DEFINABILITY OF TYPES OVER BANACH SPACES

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We study the concept of type definability (a standard concept from model theory) in the context of Banach space geometry. Then we state a result which shows that there is a tight connection between type definability and asymptotic structure. Informally, the result states that in an asymptotic sense, a basic sequence (x_n) in a Banach space X generates types which are definable if and only if (x_n) generates almost isometric copies of ℓ_p or c_0 inside X.

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