

# On the complexity of describing topological bases for $QCB_0$ -spaces

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(joint work with Matthias Schröder and Victor Selivanov)

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- We present some previous joint work with Matthias Schröder and Victor Selivanov that was originally presented at CCC 2014, and published in the paper “Base-complexity classifications of  $\text{QCB}_0$ -spaces”, *Computability* (2016).
- It introduced a way of characterizing non-countably based  $\text{QCB}_0$ -spaces according to the complexity of a basis for their topologies
  - The method generalizes the basic idea of countably based spaces, where a basis can simply be enumerated
  - It complements the (hyper-)projective hierarchy of  $\text{QCB}_0$ -spaces introduced earlier by Matthias Schröder and Victor Selivanov (2013), which classifies spaces by the complexity of the partial equivalence relation on  $\omega^\omega$  induced by an admissible representation of the space
- The base-complexity hierarchy is useful for studying non-countably based  $\text{QCB}_0$ -spaces, in particular when investigating the complexity of subsets of spaces, and for investigating issues of embeddability.

# Motivation: Absoluteness of the complexity of subspaces

The extension from Polish spaces to quasi-Polish spaces has been very natural:

- For example, a quasi-Polish subspace of a countably based  $T_0$ -space is always a  $\Pi_2^0$ -subspace.
- This allows us to characterize quasi-Polish spaces as the  $\Pi_2^0$ -subspaces of  $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$ .

This does **not** extend to non-countably based spaces:

- The singleton subset  $\{\omega^\omega\} \subseteq \mathcal{O}(\omega^\omega)$  is clearly quasi-Polish but it is not even a Borel set! (It is  $\Pi_1^1$ -complete; Selivanov 2013).
- The space  $\mathcal{O}(\omega^\omega)$  has  $\Pi_2^1$ -complete singletons, and this phenomenon continues up the entire (hyper-) projective hierarchy by considering spaces with **increasingly complicated topologies**

To even begin to characterize the complexity of singleton subspaces, we must organize the class of QCB<sub>0</sub>-spaces into some hierarchy and consider each level separately.

# Motivation: Total representations

- What notions of “completeness” should we look for in  $\text{QCB}_0$ -spaces?
- A useful characterization of quasi-Polish spaces is that they are precisely the countably based  $T_0$ -spaces with a total admissible representation (with  $\omega^\omega$  as domain).
- Having a total representation is a useful completeness property of  $\text{QCB}_0$ -spaces (V. Selivanov, 2013), since every name has an interpretation as some point of the underlying space.

But how general is the class of spaces with total representations?  
Can every  $\text{QCB}_0$ -space be embedded into a space with a total representation?

# Motivation: Understanding Embeddability

## Definition (Kleene-Kreisel continuous functionals)

Using exponentials within  $QCB_0$  ( $T_0$  quotients of countably based spaces), we define  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$  for  $n \in \omega$  as:

- $\mathbb{N}\langle 0 \rangle = \omega$  are the natural numbers,
- $\mathbb{N}\langle 1 \rangle = \omega^\omega$  is the Baire space,
- $\mathbb{N}\langle n + 1 \rangle = \omega^{\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle}$ .

**Note:**  $\mathbb{N}\langle 2 \rangle = \omega^{\omega^\omega}$  and above are not countably based. The topology is the sequentialization of the compact-open topology.

A natural question is:

- Can  $\mathbb{N}\langle n + 1 \rangle$  be topologically embedded into  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$ ?
- More generally, is there a subspace of  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$  whose sequentialization is homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{N}\langle n + 1 \rangle$ ?

# Motivation: Understanding Embeddability

It is well known that there is no continuous surjection from  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$  onto  $\mathbb{N}\langle n + 1 \rangle$ :

- Given continuous  $f: \mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle \rightarrow \omega^{\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle}$ , define  $g: \mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle \rightarrow \omega$  as  $g(p) = f(p)(p) + 1$ .
- If  $f(q) = g$ , then  $f(q)(q) = g(q) = f(q)(q) + 1$ , contradiction.

But this alone does **not** eliminate the possibility of a topological embedding.

