

Direct Proportion : * One quantity is directly proportional to another if the ratios of the two quantities are constant.

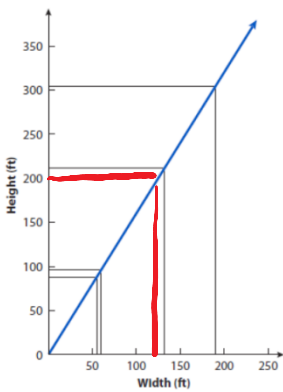
* A graph of the quantities is a line that includes (0,0).

* Equation $y = kx$ "y is directly proportional to x"
"y varies directly with x"

Function : * A function is a relationship between input and output in which each input value has exactly one output value
* Provides a way of finding a unique output value for every possible input value.

Example 1: 8/5

a.) Use the regulating line for the Notre Dame proportioning system to estimate the width of a similar rectangle with a height of 200 feet.



$\approx 120 \text{ ft}$

b.) Use a proportion to calculate the width.

$$\frac{h}{w} = \frac{8}{5} = \frac{200}{w}$$

$$8w = 1000$$

$$w = 125 \text{ ft}$$

Example 2: The table shows the cost of having various amounts of clothes washed at a drop-off laundry.

Weight of Clothes (lb)	Cost (\$)
4	5.20
6	7.80
9	11.70
13	16.90

$$\frac{5.20}{4} = 1.3$$

$$\frac{7.80}{6} = 1.3$$

$$\frac{11.7}{9} = 1.3$$

$$\frac{16.9}{13} = 1.3$$



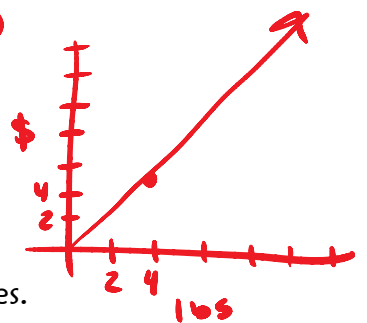
a.) Verify that cost is directly proportional to weight.

yes = 1.3

b.) Write an equation that models cost C as a function of weight, w.

$$\frac{C}{w} = 1.3 \quad C = 1.3w$$

c.) Draw a graph of cost vs. weight.

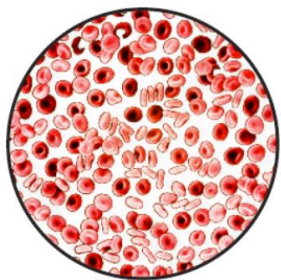


d.) Use your equation to determine the cost for a load of 8 pounds of clothes.

$$C = 1.3w \quad C = 1.3(8)$$

$$C = \$10.40$$

Example 3: A person's red blood cell count can be estimated by looking at a drop of blood under a microscope. The number of cells inside the circular field of the microscope is counted.



$$N = 2300A$$

If the area of the circle is known, then area can be used as a measure of the number of blood cells. The number of cells varies directly with area.

- Assume that a 0.01 mm^2 viewing field contains 23 red blood cells. Find an equation for the number N of red blood cells as a function of area A .
- Use your equation from Part (a) to determine how many red blood cells are contained in an area of 50 mm^2 .

$$N = kA \quad N = 23, A = 0.01$$
$$23 = k(0.01)$$
$$2300 = k$$

$$N = 2300(50)$$
$$N = 115,000 \text{ blood cells}$$