

Math 7 - Unit 3

Day 8 - Equations of Proportional Relationships

Lesson Objectives:

- I can represent proportional relationships by equations.
- I can identify the constant of proportionality (unit rate) in an equation.

So far, we know of two different models for representing proportional relationships.

TABLE

Time (hours)	Distance (miles)
2	130
3	195
4	260

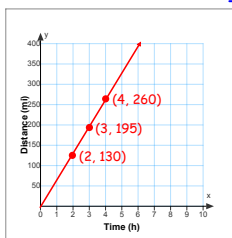
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How do you know?

If so, what is the constant ratio (unit rate)?



GRAPH



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How do you know?

If so, what is the constant rate of change (unit rate)?



When two variable quantities have a constant ratio (unit rate), their relationship is called a direct variation. A direct variation is a proportional relationship in which the ratio of y to x is a constant, k. We say "y varies directly with x" or "x and y are directly proportional".

$$\frac{y}{x} = k \text{ or } y = kx, \text{ where } k \neq 0$$

The constant ratio is called the constant of variation or the constant of proportionality. In a direct variation equation, the constant rate of change is assigned a special variable, k.

EQUATION

$$y = 65x$$

Is the distance the car travels proportional to the time it travels?

How do you know?

If so, what is the constant of proportionality (unit rate)?



Tell whether x and y show direct variation (form a proportional relationship). If so, what is the constant of proportionality?

1.

x	0	1	2	3
y	-2	1	4	7

No

1 2 2 3

2.

x	1	2	3	4
y	4	8	12	16

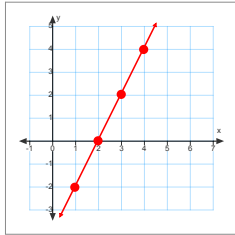
yes

k=4

$$y = 4x$$

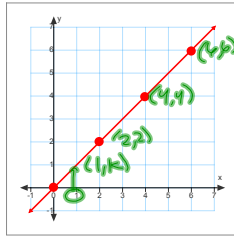
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3.



No

4.


 $k=1$
 $y=1x$

Tell whether x and y show direct variation (form a proportional relationship). If so, what is the constant of proportionality?

5. $y = 7x$ yes, $k=7$ 6. $y+1 = 2x$
 $\frac{-1}{y} = \frac{-1}{2x-1}$
 No
7. $\frac{1}{2}y = x - 2$
 $y=2x$ yes, $k=2$
8. $xy = 3$
 $y = \frac{3}{x}$ No
9. $x = \frac{1}{3}y$
 $\frac{3}{1}y = x \cdot 3$ yes, $k=3$
 $y=3x$
10. $y+1 = x$
 $\frac{-1}{y} = \frac{-1}{x-1}$ No

Homework

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(#4-#21, if direct variation, what is the constant of proportionality?)

* Individual Think Time *



What to do if you get stuck...

1. Reread the problem. Did you write it down correctly?
2. Reread your notes. Is there a problem similar that we did together in class?
3. Find a problem similar in your book. Try this one to see if it helps.
4. Skip the problem until the end of Individual Think Time. Then ask an "educated" question of a neighbor or Mrs. Call.

Today we're working by...

