962-46-1118   **Patrick N Dowling*** (`dowlinpn@muohio.edu`), Department of Mathematics and Statistics, Miami University, Oxford, OH 45056. *Asymptotically isometric copies of ℓ^∞ in Banach spaces.*

We will show that there are no non-trivial asymptotically isometric copies of ℓ^∞ in Banach spaces - that is; we show that if a Banach space contains an asymptotically isometric copy of ℓ^∞, then the Banach space contains an isometric copy of ℓ^∞. (Received October 02, 2000)