# Extending Isometries in Metric Spaces with Forbidden Subspaces

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- (3) The technical conditions are artifacts of amalgamating metric spaces with the minimal path metric. There are other methods of amalgamating—can the technical conditions be adapted for these to include more examples?

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