# 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, Bis 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.  $\check{x}$  is the element of  $V^{(B)}$  such that dom  $\check{x} = \{\check{y}; y \in x\}$  and range  $x \subseteq \{1\}$ . As noted in [5], " $\hat{x}$ " in [1] means our " $\check{x}$ ".  $\hat{x} = \{y; [y \in x] = 1 \text{ and } y \in V^{(B)}\}$  for  $x \in V^{(B)}$ , where  $V^{(B)}$ is separated. For  $b \in B$  and a group A in  $V^{(B)}$ , i.e. [A 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  $\Phi(\bigvee_{n>k} b_n) \text{ and } \Phi(b_n) \text{ hold for each } n \ge k;$
- (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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LEMMA 1. Let  $F^{\flat}$  be the subset of **B** defined by:  $c \in F^{\flat}$  iff  $\Phi(b \wedge c)$  does not hold. Then,  $F^{\flat} \in \mathcal{F}$  for every  $b \in S$ .

PROOF. We prove only the countable completeness. Let  $b_n \in F^b$  for  $n \in N$ . Let  $c_1 = 0$  and  $c_{n+1} = \bigwedge_{k=1}^n b_k - b_{n+1}$ . Then,  $b_1 = \bigvee_{n \in N} c_n \lor \bigwedge_{n \in N} b_n$ . By the condition (1) and (2) of  $\Phi$  and the property of S,  $\Phi(b \land \bigvee_{n \in N} c_n)$  and so  $\Phi(b \land \bigwedge_{n \in N} b_n)$  does not hold.

LEMMA 2. Let M be a maximal pairwise disjoint subfamily of S. Then, M is finite and  $\Phi(c)$  holds for any c such that  $c \land \lor M = 0$ .

**PROOF.** By the condition of  $\Phi$ , M is finite. Suppose that there exists c such that  $\Phi(c)$  does not hold and  $c \wedge \bigvee M=0$ . By the maximality of M, there is no element of S below c. So, there are  $b_0, c_0 \leq c$  such that  $b_0 \wedge c_0 = 0$  and  $\Phi(b_0)$  nor  $\Phi(c_0)$  does not hold. Then, take  $b_1, c_1 \leq c_0$  with the same property of  $b_0$  and  $c_0$ . In such a way, we obtain a pairwise disjoint family  $\{b_n; n \in N\}$  such that  $\Phi(b_n)$  does not hold for any  $n \in N$ , which is a contradiction. **2.** Hom $(\hat{A}, G)$ 

Let F be a maximal filter on B. For a group A in  $V^{(B)}$ ,  $\hat{A}/F$  is the quotient of  $\hat{A}$  by the equivalence relation  $\sim_F$  such that  $x \sim_F y$  iff  $[[x=y]] \in F$ . In the case  $A = \check{X}$ ,  $\hat{A}$  is known as a Boolean power  $X^{(B)}$  and  $\hat{A}/F$  is a Boolean ultrapower  $X^{(B)}/F$ . (Ref. [8]) In the case that B = P(I) and  $\hat{A} = \prod_{i \in I} A_i$ , where A is defined by a natural way,  $\hat{A}/F$  is known as an ultraproduct  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i/F$ . (Ref. [2]) However, the following fact is enough to read the main part of this paper. Let K be the subgroup of  $\hat{A}$  defined by:  $x \in K \leftrightarrow [[x=0]] \in F$ . Then,  $\hat{A}/F \cong \hat{A}/K$ , where the right part is the quotient group.

THEOREM 1. Let A be a group in  $V^{(B)}$  and G a slender group. Then, Hom $(\hat{A}, G) \cong \bigoplus_{B \in \mathcal{A}} \operatorname{Hom}(\hat{A}/F, G)$  holds.

