

1. The surface area  $A$  of a cube varies directly as the square of length ( $l$ ) of an edge and  $A = 27$  square units when  $l = 3$  units. Find (i)  $A$  when  $l = 4$  units (ii)  $l$  when  $A = 12$  square units.

**Solution:**

Given that

$$A \propto l^2$$

$$A = kl^2 \quad \text{_____ (i)}$$

Where  $k$  is the constant of variation.

Putting  $A = 27$  sq. units &  $l = 3$  units in eq(i)

$$27 = k(3)^2$$

$$27 = 9k$$

$$k = \frac{27}{9}$$

$$k = 3$$

Putting  $k = 3$  in eq(i)

$$A = 3l^2 \quad \text{_____ (ii)}$$

(i)  $A$  when  $l = 4$  units

Putting  $l = 4$  in eq(ii)

$$A = (3)(4)^2$$

$$A = (3)(16)$$

$$A = 48 \text{ sq. units}$$

(ii)  $l$  when  $A = 12$  square units.

Putting  $A = 12$  eq(ii)

$$12 = (3)l^2$$

$$l^2 = \frac{12}{3}$$

$$l^2 = 4$$

$$l^2 = (2)^2$$

Taking square root on both sides

$$\sqrt{l^2} = \sqrt{(2)^2}$$

$$l = \pm 2$$

Taking positive value of  $l$

So,  $l = 2$  units

2. The surface area  $S$  of the sphere varies directly as square of radius  $r$ , and  $S = 16\pi$  when  $r = 2$ . Find  $r$  when  $S = 36\pi$ .

**Solution:**

Given that

$$S \propto r^2$$

$$S = kr^2 \quad \text{—————(i)}$$

Where  $k$  is the constant of variation.

Putting  $S = 16\pi$  &  $r = 2$  in eq(i)

$$16\pi = k(2)^2$$

$$16\pi = 4k$$

$$k = \frac{16\pi}{4}$$

$$k = 4\pi$$

Putting  $k = 4\pi$  in eq(i)

$$S = 4r^2\pi$$

Putting  $S = 36\pi$  in above eq.

$$36\pi = 4r^2\pi$$

$$r^2 = \frac{36\pi}{4\pi}$$

$$r^2 = 9$$

$$r^2 = (3)^2$$

Taking square root on both sides

$$\sqrt{r^2} = \sqrt{(3)^2}$$

$$r = \pm 3$$

Taking positive value of  $r$

$$\text{So, } r = 3$$

**3. In Hook's law the force  $F$  applied to stretch a string varies directly as the amount of elongation  $S$  and  $F = 32lb$  when  $S = 1.6in$ . Find (i) $S$  when  $F = 50lb$  (ii) $F$  when  $S = 0.8in$ .**

**Solution:**

Given that

$$F \propto S$$

$$F = kS \quad \text{_____}(i)$$

Where  $k$  is the constant of variation.

Putting  $F = 32lb$  &  $S = 1.6in$  in eq(i)

$$32lb = k(1.6in)$$

$$k = \frac{32lb}{1.6in}$$

$$k = 20lb/in$$

Putting  $k = 20lb/in$  in eq(i)

$$F = 20S \text{ lb/in} \quad \text{_____}(ii)$$

(i) $S$  when  $F = 50lb$

Putting  $F = 50lb$  in eq(ii)

$$50lb = 20S \text{ lb/in}$$

$$S = \frac{(50lb)(in)}{20lb}$$

$$S = \frac{5}{2}in$$

$$S = 2.5in$$

(ii)  $F$  when  $S = 0.8in$

Putting  $S = 0.8in$  in eq(ii)

$$F = (20)(0.8in) \left(\frac{lb}{in}\right)$$

$$F = 16lb$$

4. The intensity  $I$  of light from a given source varies directly as the square of distance  $d$  from it. If the intensity is 20 candlepower at a distance of 12 ft. from the source, find the intensity at a point 8ft. from the source.

**Solution:**

$$I \propto \frac{1}{d^2}$$

$$I = \frac{k}{d^2} \quad \text{—————(i)}$$

Where  $k$  is the constant of variation.

Putting  $I = 20\text{candlepower}$  &  $d = 12\text{ft.}$  In eq(i)

$$20\text{candlepower} = \frac{k}{(12\text{ft.})^2}$$

$$k = (20)(144)\text{candlepower ft.}^2$$

$$k = 2880\text{candlepower ft.}^2$$

Putting  $k = 2880\text{candlepower ft.}^2$  in eq(i)

$$I = \frac{2880}{d^2}\text{candlepower ft.}^2$$

Putting  $d = 8ft.$  in above equation

$$I = \frac{2880}{(8ft.)^2} \text{ candlepower } ft.^2$$

$$I = \frac{2880}{64ft.^2} \text{ candlepower } ft.^2$$

$$I = 45 \text{ candlepower}$$

5. The pressure  $P$  in a body of fluid varies directly as the depth  $d$ . If the pressure exerted on the bottom of the tank by a column of fluid 5ft. high is 2.25lb/sq. in, how deep must the fluid be to exert a pressure of 9lb/sq. in?

**Solution:**

$$P \propto d$$

$$P = kd \quad \text{_____ (i)}$$

Where  $k$  is the constant of variation.

