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Abelian Groups in which Every Γ -Isotype Subgroup is a Pure Subgroup, Resp. an Isotype Subgroup.

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All groups considered in this paper are abelian. Concerning the terminology and notation, we refer to [3]. In addition, if G is a group then G_t and G_p are the torsion part of G and the p -component of G , respectively. Let G be a group and p a prime. Following Rangaswamy [10] we say that a subgroup H of G is p -absorbing, resp. absorbing in G if $(G/H)_p = 0$, resp. $(G/H)_t = 0$. A subgroup H of G is said to be isotype in G if $p^\alpha H = H \cap p^\alpha G$ for all primes p and all ordinals α . Recall that if H is p -absorbing in G then $p^\alpha H = H \cap p^\alpha G$ for every ordinal α (see lemma 103.1 [3]).

Let \mathbb{N} be the set of all positive integers, p_1, p_2, \dots be the sequence of all primes in the natural order and \mathcal{K} the class of all sequences $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots)$, where each α_i is either an ordinal or the symbol ∞ which is considered to be larger than any ordinal. Let G be a group and $\Gamma = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots) \in \mathcal{K}$. A subgroup H of G is said to be Γ -isotype in G if $p_i^\beta H = H \cap p_i^\beta G$ for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and for every ordinal $\beta \leq \alpha_i$. If $\Gamma = (0, 0, \dots)$, $\Gamma = (1, 1, \dots)$, $\Gamma = (\omega, \omega, \dots)$, $\Gamma = (\infty, \infty, \dots)$ then Γ -isotype subgroups of G are precisely subgroups, neat subgroups, pure subgroups, isotype subgroups respectively. Note that if $\Gamma = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots)$, $\Gamma' = (\alpha'_1, \alpha'_2, \dots) \in \mathcal{K}$ and $\Gamma \leq \Gamma'$ (i.e. $\alpha_i \leq \alpha'_i$ for each $i \in \mathbb{N}$) then every Γ' -isotype subgroup of G is Γ -isotype in G . Let G be a p -group, γ be an ordinal or the symbol ∞ . A subgroup H of G is said to be γ -isotype in G if $p^\beta H = H \cap p^\beta G$ for every ordinal $\beta \leq \gamma$.

A direct sum of cyclic groups of the same order p^e is denoted by B_e .

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The purpose of this paper is to describe the classes of all groups in which every Γ -isotype subgroup is a neat, a pure, an isotype subgroup, a direct summand, an absolute direct summand, an absorbing subgroup respectively. Here are so generalized the results of this type from [1], [2], [4], [6]-[9], [11], [13] (see [1]-introduction).

LEMMA 1. Let G be a torsion group and $\Gamma = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots) \in \mathcal{K}$. A subgroup H of G is Γ -isotype in G iff H_{p_i} is α_i -isotype in G_{p_i} for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$.

PROOF. Obvious.

LEMMA 2. Let G be a p -group, $g \in G$ an element of order p^i , $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $k < i$. The subgroup $\langle g \rangle$ is k -isotype in G iff $h^g(p^{k-1}g) = k - 1$. Moreover, the subgroup $\langle g \rangle$ is pure (isotype) in G iff $h^g(p^{i-1}g) = i - 1$.

PROOF. Easy.

LEMMA 3. Let H be a subgroup of a group G and p a prime. If G_p is divisible and $pH = H \cap pG$ then $p^\alpha H = H \cap p^\alpha G$ for every ordinal α .

PROOF. Obviously, H_p is neat in G_p and hence H_p is divisible. Write $H = H_p \oplus H'$ and $G = G_p \oplus G'$, where $H' \subset G'$. Since H' is p -absorbing in G' , the result follows.

LEMMA 4. Let G be a p -group and $k \in \mathbb{N}$. If every k -isotype subgroup of G is a pure subgroup of G then either $G = D \oplus B$, where D is divisible and $p^{k-1}B = 0$, or $p^{k-1}G = B_e \oplus B_{e+1}$ for some $e \in \mathbb{N}$.