It is also easy to see that  $\mathbb{N}\langle 2 \rangle = \omega^{\omega^\omega}$  does not embed into  $\mathbb{N}\langle 1 \rangle = \omega^\omega$ , because  $\mathbb{N}\langle 1 \rangle$  is countably based but  $\mathbb{N}\langle 2 \rangle$  is not.

In order to extend the last proof to arbitrary  $n \in \omega$ , we need a generalization of the notion of the **complexity of defining a topological basis for a space**.

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The following modified definition of the Borel hierarchy, due to V. Selivanov, is necessary for non-metrizable spaces:

## Definition

Let  $X$  be a topological space. For  $1 \leq \alpha < \omega_1$  define  $\Sigma_\alpha^0(X)$ ,  $\Pi_\alpha^0(X)$ , and  $\Delta_\alpha^0(X)$  inductively as follows:

- $\Sigma_1^0(X)$  is the set of open subsets of  $X$ ,
- For  $\alpha > 1$ ,  $A \in \Sigma_\alpha^0(X)$  iff  $A$  can be expressed in the form

$$A = \bigcup_{i \in \omega} U_i \setminus V_i,$$

where  $U_i, V_i \in \Sigma_{\beta_i}^0(X)$  for some  $\beta_i < \alpha$ .

- $\Pi_\alpha^0(X) = \{X \setminus A \mid A \in \Sigma_\alpha^0(X)\}$ , and
- $\Delta_\alpha^0(X) = \Sigma_\alpha^0(X) \cap \Pi_\alpha^0(X)$ .

Finally, define the Borel sets as  $\mathbf{B}(X) = \bigcup_{\alpha < \omega_1} \Sigma_\alpha^0(X)$ .

## Definition

The projective hierarchy on a space  $X$  is defined as ( $n \in \omega$ ):

- $\Sigma_0^1(X) = \Sigma_2^0(X)$ ,
- $A \in \Sigma_{n+1}^1(X)$  iff  $A$  is such that

$$x \in A \iff (\exists p \in \omega^\omega)[\langle p, x \rangle \in B]$$

for some  $B \in \Pi_n^1(\omega^\omega \times X)$ ,

- $\Pi_n^1(X)$  is the set of complements of sets in  $\Sigma_n^1(X)$ ,
- $\Delta_n^1(X) = \Sigma_n^1(X) \cap \Pi_n^1(X)$ .

This definition can be extended to all countable ordinals to get the so-called hyperprojective hierarchy, which is needed when working with full cartesian closed subcategories of  $\mathbf{QCB}_0$  that are closed under countable limits and co-limits (Schröder & Selivanov, 2014). (Our results easily generalize to the hyperprojective hierarchy).

Borel subsets are the subsets that are definable using quantification over  $\omega$ , boolean operations, and open-valued predicates.

### Example

Assume  $(B_n)_{n \in \omega}$  is a countable basis for  $X$ . Then for  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$x = y \iff (\forall n \in \omega)[x \in B_n \iff y \in B_n],$$

hence the diagonal  $\Delta_X \subseteq X \times X$  is Borel (in fact,  $\Pi_2^0$ ).

Analytic (co-analytic) subsets correspond to subsets that are definable using existential (universal) quantifier over  $\omega^\omega$ , boolean operations, and Borel-valued predicates.

### Example

Assume  $X$  is countably based and let  $f: \omega^\omega \rightarrow X$  be continuous, then

$$x \in \text{range}(f) \iff (\exists p \in \omega^\omega)[f(p) = x].$$

Note that  $\{\langle p, x \rangle \in \omega^\omega \times X \mid f(p) = x\}$  is a  $\Pi_2^0$ -set.

We will be particularly interested in topological spaces  $X$  whose elements can be represented in an appropriate way using infinite strings of natural numbers (i.e., elements of the Baire space  $\omega^\omega$ ).

**Definition (K. Weihrauch, M. Schröder)**

Let  $X$  be a topological space. A partial continuous surjection  $\rho : \subseteq \omega^\omega \rightarrow X$  is an **admissible representation** of  $X$  iff for every partial continuous  $f : \subseteq \omega^\omega \rightarrow X$  there is a partial continuous  $F : \subseteq \omega^\omega \rightarrow \omega^\omega$  such that  $f = \rho \circ F$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \omega^\omega & \xrightarrow{F} & \omega^\omega \\ & \searrow f & \downarrow \rho \\ & & X \end{array}$$

A topological space is a **QCB<sub>0</sub>-space** (Quotient of a Countably Based space) iff it has an admissible representation which is a quotient map.

