



## Openly Generated Boolean Algebra: An Overview

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### ABSTRACT

In this paper, the main thrust is on developing generalised structure of subalgebra of free Boolean algebra. We have extended the results derived by P. Ekloffs for a family of countable set. S. Shelah applied construction principle to discuss different aspects of Boolean algebra related to its length and height. We have derived some lemma and theorems to establish supremacy of strong reshuffling properties as introduced by Ekloffs. The main thrust is on extending the results of S. Shelah and Magidor in respect of its compactness. For every infinite regular cardinal  $k$ , we construct  $2^k$  Pairwise non-isomorphic Boolean algebras of size  $k$  that are tightly  $\sigma$ -filtered and c.c.c as derived by Koppelberg. We extend the results which show that for every uncountable regular cardinal  $k$  there are only  $2^k$  Isomorphism types of projective Boolean algebras of size  $k$ .

**Key Words** : uncountable, reshuffling, inclusion, abelian, filtration

## Introduction

We derive here conditions so that the openly generated Boolean algebras are almost free. Unlike in the case of abelian groups, subalgebras of free Boolean algebras do not have to be free. We introduce here slightly generalized definition of almost freeness for Boolean algebras. We take help of P. Eklofs. for notations.

### σ Filtration:-

Suppose  $A$  be a Boolean algebra of size  $K$ . A filtration.  $(A_\alpha)_{\alpha < k}$  of  $A$  is a  $\sigma$  filtration if for each  $\alpha < k$ ,  $|A_\alpha| < k$ .

$A$  is almost free if it has a  $\sigma$ -filtration  $(A_\alpha)_{\alpha < k}$  consisting of free Boolean algebras.

### Definition

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be Boolean algebras such that  $B \leq A$ . Then  $B \leq_{\text{free}} A$  if there is a free Boolean algebra  $F$  such that  $A$  is isomorphic to  $B \oplus F$  over  $B$ . Here  $\oplus$  denotes the coproduct in the category of Boolean algebras.

Hence, we find  $B \leq_{\text{free}} A$  if there is a set  $X \subseteq A$  such that  $X$  is independent over  $B$  and  $A = B \cup X$ .

### Definition ( $\lambda$ -system)

The set  $\lambda^{<\omega}$  ordered by set inclusion is a tree. Let  $(\beta)$  denote the sequence of length one with value  $\beta$  and let  $\_$  denote concatenation of sequence. If  $S$  is a Subtree of  $\lambda^{<\omega}$  an element  $\eta$  of  $S$  is called a final node of  $S$  if in  $S$  there is no proper extension of  $\eta$ .  $\phi$

Let  $S_f$  denote the set of final nodes of  $S$ .

1. A  $\lambda$ -set  $S$  is a sub tree of  $\lambda^{<\omega}$  together with a cardinal  $\lambda_\eta$  for each  $\eta \in S$  such that  $\lambda_\phi = \lambda$  and
  - (a) for all  $\eta \in S$ ,  $\eta \in S_f$  if and only if  $\lambda_\eta = N_0$  and
  - (b) if  $\eta \notin S_f$ , then  $\eta \_ (\beta) \in S$  implies  $\beta \in \lambda_\eta$  and  $\lambda_{\eta \_ (\beta)} < \lambda_\eta$  and  $E_\eta = \{\beta < \lambda_\eta : \eta \_ (\beta) \in S\}$  is stationary in  $\lambda_\eta$ .
2. A  $\lambda$ -system is a  $\lambda$ -set together a set  $\beta_\eta$  for  $\eta \in S$ . such that  $\beta_\phi = \phi$  and for all  $\eta \in S \setminus S_f$ .
  - (a) for all  $\beta \in E_\eta$ ,  $\lambda_{\eta \_ (\beta)} \leq |\beta| < \lambda_\eta$  (b)  $\{\beta_\eta \_ (\beta)\}_{\beta \in E_\eta}$  is increasing and continuous i.e. if  $\sigma \in E_\eta$  is a limit point of  $E_\eta$ , then  $\beta_{\eta \_ (\sigma)} = \bigcup \{\beta_\eta \_ (\beta) : \beta \in E_\eta \cap \sigma\}$

### Theorem :

For every uncountable cardinal  $\lambda$  there is an almost free, non-free abelian group of size  $\lambda$  if and only if  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$  holds.

Proof We construct here a Boolean algebra  $A(S)$  for any given family  $S$  of countable

sets. We suitable apply strong construction Principle (CP+) for Boolean algebras. If the family  $S$  is sufficiently good,  $A(s)$  is openly generated.

### **Theorem**

$NPT(\lambda, N_0)$  implies the existence of almost free, non-free objects of size  $\lambda$  in every variety  $V$  which satisfies (CP+). S. Shelah established the following lemma. We state it for its further applications.

### **Lemma**

The variety of Boolean algebras satisfies the following strong construction Principle (CP+)

For each  $\eta \in \omega \setminus 1$  there are countably generated free Boolean algebras that  $H \leq K \leq L$  and a partition of  $w$  into  $\eta$  infinite blocks  $S^1, \dots, S^n$  such

$H$  is freely generated by  $\{h_m : m \in w\}$  and for each  $J \subseteq w$  if for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$J \cap S_k$  is finite, then  $\langle \{h_m : m \in J\} \rangle \leq_{\text{free}} L$  and

$$(i) \quad L = K \oplus \text{Fr}(L) \text{ and } H \leq_{\text{free}} L$$

### **Lemma**

$NPT(\lambda, N_0)$  implies that there is a family of countable sets based on family of countable sets on a  $\lambda$ -system. Shelah and Vaisanen has shown that  $\lambda > N_1$ , the  $\lambda$ -system in Lemma may be chosen such that its height is at least 2, i.e., such that the underlying set is really more than just a stationary subset of  $\lambda$ .

### **Lemma**

If  $\lambda > N_1$  and  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$  holds, then there is a family of countable sets based on a  $\lambda$ -system of height  $\eta$  for some  $\eta > 1$ .

### **Proof**

S. Shelah considered a particular kind of families of countable sets based on  $\lambda$ -system known as  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$ -structure.  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$ -structures are applied for building another class of  $NPT$ -skeletons. Let  $\lambda > N_1$  and suppose  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$  holds. We show that there is an  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$ -skeleton of

height  $> 1$ . We construct an  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$ -skeleton of the same height. Hence, it is sufficient to show the existence of an  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$ -skeleton of height  $> 1$ . By  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$ , there is an  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$ -skeleton. If this  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$ -skeleton is of height  $> 1$ , we assume it is of height 1. Since the  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$ -skeleton is of height 1, its type is  $(\lambda)$ . We know that there is an almost free, non-free abelian group of size  $N_1$ . It implies  $NPT(N_1, N_0)$ . It thus follows that there is an  $NPT(N_1, N_0)$ -skeleton of height 1. Since the  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$ -skeleton is of type  $(\lambda)$  and

since  $\lambda > N_1$ , the two skeletons are compatible. Hence the two skeletons can be combined to an  $NPT(\lambda, N_0)$ -skeleton of height 2 and of type  $(\lambda, N_1)$ .

We thus conclude that free Boolean algebra from  $S_1$  are based a

$\lambda$ -system such that  $(S, \cdot)$  has the strong reshuffling property.

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