PROOF. Let $G = D \oplus B$, where D is nonzero divisible and B is reduced. Suppose $B = \langle a \rangle \oplus B'$, where $o(a) = p^j$ and $j \geq k$; let $d \in D$ be an element of order p^{j+1} . By lemma 2, $\langle a + d \rangle$ is k -isotype in G but is not pure in G —a contradiction. Hence $p^{k-1}B = 0$.

Let G be reduced. Suppose $G = \langle a \rangle \oplus \langle b \rangle \oplus G'$, where $o(a) = p^j$, $o(b) = p^m$ and $m - 2 \geq j \geq k$. By lemma 2, the subgroup $\langle a + pb \rangle$ is k -isotype in G but is not pure in G —a contradiction. If B is a basic subgroup of G then obviously $G = B = B_1 \oplus \dots \oplus B_{k-1} \oplus B_m \oplus B_{m+1}$, where $m \geq k$, and hence $p^{k-1}G = B_e \oplus B_{e+1}$ ($e = m - k + 1$).

LEMMA 5. Let G be a group, p a prime and $\alpha < \beta$ ordinals. If $p^\beta G_p$ is not essential in $p^\alpha G_p$ and either $p^{\beta+1}G_p$ is nonzero or $p^\beta G$ is not torsion then there is a subgroup H of G with following properties: H is q -absorbing in G for every prime $q \neq p$, $p^\gamma H = H \cap p^\gamma G$ for every ordinal $\gamma < \alpha + 1$ and $p^{\beta+1}H \neq H \cap p^{\beta+1}G$.

PROOF (see lemma 3 [1]). There is a nonzero element $n \in p^\alpha G_p[p]$ such that $\langle n \rangle \cap p^\beta G_p = 0$. Let $g \in p^\beta G$ such that either $0 \neq pg \in G_p$ or $o(g) = \infty$. Write $X = \langle p^\beta G[p], pg, n + g \rangle$. It is easy to see that $\langle n \rangle \cap X = 0$. Let H be an $\langle n \rangle$ -high subgroup of G containing X . By [5], $p^\gamma H = H \cap p^\gamma G$ for every ordinal $\gamma \leq \alpha + 1$. Since $p^\beta G[p] \subset H$, $p^{\beta+1}H \neq H \cap p^{\beta+1}G$. By lemma 6 [1], H is q -absorbing in G for every prime $q \neq p$.

THEOREM 1. Let G be a group and $\Gamma = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots) \in \mathcal{IC}$. The following are equivalent:

(i) Every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is a pure subgroup of G .

(ii) For every $i \in \mathbb{N}$, if $\alpha_i < \omega$ then either $G_{p_i} = D \oplus B$, where D is divisible and $p_i^{\alpha_i-1}B = 0$, or G is torsion and G_{p_i} is elementary or G is torsion and $p_i^{\alpha_i-1}G_{p_i} = B_e \oplus B_{e+1}$ for some $e \in \mathbb{N}$.

PROOF. Assume (i). For each $i \in \mathbb{N}$, every α_i -isotype subgroup of G_{p_i} is Γ -isotype in G and hence pure in G_{p_i} . By lemma 4 and by [4], G_{p_i} is as claimed. Suppose G is not torsion and $\alpha_i = 0$ for some $i \in \mathbb{N}$. If $g \in G$ is an element of infinite order then $g \notin \langle p_i g, G_{p_i} \rangle$ and a subgroup H maximal with respect to the properties $g \notin H$, $\langle p_i g, G_{p_i} \rangle \subset H$ is Γ -isotype in G by lemma 6 [1]. Since H is pure in G , there is an element $h \in H$ such that $p_i g = p_i h$, hence $g - h \in G_{p_i} \subset H$ —a contradiction. Finally, if G is not torsion, $\alpha_i < \omega$ for some $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and $p_i^{\alpha_i-1}G_{p_i} = B_e \oplus B_{e+1} \neq 0$ then $p_i^{\alpha_i+e}G_{p_i}$ is not essential in $p_i^{\alpha_i-1}G_{p_i}$, $p_i^{\alpha_i+e}G$ is not torsion and lemma 5 implies a contradiction.

