# On uniform non- $\ell_1^n$ -ness for direct sums of Banach spaces

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## The purpose of this talk

We shall present some recent results on uniform non  $\ell_1^n$ -ness for  $\psi$ -direct sums of Banach spaces and especially for the  $\ell_1$ - and  $\ell_\infty$ -sums.

Some applications will be mentioned concerning super-reflexivity and FPP.

### **1.** Preliminary definitions and facts

X: a real Banach space with dim  $X \ge 2$ .

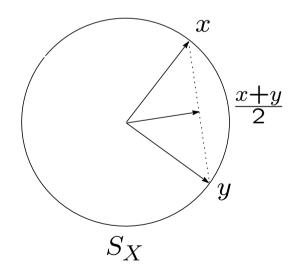
 $B_X$ : the closed unit ball of X

 $S_X$ : the unit sphere of X

#### Definition 1.1

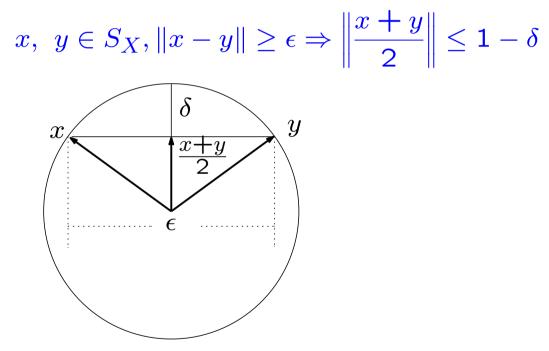
 $\boldsymbol{X}$  is called strictly convex (SC) provided

$$x, y \in S_X, x \neq y \implies \left\|\frac{x+y}{2}\right\| < 1$$



#### **Definition 1.2**

X is called uniformly convex (UC) provided for any  $\epsilon$  (0 <  $\epsilon$  < 2) there exists  $\delta$  (0 <  $\delta$  < 1) such that



#### Definition 1.3 (James, 1964)

X is called uniformly non-square (UNS) provided there exists  $\delta$  (0 <  $\delta$  < 1) such that

$$x, y \in S_X, \left\|\frac{x-y}{2}\right\| \ge 1-\delta \Rightarrow \left\|\frac{x+y}{2}\right\| \le 1-\delta$$

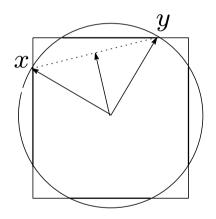
Or equivalently, provided  $\exists~\epsilon>0$  and  $\delta>0$  such that

$$x, y \in S_X, ||x - y|| \ge \epsilon \Rightarrow \left\|\frac{x + y}{2}\right\| \le 1 - \delta$$

UNS vs UC

X: UC 
$$\iff \forall \varepsilon \exists \delta \text{ s.t. } ||x - y|| \ge \epsilon, x, y \in S_X \Rightarrow \left\|\frac{x + y}{2}\right\| \le 1 - \delta$$

X: UNS  $\iff \exists \varepsilon, \delta \text{ s.t. } \|x - y\| \ge \epsilon, \ x, y \in S_X \Rightarrow \left\|\frac{x + y}{2}\right\| \le 1 - \delta$ 



In the above formulation of UNS we cannot let  $\epsilon > 0$  tend to 0. That is, we have the same conclusion as UC for all  $x, y \in S_X$  which are "apart from each other to some extent". Thus UC implies UNS. UNS vs SC

There is no implications between UNS and SC.

(We shall see this in the examples below.)

#### Example 1.1

(i) Let  $1 . Then <math>L_p$ ,  $\ell_p$  are UC, and hence SC. (ii)  $L_1, L_\infty, \ell_1, \ell_\infty, c_0$  are not SC (not UC).

**Example 1.2** Consider the following norms on C[0, 1].

(i) 
$$||f||_{\infty} = \max\{|f(t)| : 0 \le t \le 1\}$$
: not SC  
(ii)  $||f||_2 = \left\{ \int_0^1 |f(t)|^2 dt \right\}^{1/2}$ : SC (UC).  
(iii)  $||f||_0 := ||f||_{\infty} + ||f||_2$  is SC, but not UNS and hene not UC.

**Example 1.3** Let  $1 < \lambda < \sqrt{2}$ . Let  $X_{2,\lambda} := (\ell_2, \|\cdot\|_{\lambda})$ , where

 $\|(\xi_n)\|_{\lambda} = \max\{\|(\xi_n)\|_2, \lambda\|(\xi_n)\|_{\infty}\}$ 

Then  $X_{2,\lambda}$  is UNS, but not SC.

