

Joint Variation

1. P varies jointly with Q and R. When $P = 98$, $Q = 2$ and $R = 7$.
Find an equation connecting P, Q and R. hence find P when $Q = 15$ and $R = 8$.

2. A varies as the square of B and inversely as C. When A is 6, B is 5 and $C = 100$.
Calculate A when B is 12 and $C = 72$.

3. H varies directly as the square of L and inversely as the square root of M.
When H is 10, L is 4 and m is 64.
 - (a) Find an equation connecting H, L and M.
 - (b) Find H when L is 12 and M is 256.

4. M varies as N and as the square root of P. When $M = 9$, $N = 3$ and $P = 36$.
Calculate N when $M = 20$ and $P = 100$.

5. The safe load W of a beam supported at each end varies as the breadth of the beam b and the square of its depth d. It also varies inversely as the distance x between the beams.
It is known that $W = 8400$ when $b = 7.5$, $d = 5$ and $x = 5$.
 - (a) Find a formula for W in terms of b, d and x.
 - (b) Find W given $b = 6$, $d = 12$ and $x = 4$.

6. The volume, V cubic centimetres, of a certain gas varies directly as the temperature, t° , and inversely as the pressure, P mmHg.
At a temperature of 250° and a pressure of 750 mmHg, the volume is 200 cm^3 .
 - (a) Find a formula connecting V, t and P.
 - (b) Calculate the volume of the gas at a temperature of 350° and a pressure of 1000mmHg.

7. The time, t seconds, taken by a child to slide down a chute varies directly as the length, L metres, of the chute and the inversely as the square root of the height, H metres, of the chute above the ground.
It takes 10 seconds to slide down a chute 3.75 metres long and 2.25 metres high.

How long does it take to slide down a chute 5 metres long which is 2.56 metres high?



8. The weight, W kilograms, of a cylindrical metal pole varies as its length, L centimetres, and as the square of its diameter, D centimetres.

A pole 120 cm long and with diameter 8 cm weighs 14.4 kg.

Calculate the length of a pole with diameter 12 cm and weighing 67.5 kilograms.

9. The number of litres of petrol, L , used by a car on a journey varies directly as the distance, d km, travelled and as the square root of the average speed, s kmph.

The car uses 30 litres of petrol for a journey of 550 km at an average speed of 81 kmph.

- (a) Find a formula connecting L , d and s .
(b) How many litres of petrol would be used on a journey of 693 km at an average speed of 100 kmph?



10. The time, T minutes, taken for a stadium to empty varies directly as the number of spectators, S , and inversely as the number of open exits, E . It takes 12 minutes for a stadium to empty when there are 20 000 spectators and 20 open exits.

- (a) Find a formula connecting T , S and E .
(b) How long does it take to empty the stadium when there are 36 000 spectators and 24 open exits?



11. The force, F newtons, needed to stop a train varies as the square of the speed, S kmph, of the train and inversely as the stopping distance, D metres.

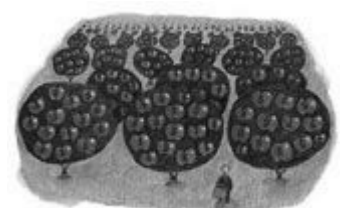
It is known a force of 300 newtons is required to stop a train travelling at a speed of 60 kmph in a distance of 1200 metres.

- (a) Calculate the force needed to stop a train travelling at a speed of 50 kmph in a distance of 800 metres.
(b) Calculate the distance it would take a train to stop if it was travelling at 40 kmph and a force of 256 newtons was applied.



12. The time, T hours, taken to harvest an orchard varies directly as the area, A m², of the orchard and inversely as the number of workers used, N .

An orchard with an area of 1200 m² can be harvested by 8 workers in a time of 6 hours.



How much time could have been saved if 10 workers had been used to harvest the orchard?

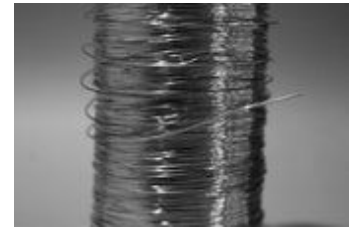
13. As the drum of a washing machine spins it exerts a force on the clothes inside it, forcing them against the side of the drum. The force, F newtons, varies directly as the square of the speed of the drum, S metres per second, and the mass, M kilograms, of the clothes in the drum and also inversely as the radius of the drum, R centimetres.



A drum of radius 20 cm spinning at 20 mps and containing 2 kg of clothes exerts a force of 33.75 newtons.

Calculate the force exerted if this machine spins at the same speed but the weight of clothes is doubled.

14. The electrical resistance, R , of copper wire varies directly as its length, L metres, and inversely as the square of its diameter D millimetres. A piece of copper wire 8 metres long with diameter 4 millimetres has resistance 7.5.



Calculate the resistance of a piece of copper wire 10 metres long with diameter 2.5 millimetres.