Assume (ii). Let H be an Γ -isotype subgroup of G and $i \in \mathbb{N}$. Write $\beta = \alpha_i$ and $p = p_i$. If $\beta \geq \omega$ then H is p -pure in G . If $\beta = 0$ then by assumption G is torsion and G_p is elementary; write $G = G_p \oplus G'$ and $H = H_p \oplus H'$. For every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $p^k H = H' = H \cap G' = H \cap p^k G$, i.e. H is p -pure in G . Let $0 < \beta < \omega$. Suppose that $p^{\beta-1}G_p = B_e \oplus B_{e+1}$ and G is torsion. By lemma 1,

$$p(p^{\beta-1}H_p) = H_p \cap p(p^{\beta-1}G_p) = p^{\beta-1}H_p \cap p(p^{\beta-1}G_p),$$

i.e. $p^{\beta-1}H_p$ is neat in $p^{\beta-1}G_p$. By [9], $p^{\beta-1}H_p$ is pure in $p^{\beta-1}G_p$ and hence H_p is pure in G_p . Consequently, H is p -pure in G . Suppose that $G_p = D \oplus B$, where D is divisible and $p^{\beta-1}B = 0$. Now,

$$p(p^{\beta-1}H) = H \cap p(p^{\beta-1}G) = p^{\beta-1}H \cap p(p^{\beta-1}G).$$

Since $p^{\beta-1}G_p$ is divisible, $p^{\beta-1}H$ is p -pure in $p^{\beta-1}G$ by lemma 3. Therefore H is p -pure in G .

THEOREM 2. Let G be a group and $\Gamma = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots) \in \mathcal{K}$. Every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is a direct summand of G iff the following conditions hold:

(i) $G = T \oplus D \oplus N$, where T is torsion reduced, D is divisible and N is a direct sum of a finite number mutually isomorphic torsion-free rank one groups;

(ii) if $\alpha_i < \omega$ then either $p_i^{\alpha_i-1}T_{p_i} = 0$ or G is torsion and G_{p_i} is elementary or G is torsion and $p_i^{\alpha_i-1}G_{p_i} = B_e \oplus B_{e+1}$ for some $e \in \mathbb{N}$;

(iii) if $\omega \leq \alpha_i$ then T_{p_i} is bounded.

PROOF. If every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is a direct summand of G then every isotype subgroup of G is a direct summand of G and every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is pure in G . Now, theorem 2 [1] and theorem 1 imply (ii). Conversely, by theorem 1, every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is pure in G and by [2], every pure subgroup of G is a direct summand of G .

For the similar result see [12].

THEOREM 3. Let G be a group and $\Gamma = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots) \in \mathcal{K}$. Every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is an absolute direct summand of G iff G satisfies one of the following two conditions:

(i) G is torsion and for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$,

if $\alpha_i = 0$ then G_{p_i} is elementary,

if $0 < \alpha_i$ then either G_{p_i} is divisible or $G_{p_i} = B_e$ for some $e \in \mathbb{N}$.

(ii) $\alpha_i \neq 0$ for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and either G is divisible or $G = G_i \oplus R$, where G_i is divisible and R is of rank one.

PROOF. Every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is an absolute direct summand of G iff every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is a direct summand of G and every direct summand of G is an absolute direct summand of G . Now, theorem 2 and [11] imply the desired result.

THEOREM 4. Let G be a group and $\Gamma = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots) \in \mathcal{K}$. The following are equivalent:

(i) Every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is a neat subgroup of G .

(ii) If $\alpha_i = 0$ for some $i \in \mathbb{N}$ then G_{p_i} is elementary and G is torsion.

PROOF. Assume (i). Every α_i -isotype subgroup of G_{p_i} is obviously Γ -isotype in G and hence neat in G_{p_i} . By [11], if $\alpha_i = 0$ then G_{p_i} is elementary. Suppose that G is not torsion and $\alpha_i = 0$ for some $i \in \mathbb{N}$. If $g \in G$ is an element of infinite order then a subgroup H of G maximal with respect to the properties $g \notin H$, $\langle p_i g, G_{p_i} \rangle \subset H$ is Γ -isotype in G by lemma 6 [1] but obviously it is not a neat subgroup of G .

