

# **Modular Spaces Topology**

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper, we present and discuss the topology of modular spaces using the filter base and we then characterize closed subsets as well as its regularity.

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#### 1. Introduction

In the theory of the modular spaces  $X_{\rho}$ , the notion of  $\Delta_2$ -condition depends on the convergence of the sequences in modular space  $X_{\rho}$ . More precisely, it reads: for any sequence  $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  in  $X_{\rho}$ , if  $\lim_{n\to+\infty} \rho(2x_n) = 0$ , we have  $\lim_{n\to+\infty} \rho(2x_n) = 0$ . This condition has been used to study the topology of modular spaces, see J. Musielak [1], and to establish some fixed point theorems in modu-

[1], and to establish some fixed point theorems in modular spaces, see [2-7]. Some fixed point theorems without  $\Delta_2$ -condition can be found in [8,9].

In this paper, we present a new equivalent form for the  $\Delta_2$ -condition in the modular spaces  $X_{\rho}$  which is used to show that the corresponding topology is separate and to establish some associated topological properties, including the characterization of the  $\rho$ -closed subsets as well as its regularity. The present work is an improved English version of a pervious preprint in French [10].

## 2. Preliminaries

We begin by recalling some definitions.

**Definition 2.1** *Let X* be an arbitrary vector space over  $K = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ .

1) A functional  $\rho: X \to [0, +\infty]$  is called modular if  $\rho(x) = 0$  implies x = 0.

a) 
$$\rho(-x) = \rho(x)$$
 for any  $x \in X$  when  $K = \mathbb{R}$ , and  
b)  $\rho(e^{it}x) = \rho(x)$  for any real *t* when  $K = \mathbb{C}$ .

c)  $\rho(\alpha x + \beta y) \le \rho(x) + \rho(y)$  for  $\alpha, \beta \ge 0$  and  $\alpha + \beta = 1$ .

2) If we replace c) by the following

$$\rho(\alpha x + \beta y) \le \alpha \rho(x) + \beta \rho(y)$$
 for  $\alpha, \beta \ge 0$  and

 $\alpha + \beta = 1$ , then the modular  $\rho$  is called convex. 3) For given modular  $\rho$  in X, the

 $X_{\rho} = \{x \in X / \rho(\lambda x) \to 0 \text{ as } \lambda \to 0\}$  is called a modular space.

4) a) If  $\rho$  is a modular in X, then

$$|x|_{\rho} = \inf\left\{u > 0, \ \rho\left(\frac{x}{u}\right) \le u\right\}$$

is a F-norm.

b) Let  $\rho$  be a convex modular, then

$$\|x\|_{\rho} = \inf\left\{u > 0, \ \rho\left(\frac{x}{u}\right) \le 1\right\}$$

is called the Luxemburg norm.

#### **3.** Topology $\tau$ in Modular Spaces

In this section, we introduce the property  $\tau_0$  for a modular  $\rho$ , which will be used to show that the corresponding topology, noted by  $\mathcal{T}$ , on modular space  $X_{\rho}$  is separate, and to characterize their closed subsets.

We begin with the following

**Proposition 3.1** Consider the family

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ B_{\rho}(0,r) / r > 0 \right\}, whe$$

 $B_{\rho}(0,r) = \left\{ x \in X_{\rho} / \rho(x) < r \right\}.$ 

Then

1) The family  $\mathcal{B}$  is a filter base.

2) Any element of  $\mathcal{B}$  is balanced and absorbing. Furthermore, if  $\rho$  is convex, then any element of  $\mathcal{B}$  is convex.

Proof.

1)  $\mathcal{B}$  is a filter base. Indeed, we have

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a)  $\emptyset \notin \mathcal{B}$  because any  $B_{\rho}(0,r) \neq \emptyset$ .

b) Let  $B_{\rho}(0,r_1)$  and  $B_{\rho}(0,r_2)$  be in  $\mathcal{B}$  and set  $r = \inf(r_1, r_2)$ . Then, for any  $z \in B_{\rho}(0,r)$  we have

$$\begin{cases} \rho(z) < r \le r_1 \\ \rho(z) < r \le r_2 \end{cases}$$

and therefore  $z \in B_{\rho}(0, r_1) \cap B_{\rho}(0, r_2)$ . That is

$$B_{\rho}(0,r) \subset B_{\rho}(0,r_1) \cap B_{\rho}(0,r_2).$$

Hence  $\mathcal{B}$  is a filter base for the existence of  $B_{\alpha}(0,r) \in \mathcal{B}$  such that

$$B_{\rho}(0,r) \subset B_{\rho}(0,r_1) \cap B_{\rho}(0,r_2).$$

2) Let  $B_{\rho}(0,r) \in \mathcal{B}$ .

