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Th! Let (X, d) be a metric space, then each open sphere in X is an open set.

Proof :- Let $S_r(x)$ be any open sphere in X ,
Also, Let $y \in S_r(x)$ be an arbitrary point.

then $d(x, y) < r$

$$\text{Let } r_1 = r - d(x, y) \text{ ——— (1)}$$

then $r_1 > 0$.

Let $z \in S_{r_1}(y)$ be any point.

$$\text{then } d(y, z) < r_1 \text{ ——— (2)}$$

By triangle inequality, we have,

$$d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$$

$$< d(x, y) + r_1 \quad [\text{by (2)}]$$

$$\text{and } d(x, z) < r \quad [\text{by (1)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow z \in S_r(x).$$

$$\therefore z \in S_{r_1}(y) \Rightarrow z \in S_r(x)$$

$$\therefore S_{r_1}(y) \subset S_r(x)$$

$$\text{As } y \in S_{r_1}(y) \subset S_r(x)$$

Hence $S_r(x)$ is a nbd of y .

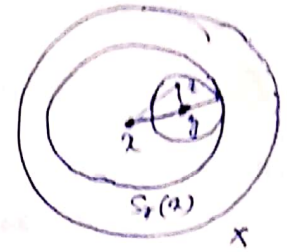
But y be arbitrary point of $S_r(x)$.

then $S_r(x)$ is a nbd of each of its point.

$\therefore S_r(x)$ is an open set.

So, every open sphere in X is an open set.

* Note :- Converse of the above theorem need not be true. For example $(-1, 1)$ is an open set, but it is not an open sphere in the usual metric space \mathbb{R} .



Let (X, d) be a metric space. Then prove that arbitrary union of open sets in X is open set. [VH-11, 13]

Proof: Let $\{G_i : i \in \Lambda\}$, be arbitrary collection of open sets in X .

$$\text{Let } G = \bigcup_{i \in \Lambda} G_i$$

Let $x \in G$ be arbitrary point.

Then x belongs to at least one open set of the collection, say, G_α ($\alpha \in \Lambda$).

Since G_α is open set and $x \in G_\alpha$, then \exists an $r > 0$ such that $x \in S_r(x) \subset G_\alpha$

$$\Rightarrow x \in S_r(x) \subset G \quad [\because G_\alpha \subset G]$$

$$\Rightarrow G \text{ is a nbd of } x$$

But x is arbitrary point of G .

Then G is nbd of each of its points.

$\therefore G$ is an open set.

Hence arbitrary collection of open sets in X is open.

Th: Let (X, d) be a metric space. prove that finite intersection of open sets in X is open.

Proof: Let $\{G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n\}$ be finite collection of open sets in X .

$$\text{Let } G = G_1 \cap G_2 \cap \dots \cap G_n = \bigcap_{i=1}^n G_i$$

Case-I: If $G = \emptyset$, then G is open set, as empty set \emptyset is open set.

Case-II: If $G \neq \emptyset$

Let $x \in G$ be arbitrary point.

Then $x \in G_i, \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

Since G_1 is open set and $x \in G_1$, then \exists an $r_1 > 0$, such that $x \in S_{r_1}(x) \subset G_1$

Since G_2 is open set and $x \in G_2$, then \exists an $r_2 > 0$, such that $x \in S_{r_2}(x) \subset G_2$

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Since G_n is open set and $x \in G_n$, then \exists an $r_n > 0$, such that $x \in S_{r_n}(x) \subset G_n$.

Let $r = \min\{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n\}$. Then $r > 0$

$$\therefore S_r(x) \subset S_{r_1}(x) \subset G_1$$

$$S_r(x) \subset S_{r_2}(x) \subset G_2$$

$$\dots$$
$$S_r(x) \subset S_{r_n}(x) \subset G_n$$

$$\therefore S_r(x) \subset G_1 \cap G_2 \cap \dots \cap G_n = G$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in S_r(x) \subset G$$

$\Rightarrow G$ is a nbd of x

But x is arbitrary point of G .

$\therefore G$ is a nbd of each of its points.

Then, G is an open set.

Here finite intersection of open sets in \mathbb{R} is open set.

Note! Arbitrary intersection of open sets need not be open.

Ex! In the usual metric space \mathbb{R} , we consider the family $\{(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of open sets.

Then $\bigcap_1^\infty (-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) = \{0\}$, which is not open set.