Assume (ii). If $\alpha_i > 0$ for each $i \in \mathbb{N}$ then every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is neat in G . Suppose G is torsion and if $\alpha_i = 0$ then G_{p_i} is elementary. If H is an Γ -isotype subgroup of G then H_{p_i} is α_i -isotype in G_{p_i} for each $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and hence neat in G_{p_i} by [11]. Consequently, H is neat in G .

LEMMA 6. Let G be a group, p a prime and β an ordinal. Let H be a $p^\beta G$ -high subgroup of G and $a \in p^\beta G$. If $p^\alpha H_p \neq 0$ for each ordinal $\alpha < \beta$ then there is a subgroup X of G such that $p^\alpha X = X \cap p^\alpha G$ for each ordinal $\alpha \leq \beta$ and $p^\beta X = \langle a \rangle$.

PROOF. If $(o(a), p) = 1$ then write $X = \langle a \rangle$ and all is well. Hence suppose that $p|o(a)$ or $o(a) = \infty$.

If β is not a limit ordinal then there is an element $b \in p^{\beta-1}G$ such that $pb = a$. If $b \notin p^\beta G$ then write $a_\alpha = b$ for every ordinal $\alpha < \beta$ and $X_\beta = \langle b \rangle$. If $b \in p^\beta G$ and $0 \neq c \in p^{\beta-1}H[p]$ then $b' = b + c \in p^{\beta-1}G \setminus p^\beta G$, $pb' = a$; in this case write $a_\alpha = b'$ for every ordinal $\alpha < \beta$ and $X_\beta = \langle b' \rangle$. Obviously $X_\beta \cap p^\beta G = \langle a \rangle$.

Let β be a limit ordinal. For each ordinal $\alpha < \beta$ there is an element $x \in p^\alpha G \setminus p^\beta G$ such that $a = px$. We use the transfinite induction to define the sets X_α , $\alpha \leq \beta$: $X_0 = \langle a \rangle$; obviously $X_0 \cap p^\beta G = \langle a \rangle$ and $(G \cap X_0)[p] \subset \langle a \rangle$. Further, $X_1 = \langle X_0, a_1 \rangle$, where $a_1 \in pG \setminus p^\beta G$ and $pa_1 = a$; obviously $X_1 \cap p^\beta G = \langle a \rangle$ and $(pG \cap X_1)[p] \subset \langle a \rangle$. Suppose that $X_{\alpha-1}$ has been defined such that $X_{\alpha-1} \cap p^\beta G = \langle a \rangle$ and $(p^{\alpha-1}G \cap X_{\alpha-1})[p] \subset \langle a \rangle$, define X_α . If there is an element $x \in X_{\alpha-1} \cap p^\alpha G$ such that $px = a$ then let $a_\alpha = x$ and $X_\alpha = X_{\alpha-1}$. Otherwise let $X_\alpha = \langle X_{\alpha-1}, a_\alpha \rangle$, where $a_\alpha \in p^\alpha G \setminus p^\beta G$ and $pa_\alpha = a$. We show that $X_\alpha \cap p^\beta G = \langle a \rangle$. Let $y + za_\alpha \in p^\beta G$, where $y \in X_{\alpha-1}$ and z is an integer. Obviously $py \in X_{\alpha-1} \cap p^\beta G = \langle a \rangle$; write $py = ma$, where m is an integer. If $(p, m) = 1$ then there are integers u, v such that $upa + vma = a$ and hence $a = p(ua + vy)$, $ua + vy \in X_{\alpha-1} \cap p^\alpha G$ — a contradiction. Hence $m = pm'$, $p(y - m'a) = 0$ and $y - m'a \in (p^{\alpha-1}G \cap X_{\alpha-1})[p] \subset \langle a \rangle$. Therefore $y \in \langle a \rangle$, $y + za_\alpha \in \langle a_\alpha \rangle \cap p^\beta G = \langle a \rangle$. Further we show that $(p^\alpha G \cap X_\alpha)[p] \subset \langle a \rangle$. Let $y + za_\alpha \in (p^\alpha G \cap X_\alpha)[p]$, where $y \in X_{\alpha-1}$ and z is an integer; hence $py = -za$.

