

MATH 350-2 Advanced Calculus

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$$B_M(x; r) = \{y \in M : d(x, y) < r\}.$$

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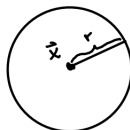
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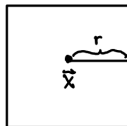
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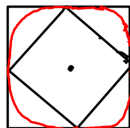
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The set A is **open** if every point in A is an interior point, or equivalently $\text{int}(A) = A$.

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Prove the following (Apostol Theorem 3.36). If (M, d) is a metric space, $U \subseteq M$ is open, and $C \subseteq M$ is closed, then $U \setminus C$ is open and $C \setminus U$ is closed.

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Let (M, d) be a metric space and let (S, d) be a subspace. Then B is a closed subset of S if and only if there exists a closed subset A of M with $B = A \cap S$.

Proof.

Let $B \subseteq S$.

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