

## A BOOLEAN POWER AND A DIRECT PRODUCT OF ABELIAN GROUPS

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A group means an abelian group in this paper. A Boolean power and a direct product of groups consist of all global sections of groups in some Boolean extensions  $V^{(B)}$ . We shall study about a homomorphism  $h$  whose domain is a group consisting of all the global sections of a group in  $V^{(B)}$ . We investigate two cases: one of them is that the range of  $h$  is a slender group, which is related to a torsion-free group, and the other is that the range of  $h$  is an infinite direct sum, which is related to a torsion group. We extend a few theorems which have been obtained in [4] and [5]. As in [5], we not only extend theorems, but improve them and give a good standing point of view.

We refer the reader to [9] or [1], for a Boolean extension  $V^{(B)}$ . We shall use notations and terminologies in [5], [6] and [7]. Throughout this paper,  $B$  is a complete Boolean algebra and  $\mathcal{F}$  is the set of all countably complete maximal filters on  $B$ . We do not mention these any more.  $\tilde{x}$  is the element of  $V^{(B)}$  such that  $\text{dom } \tilde{x} = \{\tilde{y}; y \in x\}$  and  $\text{range } x \subseteq \{1\}$ . As noted in [5], “ $\hat{x}$ ” in [1] means our “ $\tilde{x}$ ”.  $\hat{x} = \{y; [y \in x] = 1 \text{ and } y \in V^{(B)}\}$  for  $x \in V^{(B)}$ , where  $V^{(B)}$  is separated. For  $b \in B$  and a group  $A$  in  $V^{(B)}$ , i. e.  $[A \text{ is a group}] = 1$ ,  $\hat{A}^b$  is the subgroup of  $\hat{A}$  such that  $x \in \hat{A}^b$  iff  $x \in \hat{A}$  and  $-b \leq [x=0]$ , where 0 is the unit of  $A$ . By this notation,  $\hat{A} = \hat{A}^1$ . For  $x \in \hat{A}$ ,  $x^b$  is the element of  $\hat{A}^b$  such that  $b \leq [x = x^b]$ .

1. A general setting about a complete Boolean algebra

Let  $\Phi(b)$  be a property of  $b \in B$  which satisfies the following conditions:

- (1) if  $\{b_n; n \in N\}$  is a pairwise disjoint subset of  $B$ , there exists  $k$  such that  $\Phi(\bigvee_{n \geq k} b_n)$  and  $\Phi(b_n)$  hold for each  $n \geq k$ ;
- (2) if  $b \wedge c = 0$ ,  $\Phi(b)$  and  $\Phi(c)$  hold, then  $\Phi(b \vee c)$  holds.

Let  $S$  be the subset of  $B$  such that  $b \in S$  iff  $\Phi(b)$  does not hold and  $c \wedge c' = 0$  implies  $\Phi(c)$  or  $\Phi(c')$  for any  $c, c' \leq b$ .

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