

## REAL BALLS

## 1 Why

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## 2 Definition

Let  $x \in \mathbf{R}^d$ . The *open ball* centered at x (or around x) of radius  $\delta > 0$  is the set

$$\left\{ x' \in \mathbf{R}^d \mid d(x,y) < \delta \right\}$$

where  $d: \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d \to \mathbf{R}$  is the usual Euclidean distance.

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We sometimes denote the open ball by  $B(x, \delta)$  or  $B_{\delta}(x)$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Future editions will include.