#### Connection to approximation problems

**Theorem A** (Approximation to a finite dimensional subspace) Let *F* be a finite dimensional subspace of *X*. Then for any  $x \in X$  there exists  $y_0 \in F$  such that  $||x - y_0|| \le ||x - y||$  for all  $y \in F$ . ( $y_0$  is called a <u>best approximation of x in F</u>.) If X is strictly convex, we have a unique best approximation! **Theorem B** (Approximation to a closed convex subset) — Let X be uniformly convex. Let K be a nonempty closed convex subset of X. Then for any  $x \in X$  there exists a unique  $y_0 \in K$  such that  $||x - y_0|| \le ||x - y||$  for all  $y \in K$ 

#### Connection to the fixed point property (FPP)

#### Connection to reflexivity

~定理**D** (James, 1964) ——

Uniformly non-square spaces are reflexive.

Thus

 $X: UC \Longrightarrow X: UNS \Longrightarrow X:$  reflexive

#### **Example 1.4** Consider the space

 $X_{2,\lambda} = (\ell_2, \| \cdot \|_{\lambda}), \quad 1 < \lambda < \sqrt{2},$ where  $\|(\xi_n)\|_{\lambda} = \max\{\|(\xi_n)\|_2, \lambda\|(\xi_n)\|_{\infty}\}.$ 

Then:

(i) If  $1 < \lambda < \sqrt{2}$ ,  $\frac{X_{2,\lambda} \text{ is UNS, but not SC, whence not UC}}{X_{2,\lambda} \text{ is UNS, but not SC, whence not UC}}.$ 

(ii) If  $\lambda = \sqrt{2}$ ,  $\frac{X_{2,\sqrt{2}}}{}$  is reflexive, but not UNS.

#### Connection to super-reflexivity

#### - Theorem E

The following are equivalent.

(i) X is super-reflexive

(ii) X admits an equivalent UC norm (Enflo, 1972)

(iii) X admits an equivalent UNS norm (James, 1972)

# 2. Uniformly non- $\ell_1^n$ spaces

$$X: UNS \iff \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t.}$$
$$\|x\| = \|y\| = 1, \ \left\|\frac{x-y}{2}\right\| \ge 1-\delta \implies \left\|\frac{x+y}{2}\right\| \le 1-\delta$$
$$\min\{\|x-y\|, \ \|x+y\| \le 2(1-\delta)$$

 $\begin{array}{rcl} X \colon \mbox{ UNS } \iff \ \exists \delta > 0 \ {\rm s.t.} & \forall \ x,y \in S_X \\ & & \min\{\|x+y\|, \ \|x-y\|\} \leq 2(1-\delta) \end{array}$ 

#### Definition 2.1

 $\begin{aligned} X \text{ is called } uniformly \ non-\ell_1^n \\ \text{provided there exists } \epsilon \ (0 < \epsilon < 1) \text{ such that} \\ \forall x_1, \cdots, x_n \in S_X \\ \exists \theta = (\theta_j) \text{ (an } n\text{-tuple of signs) for which} \\ \\ \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_j x_j \right\| \leq n(1-\epsilon). \end{aligned}$ 

If n = 2, uniform non- $\ell_1^2$ -ness coincides with UNS-ness.

If n = 3, uniform non- $\ell_1^3$  spaces are called uniformly nonoctahedral.

If n = 1, the formal definition is possible, but no Banach space is uniformly non- $\ell_1^1$ .

# - Proposition A —

X: uniformly non- $\ell_1^n \implies X$ : uniformly non- $\ell_1^{n+1}$ 

#### Example 2.1

The space  $\ell_1^n$  is uniformly non- $\ell_1^{n+1}$ , but not uniformly non- $\ell_1^n$ .

Why we discuss the uniform non  $\ell_1^n$ -ness:

(i) X: UNS (uniformly non  $\ell_1^2$ )  $\Longrightarrow$  X: reflexive

X: uniformly non  $\ell_1^3 \Longrightarrow X$ : reflexive ? This is not true ! (James [6])

(ii) X: UNS  $\implies$  X: FPP (2006) X: uniformly non  $\ell_1^3 \implies$  X: FPP ? This is not known !

