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BILINEAR
TRANSFOR-
MATION
(Mobius
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BILINEAR TRANSFORMATION (Mobius Transformation) The transformation of the form

$$w = \frac{az + b}{cz + d}, \quad \text{provided } ad - bc \neq 0.$$

is called bilinear transformation.



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Solving equation (3), (4) and (5), we get $p = i$, $q = 1$ and $r = -i$.

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