

# Unit 3 Rate, Ratio, Direct and Inverse Proportion

## Exercise 3.1

1. Express each of the following ratio in its simplest form.

(i)  $\frac{2}{3} : \frac{4}{5}$

**Solution:** To simplify given ratio, write it in the form of fraction.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2}{3} : \frac{4}{5} &= \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{\frac{4}{5}} \\ &= \frac{\cancel{2}^1 \times \frac{5}{\cancel{4}_2}}{3 \times 2} = \frac{1 \times 5}{3 \times 2} \\ &= \frac{5}{6}\end{aligned}$$

So, the simplest form is 5 : 6.

(iii)  $\frac{3}{4} : \frac{7}{9}$

**Solution:** To simplify given ratio, write it in the form of fraction.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{3}{4} : \frac{7}{9} &= \frac{\frac{3}{4}}{\frac{7}{9}} \\ &= \frac{3 \times 9}{4 \times 7} = \frac{3 \times 9}{4 \times 7} \\ &= \frac{27}{28}\end{aligned}$$

So, the simplest form is 27 : 28.

(v)  $40 : 24$

**Solution:** To simplify given ratio, write it in the form of fraction.

$$\begin{aligned}40 : 24 &= \frac{40}{24} \\ \text{Now, write the lowest form of fraction} \\ \frac{40}{24} &= \frac{40 \div 4}{24 \div 4} \\ &= \frac{10}{6} \\ &= \frac{10 \div 2}{6 \div 2} = \frac{5}{3}\end{aligned}$$

So, the simplest form is 5 : 3.

(ii)  $\frac{3}{7} : \frac{7}{3}$

**Solution:** To simplify given ratio, write it in the form of fraction.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{3}{7} : \frac{7}{3} &= \frac{\frac{3}{7}}{\frac{7}{3}} \\ &= \frac{3 \times 3}{7 \times 7} = \frac{3 \times 3}{7 \times 7} \\ &= \frac{9}{49}\end{aligned}$$

So, the simplest form is 9 : 49.

(iv)  $32 : 40$

**Solution:** To simplify given ratio, write it in the form of fraction.

$$\begin{aligned}32 : 40 &= \frac{32}{40} \\ \text{Now, write the lowest form of fraction} \\ \frac{32}{40} &= \frac{32 \div 4}{40 \div 4} \\ &= \frac{8}{10} \\ &= \frac{8 \div 2}{10 \div 2} = \frac{4}{5}\end{aligned}$$

So, the simplest form is 4 : 5.

(vi)  $35 : 42$

**Solution:** To simplify given ratio, write it in the form of fraction.

$$\begin{aligned}35 : 42 &= \frac{35}{42} \\ \text{Now, write the lowest form of fraction} \\ \frac{35}{42} &= \frac{35 \div 7}{42 \div 7} \\ &= \frac{5}{6}\end{aligned}$$

So, the simplest form is 5 : 6.

2. Express each of the following as a ratio of first quantity to the second. Also express in the lowest form.

(i) 80 g, 3 kg

**Solution:** First of all, make same units of given quantities.

$$1 \text{ kg} = 1,000 \text{ g so } 3 \text{ kg} = 3,000 \text{ g}$$

It implies

$$80 \text{ g to } 3 \text{ kg} = 80 \text{ g} : 3,000 \text{ g}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{8\cancel{0}}{300\cancel{0}} = \frac{\cancel{8}^2}{\cancel{300}_{75}} \\ &= \frac{2}{75} \\ &= 2 : 75 \end{aligned}$$

So, the simplest form is 2 : 75.

(ii) 20 cm, 5 m

**Solution:** First of all, make same units of given quantities.

$$1 \text{ m} = 100 \text{ cm so } 5 \text{ m} = 500 \text{ cm}$$

It implies

$$20 \text{ cm to } 5 \text{ m} = 20 \text{ cm} : 500 \text{ cm}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{2\cancel{0}}{50\cancel{0}} = \frac{\cancel{2}^1}{\cancel{50}_{25}} \\ &= \frac{1}{25} \\ &= 1 : 25 \end{aligned}$$

So, the simplest form is 1 : 25.

