## Assignment #8

## Due on Wednesday, February 25, 2015

**Read** Section 12.1, on *Functions of Two Variables*, in Calculus: Multivariable, by McCallum, Hughes–Hallett, Gleason, et al.

**Read** Section 12.2, on *Graphs of Functions of Two Variables*, in Calculus: Multivariable, by McCallum, Hughes–Hallett, Gleason, et al.

**Read** Section 12.3, on *Contour Diagrams*, in Calculus: Multivariable, by McCallum, Hughes–Hallett, Gleason, et al.

**Read** Section 12.4, on *Linear Functions*, in Calculus: Multivariable, by McCallum, Hughes–Hallett, Gleason, et al.

**Do** the following problems

- 1. The expression  $f(x,y) = 2 \sqrt{4 x^2 y^2}$  defines a function of two variables
  - (a) Give the domain of f.
  - (b) Sketch a few of the contour curves: f(x,y) = c; indicate values of values c for which contour curves exist.
  - (c) Sketch the graph of f.
- 2. Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$f(x,y) = 4 - x^2 - y^2$$
, for all  $(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

- (a) Give the domain of f.
- (b) Sketch a few of the contour curves of the graph of f.
- (c) Sketch the graph of z = f(x, y).
- 3. Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$f(x,y) = 4 - 3x - 2y$$
, for all  $(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

- (a) Give the domain of f.
- (b) Sketch a few of the contour curves of the graph of f.
- (c) Sketch the graph of z = f(x, y).

- 4. Suppose that f is a linear function of x and y that has slope 2 in the x direction and slope 3 in the y-direction.
  - (a) Determine the change in z = f(x, y) that a change of 0.5 in x and a change of -0.4 in y produces.
  - (b) If f(5,7) = 2, determine the value of z = f(x,y) when x = 4.9 and y = 7.2.
- 5. The graph of a linear function f is a plane passing through the point (4,3,-2) in three–dimensional space  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , and having slope 5 in the x-direction and slope -3 in the y-direction.
  - (a) Determine a formula for computing f(x,y) for all  $(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .
  - (b) Sketch contour lines for the function f.