If $(p, z) = 1$ then $a = p(ua - vy)$, where u, v are integers, $ua - vy \in X_{\alpha-1} \cap p^\alpha G$ —a contradiction. Hence

$$z = pz', \quad y + z'a \in (p^{\alpha-1}G \cap X_{\alpha-1})[p] \subset \langle a \rangle$$

and therefore $y \in \langle a \rangle$. Now, $y + za \in \langle a \rangle$. Finally, if α is a limit ordinal then let $X_\alpha = \bigcup_{\gamma < \alpha} X_\gamma$.

Let X be a subgroup of G maximal with respect to the properties: $X \cap p^\beta G = \langle a \rangle$, $X^\beta \subset X$. We prove that $p^\alpha X = X \cap p^\alpha G$ for every $\alpha \leq \beta$. It is sufficient to show that if this equality holds for $\alpha - 1$ then it holds for α . Let $x \in X \cap p^\alpha G$, i.e. $x = pg$, where $g \in p^{\alpha-1}G$. If $g \in X$ then $g \in X \cap p^{\alpha-1}G = p^{\alpha-1}X$ and $x \in p^\alpha X$. If $g \notin X$ then there is an element $y \in X$ and an integer z such that $zg + y \in p^\beta G \setminus \langle a \rangle$. Obviously $y \in p^{\alpha-1}G$ and $(z, p) = 1$. Since $pzg + py \in X \cap p^\beta G = \langle a \rangle$, $zx + py = ra = rpa_{\alpha-1}$ and $zx = p(ra_{\alpha-1} - y)$. Now, $ra_{\alpha-1} - y \in X \cap \cap p^{\alpha-1}G = p^{\alpha-1}X$, $zx \in p^\alpha X$ and $x \in p^\alpha X$.

LEMMA 7. Let G be a p -group and β an ordinal. The following are equivalent:

(i) Every β -isotype subgroup of G is isotype in G .

(ii) Either $G = D \oplus B$, where D is divisible and $p^\nu B = 0$ for some ordinal $\nu < \beta$, or $p^\beta G$ is elementary or $p^{\beta-1}G = B_e \oplus B_{e+1}$ for some $e \in \mathbb{N}$.

PROOF. Assume (i). If $\beta = 0$ then G is elementary by [4]. If β is a limit ordinal then write $\alpha = \beta$, otherwise write $\alpha = \beta - 1$. Let $p^\alpha G = D \oplus R$, where D is divisible and R is reduced. If both D and R are nonzero, write $R = \langle a \rangle \oplus R'$, where $o(a) = p^k$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$. The subgroup $p^{\alpha+k}G$ is not essential in $p^\alpha G$, $p^{\alpha+k+1}G \neq 0$ and lemma 5 implies a contradiction. If $p^\alpha G$ is reduced and $p^\alpha G = \langle a \rangle \oplus \langle b \rangle \oplus R'$, where $o(a) = p^k$, $o(b) = p^j$ and $j - k \geq 2$, then $p^{\alpha+k}G$ is not essential in $p^\alpha G$, $p^{\alpha+k+1}G \neq 0$ and lemma 5 implies a contradiction. Consequently, either $p^\alpha G$ is nonzero divisible or $p^\alpha G = B_e \oplus B_{e+1}$ for some $e \in \mathbb{N}$. If $\alpha = \beta - 1$ then we are through, since if $p^\alpha G$ is divisible then $G = p^\alpha G \oplus B$ and obviously $p^\alpha B = 0$. Hence suppose $\alpha = \beta$. Let $p^\beta G$ be nonzero divisible; write $G = p^\beta G \oplus B$. If $p^\nu B \neq 0$ for every ordinal $\nu < \beta$ and $0 \neq a \in p^\beta G[p]$ then there is a β -isotype subgroup X of G such that $p^\beta X = \langle a \rangle$ by lemma 6. Now, $p^{\beta+1}X = 0 \neq \langle a \rangle = X \cap p^{\beta+1}G$ —a contradiction. Hence $p^\nu B = 0$ for some ordinal $\nu < \beta$. Let $p^\beta G = B_e \oplus B_{e+1}$ and suppose that $p^\beta G$ is not elementary.

