

Ch 2.8 | Modeling Using Variation

Types of Variations

Direct Variation $y = kx$

Find "K"
Inverse Variation $y = \frac{k}{x}$

Joint Variation $y = kx \cdot w \cdot \dots$ two or more variables

Combined Variation $y = \frac{k \cdot x \cdot v}{w \cdot z}$

ex 1) The distance that a body falls from rest varies directly as the square of the time.

If sky divers fall 64 ft. in 2 seconds, find k.
how far will they fall in 4.5 seconds?

$$d = k \cdot t^2$$

$$64 = k \cdot 2^2$$

$$\frac{64}{2^2} = k$$

Rewrite the formula

w/ the known value for k.

$$d = \frac{64}{2^2} \cdot t^2 \quad \text{or} \quad d = 16t^2$$

$k = 16$

$$d = 16 \cdot (4.5)^2$$

$$d = 324 \text{ ft}$$

ex 2) The length of a violin string varies inversely as the frequency of its vibrations.

A string 8 in. long vibrates at a frequency 640 cycles per second. What is the frequency of a 10 in. string?

$$l = \frac{k}{f}$$

$$8 = \frac{k}{640}$$

$$8 \cdot 640 = k$$

$$5120 = k$$

$$l = \frac{5120}{f} ?$$

$$10 = \frac{5120}{f} \dots f = \frac{5120}{10}$$

$$\text{Swap Hertz} \rightarrow = \frac{512}{\text{sec}} \text{ cycles}$$

Ex 3) The minutes needed to solve a set of variation problems varies directly as the number of problems & inversely as the number of people working together. If 4 people take 32 minutes to solve 16 problems, how long will 8 people to solve 24 problems? $k?$

$$M = \frac{k \cdot z}{P}$$

$$32 = \frac{k \cdot 16}{4}$$

$$32 = 4k$$

$$8 = k$$

$$M = \frac{8 \cdot z}{P}$$

$$? M = \frac{8 \cdot 24}{8} = 24 \text{ minutes}$$

Ex 4) Volume of cone V varies jointly as its height h and square of its radius. If radius is 6 and height is 10... volume is $120\pi \text{ ft}^3$, find volume if radius is 12 & height is 2.

$$V = k \cdot h r^2$$

$$120\pi = k \cdot 10 \cdot 6^2$$

$$\frac{120\pi}{360} = \frac{k \cdot 360}{360}$$

$$\frac{1}{3}\pi = k$$

$$V = \frac{1}{3}\pi h r^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}\pi(2)(12)^2$$

$$= \frac{288\pi}{3} = 96\pi \text{ ft}^3$$

or...

HW: pg 376, # 11-35 (by 3's)