of M relative to U . In Section 2 it is shown that $\text{Biend}(V_\Lambda) \simeq \text{Biend}(U_R) \times_{\circ} M^{**}$ if M^*_R is U -reflexive (Theorem 2.1). Under certain assumptions, in Section 3, we shall observe the injective hull of any right Λ -module (Theorem 3.2) and then determine the right quotient ring of Λ as $Q(\Lambda) \simeq Q(R_R) \times_{\circ} Q(M_R)$ (Theorem 3.3).

Throughout this paper, R will denote a ring with identity. All modules are unitary and module homomorphisms are written on the side opposite to the scalars. We shall refer to [1] for the notations and terminologies concerning the ring theory.

1. Let M be an (R, R) -bimodule with pairing $\Phi = [\ , \] : M \otimes_R M \rightarrow R$, i.e. an (R, R) -bilinear map satisfying $m[m', m''] = [m, m']m''$ for all m, m' and m'' in M . The Φ -trivial extension $\Lambda = R \times_{\circ} M$ of R by M is a ring whose underlying set is the Cartesian product $R \times M$ with addition componentwise and multiplication given by

$$(a, m) \cdot (a', m') = (aa' + [m, m'], ma' + am').$$

For an R -module U , $\text{Hom}_R(\Lambda, U)$ is canonically Z -isomorphic to $U \oplus M^*$, where $M^* = \text{Hom}_R(M, U)$ is the U -dual of M_R . Using this isomorphism we can regard $U \oplus M^*$ as a right Λ -module. The operation of Λ on $U \oplus M^*$ is given by

$$(u, f) \cdot (a, m) = (ua + f(m), fa + \varphi(u \otimes m))$$

for (u, f) in $U \oplus M^*$ and (a, m) in Λ , where $\varphi : U \otimes_R M \rightarrow M^*$ is the right R -homomorphism defined by $\varphi(u \otimes m)(m') = u[m, m']$ for m, m' in M and u

in U . We denote this right Λ -module by V .

Let $S = \text{End}(U_R)$ and $N = \text{Hom}_R(M^*, U)$. Then $\text{End}(V_\Lambda) \simeq \text{Hom}_\Lambda(V, \text{Hom}_R(\Lambda, U)) \simeq \text{Hom}_R(V, U) \simeq S \oplus N$ and the composite isomorphism $\text{End}(V_\Lambda) \rightarrow S \oplus N$ is given by $\alpha \rightarrow (p_1 \alpha i_1, p_1 \alpha i_2)$, where i_k and p_k denote injections and projections associated with the direct sum decomposition of $V = U \oplus M^*$, respectively. We denote this isomorphism by τ .

We shall define a pairing $N \otimes_S N \rightarrow S$ through which $S \oplus N$ becomes a ring and τ is a ring isomorphism. To this end, first we show the following

Lemma 1.1. *For every $\alpha \in \text{End}(V_\Lambda)$, $f \in M^*$ and $h \in N$,*

$$(1) \quad p_2 \alpha i_1 = \text{Hom}(M, p_1 \alpha i_2) \circ \varphi',$$

where $\varphi': U \rightarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, M^*)$ is the (S, R) -homomorphism given by $\varphi'(u)(m) = \varphi(u \otimes m)$.

$$(2) \quad p_2 \alpha i_2 = \text{Hom}(M, p_1 \alpha i_1).$$

$$(3) \quad h \cdot p_1 \alpha i_1 = h \circ p_2 \alpha i_2.$$

Proof. (1) Let $\alpha i_1(u) = (u', f)$ for some u' in U and f in M^* . Then for each m in M $((p_2 \alpha i_1)(u))(m) = f(m)$. On the other hand, $(p_1 \alpha i_2 \circ \varphi'(u))(m) = (p_1 \alpha i_2)(\varphi(u \otimes m)) = p_1 \alpha((u, 0) \cdot (0, m)) = p_1((u', f) \cdot (0, m)) = f(m)$.

(2) Let $\alpha i_2(f) = (u, f')$ for some u in U and f' in M^* . Then for each m in M $((p_2 \alpha i_2)(f))(m) = f'(m)$, while $(p_1 \alpha i_1 \cdot f)(m) = p_1 \alpha((0, f) \cdot (0, m)) = p_1((u, f') \cdot (0, m)) = f'(m)$.

(3) For each f in M^* , $(h \cdot p_1 \alpha i_1)(f) = h(p_1 \alpha i_1 \cdot f) = h((p_2 \alpha i_2)(f)) = (h \circ p_2 \alpha i_2)(f)$ by (2).

Now N is an (S, S) -bimodule and we define a mapping from $N \times N$ to S via $(p_1 \alpha i_2, p_1 \beta i_1) \rightarrow p_1 \alpha i_2 \circ p_2 \beta i_1$, where α and β are in $\text{End}(V_\Lambda)$. This is well-defined by Lemma 1.1 (1) and induces a pairing $\Psi = \langle \ , \ \rangle: N \otimes_S N \rightarrow S$ given by $\langle p_1 \alpha i_2, p_1 \beta i_1 \rangle = p_1 \alpha i_2 \circ p_2 \beta i_1$, i.e. for each h, h' in N and u in U , $\langle h, h' \rangle(u) = h(h' \circ \varphi'(u))$ again by Lemma 1.1 (1). Therefore, $S \oplus N$ becomes the Ψ -trivial extension $\Gamma = S \times_{\Psi} N$ of S by N and further by Lemma 1.1 (3) τ is a ring isomorphism between $\text{End}(V_\Lambda)$ and Γ . Thus, we obtain

Theorem 1.2. *$\text{End}(V_\Lambda)$ is isomorphic to Γ as rings via τ .*

It follows from this theorem that V can be regarded naturally as a left Γ -module by making use of τ . The operation of Γ on V is given by

$$(s, h) \cdot (u, f) = \tau^{-1}(s, h)((u, f))$$

$$= (s(u) + h(f), sf + h \circ \varphi'(u))$$

for (u, f) in V and (s, h) in Γ .

Recall that S is a ring with identity, N is an (S, S) -bimodule with pairing $\Psi = \langle \ , \ \rangle: N \otimes_S N \rightarrow S$ and $\Gamma = S \times_{\Psi} N$ is the Ψ -trivial extension of S by N . Replacing R, M and Λ with S, N and Γ , respectively, we have just the same situation as above. Therefore, for the left S -module $U, W = U \oplus N^*$, where $N^* = \text{Hom}_S(N, U)$, becomes a left Γ -module with the operation of Γ given by

$$(s, h) \cdot (u, k) = (s(u) + (h)k, sk + \phi(h \otimes u))$$

for (s, h) in Γ and (u, k) in W . Here the mapping $\phi: N \otimes_S U \rightarrow N^*$ is defined by $(h')\phi(h \otimes u) = \langle h', h \rangle u$ for h' in N and is an (S, R) -homomorphism. Note that ϕ coincides with the composition map of $N \otimes_S U \rightarrow M^*$ given by $h \otimes u \rightarrow h \circ \varphi'(u)$ with the evaluation map $\sigma_M: M^* \rightarrow N^*$ of M^*_R .

Now let $T = \text{End}_S(U)$. Then U is a right T -module and N^* is an (S, T) -bimodule. Hence, $L = \text{Hom}_S(N^*, U)$ has a (T, T) -bimodule structure. Replacing S and N with T and L respectively, by the same way as above, we can define a pairing $\Omega = \langle \ , \ \rangle: L \otimes_T L \rightarrow T$ and the Ω -trivial extension $\Delta = T \times_{\Omega} L$ of T by L . The pairing Ω is $(u) \langle k, k' \rangle = (\psi'(u) \circ k)k'$ for k, k' in L and u in U , where $\psi': U \rightarrow \text{Hom}_S(N, N^*)$ is the (S, T) -homomorphism defined by $(h)\psi'(u) = \phi(h \otimes u)$ for h in N . Using Theorem 1.2, we see that

