

This note, that [was found here](#), as a part of [a collection](#) is written (completely with human hands) by [Rupadarshi Ray](#), was created on September 6, 2026 3:32:48 PM, was last modified on September 6, 2026 6:54:54 PM, and was exported on September 7, 2026 3:24:52 PM.

Intersection of open, dense subsets of a topological space

Definition. Meager subsets

Let X be a topological space. A subset $S \subseteq X$ is

- **meager** if S is the union of countably many closed sets with empty interior
- **comeager** if S is the intersection of countably many open, dense sets

A topological space X is called **Baire** if every comeager subset is open and dense.

Consider a meager set

$$\bigcup_{n \geq 1} \underbrace{K_n}_{\substack{\text{closed} \\ \text{int}=\emptyset}}$$

Its complementment

$$\bigcap_{n \geq 1} \underbrace{K_n^c}_{\substack{\text{open,} \\ \text{dense}}}$$

is comeager.

for complete metric spaces

(complete metric spaces are Baire) Let $\{S_k\}_{k \geq 1}$ be a sequence of open, dense subsets of a nonempty complete metric space X . Then the intersection

$$\bigcap_{k \geq 1} S_k$$

is a nonempty, dense subset of X .

Proposition: Let $\Omega \subseteq X$ be any open set. We have $(\bigcap_{k \geq 1} S_k) \cap \Omega$ is nonempty.



- **Base case:** Let $x_0 \in X$ and $r_0 < 1$ such that $B(x_0, 3r_0) \subseteq \Omega$.
- **Induction hypothesis:** Assume for $k \geq 1$, there exists x_k, r_k such that

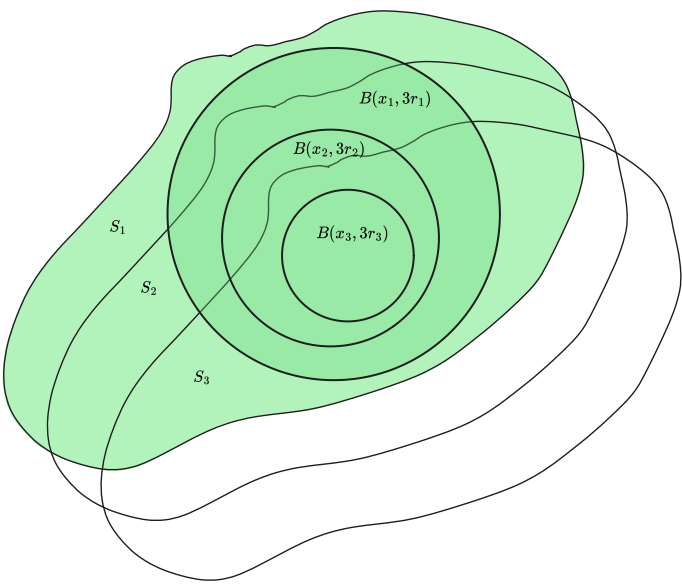
$$B(x_k, 3r_k) \subset S_k \cap B(x_{k-1}, r_{k-1})$$

- **Inductive step:** Consider

$$\underbrace{S_{k+1}}_{\substack{\text{open} \\ \text{dense}}} \cap \underbrace{B(x_k, r_k)}_{\text{open}}$$

- Because S_{k+1} is *dense*, the intersection is non-empty.
- Because both sets are *open*, the intersection is open.
- Therefore, there exists x_{k+1}, r_{k+1} such that

$$B(x_{k+1}, 3r_{k+1}) \subset S_{k+1} \cap B(x_k, r_k)$$



•

$$\begin{aligned} & \bullet \quad x_{k+1} \in B(x_k, r_k) \\ & \implies d(x_{k+1}, x_k) \leq r_k \end{aligned}$$

- However,

$$r_{k+1} \leq \frac{r_k}{3}$$

- This implies

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{k+1}, x_k) &\leq r_k \\ &\leq \frac{r_{k-1}}{3} \\ &\leq \frac{r_{k-2}}{3^2} \\ &\leq \dots \\ &\leq \frac{r_0}{3^k} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{3^k} \end{aligned}$$

- Thus, $\{x_k\}_{k \geq 1}$ is Cauchy and by completeness of X we have a limit

$$x_k \overset{k \rightarrow \infty}{\longrightarrow} x_\infty$$

for some $x_\infty \in X$.

- We now observe that

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_\infty, x_k) &\leq \sum_{j=k}^\infty d(x_{j+1}, x_j) \\ &\leq 3^k r_k \sum_{j=k}^\infty \frac{1}{3^j} \\ &\leq \frac{3}{2} r_k \end{aligned}$$

- Therefore, for every $k \geq 1$ we have

$$x_\infty \in B(x_k, 3r_k) \subseteq S_k$$

and

$$x_\infty \in B(x_1, 3r_1) \subseteq B(x_0, 3r_0) \subseteq \Omega$$

- Therefore,

$$x_\infty \in \left(\bigcap_{k \geq 1} S_k\right) \cap \Omega$$

Current note has 0 direct children and 0 total descendants.

- [structures based on sets](#)
 - [Topological spaces](#)
 - [Intersection of open, dense subsets of a topological space](#)

And it has 29 siblings.

- [structures based on sets](#)
 - [Topological spaces](#)
 - [Group action on topological spaces](#)
 - [Discrete subgroup acting on coset space](#)
 - [Basis and subbasis for a topology.](#)
 - [Principal \$G\$ -bundles over topological spaces](#)

$$G \curvearrowright P \rightarrow X$$

- [Vector bundles over topological spaces](#)
- [Closure of a subset of topological space](#)
- [Locally compact and 2-countable Hausdorff topological spaces are paracompact with countable refinement](#)
- [Covering dimension of topological spaces](#)
- $\text{EndTop}(X, Y)$
- [Eilenberg–Steenrod functors](#)

$$(H_n : \mathbf{Top} \times \mathbf{Top} \rightarrow \mathbf{Ab}, \partial_n)$$

- [Local fields](#)
- [Local fields of characteristic 0](#)
- [Topological groups](#)
- [Continuous group action on a topological space](#)
- [Intersection of open, dense subsets of a topological space](#)
- [Local topological spaces](#)
- [Covering space of a topological space](#)
- [Borel measures on a topological space](#)
- [Convergence for nets in a topological space](#)
- [Loops and a open cover of a topological space](#)
- [Paths in a topological space](#)
- [Product of topological spaces](#)
- [Ringed topological spaces](#)
- [Sheaf on open sets of a topological space](#)
- [Closed subsets of a topological space](#)
- [Discrete subsets of topological spaces](#)
- [Types of topological spaces](#)
- [Locally compact Hausdorff spaces](#)
- [Topological vector spaces over \$\mathbb{R}\$ or \$\mathbb{C}\$](#)