## Theorem (M. Schröder)

If  $(X, \rho_X)$  and  $(Y, \rho_Y)$  are admissibly represented QCB<sub>0</sub>-spaces, then a function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous if and only if there exists a continuous partial function  $F: \subseteq \omega^\omega \rightarrow \omega^\omega$  such that  $f \circ \rho_X = \rho_Y \circ F$  (we say that “ $F$  realizes  $f$ ”).

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \omega^\omega & \xrightarrow{F} & \omega^\omega \\ \rho_X \downarrow & & \downarrow \rho_Y \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \end{array}$$

- The computability (and complexity) of functions  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  between QCB<sub>0</sub>-spaces can be defined in terms of the computability (complexity) of realizers  $F: \subseteq \omega^\omega \rightarrow \omega^\omega$  of  $f$  (Weihrauch's Type Two Theory of Effectivity)

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For each  $n \in \omega$  we fix an admissible representation  $\delta_n: D_n \rightarrow \mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$  with  $D_n \subseteq \omega^\omega$ . We can assume that  $D_0 = D_1 = \omega^\omega$  and  $D_n \in \Pi^1_{n-1}(\omega^\omega)$  for  $n > 1$  (Schröder & Selivanov, 2013).

## Theorem (Schröder & Selivanov, 2013)

Let  $n \geq 1$  and  $B \subseteq \omega^\omega$  be non-empty. Then  $B \in \Sigma^1_n(\omega^\omega)$  iff there is a continuous function  $f: \mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle \rightarrow \omega^\omega$  with  $\text{range}(f) = B$ .

# Projective hierarchy of $\text{QCB}_0$ -spaces (Schröder & Selivanov, 2013)

For any representation  $\delta$  of a space  $X$ , define

$$EQ(\delta) := \{\langle p, q \rangle \in \omega^\omega \mid p, q \in \text{dom}(\delta) \wedge \delta(p) = \delta(q)\}.$$

## Definition

For each family of pointclasses  $\Gamma$  (e.g.,  $\Sigma_n^1$ ,  $\Pi_n^1$ , etc.), let  $\text{QCB}_0(\Gamma)$  be the set of spaces  $X$  that have an admissible representation  $\delta$  with  $EQ(\delta) \in \Gamma(\omega^\omega)$ .

The spaces in  $\text{QCB}_0(\mathbf{P}) := \bigcup_{n \in \omega} \text{QCB}_0(\Sigma_n^1)$  are called the projective  $\text{QCB}_0$ -spaces.

$\text{QCB}_0(\mathbf{P})$  is the smallest (up to equivalence) full cartesian closed sub-category of  $\text{QCB}_0$  that contains the Sierpinski space and  $\omega$  and is closed under finite limits and co-limits (constructed as in  $\text{QCB}_0$ ).

A similar characterization holds for the hyperprojective  $\text{QCB}_0$ -spaces, but with countable limits and co-limits.

# Projective hierarchy of $\text{QCB}_0$ -spaces (Schröder & Selivanov, 2013)

## Proposition

- If  $X$  is countably based and  $\Gamma \in \{\Pi_n^1, \Sigma_n^1 \mid n \in \omega\}$ , then  $X \in \text{QCB}_0(\Gamma)$  iff  $X$  is homeomorphic to a  $\Gamma$ -subset of  $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$ .
- If  $X$  is Hausdorff and  $\Gamma \in \{\Pi_n^1, \Sigma_n^1 \mid n \in \omega\}$ , then  $X \in \text{QCB}_0(\Gamma)$  iff  $X$  has an admissible representation  $\delta$  with  $\text{dom}(\delta) \in \Gamma(\omega^\omega)$ .
- For each  $n \in \omega$ ,  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+1 \rangle \in \text{QCB}_0(\Pi_n^1) \setminus \text{QCB}_0(\Sigma_n^1)$
- For each  $n \in \omega$ , if  $X \in \text{QCB}_0(\Sigma_n^1)$  and  $Y \in \text{QCB}_0(\Pi_n^1)$ , then  $Y^X \in \text{QCB}_0(\Pi_n^1)$ .