$$\text{End}({}_r W) \simeq \Delta.$$

2. In this section we shall assume that M^*_R is U -reflexive. Then the evaluation map $\sigma = \sigma_M$ is an (S, R) -isomorphism and hence the mapping $U \oplus \sigma: V \rightarrow W$ is a Γ -isomorphism and induces a ring isomorphism

$$\text{End}({}_r V) \simeq \text{End}({}_r W).$$

Using σ we may also regard M^* as a right T -module, i.e. for $t \in T$ and $f \in M^*$ define ft to be $ft = ((f)\sigma \circ t)\sigma^{-1}$. Then M^* is an (S, T) -bimodule, σ is an (S, T) -isomorphism and $M^{**} = \text{Hom}_S(M^*, U)$, the double dual of M_R , is a (T, T) -bimodule. Hence the mapping $\text{Hom}(\sigma, U): L \rightarrow M^{**}$ is a (T, T) -isomorphism and yields a pairing $\theta: M^{**} \otimes_T M^{**} \rightarrow T$ such that $\Omega = \theta \circ \text{Hom}(\sigma, U) \otimes \text{Hom}(\sigma, U)$ and a ring isomorphism $1 \times \text{Hom}(\sigma, U): \Delta \rightarrow T \times_{\theta} M^{**}$. Thus, we obtain

Theorem 2.1. *Assume that M^*_R is U -reflexive. Then*

$$\text{End}({}_rV) \simeq T \times_{\theta} M^{**}$$

as rings, i.e.

$$\text{Biend}(V_A) \simeq \text{Biend}(U_R) \times_{\theta} M^{**}.$$

The following corollary follows from [6, Theorem 1.4].

Corollary 2.2. *Let $U = E(M_R)$ and assume that M^*_R is $E(M_R)$ -reflexive and ${}_R M$ is faithful. Then*

$$Q_{\max}(\Lambda_A) \simeq \text{Biend}(E(M_R)) \times_{\theta} M^{**}.$$

As is easily seen, if R' is a ring with identity such that $R \simeq^f R'$ as rings, then for an (R, R) -bimodule M with pairing $\Theta: M \otimes_R M \rightarrow R$, we can regard M naturally as an (R', R') -bimodule via f and find a pairing $\Theta': M \otimes_{R'} M \rightarrow R'$ such that $R \times_{\theta} M \simeq R' \times_{\theta'} M$ as rings. Hence, by [6, Theorem 1.3] we have

Corollary 2.3. *Let $U = E(R_R)$ and assume that M^*_R is $E(R_R)$ -reflexive and Φ is right non-degenerate. Then*

$$Q_{\max}(\Lambda_A) \simeq Q_{\max}(R_R) \times_{\theta'} M^{**}.$$

It is easily verified that the isomorphism in Theorem 2.1 induces a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Lambda = R \times_{\phi} M & & \\ \rho_{\Lambda} \swarrow & & \searrow \rho_R \times \sigma_M \\ \text{Biend}(V_A) & \simeq & \text{Biend}(U_R) \times_{\theta} M^{**} \end{array}$$

where ρ_{Λ} and ρ_R are right multiplications of elements of Λ and R , respectively and σ_M is the evaluation map $M \rightarrow M^{**}$. Thus, we have

Corollary 2.4. *Assume that M^*_R is U -reflexive. Then V_A is (faithful and) balanced if and only if U_R is (faithful and) balanced and σ_M is (injective and) surjective.*

We can apply this corollary to Corollaries 2.2 and 2.3 and obtain that, for example, if M^*_R is $E(R_R)$ -reflexive and Φ is right non-degenerate, then Λ

is isomorphic to $Q_{\max}(\Lambda_A)$ via ρ_A if and only if R is isomorphic to $Q_{\max}(R_R)$ via ρ_R and M_R is $E(R_R)$ -reflexive.