(iii) 15 minutes, 3 hours

**Solution:** First of all, make same units of given quantities.

$$1 \text{ hour} = 60 \text{ minutes so } 3 \text{ hours} = 180 \text{ minutes}$$

It implies

$$15 \text{ minutes to } 3 \text{ hours} = 15 \text{ minutes} : 180 \text{ minutes}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{15}{180} = \frac{\cancel{15}^3}{\cancel{180}_{36}_{12}} \\ &= \frac{1}{12} \\ &= 1 : 12 \end{aligned}$$

So, the simplest form 1 : 12.

(iv) 5 hours, 50 minutes

**Solution:** First of all, make same units of given quantities.

$$1 \text{ hour} = 60 \text{ minutes so } 5 \text{ hours} = 300 \text{ minutes}$$

It implies

$$5 \text{ hours to } 50 \text{ minutes} = 300 \text{ minutes} : 50 \text{ minutes}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{300}{50} = \frac{\cancel{300}^6}{\cancel{50}_1} \\ &= \frac{6}{1} \\ &= 6 : 1 \end{aligned}$$

So, the simplest form 6 : 1.

(v) 18 kg, 12 kg

**Solution:** First of all, make same units of given quantities. Here units are already same so

$$18 \text{ kg to } 12 \text{ kg} = 18 \text{ kg} : 12 \text{ kg}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{18}{12} = \frac{\cancel{18}^3}{\cancel{12}_2} \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \\ &= 3 : 2 \end{aligned}$$

So, the simplest form is 3 : 2.

(vi) 100 m, 12 m

**Solution:** First of all, make same units of given quantities. Here units are already same so

$$100 \text{ m to } 12 \text{ m} = 100 \text{ m} : 12 \text{ m}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{100}{12} = \frac{\cancel{100}^{25}}{\cancel{12}_3} \\ &= \frac{25}{3} \\ &= 25 : 3 \end{aligned}$$

So, the simplest form is 25 : 3.

**Remember!**

Length	Mass	Capacity
1 kilometre = 1,000 metres 1 metre = 100 centimetre 1 centimetre = 10 millimetres	1 kilogram = 1,000 grams 1 gram = 1,000 milligrams	1 litre = 1,000 millimetres

3. If  $a : b = 32 : 40$  and  $b : c = 64 : 160$ . Find  $a : c$ .

**Solution:** Given that

$$a : b = 32 : 40$$

$$b : c = 64 : 160$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{32}{40}$$

$$\frac{b}{c} = \frac{64}{160}$$

As we know that

$$\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{b}{c} = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\frac{32}{40} \times \frac{64}{160} = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\frac{32 \times 64}{40 \times 160} = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\frac{2048}{6400} = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\frac{2048 \div 16}{6400 \div 16} = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\frac{128}{400} = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\frac{128 \div 16}{400 \div 16} = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\frac{8}{25} = \frac{a}{c}$$

Hence,  $a : c = 8 : 25$ .

4. If  $a : b = \frac{2}{3} : \frac{3}{4}$  and  $b : c = \frac{4}{5} : \frac{5}{4}$ . Find  $a : c$ .

**Solution:** Given that

$$a : b = \frac{2}{3} : \frac{3}{4}$$

$$b : c = \frac{4}{5} : \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{4}{3}$$

$$= \frac{8}{9}$$

$$\frac{b}{c} = \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{\frac{5}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{4}{5}$$

$$= \frac{16}{25}$$

As we know that

$$\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{b}{c} = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\frac{8}{9} \times \frac{16}{25} = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\frac{8 \times 16}{9 \times 25} = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\frac{128}{225} = \frac{a}{c}$$

Hence,  $a : c = 128 : 225$ .

### Exercise 3.2

1. In what ratio must 77 be increased to become 99.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The required ratio} &= \text{new value} : \text{old value} \\ &= 99 : 77 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Divide both values by 11} \\ &= 9 : 7 \end{aligned}$$

2. In what ratio must 78 be decreased to become 52.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The required ratio} &= \text{new value} : \text{old value} \\ &= 52 : 78 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Divide both values by 2} \\ &= 26 : 39 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Divide both values by 13} \\ &= 2 : 3 \end{aligned}$$

3. In what ratio must 99 be increased to become 132.

**Solution:**

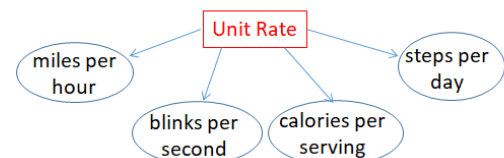
$$\begin{aligned} \text{The required ratio} &= \text{new value} : \text{old value} \\ &= 132 : 99 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Divide both values by 3} \\ &= 44 : 33 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Divide both values by 11} \\ &= 4 : 3 \end{aligned}$$

#### Remember!

A unit rate is a ratio that compares two measurements (units) and the second measurement is 1 (per).



