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## Cross ratios and Mobius maps between metric spaces

**Definition.** Cross ratios and Mobius maps between metric spaces

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. The **cross-ratio** of four pairwise distinct points  $x, y, z, w \in X$  is

$$[x, y, z, w]_d := \frac{d(x, z)d(y, w)}{d(x, w)d(y, z)}$$

A map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  between metric spaces  $(X, d_X), (Y, d_Y)$  is

- **Mobius** if it preserves cross-ratios

$$\forall x, y, z, w \in X, [x, y, z, w]_{d_X} = [f(x), f(y), f(z), f(w)]_{d_Y}$$

- **quasi-Mobius** if

$$\forall x, y, z, w \in X, [x, y, z, w]_{d_X} = \eta([f(x), f(y), f(z), f(w)]_{d_Y})$$

for some homeomorphism  $\eta : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ .

**(Efremovich-Tihomirova)** Let  $X, Y$  be proper  $\delta$ -hyperbolic spaces and their boundaries  $\partial X, \partial Y$  be equipped with visual metrics. Then every quasi-isometry  $X \rightarrow Y$  extends to a quasi-Mobius homeomorphism  $\partial X \rightarrow \partial Y$

$$\text{HomMet}_{\text{preQ}}(X, Y) \rightarrow \text{MobQ}(\partial X, \partial Y)$$

(Moreover the distortion function  $\eta$  only depends on  $\delta$  and the quasi...)

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