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Author matte (1858) Entry type Theorem Classification msc 54A99 Suppose X is a topological space, and let  $\overline{A}$  be the closure of A in X. Then the following properties hold:

- 1.  $\overline{A} = A \cup A'$  where A' is the derived set of A.
- 2.  $A \subseteq \overline{A}$ , and  $A = \overline{A}$  if and only if A is closed
- 3.  $\overline{A} = \emptyset$  if and only if  $A = \emptyset$ .
- 4. If Y is another topological space, then  $f: X \to Y$  is a continuous map, if and only if  $\underline{f(\overline{A})} \subseteq \overline{f(A)}$  for all  $A \subseteq X$ . If f is also a homeomorphism, then  $\underline{f(\overline{A})} = \overline{f(A)}$ .