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**Note:** For any space  $X$ , we assume the Scott-topology on the lattice of open sets  $\mathcal{O}(X)$ . For  $\text{QCB}_0$  spaces  $X$ , this is isomorphic to the exponential  $\Sigma^X$ , where  $\Sigma$  is the Sierpinski space.

## Definition

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces.

- A  **$Y$ -indexing** of a basis for  $X$  is a continuous function  $\phi: Y \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$  such that  $\text{range}(\phi)$  contains a basis for the topology of  $X$ .
- $X$  is  **$Y$ -based** iff there exists a  $Y$ -indexing for a basis for  $X$ .

Clearly,  $\omega$ -based is the usual definition of countably based.

## Proposition

Every subspace (not subobject!) of a  $Y$ -based space is  $Y$ -based.

**Proof:** If  $e: Z \rightarrow X$  is a topological embedding, just compose the  $Y$ -indexing with the surjection  $e^{-1}: \mathcal{O}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(Z)$ .

## Theorem

If  $X$  and  $Y$  are sequential  $T_0$ -spaces and  $X$  is  $Y$ -based, then  $X$  topologically embeds into  $\mathcal{O}(Y)$ .

**Proof (idea):** Given a  $Y$ -indexed basis  $\phi: Y \rightarrow \Sigma^X$ , then the double transpose  $\psi: X \rightarrow \Sigma^Y$ , defined as  $\psi(x)(y) = \phi(y)(x)$ , is a topological embedding. (Very similar to D. Scott's proof that every space embeds into a continuous lattice)

## Theorem

The following are equivalent for a sequential  $T_0$ -space  $X$ :

- $X$  is a  $\text{QCB}_0$ -space,
- $X$  is  $Y$ -based for some  $Y \subseteq \omega^\omega$ ,
- $X$  topologically embeds into  $\mathcal{O}(Y)$  for some  $Y \subseteq \omega^\omega$ .

If  $\phi: Y \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$  is a  $Y$ -indexing of a basis for  $X$  and  $(B_n)_{n \in \omega}$  is a countable basis for  $Y$ , then  $A_n := \bigcap \{\phi(p) \mid p \in B_n\}$  for  $n \in \omega$  gives a countable pseudo-base for  $X$ .

## Corollary

Every  $\text{QCB}_0$ -space topologically embeds into a space with a total representation.

**Proof:** By Selivanov (2013), if  $Y$  is countably based then  $\mathcal{O}(Y)$  has a total representation.

For  $\omega^\omega$ -based spaces we get a complete characterization:

## Theorem

A  $\text{QCB}_0$ -space is  $\omega^\omega$ -based iff it topologically embeds into  $\mathcal{O}(\omega^\omega)$ .

**Open question:** Does this extend to  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$  for  $n > 1$ ?

## Example

The following are  $\omega^\omega$ -based:

- Every countably based space,
- $\mathcal{O}(X)$  whenever  $X$  is quasi-Polish,
- The Gruenhage-Streicher space  $X$ :
  - underlying set of  $X$  is  $\omega^2$
  - basis given by  $\beta: \omega^2 \times \omega^\omega \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$   
 $\beta(\langle m, n \rangle, f) = \{\langle m, n \rangle\} \cup \{(i, j) \in \omega^2 \mid i > m \ \& \ j \geq f(i)\}$   
(**Exercise:** Prove that  $\beta$  is continuous.)

(This is a  $\text{QCB}_0$ -space but its soberification is not).

## Proposition

Every  $\text{QCB}_0(\mathbf{\Pi}_n^1)$ -space is  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+2 \rangle$ -based.

- **Note:** M. Hoyrup later showed that this cannot be improved to  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+1 \rangle$ -based:  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+1 \rangle$  is not  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+1 \rangle$ -based for  $n \geq 1$ .

**Proof (idea):** If  $X$  is  $\text{QCB}_0(\mathbf{\Pi}_n^1)$  then  $\Sigma^X$  is  $\text{QCB}_0(\mathbf{\Pi}_{n+1}^1)$  so there is a continuous surjection from  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+2 \rangle$  to  $\Sigma^X$ .  $\square$

Recall that  $D_n \in \mathbf{\Pi}_{n-1}^1(\omega^\omega)$  is the domain of an admissible representation for  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$ .