PROOF. Let *h* be a homomorphism from  $\hat{A}$  to *G* and  $\Phi(b)$  the property " $h''\hat{A}^b=0$ ". Let  $\{b_n; n \in N\}$  be a pairwise disjoint subset of *B* and  $x_n \in \hat{A}^{b_n}$  for each  $n \in N$ . Think of the homomorphism  $g: \mathbb{Z}^N \to \hat{A}$  such that  $g(\sum_{n \in N} a_n e_n) = \sum_{n \in N} a_n x_n$ , where  $x = \sum_{n \in N} a_n x_n$  is the element of  $\hat{A}^b$  such that  $b = \bigvee_{n \in N} b_n$  and  $b_n \leq [x = a_n x_n]$  for each  $n \in N$ , and apply the slenderness of *G* to  $h \cdot g$ , then  $h \cdot g(e_n) = 0$  and so  $h(x_n) = 0$  for almost all *n*. Hence, there exists *k* such that  $\Phi(b_n)$  for any  $n \geq k$  and  $h(\sum_{n \geq k} x_n) = 0$ , by Specker's theorem. (Ref. Prop. 1 of [5] or

Lem. 94.1 of [7])

Therefore,  $\Phi$  satisfies the conditions (1) and (2) of §1. Hence, Lem. 1 and Lem. 2 hold for this  $\Phi$ . Now, let  $M = \{b_1 \cdots b_n\}$  and  $b_0 = 1 - \bigvee M$ . Let  $h_i: \hat{A}/F^{b_i} \to G$ be defined by:  $h_i([x]_i) = h(x^{b_i})$ , where  $[x]_i$  is the equivalence class containing x with respect to  $F^{b_i}$ , for each  $1 \le i \le n$ . Since  $[x=0] \in F^{b_i}$  implies  $h(x^{b_i}) = 0$ for  $x \in \hat{A}^{-[x=0]}$ ,  $h_i$  is well-defined for  $1 \le i \le n$ . For  $x \in \hat{A}$ ,  $h(x) = h(\sum_{i=0}^m x^{b_i}) =$  $\sum_{i=0}^m h(x^{b_i}) = \sum_{i=1}^m h_i([x]_i)$ . The linear independence of  $\{\text{Hom}(\hat{A}/F, G); F \in \mathcal{F}\}$  is clear. Now, the proof is completed.

In view of the paragraph preceding Th. 1, Th. 1 includes Th. 2 of [5] and Th. 94.4 of [7]. We express these as corollaries.

COROLLARY 1. Let A be a group and G a slender group. Then,  $\operatorname{Hom}(A^{(B)}, G) \cong \bigoplus_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \operatorname{Hom}(A^{(B)}/F, G).$ 

COROLLARY 2. Let  $A_i$  be a group for each  $i \in I$  and G a slender group. Then,  $\operatorname{Hom}(\prod_{i \in I} A_i, G) \cong \bigoplus_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \operatorname{Hom}(\prod_{i \in I} A_i/F, G).$ 

If the cardinality of A is less than the least measurable cardinal  $M_c$  or **B** satisfies  $M_c - c. c., A^{(B)}/F \cong A$  holds, so Cor. 1 is an extended form of Th. 2 of [5]. If the cardinality of I is less than  $M_c$ , then every  $F \in \mathcal{F}$  is principal. Therefore,  $\operatorname{Hom}(\prod_{i \in I} A_i, G) \cong \bigoplus_{i \in I} \operatorname{Hom}(A_i, G)$ , which is a famous theorem. If the cardinalities of the  $A_i$  are bounded below  $M_c$ , then  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i/F \cong A_i$  for some *i*, which was used in the proof of Cor. 2 of [5].

By Cor. 2, we can calculate a dual group of  $\prod_{\lambda_1} \bigoplus_{\lambda_2} \cdots \prod_{\lambda_{2n-1}} \mathbb{Z}$ . Now, we shall do it in a simple case. Let  $j_F: V \to M_F$  be the elementary embedding, where Fis a countably complete maximal filter on  $P(\lambda)$  and  $M_F$  is the transitive model which is isomorphic to  $V^{\lambda}/F$ . (Ref. [10]) Let  $B=P(\lambda_1)$ , then

$$\operatorname{Hom}(\prod_{\lambda_1} \bigoplus_{\lambda_2} Z, Z) \cong \bigoplus_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \operatorname{Hom}(\prod_{\lambda_1} (\bigoplus_{\lambda_2} Z)/F, Z)$$
$$\cong \bigoplus_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \operatorname{Hom}(\bigoplus_{j_F(\lambda_2)} Z, Z)$$
$$\cong \bigoplus_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \prod_{j_F(\lambda_2)} Z.$$