a)  $B_{\rho}(0,r)$  is balanced. Indeed, for given  $\alpha = \lambda e^{i\theta}$ with  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\lambda = |\alpha| \le 1$ , and given  $x \in B_{\rho}(0,r)$ , we have

$$\rho(\alpha x) = \rho(\lambda e^{i\theta} x) = \rho(\lambda x) \le \rho(x) \le r$$

This means that  $\alpha x \in B_{\rho}(0,r)$ .

b)  $B_{\rho}(0,r)$  is absorbing. Indeed, for given  $x \in X_{\rho}$ we have  $\lim_{\lambda \to 0} \rho(\lambda x) = 0$ . Whence, for all r > 0 there exists  $\delta > 0$ , such that  $0 < \lambda < \delta$  and  $\rho(\lambda x) < r$ . Hence, there exists  $\lambda > 0$  such that  $\lambda x \in B_{\rho}(0,r)$ . This shows that  $B_{\rho}(0,r)$  is absorbing.

Now, assume that  $\rho$  is in addition convex and let  $B_{\rho}(0,r) \in \mathcal{B}$ . For given  $x, y \in B_{\rho}(0,r)$  and  $\lambda \in [0,1]$ , we have

$$\rho(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) \leq \lambda \rho(x) + (1-\lambda)\rho(y) < r,$$

then

$$\lambda x + (1 - \lambda) y \in B_{\rho}(0, r).$$

Thence  $B_{\rho}(0,r)$  is convex.

**Definition 3.1** We say that  $\rho$  satisfies the property  $\tau_0$  if for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exist L > 0 and  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|\rho(y) - \rho(x)| < \varepsilon$  for every x, y satisfying  $\rho(x) < L$  and  $\rho(x-y) < \delta$ .

**Theorem 3.1** Assume that the modular  $\rho$  satisfies the property  $\tau_0$ . Then  $X_{\rho}$  is a separate topological vector space.

*Proof.* In Proposition 3.1, we have seen that the family  $\mathcal{B}$  is a filter base, and furthermore any element of  $\mathcal{B}$  is balanced and absorbing. On the other hand, for any  $B_{\alpha}(0,r)$ , there exists  $\delta_0 > 0$  such that

$$B_{\rho}(0,\delta_0)+B_{\rho}(0,\delta_0)\subset B_{\rho}(0,r).$$

In fact, let  $\varepsilon$ ;  $r > \varepsilon > 0$ . Since  $\rho$  satisfies the property  $\tau_0$ , there are L > 0 and  $\delta > 0$ , such that for  $\rho(x) < L$  and  $\rho(x-y) < \delta$  we have

$$|\rho(y) - \rho(x)| < \varepsilon$$
. Thus, if we set  
 $\delta_0 = \inf(r - \varepsilon, L, \delta),$ 

we see that for  $z = x + y \in B_{\rho}(0, \delta_0) + B_{\rho}(0, \delta_0)$  with

$$\begin{cases} \rho(x) < \delta_0 \\ \rho(y) < \delta_0. \end{cases}$$

We obtain  $y = z - x \in B_{\rho}(0, \delta_0)$ . This implies  $\rho(z - x) < \delta_0 \le \delta$  and  $\rho(x) < \delta_0 \le L$ . Thence  $\rho(z) < \varepsilon + \rho(x) < \varepsilon + \delta_0 \le \varepsilon + r - \varepsilon = r$ .

This infers that  $z \in B_{\rho}(0, r)$ , and so

$$B_{\rho}(0,\delta_0)+B_{\rho}(0,\delta_0)\subset B_{\rho}(0,r).$$

Hence the family  $\mathcal{B}$  is a fundamental system of neighborhoods of zero, then the unique topology defined by  $\mathcal{B}$  in  $X_{\rho}$  is given by

$$\mathcal{T} = \left\{ G \neq \emptyset, G \subset X_{\rho} / \text{if } x \in G, \right.$$
  
then  $\exists V \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $x + V \subset G \right\} \cup \{\emptyset\},$ 

so that  $X_{\rho}$  is a topological vector space.