## Corollary

Every  $\text{QCB}_0(\mathbf{\Pi}_n^1)$ -space topologically embeds into  $\mathcal{O}(D_{n+2})$ , which has a total representation.

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# Sequentially $Y$ -based spaces

## Definition

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be sequential spaces.

- $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{O}(X)$  is a **sequential basis** for  $X$  iff  $\mathcal{B}$  is a subbasis for a topology  $\tau$  on the set  $X$  such that the sequentialization of  $\tau$  is equal to  $\mathcal{O}(X)$ .
- For  $\phi: Y \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$  define  $\mathcal{B}_\phi$  to be the set of all intersections of the form  $\bigcap_{n \leq \infty} \phi(p_n)$  where  $(p_n)_n$  converges to  $p_\infty$  in  $Y$ .
- A continuous function  $\phi: Y \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$  is a  **$Y$ -indexed generating system for  $X$**  iff  $\mathcal{B}_\phi$  is a sequential basis for  $X$ .
- $X$  is **sequentially  $Y$ -based** iff there exists a  $Y$ -indexing generating system for  $X$ .

## Proposition

A sequential space  $X$  is seq.  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$ -based iff there exists continuous  $\phi: \mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$  such that  $range(\phi)$  is a sequential basis for  $X$ .



# Sequentially $Y$ -based spaces

## Definition

$X$  **sequentially embeds** into  $Y$  iff there is a subspace  $Z$  of  $Y$  such that the sequentialization of  $Z$  is homeomorphic to  $X$ .

## Theorem

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be sequential  $T_0$ -spaces.  $X$  is sequentially  $Y$ -based **iff**  $X$  sequentially embeds into  $\mathcal{O}(Y)$ .

## Corollary

If  $X$  is a sequential  $T_0$ -space then  $\mathcal{O}(X)$  is sequentially  $X$ -based.

# Sequentially $Y$ -based spaces

## Proposition

Let  $X_i, Y_i$  be sequential  $T_0$ -spaces such that  $X_i$  is sequentially  $Y_i$ -based for  $i \in \omega$ . Then the sequential product  $\prod_{i \in \omega} X_i$  is sequentially  $(\bigoplus_{i \in \omega} Y_i)$ -based.

## Proposition

Let  $X, Y, P$  be sequential  $T_0$ -spaces such that  $Y$  is sequentially  $P$ -based. Then  $Y^X$  is sequentially  $(P \times X)$ -based.

## Corollary

For every  $n \in \omega$ ,  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+1 \rangle$  is sequentially  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$ -based.

**Proof:** By induction,  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+1 \rangle = \omega^{\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle}$  is sequentially  $(\omega \times \mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle)$ -based.

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# Application to Kleene-Kreisel continuous functionals

Given a  $\text{QCB}_0$ -space  $X$ , we let  $0_X$  denote the constantly zero function  $\lambda x \in X.0$  in  $\omega^X$ .

## Lemma

Let  $X$  be a  $\text{QCB}_0$ -space,  $Y \subseteq \omega^\omega$ ,  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  a continuous function, and  $A = Y \setminus f(X)$  the complement of the range of  $f$ . Then there is a continuous function  $g: Y \rightarrow (\omega^X)^\omega$  such that  $g(y)$  is a sequence in  $\omega^X$  converging to  $0_X$  if and only if  $y \in A$ .

**Proof (idea):** Define  $g: Y \rightarrow (\omega^X)^\omega$  as  $g(y)(n)(x) = 0$  if  $f(x) \notin \uparrow y[n]$  and  $g(y)(n)(x) = 1$ , otherwise, where  $\uparrow y[n]$  is the clopen subset of  $Y$  of elements agreeing with  $y$  in the first  $n$  places.

## Theorem

For each  $n \in \omega$ ,  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+2 \rangle$  is **not** sequentially  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$ -based.

**Proof (idea):** Fix  $A \in \Pi_{n+1}^1(\omega^\omega) \setminus \Sigma_{n+1}^1(\omega^\omega)$  and continuous  $f: \mathbb{N}\langle n+1 \rangle \rightarrow \omega^\omega$  such that  $A = \omega^\omega \setminus \text{range}(f)$ . The lemma implies there is continuous  $g: \omega^\omega \rightarrow (\mathbb{N}\langle n+2 \rangle)^\omega$  such that  $g(y)$  is a sequence in  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+2 \rangle$  converging to  $0_{\mathbb{N}\langle n+1 \rangle}$  iff  $y \in A$ .