Again, if we consider the family $\{(-n, n) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of open sets.

Then $\bigcap_1^\infty (-n, n) = (-1, 1)$, which is an open set.

Let $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ be two sequences in a metric space (X, d) .
 If $x_n \rightarrow a$ and $y_n \rightarrow b$, then the sequence $\{d(x_n, y_n)\}$ of real
 numbers converges to $d(a, b)$ in the real line \mathbb{R} . [H-10]

Proof! Since $x_n \rightarrow a$ and $y_n \rightarrow b$, then for any $\epsilon > 0$, \exists natural
 numbers m_1 and m_2 such that $d(x_n, a) < \epsilon/2, \forall n > m_1$
 and $d(y_n, b) < \epsilon/2, \forall n > m_2$

$$\text{Let } m = \max\{m_1, m_2\}$$

then for $n > m$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, y_n) &\leq d(x_n, a) + d(a, b) + d(b, y_n) \\ &< \epsilon/2 + d(a, b) + \epsilon/2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{or } d(x_n, y_n) - d(a, b) < \epsilon \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Again, } d(a, b) &\leq d(a, x_n) + d(x_n, y_n) + d(y_n, b) \\ &< \epsilon/2 + d(x_n, y_n) + \epsilon/2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{or } d(a, b) - d(x_n, y_n) < \epsilon \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

From (1) and (2) we get

$$|d(x_n, y_n) - d(a, b)| < \epsilon, \quad \forall n > m$$

$$\Rightarrow d(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow d(a, b) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

\therefore the sequence $\{d(x_n, y_n)\}$ converges to $d(a, b)$ in \mathbb{R} .

Ex! For any points x, y, a, b in (X, d) prove that

$$|d(x, y) - d(a, b)| \leq d(x, a) + d(b, y)$$

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Sol?

Th1 Let $\{a_n\}, \{b_n\}$ be sequences in a metric space (X, d) such that $a_n \rightarrow a$ in X . Then $b_n \rightarrow a$ in X iff $d(a_n, b_n) \rightarrow 0$ in \mathbb{R} .

Proof1 Let $a_n \rightarrow a$ and $b_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

then for any $\epsilon > 0$, \exists natural numbers m_1 and m_2 such that $d(a_n, a) < \epsilon/2$, $\forall n > m_1$
and $d(b_n, a) < \epsilon/2$, $\forall n > m_2$

let $m = \max\{m_1, m_2\}$.

then for $n > m$, we have by triangle inequality

$$\begin{aligned} d(a_n, b_n) &\leq d(a_n, a) + d(a, b_n) \\ &< \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon, \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow d(a_n, b_n) \rightarrow 0$ in \mathbb{R} .

Conversely! let $a_n \rightarrow a$ in X and $d(a_n, b_n) \rightarrow 0$ in \mathbb{R} .

then for any $\epsilon > 0$, \exists a natural numbers k_1, k_2 such that $d(a_n, a) < \epsilon/2$, $\forall n > k_1$
and $d(a_n, b_n) < \epsilon/2$, $\forall n > k_2$

Let $K = \max\{k_1, k_2\}$

For $n > K$, by triangle inequality we have,

$$\begin{aligned} d(b_n, a) &\leq d(b_n, a_n) + d(a_n, a) \\ &< \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow d(b_n, a) < \epsilon$, $\forall n > K$

$\Rightarrow b_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Th2 If $d(a_n, b_n) \rightarrow 0$ in \mathbb{R} and $\{a_n\}$ is Cauchy or is convergent to a point a of X . Then prove that $\{b_n\}$ is respectively so.

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Since $d(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow 0$ in \mathbb{R} and $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X , then for any $\epsilon > 0$, \exists natural numbers k_1 and k_2 such that $d(x_n, y_n) < \epsilon/3$, $\forall n, m > k_1$ and $d(x_n, x_m) < \epsilon/3$, $\forall n, m > k_2$

Let $K = \max\{k_1, k_2\}$

then for $m, n > K$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}d(y_n, y_m) &\leq d(y_n, x_n) + d(x_n, x_m) + d(x_m, y_m) \\ &< \epsilon/3 + \epsilon/3 + \epsilon/3 = \epsilon\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \{y_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Conversely:

Let $d(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow 0$ in \mathbb{R} and $x_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then for any $\epsilon > 0$, \exists natural numbers p_1 and p_2 such that $d(x_n, y_n) < \epsilon/2$, $\forall n > p_1$ and $d(x_n, a) < \epsilon/2$, $\forall n > p_2$

Let $p = \max\{p_1, p_2\}$,

then for $n > p$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}d(y_n, a) &\leq d(y_n, x_n) + d(x_n, a) \\ &< \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow y_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Th Let $\{a_n\}, \{b_n\}$ be sequences in a metric space (X, d)

(a) $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$ are Cauchy sequences $\Rightarrow \{d(a_n, b_n)\}$ is convergent in the real line \mathbb{R} .