To show that  $(X_{\rho}, \mathcal{T})$  is separate, let x, y in  $X_{\rho}$  such that  $x \neq y$  and assume that for any  $V_x$  neighborhood of x and  $V_y$  neighborhood of y we have  $V_x \cap V_y \neq \emptyset$ . So that one can consider

$$z \in \left(x + B_{\rho}\left(0, \frac{1}{n}\right)\right) \cap \left(y + B_{\rho}\left(0, \frac{1}{n}\right)\right)$$

for certain  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ . Then

$$\begin{cases} \rho(x-z) < \frac{1}{n} \\ \rho(y-z) < \frac{1}{n}. \end{cases}$$

Since  $\rho$  satisfies the property  $\tau_0$ , then there exist for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , two reals L > 0 and  $\delta > 0$ , such that  $|\rho(y) - \rho(x)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$  for every x, y satisfying  $\rho(x) < L$ and  $\rho(y-x) < \delta$ . Now, set Y = y - x and X = z - xand note that we have

$$\begin{cases} \rho(X) = \rho(x-z) < \frac{1}{n} \\ \rho(Y-X) = \rho(y-z) < \frac{1}{n}. \end{cases}$$

It follows that for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\frac{1}{n} \le \inf\left(L, \delta, \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)$ , we have

$$\rho(Y) = \rho(y-x) < \rho(z-x) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \le \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon$$

This infers that  $\rho(y-x) < \varepsilon$ , for arbitrary  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Thus,  $\rho(x-y)=0$  and then x = y, a contradiction since by hypothesis  $x \neq y$ . Therefore there exist neighborhoods  $V_x$  of x and neighborhood  $V_y$  of y such that

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 $V_x \cap V_y = \emptyset$ .

#### $\tau$ Convergence and Characterization of $\tau$ -Closed Subsets of X<sub>a</sub>

We begin by recalling some needed definitions of the  $\rho$ -convergence and the  $\rho$ -closed subsets of the the modular space  $X_{\rho}$  (see for examples [2-8]).

**Definition 3.2** Let  $X_{\rho}$  be a modular space.

1) A sequence  $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  in  $X_{\rho}$  is said to be  $\rho$ -convergent to x, denoted by  $x_n \xrightarrow{\rho} x$ , if  $\rho(x_n - x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ .

2) A subset B of  $X_{\rho}$  is said to be  $\rho$  -closed if for any sequence  $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}} \subset B$ , such that  $x_n \xrightarrow{P} x$ , we have  $x \in B$ . We denote by  $\overline{B}^{\rho}$  the closure of B in the sense of  $\rho$ .

3) A modular  $\rho$  is said to be satisfying the Fatou

property, if  $\rho(x-y) \le \liminf \rho(x_n-y_n)$  as  $x_n \xrightarrow{\rho} x$ and  $y_n \xrightarrow{\rho} y$ .

In this section, we define the  $\tau$ -convergence, the  $\tau$ closed subsets of  $X_{a}$ , and we show that the topology defined by  $\rho$ -closed in the definition before, noted by  $\tau_1$ , and the topology  $\tau$  are the same topology.

The naturel convergence in the sense of the topology  $\tau$  and  $\tau$ -closed subsets of  $X_{\rho}$  are given by the following definitions.

**Definition 3.3** A sequence  $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  in  $X_{\rho}$  is said to be convergent to x in the sense of the topology  $\tau$  (or simply  $\tau$  -convergent) if for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $x_n \in x + B(0,\varepsilon)$  whenever  $n > N_0$ .

Note that the property  $\tau_0$  is a necessary condition to show the uniqueness of the limit when exists. Thus, the  $\tau$ -convergence need the property  $\tau_0$  and it is easy to see that  $\tau$ -convergence and  $\rho$ -convergence are equivalent.

**Definition 3.4** Let  $\rho$  be a modular satisfying the property  $\tau_0$ . A subset B of  $X_{\rho}$  is said to be  $\tau$ -closed if and only if the complimentary of B in  $X_{\rho}$ , noted by  $C^{\scriptscriptstyle B}_{X_{\rho}}$ , is an element of  $\mathcal{T}$ .

The following lemma shows that the property  $\tau_0$ makes sense in the theory of modular spaces.

