

# Isometrically universal structures in Banach spaces

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- (1) It is well-known that the (separable) Banach space  $C[0; 1]$  is isometrically universal for the class of all separable Banach space, there is no available proof of the corresponding fact for  $p$ -Banach spaces with  $p < 1$ . We presented the construction, uniqueness, and universality of the  $p$ -Gurariĭ space, an analogue of the Gurariĭ space for the class of  $p$ -Banach spaces, where  $0 < p \leq 1$  is fixed.

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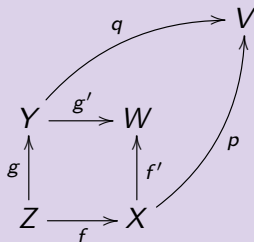
$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y & \xrightarrow{g'} & W \\ g \uparrow & & \uparrow f' \\ Z & \xrightarrow{f} & X \end{array}$$

is commutative and it is a pushout in the category of Banach spaces with nonexpansive operators.

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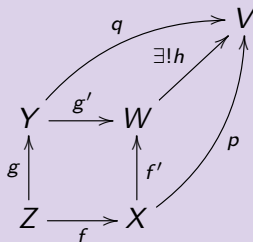
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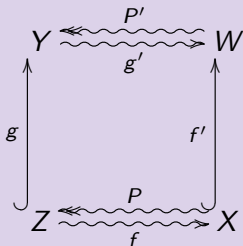
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Lemma (Correcting  $\varepsilon$ -isometry), Kubiś, Solecki

Fix  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ , and let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a linear operator between Banach spaces, satisfying

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for every  $x \in X$ . Let  $i_0 : X \rightarrow X \oplus Y$ ,  $j_0 : Y \rightarrow X \oplus Y$  be the canonical embeddings and consider the space  $X \oplus_{(f, \varepsilon)} Y$ , that is,  $X \oplus Y$  endowed with the norm

$$\|(x, y)\|_{f, \varepsilon} = \inf \{ \|u\|_X + \|v\|_Y + \varepsilon \|w\|_X : x = u + w, y = v - f(w), u, w \in X, v \in Y \}.$$

Then both  $i_0$  and  $j_0$  are isometric embeddings and

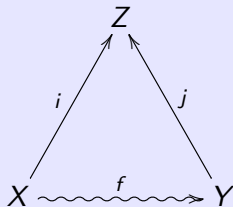
$$\|j_0 \circ f - i_0\| \leq \varepsilon.$$

We again fix  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$  and we fix a linear operator  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  between Banach spaces such that

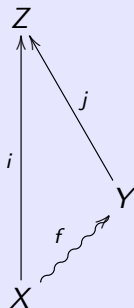
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for every  $x \in X$ . Consider the following category  $\mathcal{R}_f^\varepsilon$ . The objects of  $\mathcal{R}_f^\varepsilon$  are pairs  $(i, j)$  of nonexpansive linear operators  $i : X \rightarrow Z$ ,  $j : Y \rightarrow Z$  between Banach spaces, satisfying

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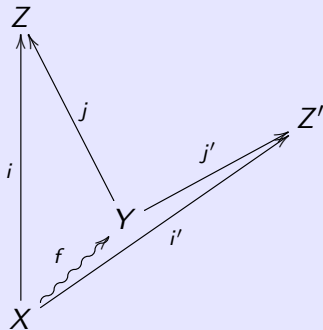


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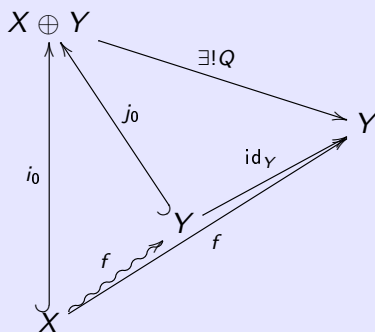
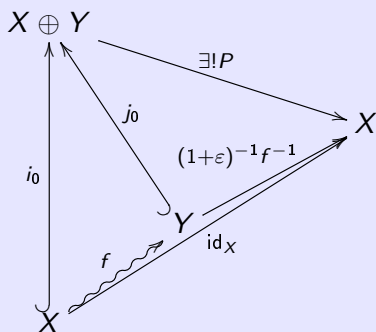
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Suppose that  $f$  is a surjective operator, then there exist norm-one projections  $P, Q$  from  $X \oplus_{(f, \varepsilon)} Y$  on  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively.



In our construction we consider rational spaces, therefore to get Banach space ( $p$ -Banach space) we take completion of every obtained sequence. We use properties of a *Fraïssé sequence* (*generic*). A sequence  $\vec{U}$  in  $\mathfrak{F}$  is a *Fraïssé sequence*, if it satisfies the following condition:

- (A) Given  $n \in \omega$  and an  $\mathfrak{F}$ -arrow  $f : U_n \rightarrow Y$ , then exist  $m > n$  and an  $\mathfrak{F}$ -arrow  $g : Y \rightarrow U_m$  such that  $g \circ f$  is the bonding arrow from  $U_n$  to  $U_m$ .

The following theorem is crucial:

### Theorem (Kubiś)

Every countable category has a Fraïssé sequence.

### Theorem (Universality of FDD)

Let  $X$  be a Banach space with a monotone FDD. Then there exists an isometric embedding  $e : X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}$  such that  $e[X]$  is 1-complemented in  $\mathbb{P}$ .

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### Theorem (Universality)

Every separable  $p$ -Banach space can be isometrically embedded into  $p$ -Gurariĭ space.

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