(b) $d(a_n, b_n) \rightarrow 0$ in $\mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \{a_n\}$ is a Cauchy or $\{a_n\}$ is convergent to a point a of X . $\{b_n\}$ is respectively so.

Proof: (a) Since $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$ are Cauchy sequences, then for any $\epsilon > 0$, \exists natural numbers m, n such that

$$d(a_i, a_j) < \epsilon/2 \quad \forall i, j > m$$

$$\text{and } d(b_i, b_j) < \epsilon/2 \quad \forall i, j > n$$

$$\text{let } m = \max\{m, n\}.$$

then for $i, j > m$, we have

$$d(a_i, b_i) \leq d(a_i, a_j) + d(a_j, b_j) + d(b_j, b_i).$$

$$< \epsilon/2 + d(a_j, b_j) + \epsilon/2$$

$$= \epsilon + d(a_j, b_j)$$

$$d(a_i, b_i) - d(a_j, b_j) < \epsilon. \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{Again } d(a_i, b_j) \leq d(a_j, a_i) + d(a_i, b_i) + d(b_i, b_j)$$

$$< \epsilon/2 + d(a_i, b_i) + \epsilon/2$$

$$\therefore d(a_j, b_j) - d(a_i, b_i) < \epsilon \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

From (1) & (2) we write

$$|d(a_i, b_i) - d(a_j, b_j)| < \epsilon \quad \forall i, j > m.$$

\Rightarrow the sequence $\{d(a_n, b_n)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence

of real numbers and hence it is convergent in \mathbb{R} .

Complete spaces:

A metric space (X, d) is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence in X converges to a point of X .

Th: A metric space (X, d) is complete iff every Cauchy sequence in X has a convergent subsequence.

Proof:- Let, the metric space (X, d) is complete, and $\{a_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in X that converges to a point x in X .

Then for any $\epsilon > 0$, \exists natural numbers m and m_2 such that $d(a_n, x) < \epsilon/2$, $\forall n > m$
and $d(a_{n_k}, a_n) < \epsilon/2$, $\forall n_k, n > m_2$

Let $m = \max\{m, m_2\}$

Also let $\{a_{n_k}\}$ be a subsequence of $\{a_n\}$.

Now for $n_k > m$, we have

$$d(a_{n_k}, x) < d(a_{n_k}, a_n) + d(a_n, x) < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon.$$

It follows that $\{a_{n_k}\}$ converges to x as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Hence every Cauchy sequence in X has a convergent subsequence.

Conversely: Let $\{a_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in X has a convergent subsequence $\{a_{n_k}\}$ such that $a_{n_k} \rightarrow x$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Then for any pre-assigned $\epsilon > 0$, \exists natural numbers p_1 and p_2 such that $d(a_{n_k}, x) < \epsilon/2$, $\forall n_k > p_1$

$$\text{and } d(a_{n_k}, a_n) < \epsilon/2, \forall n_k, n > p_2$$

Let $p = \max\{p_1, p_2\}$.

Now for $n > p$, by triangle inequality,

$$d(a_n, x) < d(a_n, a_{n_k}) + d(a_{n_k}, x) < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon$$

$\Rightarrow a_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Thus every Cauchy sequence in X conv. to a point of X .
Hence metric space (X, d) is complete.

Ex! The metric space (X, d) , where $X = (0, 1]$ and d is the usual metric on X is ~~not~~ not complete.

Solⁿ: Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence in (X, d) , where $a_n = \frac{1}{n}$, then $\{a_n\}$ is Cauchy sequence in X as for each $\epsilon > 0$, we have $d(a_m, a_n) = \left| \frac{1}{m} - \frac{1}{n} \right| < \epsilon$, $\forall m, n > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$.

But $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0 \notin X$, thus $\{a_n\}$ is not converges in X . Hence (X, d) is not complete.