As an application of Theorem 1.2 we can give a criterion for $Q_{\max}(\Lambda_A)$ being right self-injective. For example, if ${}_R M$ is faithful, then $Q_{\max}(\Lambda_A)$ is right self-injective if and only if (1) $\text{Hom}_R(M, E(M_R))$ is a free left S -module with a basis ν , the inclusion map $M \rightarrow E(M_R)$, and (2) ${}_S N$ is isomorphic to ${}_S E(M_R)$ via $(\nu)\sigma_{M^*}$. This result can be seen as a generalization of [3, Proposition 6] and is easily obtained using [4, Section 4.3, Proposition 3].

3. Let $\Lambda = R \times_{\phi} M$ be the ϕ -trivial extension of R by M as above and V_A any right Λ -module. Then since $\text{Im } \phi \times M$ is an ideal of Λ , the left annihilator $\ell_V(\text{Im } \phi \times M)$ of $\text{Im } \phi \times M$ in V is a Λ -submodule of V . We may regard V and $\ell_V(\text{Im } \phi \times M)$ naturally as right R -modules. Let $U = E(\ell_V(\text{Im } \phi \times M)_R)$ and put $E(V_R) = U \oplus U'$ for some R -submodule U' of $E(V_R)$. Using the projection map $p: E(V_R) \rightarrow U$, define a right Λ -homomorphism $\xi: V \rightarrow U \oplus M^*$ as $\xi(v) = (p(v), m \rightarrow p(v(0, m)))$ for v in V and m in M .

It is to be noted that $\ell_V(0 \times M)$ and $\ell_V(\text{Im } \phi)$ are both Λ -submodules of V and

$$\ell_V(\text{Im } \phi \times M) = \ell_V(0 \times M) \leq \ell_V(\text{Im } \phi) \leq V,$$

since $([m, m'], 0) = (0, m) \cdot (0, m')$ for $m, m' \in M$. Furthermore, $\ell_V(0 \times M)_A$ is essential in $\ell_V(\text{Im } \phi)_A$ and $\ell_V(\text{Im } \phi)_R$ is also essential in U_R . Using these facts we shall prove

Lemma 3.1. *The following conditions are equivalent :*

- (1) ξ is a monomorphism.
- (2) $\ell_V(\text{Im } \phi \times M)_A$ is essential in V_A .
- (3) $\ell_V(\text{Im } \phi)_A$ is essential in V_A .

If this is the case, ξ becomes an essential monomorphism.

Proof. (2) \rightarrow (1). Assume (2). Let $\xi(v) = 0$. Then $p(v) = 0$ and so $\text{Ker}(\xi) \leq U'$. Since ξ is a Λ -homomorphism, it follows that $v\Lambda \leq \text{Ker}(\xi)$ and hence $v\Lambda \cap \ell_V(\text{Im } \phi \times M) \leq U' \cap \ell_V(\text{Im } \phi \times M) = 0$. By assumption $v\Lambda = 0$ and hence $v = 0$.

Now we shall show that $\xi(V)_A$ is essential in $(U \oplus M^*)_A$. To this end take $(u, f) (\neq 0)$ in $U \oplus M^*$. If $f = 0$, then $u \neq 0$ and hence there exists

an a in R such that $0 \neq ua \in \ell_V(\text{Im } \Phi \times M)$. In this case, $(u, f) \cdot (a, 0) = (ua, 0) = \xi(ua)$. If $u = 0$, then there is an m in M such that $f(m) \neq 0$. Hence we can find an a in R such that $0 \neq f(m) \cdot a \in \ell_V(\text{Im } \Phi \times M)$. In this case, $(u, f) \cdot (0, ma) = (f(ma), 0) = \xi(f(ma))$.