In the calculation, we have used the absoluteness of direct sums. Unfortunately, direct products are not absolute among transitive models. So, for the calculation of  $\operatorname{Hom}(\prod_{\lambda_1} \bigoplus_{\lambda_2} \prod_{\lambda_3} Z, Z)$ , we must prepare a proposition which is obtained by modifying Cor. 2. That can be done, if we notice the fact that only the count-

ably completeness of B, not the full completeness, has been used in the proof of Th. 1.

In this paper, we deal with the case that B is a complete Boolean algebra. Therefore, unless B is very large, every element of  $\mathcal{F}$  is principal. Concerning a Boolean power, a countably complete Boolean algebra can give us interesting groups, for there can be a non-principal c. c. max-filter on a non-complete but countably complete and small Boolean algebra.

## 3. A homomorphism into an infinite sum

In this section, we shall extend some results of [4]. We do not prove the next lemma, because the proof is in [3] and [4], and the essential idea of it will be developed in the proof of Lem. 5. For  $X \subseteq I$ , we identify  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i$  with the subgroup of  $\prod_{i \in I} A_i$  such that  $x \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  iff  $x \in \prod_{i \in I} A_i$  and x(i)=0 for each  $i \notin X$ . Similarly, we do  $\bigoplus_{i \in X} A_i$  with the subgroup of  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} A_i$ .

LEMMA 3. (Chase [3]) Let  $h: \prod_{i \in N} A_i \to \bigoplus_{j \in J} G_j$  (=G) be a homomorphism. Then, there exist an integer n > 0 and finite subsets  $F \subseteq N$  and  $J' \subseteq J$  such that

$$h''n\prod_{i\in N-F}A_i\subseteq\bigoplus_{j\in J'}G_j+\bigcap_{n\in N}nG$$
.

THEOREM 2. Let A be a group in  $V^{(B)}$  and  $h: \hat{A} \to \bigoplus_{j \in J} G_j$  (=G) a homomorphism. Then, there exist  $F_1, \dots, F_m \in \mathfrak{T}$ , an integer  $n^* > 0$  and a finite subset  $J^*$  of J that satisfy the following condition: Let K be the subgroup of  $\hat{A}$  such that  $x \in K$  iff  $[x=0] \in F_i$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , then  $h''n^*K \subseteq \bigoplus_{j \in J^*} G_j + \bigcap_{n \in N} nG^{(*)}$ .

Let  $\Phi(b)$  be the property "There exist an integer n > 0 and a finite subset J' of J such that  $h'' n \hat{A}^b \subseteq \bigoplus_{i \in J'} G_i + \bigcap_{n \in N} n G$ ."

LEMMA 4. This  $\Phi$  satisfies the conditions (1) and (2) in § 1.

PROOF. Let  $b = \bigvee_{n \in N} b_n$ , for a pairwise disjoint family  $\{b_n; n \in N\}$ . Then,  $\hat{A}^b \cong \prod_{n \in N} \hat{A}^{b_n}$ .  $b \le c$  and  $\Phi(c)$  imply  $\Phi(b)$ . Hence,  $\Phi$  satisfies the condition (1), by virtue of Lem. 3.  $\Phi$  satisfies the condition (2) clearly.

LEMMA 5. There exist an integer  $n^* > 0$  and a finite subset  $J^*$  of J such that, for any b which satisfies  $\Phi(b)$ ,  $h''n^*\hat{A}^b \subseteq \bigoplus_{i \in J^*} G_i + \bigcap_{n \in N} nG$ .

(\*) Here we admit m=0 and in such a case  $K=\widehat{A}$ .