Putting  $P = 2.25lb/sq. in$  &  $d = 5ft.$  In eq(i)

$$2.25lb/sq. in = k(5ft.)$$

$$k = \frac{2.25lb}{5sq. in(ft.)}$$

$$k = 0.45 lb/sq. in(ft.)$$

Putting  $k = 0.45 lb/sq. in(ft.)$  in eq(i)

$$P = 0.45d lb/sq. in(ft.)$$

Putting  $P = 9 lb/sq. in$  in eq(ii)

$$9 lb/sq. in = (0.45)(d) lb/sq. in(ft.)$$

$$d = \frac{9lbsq. in(ft.)}{0.45lbsq. in}$$

$$d = 20ft.$$

6. Labour costs  $c$  varies jointly as the number of worker  $n$  and the average number of days  $d$ . If the cost of 800 workers for 13 days is Rs.286000, then find the labour cost of 600 workers for 18 days.

**Solution:**

Given that

$$c \propto nd$$

$$c = knd \quad \text{—————(i)}$$

Where  $k$  is the constant of variation.

Putting  $c = 286000, n = 800$  &  $d = 13$  in eq(i)

$$286000 = k(800)(13)$$

$$286000 = 10400k$$

$$k = \frac{286000}{10400}$$

$$k = \frac{55}{2}$$

Putting  $k = \frac{55}{2}$  in eq(i)

$$c = \frac{55nd}{2}$$

Putting  $n = 600$  &  $d = 18$  in above equation

$$c = \frac{(55)(600)(18)}{2}$$

$$c = 297,000 \text{ Rs.}$$

7. The supporting load  $c$  of a pillar varies as the fourth power of its diameter  $d$  and inversely as the square of its length  $l$ . A pillar of diameter 6 inch and of height 30 feet will support a load of 63 tons. How high a 4inch pillar must be to support a load of 28 tons?

**Solution:**

Given that

$$c \propto \frac{d^4}{l^2}$$

$$c = \frac{kd^4}{l^2} \quad \text{—————(i)}$$

Where  $k$  is the constant of variation.

Putting  $c = 63\text{tons}$ ,  $d = 6\text{inch}$  &  $l = 30\text{ feet}$  in eq(i)

$$63 = \frac{k(6)^4}{(30)^2}$$

$$63 = \frac{1296k}{900}$$

$$k = \frac{(63)(900)}{1296}$$

$$k = \frac{175}{4}$$

Putting  $k = \frac{175}{4}$  in eq(i)

$$c = \frac{175d^4}{4l^2}$$

Putting  $c = 28\text{tons}$  &  $d = 4\text{in}$ . In above equation

$$28 = \frac{(175)(4)^4}{4l^2}$$

$$l^2 = \frac{(175)(256)}{(4)(28)}$$

$$l^2 = 400$$

$$l^2 = (20)^2$$

Taking square root on both sides

$$\sqrt{l^2} = \sqrt{(20)^2}$$

$$l = \pm 20$$

Taking positive value of  $l$

So,  $l = 20$  feet

8. The time  $T$  required for an elevator to lift a weight varies jointly as the weight  $w$  and the lifting depth  $d$  varies inversely as the power  $p$  of the motor. If 25 sec. are required for a 4-hp motor to lift 500lb through 40ft, what power is required to lift 800lb, through 120ft in 40 sec.?

**Solution:**

Given that

$$T \propto \frac{wd}{p}$$

$$T = \frac{kwd}{p} \quad \text{—————(i)}$$

Where  $k$  is the constant of variation.

Putting  $T = 25$  sec.,  $w = 500$ lb,  $d = 40$  ft &  $p = 4$  hp in eq(i)

$$25 = \frac{k(500)(40)}{4}$$

$$k = \frac{(25)(4)}{(500)(40)}$$

$$k = \frac{1}{200}$$

Putting  $k = \frac{1}{200}$  in eq(i)

$$T = \frac{wd}{200p}$$

Putting  $w = 800$ lb,  $T = 40$ sec.,  $d = 120$ ft. In above equation

$$40 = \frac{(800)(120)}{200p}$$

$$p = \frac{96000}{(200)(40)}$$

$$p = \frac{96000}{8000}$$

$$p = 12hp$$

9. The kinetic energy (K.E) of a body varies jointly as the mass " $m$ " of the body and the square of its velocity " $v$ ". If kinetic energy is 4320 ft./lb. when the mass is 45 lb. and the velocity is 24 ft./sec, determine the kinetic energy of a 3000lb automobile travelling 44 ft./sec.

**Solution:**

Given that

$$K.E \propto mv^2$$

$$K.E = kmv^2 \quad \text{—————(i)}$$

Where  $k$  is the constant of variation.

Putting  $K.E = 4320 \frac{ft}{lb}$ ,  $m = 45 lb$  &  $v = 24 ft/sec$  in eq(i)

$$4320 = k(45)(24)^2$$

$$4320 = k(45)(576)$$

$$k = \frac{4320}{25920}$$

$$k = \frac{27}{167}$$

Putting  $k = \frac{27}{167}$  in eq(i)

$$K.E = \frac{27mv^2}{167}$$

Putting  $w = 3000lb$ ,  $v = 44ft/sec$  in above equation

$$K.E = \frac{(27)(3000)(44)^2}{167}$$

$$K.E = \frac{(27)(3000)(1936)}{167}$$

$$K.E = 968,000 ft/lb$$