

Examples: Applications of Variation

The circumference of a circle varies directly as the radius. A circle of radius 8in has a circumference of 50.27in. Find the circumference of the circle if the radius is 5in.

The current in a simple electrical circuit varies inversely as the resistance. If the current is 30 amps when the resistance is 10ohms, find the current if the resistance is 5ohms.

The volume of a gas varies inversely as the pressure and directly as the temperature. If a gas occupies a 2.6L volume at 600 kelvins (kelvin is a temperature unit) and a pressure of 24 newtons, find the volume at 240 kelvins and a pressure of 32 newtons.