# **3.** $\psi$ -direct sums of Banach spaces

#### Absolute norms on $\mathbb{C}^2$

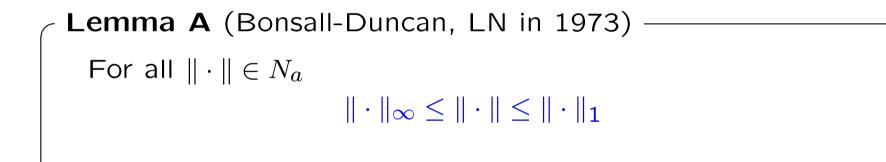
**Definition 3.1** Let  $\|\cdot\|$  be a norm on  $\mathbb{C}^2$ .

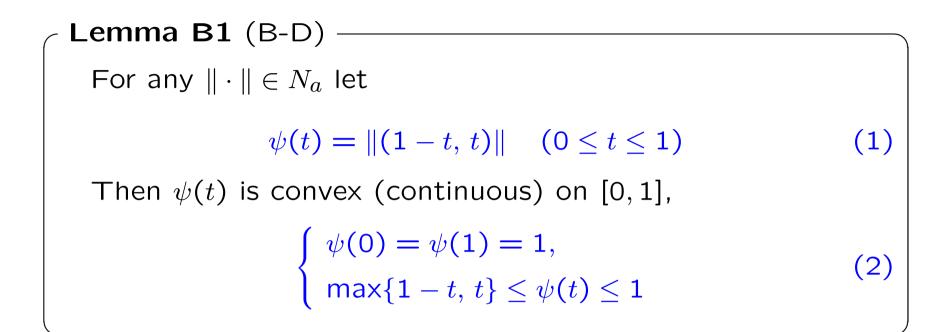
(i)  $\|\cdot\|$ : absolute  $\iff \|(z,w)\| = \|(|z|,|w|)\| \quad (\forall z, w \in \mathbb{C})$ 

(ii)  $\|\cdot\|$ : normalized  $\iff \|(1,0)\| = \|(0,1)\| = 1$ 

 $N_a := \{ all absolute normalized norms on \mathbb{C}^2 \}$ 

Example 3.1 
$$\ell_p$$
-norms  $(1 \le p \le \infty)$ :  
 $\|(z,w)\|_p = \begin{cases} (|z|^p + |w|^p)^{1/p} & \text{if } 1 \le p < \infty, \\\\ \max(|z|, |w|) & \text{if } p = \infty. \end{cases}$ 





 $\Psi:=$ {all convex functions on [0, 1] satisfying (2)}

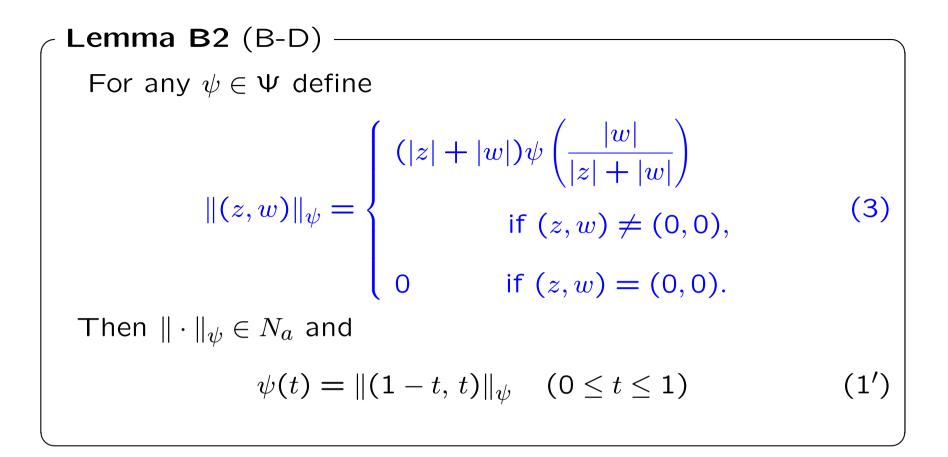
To see the converse the following observation indicates how one should construct a norm in  $N_a$ from a given convex function  $\psi \in \Psi$ :

For a given  $\|\cdot\| \in N_a$  let

$$\psi(t) = \|(1-t, t)\| \quad (0 \le t \le 1).$$

Then for all  $(z, w) \neq (0, 0)$ 

$$\begin{aligned} |(z,w)|| &= (|z|+|w|) \left\| \left( \frac{|z|}{|z|+|w|}, \frac{|w|}{|z|+|w|} \right) \right| \\ &= (|z|+|w|)\psi \left( \frac{|w|}{|z|+|w|} \right) \end{aligned}$$