If H is $p^\beta G$ -high subgroup of G then $p^\gamma H \neq 0$ for every ordinal $\gamma < \beta$, since β is a limit ordinal. Let $a \in p^{\beta+1}G[p]$ be a nonzero element. By lemma 6, there is a β -isotype subgroup X of G such that $p^\beta X = \langle a \rangle$. Now, $p^{\beta+1}X \neq X \cap p^{\beta+1}G$ —a contradiction. Hence $p^\beta G$ is elementary.

Assume (ii). Let H be a β -isotype subgroup of G . If $p^{\beta-1}G = B_e \oplus B_{e+1}$ then

$$p(p^{\beta-1}H) = p^\beta H = H \cap p^\beta G = p^{\beta-1}H \cap p(p^{\beta-1}G),$$

hence $p^{\beta-1}H$ is neat in $p^{\beta-1}G$ and therefore $p^{\beta-1}H$ is pure in $p^{\beta-1}G$ by [9]. Consequently,

$$p^n(p^{\beta-1}H) = p^{\beta-1}H \cap p^n(p^{\beta-1}G) = H \cap p^n(p^{\beta-1}G)$$

for every natural number n and moreover, if $n \geq e + 1$ then $p^n(p^{\beta-1}H) = 0$. If $G = D \oplus B$, where D is divisible and $p^\gamma B = 0$ for some $\gamma < \beta$ then

$$p^\gamma H = H \cap p^\gamma G = H \cap p^\beta G = p^\beta H.$$

If $p^\beta G$ is elementary then

$$p^{\beta+1}H = H \cap p^{\beta+1}G = 0.$$

In all cases, H is isotype in G .

THEOREM 5. Let G be a group and $\Gamma = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots) \in \mathcal{IE}$. The following statements are equivalent:

(i) Every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is isotype in G .

(ii) For every $i \in \mathbb{N}$, either $G_{p_i}^\square = D \oplus B$, where D is divisible and $p_i^\gamma B = 0$ for some ordinal $\gamma < \alpha_i$, or $p_i^{\alpha_i}G$ is torsion and $p_i^{\alpha_i}G_{p_i}$ is elementary or $p_i^{\alpha_i}G$ is torsion and $p_i^{\alpha_i-1}G_{p_i} = B_e \oplus B_{e+1}$ for some $e \in \mathbb{N}$.

PROOF. Assume (i). Every α_i -isotype subgroup of G_{p_i} is isotype in G_{p_i} and hence G_{p_i} is as claimed in (ii) by lemma 7. Let $i \in \mathbb{N}$; write $\beta = \alpha_i$ and $p = p_i$. Suppose that $p^\beta G$ is not torsion. If $p^{\beta-1}G_p = B_e \oplus B_{e+1} \neq 0$ then $p^{\beta+e}G_p$ is not essential in $p^{\beta-1}G_p$ and $p^{\beta+e}G$ is not torsion. If $p^\beta G_p$ is nonzero elementary then $p^{\beta+1}G_p$ is not essential in $p^\beta G_p$ and $p^{\beta+1}G$ is not torsion. In these both cases, lemma 5 implies a contradiction.

Suppose that $p^\beta G$ is not torsion, $p^\beta G_p = 0$ and $p^\gamma G_p \neq 0$ for each ordinal $\gamma < \beta$. Let $a \in p^\beta G$, $o(a) = \infty$ and A be a $p^\beta G$ -high subgroup of G containing G_p . Hence $p^\gamma A_p \neq 0$ for each ordinal $\gamma < \beta$. By lemma 6, there is a subgroup X of G such that $p^\gamma X = X \cap p^\gamma G$ for every ordinal $\gamma < \beta$ and $p^\beta X = \langle pa \rangle$. Let H be a subgroup of G maximal with respect to the properties: $X \subset H$, $a \notin H$. By lemma 6 [1], H is q -absorbing in G for every $q \neq p$. We prove that $p^\gamma H = H \cap p^\gamma G$ for each ordinal $\gamma \leq \beta$. It is sufficient to show that if this equality holds for $\gamma - 1 < \beta$ then it holds also for γ . Let $h \in H \cap p^\gamma G$; there is $g \in p^{\gamma-1} G$ such that $h = pg$. Obviously $h \in p^{\gamma-1} H$. If $g \in H$ then $h \in p^\gamma H$. If $g \notin H$ then $a \in \langle g, H \rangle$, i.e. $a = zg + h'$, where $h' \in H$ and z is an integer. Now, $(z, p) = 1$ and $h' \in H \cap p^{\gamma-1} G = p^{\gamma-1} H$. Further, $pa = zh + ph' \in p^\beta X \subset p^\gamma X$, there is $x' \in p^{\gamma-1} X$ such that $zh + ph' = px'$. Hence $zh = p(x' - h')$, where $x' - h' \in p^{\gamma-1} H$, and therefore $zh \in p^\gamma H$. Now, $ph \in p^\gamma H$, $zh \in p^\gamma H$ and $(p, z) = 1$ imply $h \in p^\gamma H$. Hence H is Γ -isotype in G . Finally, $pa \in H \cap p^{\beta+1} G \setminus p^{\beta+1} H$. For, if $pa = py$, where $y \in p^\beta H$, then $a - y \in G_p \cap p^\beta G = 0$, $a \in H$ — a contradiction. Consequently, H is not isotype in G .