PROOF. Suppose the negation of the conclusion. Let  $\pi_j: \bigoplus_{j \in J} G_j \to G_j$  be the projection for  $j \in J$ . We construct  $b_k \in B$ ,  $a_k \in \hat{A}$ ,  $n_k \in N$ ,  $j_k \in J$  and a finite subset  $J_k$  of J satisfying the following conditions:

- (1)  $\langle b_k; k \in N \rangle$  are pairwise disjoint and  $\Phi(b_k)$  for  $k \in N$ ;
- (2)  $a_k \in n_{k-1}! \hat{A}^{b_k}$  and  $\pi_{j_k} h(a_k) \notin n_k! G_{j_k}$  and  $\pi_{j_i} h(a_k) = 0$  for each i < k;
- (3)  $h'' n_{k-1}! \hat{A}^b \subseteq \bigoplus_{j \in J_{k-1}} G_j + \bigcap_{n \in N} nG$ , where  $b = \bigvee_{i=1}^{k-1} b_i$ ;
- (4)  $j_k \in J_k$  and  $j_k \notin J_i$  for i < k;
- (5)  $\langle n_k; k \in N \rangle$  and  $\langle J_k; k \in N \rangle$  are increasing.

Suppose that we have already defined  $b_i$ ,  $a_i$ ,  $n_i$ ,  $j_i$  and  $J_i$  for  $i \leq k$  satisfying the above conditions. By the hypothesis, there exists  $b_{k+1}$  such that  $b_{k+1} \wedge \bigvee_{i=1}^{k} b_i = 0$ ,  $\Phi(b_{k+1})$  and  $h''n_k ! \hat{A}^{b_{k+1}} \oplus \bigoplus_{j \in J_k} G_j + \bigcap_{n \in N} nG$ . So, there exists  $a_{k+1} \in n_k ! \hat{A}^{b_{k+1}}$  such that  $h(a_{k+1}) \oplus \bigoplus_{j \in J_k} G_j + \bigcap_{n \in N} nG$ . Hence, there are  $j_{k+1} \oplus J_k$  and  $n > n_k$  such that  $\pi_{j_{k+1}}h(a_{k+1}) \oplus n ! G_{j_{k+1}}$ . Let  $J' = J_k \cup \{j; \pi_j h(a_{k+1}) \neq 0\}$ . By the property of  $b_{k+1}$ , there exist  $n_{k+1}$  and a finite subset  $J_{k+1}$  such that  $n < n_{k+1}$  and  $J' \subseteq J_{k+1}$  and  $h''n_{k+1} ! \hat{A}^{b_{k+1}} \subseteq \bigoplus_{j \in J_{k+1}} G_j + \bigcap_{n \in N} nG$ .  $\sum_{k \in N} a_k$  exists in  $\hat{A}$  and so let it be a. Then,  $a - \sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i \in n_k ! A$  and  $\pi_{j_k}h(a_k) \oplus n_k ! G_{j_k}$  and  $\pi_{j_k}h(a_i) = 0$  for each i < k. Hence,  $\pi_{j_k}h(a) = \pi_{j_k}h(a - \sum_{i=1}^k a_i) + \pi_{j_k}h(a_k) \neq 0$  for each k. Since  $k \neq k'$  implies  $j_k \neq j_{k'}$ , it is a contradiction.

PROOF OF TH. 2. By Lem. 1, Lem. 2 and Lem. 4, M is finite and so let  $M = \{b_1, \dots, b_m\}$  and  $b_0 = 1 - \bigvee M$ . Let  $F_i = F^{b_i}$  for  $1 \le i \le m$ . Now, the theorem is clear by Lem. 5 and the fact that  $x \in K$  implies  $x \in \hat{A}^b$  for some b which satisfies  $\Phi(b)$ .

For a Group A,  $\overline{A}$  denotes the corresponding Hausdorff group  $A/\bigcap_{n\in N} nA$ .

LEMMA 6. For a group A in  $V^{(B)}$ ,  $\overline{\hat{A}} \cong \overline{\hat{A}}$ .

PROOF. By the absoluteness of  $N, \bigcap_{n \in N} n\hat{A} \cong \bigcap_{n \in N} \hat{nA}$ . Hence,  $\bar{A} \cong \hat{A} / \bigcap_{n \in N} n\hat{A} \cong \hat{A} / \bigcap_{n \in N} \hat{nA} \cong \hat{A}$ .

