

Isometries of combinatorial Tsirelson spaces

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$$\mathcal{A}_n := \{F \in [\mathbb{N}]^{<\omega} : |F| \leq n\} \cup \{\emptyset\} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N})$$

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- if α is a **limit ordinal** and $(\alpha_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a fixed strictly increasing sequence of ordinals converging to α

$$\mathcal{S}_{\alpha} := \{S_{\alpha_n} \in [\mathbb{N}]^{<\omega} : S_{\alpha_n} \in \mathcal{S}_{\alpha_n} \text{ for some } n \leq \min S_{\alpha_n}\} \cup \{\emptyset\}.$$

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For $x \in c_{00}$ and $E \in [\mathbb{N}]^{<\omega}$ let **E** be the projection of the vector x onto the coordinates belonging to E , i.e.

$$E \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i x_i \right) = \sum_{i \in E} a_i x_i.$$

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and denote by $T[\theta, \mathcal{F}]$ the completion of c_{00} with respect to it.

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Examples

- $T[\theta, \mathcal{S}_\alpha]$ for $\theta \in (0, 1)$, $1 \leq \alpha < \omega_1$ - combinatorial Tsirelson spaces;
- $T[\theta, \mathcal{S}_1]$ for $\theta \in (0, 1)$ - Tsirelson-type spaces;
- $T[\frac{1}{2}, \mathcal{S}_1]$ - Tsirelson spaces.

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Problem

Characterize surjective isometries on $T[\theta, \mathcal{F}]$ for $\theta \in (0, 1)$ and regular families \mathcal{F} . The case of $\theta = \frac{1}{2}$ and \mathcal{S}_α for some countable ordinal $\alpha > 1$ is especially interesting.

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Repeat it (' j_1 - many' times) to obtain a maximal \mathcal{S}_2 -set from indices j_i .

Thank you for your attention!

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