By Lemmas B1 and B2

 $N_a$  and  $\Psi$  are in 1-1 correspondence with the equation (1'):

$$\|\cdot\| = \|\cdot\|_{\psi} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \psi$$

#### Example 3.2

The convex function corresponding to the  $\ell_p$ -norm is given by

$$\psi_p(t) := \|(1-t, t)\|_p$$
  
= 
$$\begin{cases} \{(1-t)^p + t^p\}^{1/p} & \text{if } 1 \le p < \infty, \\\\ \max\{1-t, t\} & \text{if } p = \infty \end{cases}$$

**Example 3.4** (Lorentz  $\ell_{p,q}$  norm). Let  $1 \le q \le \infty$  and let

$$\|(z,w)\|_{p,q} := \begin{cases} \left\{ z^{*q} + 2^{(q/p)-1}w^{*q} \right\}^{1/q} & \text{if } q < \infty, \\\\ \max\{z^*, 2^{1/p}w^*\} & \text{if } q = \infty, \end{cases}$$

where  $\{z^*, w^*\}$  is the non-increasing rearrangement of  $\{|z|, |w|\}$ , that is,  $z^* \ge w^*$ .

Then  $\|\cdot\|_{p,q} \in N_a$  and the corresponding function  $(q < \infty)$  is

$$\begin{split} \psi_{p,q}(t) &:= \|(1-t,t)\|_{p,q} \\ &= \begin{cases} \{(1-t)^q + 2^{q/p-1}t^q\}^{1/q} & \text{if } 0 \le t \le \frac{1}{2}, \\ \\ \{t^q + 2^{q/p-1}(1-t)^q\}^{1/q} & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} \le t \le 1. \end{cases} \end{split}$$

If p = q, this norm coincides with the  $\ell_p$ -norm.

#### $\psi$ -Direct Sums of Banach Spaces

**Definition 3.2** (Takahashi-Kato-Saito, JIA, 2002)

The  $\psi$ -direct sum  $X \oplus_{\psi} Y$  of Banach spaces X and Y is the direct sum  $X \oplus Y$  equipped with the norm:

 $\|(x,y)\|_{\psi} := \|(\|x\|,\|y\|)\|_{\psi}$ 

#### Proposition 1.

X, Y: Banach spaces  $\Rightarrow X \oplus_{\psi} Y$  is a Banach space.

**Example 3.5** (*lp*-sum).

The  $\ell_p$ -sum  $X \oplus_p Y := (X \oplus Y, \|\cdot\|_p)$  is the  $\psi_p$ -direct sum  $X \oplus_{\psi_p} Y$ .

Example 3.6 ( $\ell_{p,q}$ -sum).

Let  $1 \leq q \leq p \leq \infty$ .

The  $\ell_{p,q}$ -sum  $X \oplus_{p,q} Y := (X \oplus Y, \|\cdot\|_{p,q})$  is the  $\psi_{p,q}$ -direct sum  $X \oplus_{\psi_{p,q}} Y$ 

**Theorem 3.1** (Takahashi-Kato-Saito 2002; Saito-Kato 2003)  
(i) 
$$X \oplus_{\psi} Y$$
: *SC*  
 $\iff X, Y$  are *SC* and  $\psi$  is strictly convex.  
(ii)  $X \oplus_{\psi} Y$ : *UC*  
 $\iff X, Y$  are *UC* and  $\psi$  is strictly convex.

- **Theorem 3.2** (Kato-Saito-Tamura, MIA, 2004) –

 $X \oplus_{\psi} Y$ : UNS  $\iff$  X, Y are UNS and  $\psi \neq \psi_1, \psi_{\infty}$ .

#### Corollary 3.1

Let  $1 \le q \le p \le \infty$  and neither p = q = 1 nor  $p = q = \infty$ . Then (i)  $X \oplus_{p,q} Y : SC \iff X, Y : SC$ 

(ii)  $X \oplus_{p,q} Y : UC \iff X, Y : UC$ 

(iii)  $X \oplus_{p,q} Y$ : UNS  $\iff X, Y$ : UNS

The same is true for the  $\ell_p$ -sum  $X \oplus_p Y$ , 1 , as the case <math>p = q.

Recall

#### Theorem 3.2

# $X \oplus_{\psi} Y$ : UNS $\iff$ X, Y: UNS and $\psi \neq \psi_1, \psi_{\infty}$ .

This is extended to the uniform non- $\ell_1^n$ -ness.