Assume for a contradiction that  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+2 \rangle$  is sequentially  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$ -based. Then there is continuous  $\phi: D_n \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{N}\langle n+2 \rangle)$  with  $\text{range}(\phi)$  a sequential basis for  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+2 \rangle$ . Then  $y \in A$  iff

$$\forall x \in \omega^\omega. \left[ \underbrace{\neg (x \in D_n \wedge 0_{\mathbb{N}\langle n+1 \rangle} \in \phi(x))}_{\Sigma_{n-1}^1 \text{ because } D_n \text{ is } \Pi_{n-1}^1} \vee \underbrace{\forall_n^\infty . g(y)(n) \in \phi(x)}_{\text{Borel}} \right].$$

Hence  $A$  is  $\Pi_n^1$ , a contradiction. □

## Theorem

For each  $n \in \omega$ ,  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+1 \rangle$  does not sequentially embed into  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$ .

**Proof:** For  $n = 0$  it is trivial: an embedding  $\omega^\omega \hookrightarrow \omega$  would be absurd!

For  $n > 0$ , there is an embedding  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle \hookrightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{N}\langle n-1 \rangle)$  because  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$  is sequentially  $\mathbb{N}\langle n-1 \rangle$ -based. Then

$$\mathbb{N}\langle n+1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle \hookrightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{N}\langle n-1 \rangle)$$

would imply  $\mathbb{N}\langle n+1 \rangle$  is sequentially  $\mathbb{N}\langle n-1 \rangle$ -based, contradicting the previous theorem. □

## Theorem

There is no  $\text{QCB}_0$ -space which is universal for all  $\text{QCB}_0$ -spaces.

**Proof (idea):** For any  $\text{QCB}_0$ -space  $X$  there is  $Y \subseteq \omega^\omega$  such that  $X$  embeds into  $\mathcal{O}(Y)$ . Let  $\pi_Y$  be a total admissible representation of  $\mathcal{O}(Y)$ .

There is  $Z \subseteq \omega^\omega$  such that  $\omega^\omega \setminus Z$  is not Wadge reducible to  $EQ(\pi_Y)$ . However, it can be shown that  $\omega^\omega \setminus Z$  Wadge reduces to  $EQ(\pi_Z)$ , where  $\pi_Z$  is a total admissible representation of  $\mathcal{O}(Z)$ .

This implies that  $\mathcal{O}(Z)$  cannot embed into  $\mathcal{O}(Y)$ , hence  $\mathcal{O}(Z)$  can not embed into  $X$ .  $\square$

## Proposition

$\mathcal{O}(\omega^\omega)$  is universal (w.r.t. topological embeddings) for  $\omega^\omega$ -based spaces.

**Open question:** Is  $\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle)$  universal for  $n > 1$ ?

## Proposition

For all  $n \in \omega$ ,  $\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle)$  is universal (w.r.t. sequential embeddings) for sequentially  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$ -based spaces.



# Concluding remarks

- $\mathcal{O}(D_n)$  is also universal for sequentially  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$ -based spaces, and has a total  $\omega^\omega$ -representation.
  - **Note:** If  $X$  is a  $\text{QCB}_0$ -space with a total representation, then  $\mathcal{O}(X)$  sequentially embeds into  $\mathcal{O}(\omega^\omega)$ .
- Since  $\mathcal{O}(D_n)$  is  $\text{QCB}_0(\Pi_n^1)$ , the complexity of singleton subsets and the equality relation for sequentially  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$ -based spaces is at most  $\Pi_n^1$  (relative to the domain of an admissible representation for the space).
  - It makes sense to discuss  $\Pi_{n+k}^1$ -absoluteness within the class of sequentially  $\mathbb{N}\langle n \rangle$ -based spaces.
- There are similar totally represented universal spaces for each level of the hyperprojective hierarchy.
- This provides a nice organization of the category of hyperprojective  $\text{QCB}_0$ -spaces, which is cartesian closed, countably complete, and countably co-complete.