**Lemma 3.1** Let  $\rho$  be a modular and  $X_{\rho}$  be a modular space. Then  $\rho$  satisfies the  $\Delta_2$ -condition if and only if  $\rho$  satisfies the property  $\tau_0$ .

*Proof.* To prove "if", let  $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $X_{\rho}$  such that  $\rho(x_n) \to 0$  as  $n \to +\infty$ . This implies that for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0$  such that for any  $n > n_0$  we have

$$\rho(x_n) < \inf\left(L, \delta, \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right).$$

Now, take  $X_n = x_n$  and  $Y_n = 2x_n$ , for any  $n > n_0$ . It follows

$$\rho(X_n) = \rho(x_n) = \rho(Y_n - X_n) < \inf\left(L, \delta, \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right).$$

This yields  $\rho(Y_n) = \rho(2x_n) \le \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \rho(x_n) \le \varepsilon$  when-

ever  $n > n_0$ . Whence, the sequence  $(\rho(2x_n))_{n \in \mathbb{N}_+}$  tends to zero as *n* goes to  $+\infty$ , and therefore  $\rho$  satisfies the  $\Delta_2$  -condition.

For "only if", let  $\rho$  be a modular satisfying the  $\Delta_2$ -condition, and suppose that there exists  $\alpha > 0$  such that for any L > 0 and for any  $\delta > 0$ , there exist  $x, y \in X_{\rho}$  satisfying  $\rho(x) < L, \rho(x-y) < \delta$  and

$$|\rho(y) - \rho(x)| \ge \alpha$$
. In particular, for  $L = \delta = \frac{1}{n}$  there

exist  $x_n, y_n \in X_\rho$  such that

$$\rho(x_n) < \frac{1}{n}, \ \rho(y_n - x_n) < \frac{1}{n} \text{ and}$$
  
 $|\rho(y_n) - \rho(x_n)| \ge \alpha,$ 

which implies  $\rho(x_n) \to 0$  and  $\rho(y_n - x_n) \to 0$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ . However, we have

$$\rho(y_n) = \rho((y_n - x_n) + x_n)$$
  
$$\leq \rho(2(x_n - y_n)) + \rho(2x_n).$$

Now, since  $\rho$  satisfies the  $\Delta_2$ -condition, then  $\rho(y_n) \to 0$  as  $n \to +\infty$ . It follows that

$$|\rho(y_n) - \rho(x_n)| \to 0 \text{ as } n \to +\infty,$$

which contradicts the fact that  $|\rho(y_n) - \rho(x_n)| \ge \alpha > 0$ for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Finally, for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there are L > 0and  $\delta > 0$  such that if  $\rho(x) < \delta$  and  $\rho(y-x) < \delta$ , we have  $|\rho(y) - \rho(x)| < \varepsilon$ . This completes the proof of Lemma 3.1.

In the following theorem, we show that the  $\tau$ -topology and the  $\tau_1$ -topology are the same.

**Theorem 3.2** Let  $\rho$  be a modular satisfying the  $\Delta_2$ condition and  $F \subset X_{\alpha}$ , then F is  $\tau$ -closed if and only if F is  $\rho$ -closed.

The following result is needed to show Theorem 3.2.

**Proposition 3.2** Let  $\rho$  be a modular satisfying the  $\Delta_2$ -condition and F a  $\tau$ -closed subset of  $X_{\alpha}$ . Then

$$x \in F \Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0, \ B_{\rho}(x, \varepsilon) \cap F \neq \emptyset.$$

*Proof.* For  $x \in X_o$ , we have

$$x \notin F \Leftrightarrow x \in C_{X_{\rho}}^{F}, C_{X_{\rho}}^{F} \text{ is an open set of the } \tau\text{-topology}$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \exists B_{\rho}(0,\varepsilon) \in \mathcal{B}/x + B_{\rho}(0,\varepsilon) = B_{\rho}(x,\varepsilon) \subset C_{X_{\rho}}^{F}$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \exists \varepsilon > 0, \text{ such that } B_{\rho}(x,\varepsilon) \cap F = \emptyset.$$

Finally,

$$x \in F \Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0, B_{\sigma}(x, \varepsilon) \cap F \neq \emptyset.$$

**Proof of Theorem 3.2.** Let F be  $\tau$ -closed and  $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in F such that  $x_n \to x$ . Then, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for every  $n > n_0$ , we have  $x_n \in B(x, \varepsilon)$ . This implies that

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, B(x, \varepsilon) \cap F \neq \emptyset.$$

Whence, making use of Proposition 3.1, we get that  $x \in F$ .