Let F be a maximal filter on **B** and  $K_F^{\widehat{A}}$  the subgroup of  $\widehat{A}$  such that  $x \in K_F^{\widehat{A}}$  iff  $[x=0] \in F$ .

LEMMA 7.  $nx \in K_F^{\widehat{A}}$  implies  $nx \in nK_F^{\widehat{A}}$ , where n is an integer.

PROOF. Let b = [nx=0]. Let x' be the element of  $\hat{A}$  such that  $-b \leq [x'=x]$ 

and  $b \leq [x'=0]$ . Then,  $x' \in K_F^{\widehat{A}}$  and nx'=nx.

LEMMA 8. Let  $\pi: \hat{A} \to \hat{\bar{A}} \ (\cong \bar{\hat{A}})$  be the canonical homomorphism. Then,  $\pi'' K_F^{\widehat{A}} = K_F^{\widehat{A}}$ .

PROOF.  $\pi'' K_F^{\widehat{A}} \subseteq K_F^{\widehat{A}}$  is obvious. Let  $x \in K_F^{\widehat{A}}$ . Then, there exists y in  $\widehat{A}$  such that  $\pi(y) = x$ . So, there exists b such that  $b \in F$  and  $b \leq [x=0]$ . Let y' be the element of  $\widehat{A}$  such that  $-b \leq [y'=y]$  and  $b \leq [y'=0]$ . Then,  $\pi(y') = \pi(y)$  and  $y' \in K_F^{\widehat{A}}$ .

LEMMA 9. Let A be a torsion group in  $V^{(B)}$ , then  $\hat{A}/F$  is also a torsion group for  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ .

PROOF. Let  $a \in \hat{A}$ , then  $\bigvee_{n \in N} [na=0] = [\exists n \in N(na=0)] = 1$ . By the countable completeness of F,  $[na=0] \in F$  for some  $n \in N$ . So,  $\hat{A}/F$  is a torsion group.

THEOREM 3. Let A be a torsion group in  $V^{(B)}$ . Then, for each direct sum decomposition  $\bigoplus_{i \in J} G_i$  of  $\hat{A}$ ,  $\overline{G}_i$  is a torsion group for almost all  $j \in J$ .

PROOF. Applying Th. 2 directly, we have  $F_1, \dots, F_m \in \mathcal{F}$ , an integer n and a finite subset J' of J such that  $nK \subseteq \bigoplus_{j \in J'} G_j + \bigcap_{n \in N} nG$ , where K and G are the same as Th. 2. Let  $\pi: G \to \overline{G}$  be the canonical homomorphism. Then,  $\pi''G_j \cong \overline{G}_j$ for each  $j \in J$  and  $n\pi''K \subseteq \bigoplus_{i \in J'} \pi''G_j$ .

Let  $\psi: \overline{G} \ (=\overline{A}) \to \overline{G}/\pi'' K$  be the canonical homomorphism. Then, the restriction  $\psi$  to  $n \bigoplus_{j \in J-J'} \pi'' G_j$  is a monomorphism, by Lem. 6, 7 and 8. On the other hand,  $\overline{G}/\pi'' K \cong \widehat{A}^{b_1}/F_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus \widehat{A}^{b_m}/F_m \cong \widehat{A}/F_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus \widehat{A}^{j}/F_m$ , by virtue of Lem. 6, 7 and 8 and the fact:  $K = \widehat{A}^{b_0} \oplus \widehat{K}_{F_1}^{2b_1} \oplus \cdots \oplus \widehat{K}_{F_m}^{2b_m}$ . Therefore, it is a torsion group by Lem. 9 and hence  $\bigoplus_{j \in J-J'} \overline{G}_j$  is a torsion group.

Let  $A_i$  be a torsion group for each  $i \in I$ . In view of the first paragraph of § 2, we can take a torsion group A in  $V^{(P(I))}$  such that  $\hat{A} \cong \prod_{i \in I} A_i$ . So, Th. 3 is an improvement of Lem. 8 of [4], even in the case of a direct product, i.e. dropping the cardinality hypothesis for I. Hence, we have Th. 9 of [4] without the cardinality hypothesis for I.

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