On the extension of isometries between the unit spheres of two Banach spaces

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Abstract

One of the lines explored after the famous Mazur-Ulam theorem is the possibility of extending a surjective isometry between the unit spheres of two Banach spaces as a surjective linear isometry between the space. More concretely, let X and Y be Banach spaces, whose unit spheres are denoted by S(X) and S(Y), respectively. Suppose $T: X \to Y$ is a surjective real linear isometry. The restriction $T|_{S(X)}: S(X) \to S(Y)$ defines a surjective isometry. The so-called *Tingley's problem*, asks if every surjective isometry $f: S(X) \to S(Y)$ arises in this way, or equivalently, if every surjective isometry $T: X \to Y$. Tingley's problem remains open even for surjective isometries between the unit spheres of a pair of 2 dimensional Banach spaces. We shall revisit in this talk most of the main positive answers to Tingley's problem obtained during the last two or three decades.