4. If 16 kg mangoes cost Rs. 5,600. Calculate the rate of mangoes.

**Solution:** The cost of 16 kg mangoes = Rs. 5,600  
 The cost of 1 kg mangoes =  $\frac{\text{Rs. } 5,600}{16}$   
 = Rs. 350

So, the rate of mangoes is Rs. 350 per kg.

5. If Rs. 3,700 is charged for 148 units of electricity. Calculate the per unit average rate of electricity.

**Solution:** The cost of 148 units of electricity = Rs. 3,700  
 The cost of 1 unit of electricity =  $\frac{\text{Rs. } 3,700}{148}$   
 = Rs. 25

So, the rate of electricity is Rs. 25 per unit.

6. If a car uses 50 litres of petrol to travel 600 km. Calculate the average rate of consumption of petrol.

**Solution:** The car travels in 50 litres of petrol = 600 km  
 The car travels in 1 litre of petrol =  $\frac{600 \text{ km}}{50}$   
 = 12 km

So, the average rate of consumption of petrol is 12 km per litre.

### Exercise 3.3

1. Find the value of "a" in the following proportions.

(i)  $14 : 5 :: a : 35$

**Solution:** As we know that

Product of means = Product of extremes

$$5 \times a = 14 \times 35$$

Divide both sides by 5

$$\frac{\cancel{5} \times a}{\cancel{5}} = \frac{14 \times \cancel{35}^7}{\cancel{5}}$$

$$a = 14 \times 7$$

$$a = 98$$

Hence, the value of 'a' is 98.

(ii)  $2 : 3 :: a : 27$

**Solution:** As we know that

Product of means = Product of extremes

$$3 \times a = 2 \times 27$$

Divide both sides by 3

$$\frac{\cancel{3} \times a}{\cancel{3}} = \frac{2 \times \cancel{27}^9}{\cancel{3}}$$

$$a = 2 \times 9$$

$$a = 18$$

Hence, the value of 'a' is 18.

(iii)  $7 : 9 :: a : 81$

**Solution:** As we know that

Product of means = Product of extremes

$$9 \times a = 7 \times 81$$

Divide both sides by 9

$$\frac{\cancel{9} \times a}{\cancel{9}} = \frac{7 \times \cancel{81}^9}{\cancel{9}}$$

$$a = 7 \times 9$$

$$a = 63$$

Hence, the value of 'a' is 63.

(iv)  $13 : 17 :: a : 34$

**Solution:** As we know that

Product of means = Product of extremes

$$17 \times a = 13 \times 34$$

Divide both sides by 17

$$\frac{\cancel{17} \times a}{\cancel{17}} = \frac{13 \times \cancel{34}^2}{\cancel{17}}$$

$$a = 13 \times 2$$

$$a = 26$$

Hence, the value of 'a' is 26.

**2. 10 people can dig a well in 35 days. In how many days will 7 people dig the well?**

**Solution:** People and days are inversely proportional to each other.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{People} & :: & \text{Days} \\ \downarrow 10 & & 35 \uparrow \\ & & x \end{array}$$

For inverse proportion use arrows in different direction

$$\frac{10}{7} = \frac{x}{35}$$

Apply cross multiplication

$$10 \times 35 = x \times 7$$

Divide both sides by 7

$$\frac{10 \times 35}{7} = \frac{x \times \cancel{7}}{\cancel{7}}$$

$$\frac{350}{7} = x$$

$$50 = x$$

Hence, 7 people will dig the well in 50 days.

**3. Total cost of 35 lottery tickets is Rs. 2,100. Find the cost of 25 lottery tickets.**

**Solution:** Cost and tickets are directly proportional to each other.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Cost} & :: & \text{Tickets} \\ \uparrow 2100 & & 35 \uparrow \\ x & & 25 \end{array}$$

For direct proportion use arrows in same direction

$$\frac{x}{2100} = \frac{25}{35}$$

Apply cross multiplication

$$x \times 35 = 25 \times 2100$$

Divide both sides by 35

$$\frac{x \times 35}{35} = \frac{25 \times 2100}{35}$$

$$x = \frac{52500}{35}$$

$$x = 1500$$

Hence, the cost of 25 lottery tickets is Rs. 1,500.

