

Let A and B be disjoint compact subspaces of the Hausdorff space X . show that there exists disjoint open sets U and V containing A and B respectively

We know that for $a \in A$ there exists disjoint sets U_a, V_a s.t. $a \in U_a$, $B \subset V_a$

$A \subseteq \bigcup_{a \in A} U_a$, but as A is compact we can

pick a_1, \dots, a_n s.t. $\bigcup_{k=1}^n U_{a_k} \supset A$
 $U = \bigcup_{k=1}^n U_{a_k}$

$$V = \bigcap_{k=1}^n V_{a_k}, \quad V \cap U = V \cap \bigcup_{k=1}^n U_{a_k}$$

$$= \bigcup_{k=1}^n (V \cap U_{a_k}) = \emptyset \quad \blacksquare$$