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ON THE CHOICE IN ROSENTHAL'S LEMMA

Abstract:

Rosenthal's lemma in its most basic form states that given an infinite matrix  $(m_n^k)_{n,k \in \omega}$  of non-negative reals such that  $\sum_{n \in \omega} m_n^k \leq 1$  for every  $k \in \omega$ , and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists an infinite set  $A \subset \omega$  such that  $\sum_{n \in A, n \neq k} m_n^k \leq \varepsilon$  for every  $k \in A$ . The lemma has numerous important applications in Banach space theory and vector measure theory — I will mention some of them during the talk (on the fly explaining and exemplifying all notions and terms).

A natural question arises — can the choice of a set  $A$  in Rosenthal's lemma be somehow controlled, i.e. can  $A$  be chosen from some fixed family  $\mathcal{F} \subset [\omega]^\omega$ ? I will show that it is not possible if  $\mathcal{F}$  has cardinality strictly less than  $\text{cov}(\mathcal{M})$  (the covering of category). On the other hand, if  $\mathcal{F}$  is a basis of a selective ultrafilter (assuming one exists), then  $A$  can be chosen from  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2016**

Tea at 3:30pm in the KGRC meeting room (room 104)

Talk at 4:00pm in the KGRC lecture room (room 101)

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