Th: Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence in a metric space (X, d) such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \alpha$. Let A be the range set of the sequence $\{a_n\}$. Then

(a) If A is a finite set, then $a_n = \alpha$, for infinitely many n .

(b) If A is an infinite set, then α is the limit point of A .

Th: Let (Y, d_Y) be a subspace of a metric space (X, d) then Y is complete $\Rightarrow Y$ is closed.

Proof: Let $\alpha \in X$ be a limit point of Y . Then every open sphere centered on α contains a point of Y , other than α .

In particular, the open sphere $S_{\frac{1}{n}}(\alpha)$ contains a point a_n of Y , other than α , where n is +ve integer.

$$\therefore d(a_n, \alpha) < \frac{1}{n},$$

Thus $\{a_n\}$ is a sequence in Y such that $a_n \rightarrow \alpha$ in X . As every conv. sequence is a Cauchy sequence, then $\{a_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X and hence in Y [$\because Y \subset X$]

But Y is complete, hence $\alpha \in Y$.

It follows that Y is closed.

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Th! Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and (Y, d_Y) be a subspace of (X, d) . Then Y is closed $\Rightarrow Y$ is complete.

Proof! Let $\{a_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in Y and hence in X as $Y \subset X$. But X being complete, then $\{a_n\}$ converges to a point $x \in X$.

We prove $x \in Y$

Case-I! If $\{a_n\}$ has infinitely many distinct points, then $a_n = x$, for finite values of n .

Thus $x \in Y$, as $\{a_n\}$ is a sequence in Y .

Case-II! If $\{a_n\}$ has infinitely many distinct points, then x is limit point of the range set of the sequence $\{a_n\}$. Therefore x is also limit point of Y , as $\{a_n\} \subset Y$.

Since Y is closed ~~also~~ $x \in Y$, ~~then~~ it follows that Y is complete.

Th! Let (X, d) be a metric space and $G \subset X$, then, G is an open set if and only if it is the union of open spheres.

Proof! Let G be an open set

then G is a nbd of each of its points.

\therefore Each point $p \in G$ is the centre of some open sphere which contain in G .

clearly, union of all such open spheres is the set G .

Conversely, Let G be the union of open spheres.

Let $x \in G$ be arbitrary point.

then x belongs to at least one open sphere of the union say $S_r(p) \subset G$.

Since $S_r(p)$ is an open set and $x \in S_r(p)$, then \exists an $r_1 > 0$

such that $x \in S_{r_1}(p) \subset S_r(p)$

$\Rightarrow x \in S_{r_1}(p) \subset G$

$\Rightarrow G$ is a nbd of x

but x is arbitrary point of G , then G is a nbd of each of its points. Hence G is an open set. [$\therefore S_r(p) \subset G$]

Th! Let (X, d) be a metric space and $A \subset X$. Then A is closed iff A contains all its limit points, i.e., $A' \subset A$.

Proof! Let A is closed set.

We have to prove $A' \subset A$.

Let $x \in A'$ be any point.

Then $x \in A' \Rightarrow x$ is a limit point of A .

\Rightarrow every open sphere centred on x contains at least one point of A other than x .

If possible, let $x \notin A$.

Then $x \in X - A$.

But $(X - A)$ is open set as A is closed set.

$\Rightarrow \exists$ an $r > 0$, s.t. $x \in S_r(x) \subset X - A$

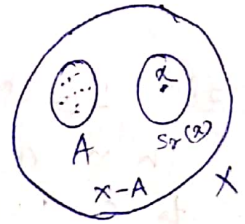
$\Rightarrow x$ is not a limit point of A .

Which is a contradiction.

\therefore our assumption $x \notin A$ is wrong.

Hence $x \in A$.

$\therefore x \in A' \Rightarrow x \in A$
 $\therefore A' \subset A$.



Conversely! Let $A' \subset A$.

We have to prove A is closed set, i.e., to prove $X - A$ is open set.

Let $x \in X - A$ be arbitrary point.

$\Rightarrow x \notin A$, [$\because A' \subset A$]

$\Rightarrow x$ is not a limit point of A .

$\Rightarrow \exists$ an $r > 0$ s.t. $x \in S_r(x) \subset X - A$.

$\Rightarrow X - A$ is a nbd of x .

But x is arbitrary point of $(X - A)$

$\therefore X - A$ is a nbd of each of its points.

Hence $X - A$ is open set and A is closed set.