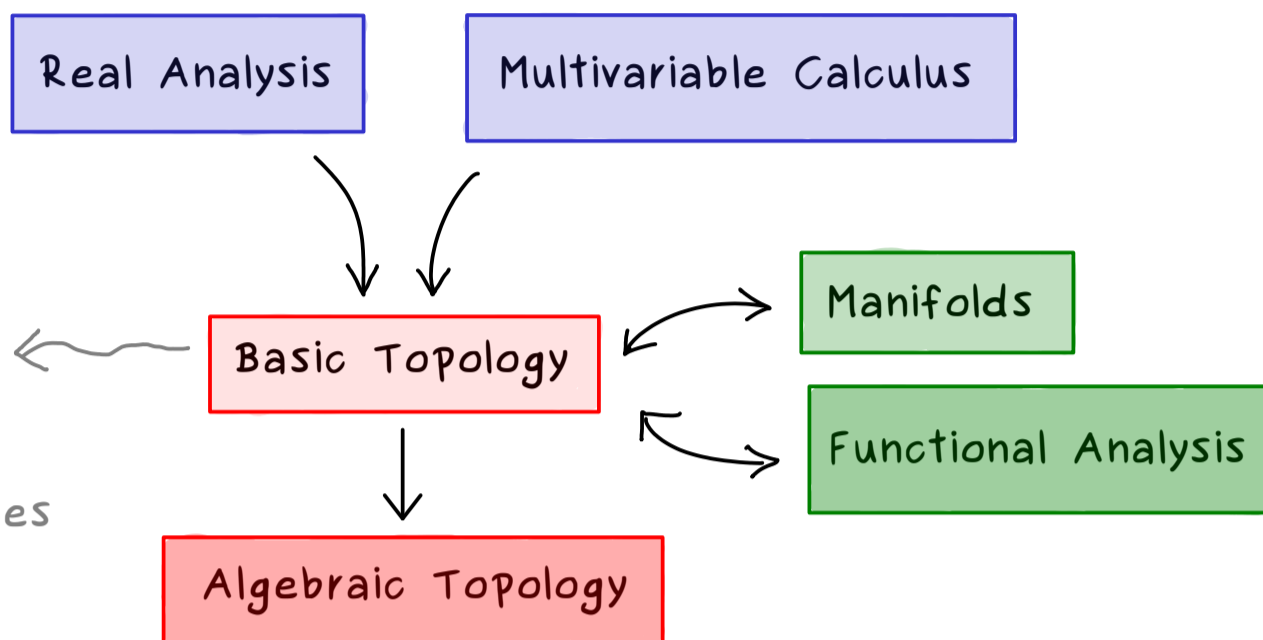


Introduction and Open Sets in Metric Spaces

Basic Topology - Part 1



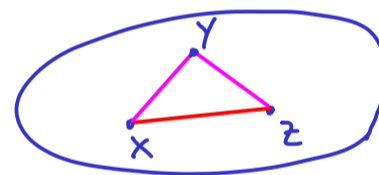
Metric spaces: A set X together with a metric $d: X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is called a metric space.
 (written (X, d))

- ↳ positive definite: $d(x, y) = 0 \iff x = y$
- ↳ symmetric: $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$
- ↳ triangle inequality: $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$

$$\mathcal{B}_\epsilon(x) := \{y \in X \mid d(x, y) < \epsilon\}$$

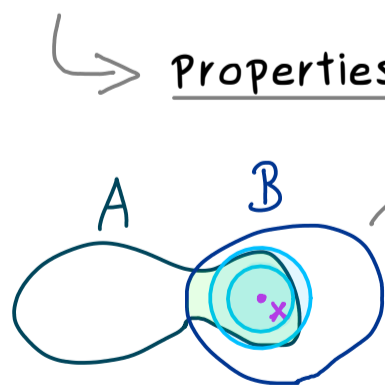
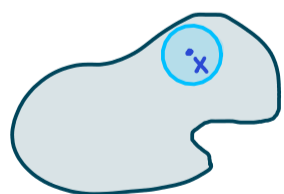


open ball of radius ϵ centered at x



Open sets in a metric space: (X, d) metric space, $A \subseteq X$.

A is called open if for all $x \in X$ there is $\epsilon > 0$ such that $\mathcal{B}_\epsilon(x) \subseteq A$.



Properties: (1) \emptyset, X are open

(2) A, B open $\implies A \cap B$ open

(3) A_i open for all $i \in I \implies \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ open