

Figure 49.2: The ellipsoid  $J(x, y) = \frac{3}{2}x^2 + 2xy + 3y^2 - 2x + 8y$ .

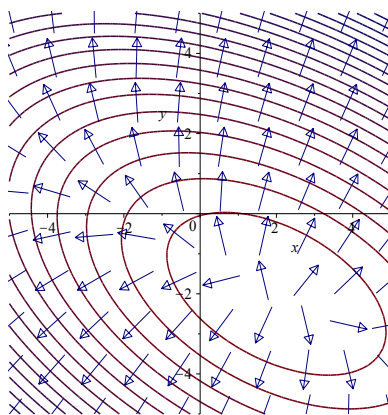


Figure 49.3: The level curves of  $J(x, y) = \frac{3}{2}x^2 + 2xy + 3y^2 - 2x + 8y$  and the associated gradient vector field  $\nabla J(x, y) = (3x + 2y - 2, 2x + 6y + 8)$ .

parameter, we pick a starting point, say  $u_k = (-2, -2)$ , and calculate the search direction  $w_k = \nabla J(-2, -2) = (-12, -8)$ . Note that

$$\nabla J(x, y) = (3x + 2y - 2, 2x + 6y + 8) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

is perpendicular to the appropriate elliptical level curve; see Figure 49.3. We next perform the line search along the line given by the equation  $-8x + 12y = -8$  and determine  $\rho_k$ . See Figures 49.4 and 49.5.