Theorem 3.3 (Kato-Saito-Tamura, JNCA, 2010) -

Assume that neither X nor Y is uniformly non- $\ell_1^{n-1}$ .

Then the following are equivalent.

(i)  $X \oplus_{\psi} Y$  is uniformly non- $\ell_1^n$ .

(ii) X and Y are uniformly non- $\ell_1^n$  and  $\psi \neq \psi_1, \psi_\infty$ .

#### Remark 3.1

We cannot remove the condition, neither X nor Y is uniformly non- $\ell_1^{n-1}$  for (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). Theorem 3.2 implies that

 $X \oplus_1 Y$  and  $X \oplus_{\infty} Y$  cannot be UNS for all X and Y. (Also recall that  $\ell_1^2$  and  $\ell_{\infty}^2$  are not UNS.)

Theorem 3.3 indicates that if either X or Y is uniformly non- $\ell_1^{n-1}$ ,  $X \oplus_1 Y$  and  $X \oplus_{\infty} Y$  can be uniformly non- $\ell_1^n$   $(n \ge 3)$ .

Our next concern is these extreme cases !

## 4. $\ell_1$ - and $\ell_\infty$ -sums

### $\ell_1$ -sum

- **Theorem 4.1** (Kato-Tamura, Comment. Math. 2007; cf.JNCA) The following are equivalent.

(i)  $X \oplus_1 Y$  is uniformly non- $\ell_1^3$ .

(ii) X and Y are uniformly non-square.

Theorem 4.1 (ibidem) -

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Theorem 4.2 (ibidem)

The following are equivalent.

(i) X \oplus_1 Y is uniformly non-\ell_1^n.

(ii) There exist n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{N} with n_1 + n_2 = n - 1 such that

X is uniformly non-\ell_1^{n_1+1} and

Y is uniformly non-\ell_1^{n_2+1}.
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Corollary 4.1 (ibidem) –

Let  $X \oplus_1 Y$  be uniformly non- $\ell_1^n$ .

Then both of X and Y are uniformly non- $\ell_1^{n-1}$ .

#### $\ell_\infty$ -sum

Recall the  $l_1$ -sum case (Theorem 4.1):

X, Y: UNS  $\iff X \oplus_1 Y$ : uniformly non- $\ell_1^3$ 

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Theorem 4.3 (ibidem.)

X, Y: UNS \implies X \oplus_{\infty} Y: uniformly non-\ell_1^3

The converse is not true !
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For three Banach spaces we obtain the next result, which is interesting in contrast with the above  $\ell_1$ -sum case.

Theorem 4,4 (Kato-Tamura, Comment. Math., 2009; cf.JNCA)
For three Banach spaces X, Y and Z
the following are equivalent.
(i) (X ⊕ Y ⊕ Z)<sub>∞</sub> is uniformly non-l<sup>3</sup><sub>1</sub>.
(ii) X, Y and Z are UNS.

5. More satisfactory results on  $\ell_1\text{-}$  and  $\ell_\infty\text{-}\text{sums}$ 

# **Theorem 5.1** (Kato-Tamura, Comment Math., 2007) *The following are equivalent.*

- (i)  $(X_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus X_m)_1$  is uniformly non- $\ell_1^n$ .
- (ii) There exist m positive integers  $n_1, \ldots, n_m$ with  $n_1 + n_2 + \cdots + n_m = n - 1$  such that  $X_i$  is uniformly non- $\ell_1^{n_i+1}$  for all  $1 \le i \le m$ .

#### Recall that

 $(X_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus X_m)_1$  is not uniformly non- $\ell_1^m$ .

For the uniform non- $\ell_1^{m+1}$ -ness we have the following.

Theorem 5.2 (Kato-Tamura, CM, 2007) — The following are equivalent.
(i) (X<sub>1</sub> ⊕ · · · ⊕ X<sub>m</sub>)<sub>1</sub> is uniformly non-ℓ<sub>1</sub><sup>m+1</sup>.
(ii) X<sub>1</sub>,...,X<sub>m</sub> are uniformly non-square.

This extends Theorem 4.1:

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X \oplus_1 Y is uniformly non-\ell_1^3 \iff X and Y are UNS.
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**Theorem 5.3** (Kato-Tamura, Comment. Math., 2009) Let  $n \ge 2$ . The following are equivalent. (i)  $(X_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus X_{2^n-1})_{\infty}$  is uniformly  $non-\ell_1^{n+1}$ . (ii)  $(X_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus X_m)_{\infty}$  is uniformly  $non-\ell_1^{n+1}$  for all  $m \le 2^n - 1$ . (iii)  $X_1, \ldots, X_{2^n-1}$  are uniformly non-square.