Assume (ii). If H is a Γ -isotype subgroup of G then H_t is Γ -isotype in G_t and by lemma 1, each H_{p_i} is α_i -isotype in G_{p_i} . By lemma 7, each H_{p_i} is isotype in G_{p_i} and by lemma 1, H_t is isotype in G_t .

Let $i \in \mathbb{N}$, write $\beta = \alpha_i$ and $p = p_i$. If $p^\beta G$ is torsion then

$$p^\gamma H = p^\gamma H_t = H_t \cap p^\gamma G_t = H \cap p^\gamma G_t = H \cap p^\gamma G$$

for every $\gamma \geq \beta$. Suppose that $G_p = D \oplus B$, where D is divisible and $p^\gamma B = 0$ for some ordinal $\gamma < \beta$. Hence $p^\gamma G_p$ and $p^\gamma H_p$ are divisible. Write $p^\gamma H = p^\gamma H_p \oplus Y$. Since $p^\gamma G_p \cap Y = 0$, $p^\gamma G = p^\gamma G_p \oplus X$, where $Y \subset X$. We show that $p^\varepsilon Y = Y \cap p^\varepsilon X$ for each ordinal ε . It is sufficient to show that if this equality holds for ε then it holds also for $\varepsilon + 1$. Let $y \in Y \cap p^{\varepsilon+1} X$; there is $x \in p^\varepsilon X$ such that $y = px$. Now, $y \in p^{\varepsilon+1} G \cap H = p^{\varepsilon+1} H$, there is $h \in p^\varepsilon H$ such that $y = ph$. Write $h = h' + y'$, where $h' \in p^\varepsilon H_p$ and $y' \in Y$. Since $y = ph' + py'$, $ph' \in Y \cap p^\varepsilon H_p = 0$. Hence $y = py'$, $x - y' \in X_p = 0$, $x \in Y \cap p^\varepsilon X = p^\varepsilon Y$ and therefore $y \in p^{\varepsilon+1} Y$. Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} p^\varepsilon(p^\gamma H) &= p^\varepsilon(p^\gamma H_p \oplus p^\varepsilon Y) = p^\varepsilon H_p \oplus (Y \cap p^\varepsilon X) = \\ &= p^\varepsilon H \cap (p^\gamma G_p \oplus p^\varepsilon X) = p^\varepsilon H \cap p^\varepsilon(p^\gamma G) = H \cap p^\varepsilon(p^\gamma G) \end{aligned}$$

for each ordinal ε .

THEOREM 6. Let G be a nonzero group and $\Gamma = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots) \in \mathcal{K}$. The following are equivalent:

(i) Every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is an absorbing subgroup of G .

(ii) Either G is torsion-free and $\alpha_i > 0$ for each $i \in \mathbb{N}$ or G is cocyclic and if $\alpha_i = 0$ for some $i \in \mathbb{N}$ then either $G_{p_i} = 0$ or $G = Z(p_i)$.

PROOF. Every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is absorbing in G iff every Γ -isotype subgroup of G is isotype in G and every isotype subgroup of G is absorbing in G . Now, theorem 5 and theorem 6 [1] imply the desired result.

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