**4. The cost of 7 metres of cloth is Rs. 2,100. How many metres of the cloth can be purchased by Rs. 27,000?**

**Solution:** Cost and length are directly proportional to each other.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Cost} & :: & \text{Length} \\ \uparrow 2,100 & & 7 \uparrow \\ 27,000 & & x \end{array}$$

For direct proportion use arrows in same direction

**Remember!**

X increase	→	Y increase	(Direct proportion)
X decrease	→	Y decrease	(Direct proportion)
X increase	→	Y decrease	(Inverse proportion)
X decrease	→	Y increase	(Inverse proportion)

$$\frac{270\cancel{00}}{21\cancel{00}} = \frac{x}{7}$$

Apply cross multiplication

$$270 \times 7 = x \times 21$$

Divide both sides by 21

$$\frac{1890}{21} = \frac{x \times 21}{21}$$

$$90 = x$$

Hence, 90 m of cloth can be purchased by Rs. 27,000.

**5. The cost of 200 kg rice is Rs. 40,000. How many kilograms of rice can be purchased for Rs. 10,000?**

**Solution:** Cost and weight are directly proportional to each other.

Cost	::	Weight
↑ 40,000		200 ↑
10,000		x

For direct proportion use arrows in same direction

$$\frac{10\cancel{000}}{40\cancel{000}} = \frac{x}{200}$$

$$\frac{10}{40} = \frac{x}{200}$$

Apply cross multiplication

$$10 \times 200 = x \times 40$$

Divide both sides by 40

$$\frac{10 \times 200}{40} = \frac{x \times 40}{40}$$

$$\frac{2000}{40} = x$$

$$50 = x$$

Hence, 50 kg of rice can be purchased by Rs. 10,000.

**6. A bus travels 15 km in 6 litres. How far would it travel in 72 litres?**

**Solution:** Distance and fuel are directly proportional to each other.

Distance	::	Fuel
↑ 15		6 ↑
x		72

For direct proportion use arrows in same direction

$$\frac{x}{15} = \frac{72}{6}$$

Apply cross multiplication

$$x \times 6 = 72 \times 15$$

Divide both sides by 6

$$\frac{x \times 6}{6} = \frac{72 \times 15}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{1080}{6}$$

$$x = 180$$

Hence, the bus will travel 180 km in 72 litres.

7. If the weight of 11 sheets of paper is 121 grams, how many sheets of the same paper would weight 770 grams?

**Solution:** Number of sheets and weight are directly proportional to each other.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Sheets} & :: & \text{Weight} \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ 11 & & 121 \\ x & & 770 \end{array}$$

For direct proportion use arrows in same direction

$$\frac{x}{11} = \frac{770}{121}$$

Apply cross multiplication

$$x \times 121 = 770 \times 11$$

Divide both sides by 121

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x \times 121}{121} &= \frac{770 \times 11}{121} \\ x &= \frac{8470}{121} \\ x &= 70 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, 70 sheets of paper would weigh 770 grams.

8. If 16 men can do a job in 40 days, how many men will do the same job in 32 days?

**Solution:** Men and days are inversely proportional to each other.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Men} & :: & \text{Days} \\ \uparrow & & \downarrow \\ 16 & & 40 \\ x & & 32 \end{array}$$

For inverse proportion use arrows in different direction

$$\frac{x}{16} = \frac{40}{32}$$

Apply cross multiplication

$$x \times 32 = 40 \times 16$$

Divide both sides by 32

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x \times 32}{32} &= \frac{40 \times 16}{32} \\ x &= \frac{640}{32} \\ x &= 20 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, 20 men will do the same job in 32 days.

### Review Exercise 3

1. Choose the correct option.

(i) The value of "a" in the proportion 5 : 10 :: a : 100 is:

- (a) 40      (b) 50      (c) 60      (d) 80

(ii) In what ratio must 45 be increased to become 75?

- (a) 3 : 5      (b) 5 : 3      (c) 7 : 3      (d) 3 : 7

(iii) In what ratio must 150 be decreased to become 100?

(a)  $2 : 3$

(b)  $3 : 2$

(c)  $5 : 3$

(d)  $1 : 2$

(iv) The simplest form of the ratio  $\frac{3}{4} : \frac{4}{5}$  is:

(a)  $15 : 16$

(b)  $5 : 4$

(c)  $3 : 4$

(d)  $1 : 2$

(v) The ratio of 400 g to 3 kg is:

(a)  $400 : 3$

(b)  $4 : 3$

(c)  $2 : 15$

(d)  $1 : 12$

2. If  $a : b = 12 : 20$  and  $b : c = 30 : 50$ . Find  $a : c$ .

**Solution:** Given that

$$a : b = 12 : 20$$

$$b : c = 30 : 50$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{12}{20}$$

$$\frac{b}{c} = \frac{30}{50}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\frac{b}{c} = \frac{3}{5}$$

As we know that

$$\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{b}{c} = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\frac{3}{5} \times \frac{3}{5} = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\frac{9}{25} = \frac{a}{c}$$

Hence,  $a : c = 9 : 25$ .

3. In what ratio 66 be increased to become 99?

**Solution:**

The required ratio = new value : old value  
=  $99 : 66$

Divide both values by 11  
=  $9 : 6$

Divide both values by 3  
=  $3 : 2$

4. In what ratio 86 be decreased to become 43?

**Solution:**

The required ratio = new value : old value  
=  $43 : 86$

Divide both values by 43  
=  $1 : 2$

5. If 15 kg apples cost Rs. 3,000. Calculate the rate of apples.

**Solution:**

The cost of 15 kg apples = Rs. 3,000

The cost of 1 kg apples =  $\frac{\text{Rs. 3,000}}{15}$   
= Rs. 200

So, the rate of apples is Rs. 200 per kg.



**6. Find the value of "a" in the following proportions.**

(i)  $16 : 5 :: a : 35$

**Solution:** As we know that

Product of means = Product of extremes

$$5 \times a = 16 \times 35$$

Divide both sides by 5

$$\frac{\cancel{5} \times a}{\cancel{5}} = \frac{16 \times \cancel{35}^7}{\cancel{5}}$$

$$a = 16 \times 7$$

$$a = 112$$

Hence, the value of 'a' is 112.

(ii)  $8 : 9 :: a : 81$

**Solution:** As we know that

Product of means = Product of extremes

$$9 \times a = 8 \times 81$$

Divide both sides by 9

$$\frac{\cancel{9} \times a}{\cancel{9}} = \frac{8 \times \cancel{81}^9}{\cancel{9}}$$

$$a = 8 \times 9$$

$$a = 72$$

Hence, the value of 'a' is 72.

(iii)  $11 : 17 :: a : 34$

**Solution:** As we know that

Product of means = Product of extremes

$$17 \times a = 11 \times 34$$

Divide both sides by 17

$$\frac{\cancel{17} \times a}{\cancel{17}} = \frac{11 \times \cancel{34}^2}{\cancel{17}}$$

$$a = 11 \times 2$$

$$a = 22$$

Hence, the value of 'a' is 22.

**7. If 20 men can do a job in 40 days. How many men will do the same job in 80 days?**

**Solution:** Men and days are inversely proportional to each other.

People	::	Days
↓		↑
20		40
x		80

For inverse proportion use arrows in different direction

$$\frac{20}{x} = \frac{80}{40}$$

Apply cross multiplication

$$20 \times 40 = x \times 80$$

Divide both sides by 80

$$\frac{20 \times 40}{80} = \frac{x \times \cancel{80}}{\cancel{80}}$$

$$\frac{800}{80} = x$$

$$10 = x$$

Hence, 10 men will do the same job in 80 days.

8. A car travels 10 km in 3 litres. How far would it travel in 60 litres?

**Solution:** Distance and fuel are directly proportional to each other.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Distance} & :: & \text{Fuel} \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 10 & & 3 \\
 x & & 60
 \end{array}$$

For direct proportion use arrows in same direction

$$\frac{x}{10} = \frac{60}{3}$$

Apply cross multiplication

$$x \times 3 = 60 \times 10$$

Divide both sides by 3

$$\frac{x \times 3}{3} = \frac{60 \times 10}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{600}{3}$$

$$x = 200$$

Hence, the car will travel 200 km in 60 litres.