## 6. Some Appications

### Super-reflexivity

Definition 6.1 (James, 1972)

### X is called **super-reflexive**

 $\stackrel{def}{\longleftrightarrow} \quad \left[ Y: \text{ finitely representable in } X \Rightarrow Y: \text{ reflexive} \right]$ 

A Banach space  $\boldsymbol{Y}$  is said to be finitely representable in  $\boldsymbol{X}$ 

 $\stackrel{\mathit{def}}{\Longleftrightarrow}$ 

 $\forall \ \epsilon > 0$ 

 $\forall$  F: finite dimensional subspace of Y

 $\exists E$ : a finite dimensional subspace of X with dim  $F = \dim E$  such that

 $d(F, E) := \inf\{\|T\| \| T^{-1}\| : T \text{ is an isomorphism of } F \text{ onto } E\} < 1 + \epsilon.$ 

Uniformly non-square spaces are super-reflexive (James, 1972),

while uniformly non- $\ell_1^3$  spaces are not always reflexive (James, 1974).

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    ✓ Theorem 6.1 (K-Tam, CM, 2009)
    Let X be uniformly non-ℓ<sub>1</sub><sup>3</sup>.
    If X is isometric to

            (i) an ℓ<sub>1</sub>-sum of 2 Banach spaces, or
            (ii) an ℓ<sub>∞</sub>-sum of 3 Banach spaces,

    then X is super-reflexive.
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Indeed, if  $X \oplus_1 Y$  is uniformly non- $\ell_1^3$ , X and Y are UNS, whence super-reflexive. Therefore  $X \oplus_1 Y$  is super-reflexive.

## Fixed Point Property (FPP)

### **Definition 6.2**

X has the  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{FPP}}$  for nonexpansive mappings

 $\stackrel{def}{\Longleftrightarrow}$ 

 $\forall C$ : nonempty closed bounded convex subset of X, every nonexpansive mapping  $T : C \to C$  has a fixed point.

(T is nonexpansive  $\iff ||Tx - Ty|| \le ||x - y||$  for all  $x, y \in C$ ).

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Theorem F (García-Falset et al., JFA, 2006) —
X: UNS \Rightarrow X: FPP
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It's natural to ask whether all uniformly non-octahedral spaces have FPP. We have the following. Theorem 6.2 (Kato-Tamura, CM, 2009) -

Let X be uniformly non-octahedral (non- $\ell_1^3$ ). If X is isometric to an  $\ell_\infty$ -sum of 3 Banach spaces, then X has FPP.

Indeed, García-Falset et al. (JFA, 2006) showed that

 $X: UNS \Longrightarrow R(1, X) < 2 \Longrightarrow X: FPP$ 

If  $(X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus X_3)_{\infty}$  is uniformly non- $\ell_1^3$ , all  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  are UNS by Theorem 4.4. Hence  $R(1, X_i) < 2$ . On the other hand, we can show

$$R(1, (X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus X_3)_\infty) = \max_{1 \le i \le 3} R(1, X_i)$$

Therefore we have  $R(1, (X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus X_3)_\infty) < 2$ , which implies that  $(X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus X_3)_\infty$  has *FPP*.

In the same way we have the following.

F Theorem 6.3 (Kato-Tamura, CM, 2009) Let X be uniformly non- $\ell_1^{n+1}$ . If X is isometric to an  $\ell_\infty$ -sum of  $2^n - 1$  Banach spaces, then X has FPP. The constant R(1, X) by Domínguez Benavides (1994):

$$R(1,X) = \sup\left\{\liminf_{n \to \infty} \|x_n + x\|\right\},\,$$

where the supremum is taken over all  $x \in B_X$  and all weakly null sequences  $\{x_n\}$  in  $B_X$  such that  $\lim_{n,m\to\infty;n\neq m} ||x_n - x_m|| \le 1$ .

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- Theorem 6.4 (Kato-Tamura, CM, 2007) —
Let X = (X_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus X_m)_1 be uniformly non-\ell_1^{m+1}.
Then X_1, \cdots, X_m have FPP.
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Indeed,
if X = (X_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus X_m)_1 is uniformly non-\ell_1^{m+1},
all X_1, \ldots, X_m are UNS by Theorem 5.2,
and hence have FPP.
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