Conversely, assume that F is not  $\tau$ -closed, then  $C_{X_{\rho}}^{F}$  is not an open set for the  $\tau$ -topology. There exists then  $x \in C_{X_{\rho}}^{F}$  satisfying  $B_{\rho}(x,\varepsilon) \not\subset C_{X_{\rho}}^{F}$  and so

$$B(x,\varepsilon) \cap F \neq \emptyset$$
 for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Therefore, for  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{k}$ 

there exists  $x_k \in B_{\rho}\left(x, \frac{1}{k}\right) \cap F$ . Thence, the obtained

sequence  $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}} \subset F$  satisfies  $x_n \xrightarrow{\rho} x$ . This implies  $x \in F$ , which is in contradiction with the fact that  $x \in C_{X_n}^F$ . In conclusion, *F* is  $\tau$ -closed.

Remark 3.1 Observe that

 $\rho$  satisfies the  $\Delta_2$ -condition

 $\Leftrightarrow \rho$  satisfies the property  $\tau_0$ .

As consequence, we see that under the assumption that  $\rho$  satisfies the  $\tau_0$  property, we have

 $\tau_1$  topology  $\Leftrightarrow \tau$  topology.

Then definitions of  $\rho$ -convergence and  $\rho$ -closed subsets of  $X_{\rho}$  need the hypothesis that  $\rho$  satisfies the  $\Delta_2$ -condition.

The following result shows that the modular space  $X_{a}$  is a regular space.

**Theorem 3.3** Let  $\rho$  be a modular satisfying the  $\Delta_2$ condition, A be a  $\tau$ -closed subset of  $X_{\rho}$  and  $x_0 \notin A$ . Then there exists an open neighborhood  $V_{x_0}$  of  $x_0$ such that  $V_{x_0} \cap A = \emptyset$ .

In order to show the theorem above, we need the following result.

**Proposition 3.3** Let  $\rho$  be a modular satisfying the  $\Delta_2$ -condition and  $A \subset X_{\rho}$ . Then

$$\rho(x,A) = \inf \left\{ \rho(x-y), y \in A \right\} = 0$$

if and only if  $x \in \overline{A}^{\rho}$ , where  $\overline{A}^{\rho}$  is the closure of A for the  $\tau$ -topology.

Proof. We have

$$\rho(x,A) = \inf \left\{ \rho(x-y), y \in A \right\} = 0.$$

Then for any  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{n}$ , there exists  $y_n \in A$  such that

 $\rho(x-y_n) < \frac{1}{n}$  this implies that there exists a sequence

 $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset A$  such that  $y_n \xrightarrow{\rho} x$ . Whence  $x \in \overline{A}^{\rho}$ . Inversely, let  $x \in \overline{A}^{\rho}$ , then by Theorem 3.2, there ex-

ists a sequence  $(y_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}} \subset A$  such that  $y_n \xrightarrow{\rho} x$ , therefore, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $n_0$  such that

$$\rho(x,A) \leq \rho(x-y_n) < \varepsilon; \ \forall n > n_0.$$

Hence

$$\rho(x,A) = 0$$

Proof of the Theorem 3.3. By Proposition 3.3,  $x_0 \notin A$ if and only if  $\rho(x_0, A) = r > 0$ . Next, since  $\rho$  satisfies the  $\Delta_2$ -condition then by Lemma 3.1, for  $\varepsilon = \frac{r}{3} > 0$ , there exist L > 0, and  $\delta > 0$  such that if  $\rho(x) < L$ and  $\rho(y-x) < \delta$  we have  $|\rho(y) - \rho(x)| < \varepsilon$ . Moreover, there exists  $m_0 \in \mathbb{N}^*$  such that  $\frac{r}{m} < \inf(L, \delta)$ whenever  $m > m_0$ . Now, let  $m_1 \ge \max(3, m_0)$  and we consider the open neighborhood of  $x_0$ 

