Lax epimorphisms of ordered algebras

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Although epimorphisms, shortly epis, provide a categorical generalization of surjective homomorphisms, there exist categories of algebras [1] where epis are not necessarily surjective. In the categories of ordered algebras one may consider lax epimorphisms, where the 'right' cancellation of a morphism across equalities is replaced with the 'right' cancellation across inequalities. In this talk, I shall present our recent work [2] where we have shown that lax epis of partially ordered monoids and semigroups (shortly pomonoids and posemigroups) are precisely the surjective morphisms. I shall also relate it to our earlier work [3] on epis of ordered algebras.

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