Next suppose that $u \neq 0$ and $f \neq 0$. Then there exists an a in R such that $0 \neq ua \in \ell_V(\text{Im } \Phi \times M)$ and $(u, f) \cdot (a, 0) = (ua, fa)$. In case $fa = 0$, we have $(u, f) \cdot (a, 0) = (ua, 0) = \xi(ua)$. If $fa \neq 0$, there exists an m in M for which $f(am) = (fa)(m) \neq 0$. We can find an a' in R such that $0 \neq f(am) \cdot a' \in \ell_V(\text{Im } \Phi \times M)$. We then have $(u, f) \cdot (0, ama') = (ua, fa) \cdot (0, ma') = (f(ama'), 0) = \xi(f(ama'))$.

(1) \rightarrow (2). Using the fact that $\ell_V(\text{Im } \Phi)_R$ is essential in U_R , it is easy to see that $\ell_V(\text{Im } \Phi \times M)_A$ is essential in V_A by a similar way as above.

The equivalence of (2) and (3) is trivial.

The following theorem characterizes injective modules over Λ and can be seen as a generalization of [6, Theorem 2.4].

Theorem 3.2. *For any right Λ -module V there is an injective right R -module U such that*

$$E(V_A) \simeq U \oplus M^*$$

as right Λ -modules, whenever ξ is a monomorphism.

Proof. This follows from Lemma 3.1 and the fact that for any injective right R -module X , $X \oplus \text{Hom}_R(M, X)$ is isomorphic to $\text{Hom}_R(\Lambda, X)$ over Λ and hence is injective over Λ [1, Exercise (19.14)].

As is well-known, every hereditary torsion theory for $\text{mod-}R$ is co-generated by a certain injective R -module E_R . We shall call it simply the E -torsion theory.

Assuming that ξ is a monomorphism, we now discuss the problem of how to determine the quotient ring of the Φ -trivial extension Λ of R by M . Following Morita [5], every right quotient ring of Λ is isomorphic to the biendomorphism ring of a finitely cogenerating, injective right Λ -module.

So let V_A be a finitely cogenerating, injective right Λ -module. This means that V is injective over Λ and is finitely generated over $\text{End}(V_A)$. Theorem 3.2 then implies that $V \simeq U \oplus M^*$ as right Λ -modules, for some injective right R -module U .

First assume that M_R^* is U -reflexive. Then by Theorem 2.1 $\text{Biend}(V_A)$

$\simeq \text{Biend}(U_R) \times_{\theta} M^{**}$ as rings. Now let $S = \text{End}(U_R)$ and $N = \text{Hom}_R(M^*, U)$. If we assume further that ${}_sN$ is finitely generated, then U_R is finitely cogenerating, since V_A is finitely cogenerating. Hence, there is a ring isomorphism $\text{Biend}(U_R) \rightarrow Q(R_R)$ over R , where $Q(R_R)$ denotes the right quotient ring of R with respect to the U_R -torsion theory. As we have remarked in Section 2, we can regard M^{**} naturally a $(Q(R_R), Q(R_R))$ -bimodule and find a pairing $\theta': M^{**} \otimes_{Q(R_R)} M^{**} \rightarrow Q(R_R)$ such that $\text{Biend}(U_R) \times_{\theta} M^{**} \simeq Q(R_R) \times_{\theta'} M^{**}$ as rings. Thus, we have

Theorem 3.3. *Let $Q(\Lambda_A)$ be any right quotient ring of Λ , V an associated finitely cogenerating, injective right Λ -module and $U = E(\iota_V(\text{Im } \Phi \times M)_R)$. Assume that ξ is a monomorphism and that M_R^* is U -reflexive. Then we have*

(1)
$$Q(\Lambda_A) \simeq \text{Biend}(U_R) \times_{\theta} M^{**}.$$

(2) *If ${}_sN$ is finitely generated, then as rings*

$$Q(\Lambda_A) \simeq Q(R_R) \times_{\theta'} M^{**}.$$

(3) *If, in addition, ${}_sM^*$ is finitely generated, then*

$$Q(\Lambda_A) \simeq Q(R_R) \times_{\theta''} Q(M_R)$$

as rings, where $Q(M_R)$ denotes the module of quotients of M_R with respect to the U_R -torsion theory.

