

# On antiramsey colorings and geometry of Banach spaces

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For every  $\delta > 0$  there is  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that for every  $(1 - \varepsilon)$ -separated  $\{x_\alpha : \alpha < \omega_1\} \subseteq S_{\mathcal{X}_c}$  there are  $\alpha < \beta < \omega_1$  such that  $\|x_\alpha - x_\beta\|_c > \sqrt{2} - \delta$  and there are  $\xi < \eta < \omega_1$  such that  $\|x_\xi - x_\eta\|_c < 1 + \delta$ .

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