

Groups of type FP_2 : how many of them are there?

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Q: How many groups of types F_2, FP_2 are there?

F_2 :

\aleph_0 (countably many)

FP_2 :

2^{\aleph_0} up to isomorphism (Leary '18)

2^{\aleph_0} up to quasi-isometry

(R.Kropholler–Leary–S. '20)

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Open question: Characterize the homological isoperimetric spectrum

$HIP = \{\alpha \mid n^\alpha \text{ is homological Dehn function of a group of type } FP_2\}$.

Do we have equality $HIP = \{1\} \cup [2, \infty)$?