On sumsets of nonbases of maximum size

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Let G be a finite abelian group. A nonempty subset A in G is called a basis of order h if hA = G; when $hA \neq G$, it is called a nonbasis of order h. Our interest is in all possible sizes of hA when A is a nonbasis of order h in G of maximum size; we provide the complete answer when h = 2 or h = 3.

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