

# Tsirelson-like spaces and complexity questions in Banach space theory

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$T^*$  is reflexive and dual to the space  $T$  defined as the Banach space of sequences  $x = \{x(i)\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  with the unit vector basis and with the implicitly defined norm

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If  $\mathcal{M}$  consists of sequences with finitely many 1's, then  $e_1, e_2, \dots$  is a boundedly complete basis of  $T^*[\mathcal{M}, \frac{1}{2}]$ , and so  $T^*[\mathcal{M}, \frac{1}{2}] \not\hookrightarrow c_0$ .

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where  $E_0 = \{1, \dots, m_1 - 1\}$  and  $E_k = \{m_k, \dots, m_{k+1} - 1\}$ , hence the space  $T^*[\mathcal{M}, \frac{1}{2}]$  is isomorphic to the  $c_0$ -sum of a sequence of finite-dimensional spaces. □

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The next step in this line of research is the study of the following problem.

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- $E_{BM}$ : the relation of Banach spaces to have Banach-Mazur distance 1,
- $E_L$ : the relation of metric spaces to have Lipschitz distance 1.

### Proposition

$E_{GH,bdd}$  is Borel reducible to every equivalence on the list above.