

**Math 421 / Homework 8.4**

# 2 For each of the following sets, sketch  $E^\circ$ ,  $\bar{E}$ , and  $\partial E$ .

(a)  $E = \{(x, y) : x^2 + 4y^2 \leq 1\}$

(b)  $E = \{(x, y) : x^2 - 2x + y^2 = 0\} \cup \{(x, 0) : x \in [2, 3]\}$

(c)  $E = \{(x, y) : y \geq x^2, 0 \leq y < 1\}$

(d)  $E = \{(x, y) : x^2 - y^2 < 1, -1 < y < 1\}$

# 3 Suppose that  $A \subseteq B \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ . Prove that

$$\bar{A} \subseteq \bar{B}, \quad A^\circ \subseteq B^\circ.$$

# 4 Let  $E$  be a subset of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .

(a) Prove that every subset  $A \subseteq E$  contains a set  $B$  which is the largest subset of  $A$  that is relatively open in  $E$ .

(b) Prove that every subset  $A \subseteq E$  is contained in a set  $B$  which is the smallest subset of  $E$  containing  $A$  that is relatively closed in  $E$ .

# 7 Suppose that  $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$  is connected and that  $E \subseteq A \subseteq \bar{E}$ . Prove that  $A$  is connected.

# 9 Show that Theorem 8.37 is best possible in the following sense.

(a) There exist sets  $A, B$  in  $\mathbf{R}$  such that  $(A \cup B)^\circ \neq A^\circ \cup B^\circ$ .

(b) There exist sets  $A, B$  in  $\mathbf{R}$  such that  $\overline{A \cap B} \neq \bar{A} \cap \bar{B}$ .

(c) There exist sets  $A, B$  in  $\mathbf{R}$  such that  $\partial(A \cup B) \neq \partial A \cup \partial B$  and  $\partial(A \cap B) \neq \partial A \cap \partial B$ .