$$V_{x_0} = x_0 + B_{\rho} \left( 0, \frac{r}{m_1} \right)$$

Suppose next that  $V_{x_0} \cap A \neq \emptyset$  and let  $y \in V_{x_0} \cap A$ . Since *A* is closed we make use of Proposition 3.1 to exhibit a sequence  $(y_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}} \subset A$  such that  $y_n \xrightarrow{\rho} y$ . So that one considers  $X_n = y - y_n$  and  $Y_n = x_0 - y_n$ . Since  $y_n \in A$  and  $x_0 \notin A$ , then  $\rho(Y_n) \ge r$ . On the other hand, note that

$$\rho(X_n) = \rho(y - y_n) < \frac{r}{m_1} < \inf(L, \delta),$$

whenever  $n > n_0$  and

$$\rho(X_n-Y_n)=\rho(x_0-y)<\frac{r}{m_1}<\inf(L,\delta).$$

Therefore

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$$r \le \rho(Y_n) < \rho(y - y_n) + \varepsilon \le \frac{r}{m_1} + \frac{r}{3} \le \frac{2r}{3}$$

whenever  $n > n_0$ , a contradiction. Thus  $V_{x_0} \cap A = \emptyset$ . **Remark 3.2** If  $\rho$  satisfies Fatou property, then

$$\overline{B(0,r)} = \overline{B_{\rho}}(0,r) = \left\{ x \in X_{\rho} / \rho(x) \le r \right\}$$

is a closed ball of the topology  $\tau$ . We note by  $B_f(x,r)$  all closed ball centered at x with the radius r > 0 (see [7]).

Corollary 3.1 Under the same hypotheses of Theorem

3.3, and if the modular  $\rho$  satisfies Fatou property, then  $\overline{V_{x_0}}^{\rho} \cap A = \emptyset$ .

*Proof.* Making appeal of Theorem 3.3, there exists  $V_{x_0} = x_0 + B_{\rho}\left(0, \frac{r}{m_1}\right)$  such that  $V_{x_0} \cap A = \emptyset$ . Then, we

have  $\overline{V_{x_0}}^{\rho} = x_0 + B_f\left(0, \frac{r}{m_1}\right)$ . Indeed, let  $y \in \overline{V_{x_0}}^{\rho}$  and

note that from Proposition 3.1, there exists a sequence

$$(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset B_f\left(0, \frac{r}{m_1}\right)$$
 such that  
 $x_0 + y_n \xrightarrow{\rho} y,$ 

which implies that  $y_n \xrightarrow{\rho} y - x_0$ . Indeed, it is easy to see that  $Y_n = y_n - (y - x_0) \xrightarrow{\rho} 0$  and since  $\rho$  satisfies the  $\Delta_2$ -condition we have also  $X_n = 2(y_n - (y - x_0)) \xrightarrow{\rho} 0$ . Thence, for  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there are L > 0 and  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\rho(X_n) < \inf\left(L, \delta, \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right),$$

and

$$\rho(Y_n-X_n)=\rho(Y_n)<\inf\left(L,\delta,\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right),$$

whenever  $n \ge n_0$ , then

$$\rho(Y_n) = \rho(y_n - (y - x_0))$$
  
<  $\inf\left(L, \delta, \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \le \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon,$ 

whenever  $n \ge n_0$ . Therefore

$$y_n \xrightarrow{\rho} y - x_0 \in \overline{B_{\rho}\left(0, \frac{r}{m_1}\right)^{\rho}} = B_f\left(0, \frac{r}{m_1}\right).$$

It follows

$$y = x_0 + (y - x_0) \in x_0 + B_f \left(0, \frac{r}{m_1}\right),$$

and hence

$$\overline{V_{x_0}}^{\rho} \subset x_0 + B_f\left(0, \frac{r}{m_1}\right).$$

Inversely, let

$$x_0 + y \in x_0 + B_f\left(0, \frac{r}{m_1}\right).$$

By Proposition 3.1, there exists 
$$(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset B_{\rho}\left(0, \frac{r}{m_1}\right)$$

such that  $y_n \xrightarrow{\rho} y$ . Moreover, the sequence

$$(x_0 + y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset V_{x_0}$$
 satisfying  $x_0 + y_n \xrightarrow{\rho} x_0 + y$ . Hence  
 $x_0 + y \in \overline{V_{x_0}}^{\rho}$ .

Finally, we take the same arguments as in the proof of Theorem 3.3, we have

$$\overline{V_{x_0}}^{\rho} \cap A = \emptyset.$$

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