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Big and Little lip and quasiconvex spaces

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Given a metric space (X, d) and $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $D_r f(x) = \sup_{d(x,y) \leq r} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{r}$, the so called “Big Lip” and “Little Lip” functions are defined as follows:

$$\text{Lip } f(x) = \limsup_{r \rightarrow 0^+} D_r f(x) \quad \text{lip } f(x) = \liminf_{r \rightarrow 0^+} D_r f(x).$$

Then we define

$$D(X) = \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \|\text{Lip } f(x)\|_\infty < \infty\} \quad d(X) = \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \|\text{lip } f(x)\|_\infty < \infty\}$$

$$\text{Lip}(X) = \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is Lipschitz on } X\}.$$

Note that $\text{Lip}(X) \subset D(X) \subset d(X)$.

The metric space (X, d) is called quasiconvex if there exists $K < \infty$ such that given any points $x, y \in X$ there exists a curve γ connecting x and y such that $l(\gamma) \leq Kd(x, y)$, where $l(\gamma)$ is the length of the curve γ .

If X is quasiconvex, then $\text{Lip}(X) = D(X) = d(X)$. This turns out to be straightforward to prove. Some interesting questions arise when exploring the converse relations, i.e. if $\text{Lip}(X) = D(X)$ or $D(X) = d(X)$ what can we conclude about the convexity of X ? This talk presents joint work in this area by the speaker and Estibalitz Durand Cartagena.

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