## SOME RESULTS ON DIRECT SUMS OF BANACH SPACES — A SURVEY

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ABSTRACT. We shall discuss three notions of direct sums of Banach spaces, Z-,  $\psi$ -, and A-direct sums, which are in fact all isometric. Weak nearly uniform smoothness, uniform non-squareness and uniform non- $\ell_1^n$ -ness etc. will be discussed, especially in the general A-direct sum setting. As applications some examples of Banach spaces will be presented concerning FPP as well as super-reflexivity.

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