

- Exercises Week 6 -

Let $p, q, r, s \in \mathbb{C}$ be distinct points, the cross-ratio $[p, q, r, s]$ is defined as:

$$[p, q, r, s] := \frac{(p-q)(r-s)}{(p-s)(q-r)} \in \mathbb{C}$$

Exercise 1 a) Show that the map $z \mapsto [z, q, r, s]$ is a Möbius Transf. that sends q, r, s to $0, 1, \infty$

b) Show that for every 2 triples $\{q, r, s\}, \{q', r', s'\}$ of distinct points, and $z \notin \{q, r, s, q', r', s'\}$ the equation $[w, p, q, r] = [z, p', q', r']$ has a unique solution $w(z)$.
The map $w \mapsto w(z)$ is a Möbius transformation.

c) Show that the cross ratio is invariant under Möbius transformation

$$[p, q, r, s] = [\phi(p), \phi(q), \phi(r), \phi(s)]$$

$\forall \phi$ Möbius Transf.

d) Deduce that for every 2 triples of distinct points $\{q, r, s\}, \{q', r', s'\}$ there exist a unique Möbius transf. ϕ st $\phi(q) = q' \quad \phi(r) = r' \quad \phi(s) = s'$

Optional: Show that $[p, q, r, s]$ is real iff. p, q, r, s lie on a line or a circle.

Show that $[p, q, r, s] = \overline{[\tilde{p}, q, r, s]}$ iff \tilde{p} is obtained as the reflection of p across the unique line/circle passing through q, r, s

Exercise 2)

Complete the proof that $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{S}^2) \cong \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{C})$

[the proof is sketched in Chapter 3, §2 (p.9)]

Exercise 3) Show that

$$\text{Stab}_{\text{half plane}}(\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{C})) = \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) < \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{C})$$

$$M_A(z) = \frac{az+b}{zc+d} \quad \text{Möbius transformation}$$

Exercise 4) Given $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$, let $t_A = \text{tr}(A)$ be the trace.

We know that (M_A) is parabolic iff $t_A^2 = 4$.

Show that $\circ M_A$ is elliptic $\iff t_A^2 \in [0, 4)$

\circ " " hyperbolic $\iff t_A^2 \in (4, \infty)$ (i.e. is real and > 4)

\circ " " general loxodromic $\iff t_A^2 \in \mathbb{C} \setminus [0, \infty)$