## LAGRANGE MULTIPLIERS

Use the method of Lagrange multipliers to solve the following problems.

- 1. Find the coordinates of the maximum point on the graph of z = xy + 5 subject to the constraint x + y = 2.
- 2. Find the coordinates of the minimum point on the graph of  $z = x^2 + y^2 + 5$  subject to the constraint x + y = 2.

3. Find the coordinates of the extreme points on the graph of  $z = x^2 - xy + y^2$  subject to the constraint  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ .

- 4. Let w = xyz for x > 0, y > 0, and z > 0. Find the maximum value of *w* subject to the constraint x + y + z = 48.
- 5. A manufacturer has an order for 1000 ultra-deluxe time machines with built-in MP3 player. Suppose the units are manufactured in two different locations with x representing the number of units produced in one location and y the number of units in the other. If the total cost of production is given by  $z = C(x, y) = x^2 + 10x + 0.50y^2 + 12y 10,000 \text{ dollars}$ , find the values of x and y that will minimize the costs and find the minimum cost.









- 6. Find the points on the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 100$  that are closest to and farthest from the point (2,3).
- 7. Find the area of the largest rectangle that can be inscribed inside the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1.$
- 8. Find the volume of the largest rectangular box that can be inscribed inside the ellipsoid  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$ .
- 9. Use Lagrange multipliers to find the point in the plane 2x + y z = -5 that is closest to the origin. (HINT: Minimize the square of the distance from the origin. You will get the same answer, but you won't have to mess with derivatives of square roots.)
- 10. A company operates two plants which manufacture the same item. Suppose that the total cost involved in producing quantities  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  at the two plants is  $C = 2q_1^2 + q_1q_2 + q_2^2 + 1000$ . Suppose also that the company's objective is to produce a total quantity of  $q_1 + q_2 = 100$  units. Find levels of production,  $q_1$  and  $q_2$ , that will minimize the cost.