Proof. We may prove only (3). Suppose in addition that ${}_sM^*$ is finitely generated. Then by [2, Theorem 1.2] there exists an R -isomorphism $k: M^{**} \rightarrow Q(M_R)$ over M . Using this isomorphism, we can regard $Q(M_R)$ as a $(Q(R_R), Q(R_R))$ -bimodule and define a pairing $\theta'': Q(M_R) \otimes_{Q(R_R)} Q(M_R) \rightarrow Q(R_R)$ such that $\theta' = \theta'' \circ k \otimes k$. Then we have a ring isomorphism $1 \times k: Q(R_R) \times_{\theta'} M^{**} \rightarrow Q(R_R) \times_{\theta''} Q(M_R)$ and thus $Q(\Lambda_A) \simeq Q(R_R) \times_{\theta''} Q(M_R)$.

As is easily seen, in case U_R is injective the condition that ${}_sM^*$ is finitely generated is equivalent to that U_R cogenerates M_R finitely and is always true if $\Phi = 0$ and V_A is finitely cogenerating as was pointed out by [3, Proposition 1].

Example 3.4. Let M be an (R, R) -bimodule and U_R an R -module. Assume that there exists a split exact sequence of right R -modules $0 \rightarrow M^* \rightarrow U^n$ for some $n > 0$. Then M_R^* is U -reflexive, since U_R itself is U -

reflexive and the class of U -reflexive modules is closed under direct summands and finite direct sums, and further $S^n \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$ is exact. Hence ${}_sN$ is finitely generated. Moreover, if Λ is the trivial extension of R by M and V_Λ is finitely cogenerating, then ${}_sM^*$ is finitely generated, as we have remarked above. In this case ξ is a monomorphism by Lemma 3.1 and all of the pairings are zero. Thus we have

$$Q(\Lambda_\Lambda) \simeq Q(R_R) \times Q(M_R),$$

by Theorem 3.3. This is a detailed form of [3, Theorem 4].

Example 3.5. Let ${}_R M_R = {}_R R_R$. Then, for every finitely cogenerating injective R -module U_R , $M_R^* \simeq U_R$, ${}_s N \simeq {}_s S$ and ${}_s M^* \simeq {}_s U$. Hence, for every Φ -trivial extension Λ of R by ${}_R R_R$, we have by Theorem 3.3

$$Q(\Lambda_\Lambda) \simeq Q(R_R) \times_{\theta'} Q(R_R)$$

as rings, whenever ξ is a monomorphism.

Example 3.6. Let $U_R = E(R_R)$ and let $\xi: \Lambda \rightarrow U \oplus M^*$ be the Λ -homomorphism defined by $\xi(a, m) = (a, m' \rightarrow [m, m'])$. Then ξ is a monomorphism if and only if Φ is right non-degenerate. Hence, assuming that Φ is right non-degenerate and M_R^* is U -reflexive, we have by Corollary 2.3

$$Q_{\max}(\Lambda_\Lambda) \simeq Q_{\max}(R_R) \times_{\theta'} M^{**}.$$

If we assume further that ${}_s M^*$ is finitely generated, then by a similar way as in Theorem 3.3 we have

$$Q_{\max}(\Lambda_\Lambda) \simeq Q_{\max}(R_R) \times_{\theta'} Q(M_R).$$

If, in particular, we assume that $M = {}_R R_R$ and Φ is given by the multiplication in R , then we have

$$Q_{\max}(\Lambda_\Lambda) \simeq Q_{\max}(R_R) \times_{\theta'} Q_{\max}(R_R)$$

without any restriction.

After completed this paper, we have found that there are some overlaps, for example, Theorems 1.2 and 3.2, with Eduardo Garcia-Herreros Mantilla: *Semitriviale Erweiterungen und generalisierte Matrizenringe*, München, 1986 (Algebra Berichte 54).

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