

Using Tsirelson space as the frame for HI constructions

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Introduction

The goal of this lecture is to present the construction of a new reflexive HI Banach space. This space is denoted as $\mathfrak{X}_{\text{ISP}}$ and its definition uses the method of saturation under constraints originated 20 years ago by E. Odell and Th. Schlumprecht. This method permits to use Tsirelson space as the unconditional frame and thus new features in HI spaces occur. The most significant property of the space $\mathfrak{X}_{\text{ISP}}$ is that it satisfies the hereditary Invariant Subspace Property, which means that every operator acting on every subspace of $\mathfrak{X}_{\text{ISP}}$ has a non trivial invariant subspace.

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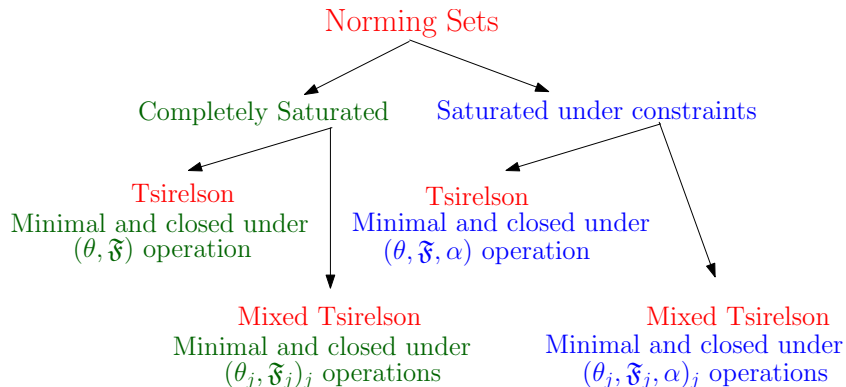
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