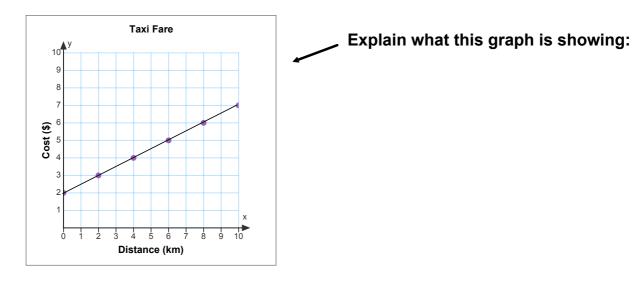


5.2 Partial Variation

The graph of a **partial variation** is a straight line that **does not pass through the origin**.



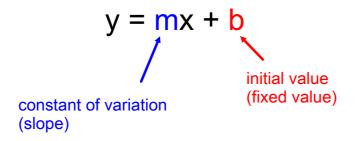
This graph shows the total cost, C, for a taxi ride of distance, d.

2 is the fixed cost. It's how much you pay even if you don't drive anywhere!

0.5d represents how much you pay depending on how far you travel, so it's the variable cost.

The equation of a partial variation

A partial variation has an equation of the form y = mx + b, where b represents the fixed, or initial value of y and m represents the constant of variation.



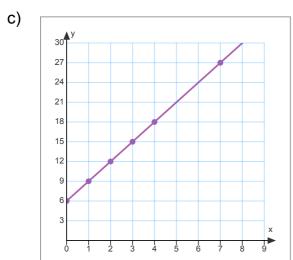
Example 1:

X	Y
0	6
1	9
2	
3	15
4	
	27

- a) Copy and complete the table of values given that y varies partially with x.
- b) Identify the initial value and the constant of variation. Write the equation in the form y=mx+b.
- c) Graph this relation.
- d) Describe the graph.
- a) We see that as x goes up by 1 (ex from 0 to 1), y goes up by 3.
- b) The initial value is y when x is 0: b = 6.

Constant of variation is 3: m = 3.

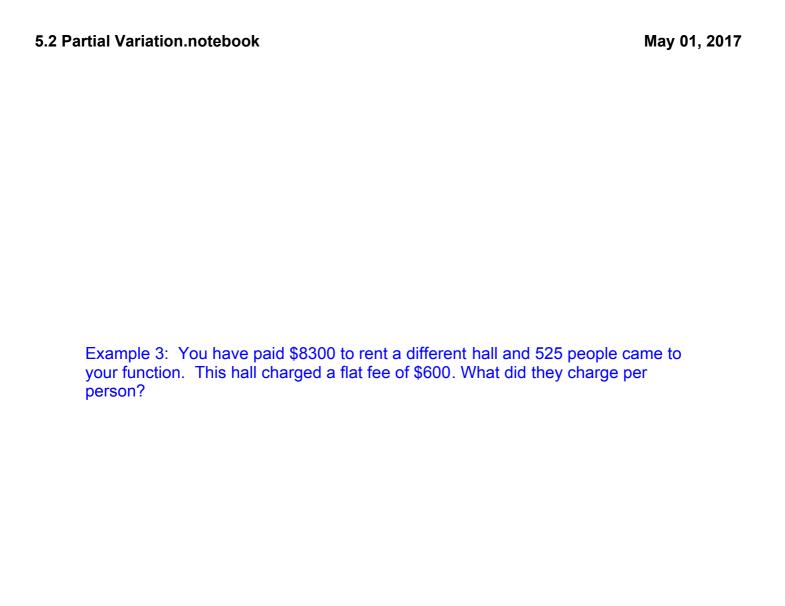
The equation in y = mx + b form is y = 3x + 6



d) The graph is a straight line that intersects the y - axis at (0, 6). The y - values increase by 3 as the x - values increase by 1.

Example 2: A school is planning an awards banquet. The cost of renting the banquet facility and hiring serving staff is \$675. There is an additional cost of \$12 per person for the meal.

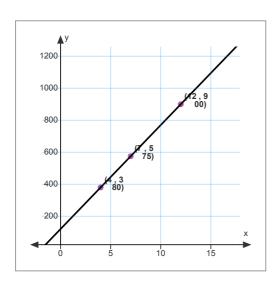
- a) Identify the fixed cost and the variable cost of this partial variation.
- b) Write an equation to represent this relationship.
- c) Use your equation to determine the total cost if 500 people attend the banquet.



Example 4: The table below represents the linear relationship between cost and repair time at a local mechanic shop.

Repair time, t (h)	Cost, C (\$)
4	380
7	575
12	900

If the mechanic charges \$65 per hour, what does he charge as his base fee?



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