

Vectors and Scalars

What is a vector, how is it different from a scalar?.....

Which mathematical operations can you perform with vectors?

Listening <https://ocw.mit.edu/courses/mathematics/18-02-multivariable-calculus-fall-2007/video-lectures/lecture-1-dot-product/>

Listen for the first time to the lecture and decide whether the statements are true or false.

What is the nationality of the speaker?

- 1) Almost all students have heard about vectors before.
- 2) In the first week there will not be many new things to learn.
- 3) If the students have problems with vectors, they can go to the instructor's house and ask him.
- 4) Vector has both the direction and size.
- 5) If we are in the plane, we use x-y-z axis.
- 6) Vector quantity is indicated by an arrow above.
- 7) In the textbooks vectors are in bold because it is easier to read.
- 8) A vector \hat{j} points along the z axis and has length one.
- 9) The notation a_1 and a_2 is in angular brackets.
- 10) The length of a vector is a scalar quantity.

Listen for the second time to the lecture and try to continue the sentences.

- a) So let's start right away with stuff that we will need to see before we can go on to
- b) And, so, now, the way that we compute things with vectors, typically, as we introduce
- c) When we have a vector quantity,
- d) So, the length of a vector we denote by, if you want,
- e) OK, so, as opposed to a vector quantity.
- f) But, a vector doesn't really have, necessarily,

Example: (6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1) is an arithmetical progression because each element is formed by subtracting 1 from the preceding element.

- a) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
- b) 2, 4, 8, 16, 32
- c) $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{32}$
- d) $x, (x+a), (x+2a), (x+3a)$
- e) 11, 16, 21, 26, 31
- f) $x, \frac{x}{a}, \frac{x}{a^2}, \frac{x}{a^3}, \frac{x}{a^4}$

12. Solve these problems:

- a) An arithmetical progression begins $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \dots$. What are the next two terms?
- b) A geometrical progression begins $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \dots$. What are the next two terms?

Unit 4
Vectors and scalars

A car is travelling north along a road at 60 km h^{-1} . We say that it has a velocity of 60 km h^{-1} north. It has a speed of 60 km h^{-1} . The second quantity, speed, is a scalar quantity, that is, it is a size, or magnitude. The first quantity, velocity, is a vector, that is, it has both magnitude and direction.

The magnitude of a quantity is usually expressed in relation to a standard unit of magnitude. For example, if the mass of a metal cylinder is 2 500 g, then it is 2 500 times the unit of mass, that is, the gramme. If the electrical power of a light bulb is 40 W, then it is 40 times the unit of power the watt. Both of these are scalar quantities.

If a certain town is 150 km from London, then the distance from London to the town is 150 000 times the unit of distance, the metre. Distance, again, is a scalar quantity. Now, if we want to know the exact location of the town, we also need to know the direction, that is, we need the vector quantity displacement, which consists of both distance and direction, 150 km north west.

14. Divide the following quantities into vector or scalar quantities:

- speed, mass, displacement, weight, force, acceleration, velocity, distance, volume, temperature, momentum, power

15. Say whether the following statements are true or false. Correct the false statements.

- a) The mass of an object is the same as the weight of the object.
- b) An ordinary number is a vector quantity.
- c) A vector quantity consists of two parts.
- d) A position in the Cartesian co-ordinate system may be expressed by a vector.

16. PUZZLE

Comment on this statement:

A train travels 60 km at 30 km h^{-1} , then 60 km at 60 km h^{-1} . Its average speed is therefore 45 km h^{-1} .

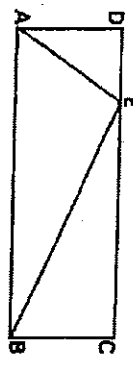
Unit 9 Measurement 3
Ratio and Proportion

Section 1 Presentation

1. Look at these examples:

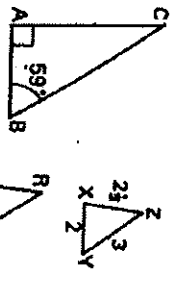


AB is approximately three times as long as CD.



The area of rectangle ABCD is exactly twice as big as that of $\triangle ABE$.

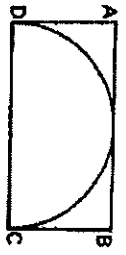
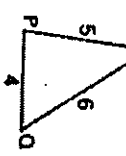
Now make similar sentences about the following:



a) $\widehat{ABC} \dots \widehat{ACB}$.

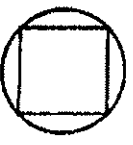
b) PR \dots XZ.

c) $\triangle PQR \dots \triangle XYZ$.



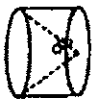
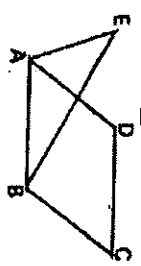
d) ABCD \dots the inscribed semicircle.

e) \dots any circle \dots the inscribed square.

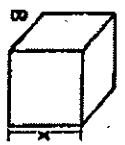


f) The circumference \dots the diameter.

g) \dots rhombus ABCD \dots ABE.

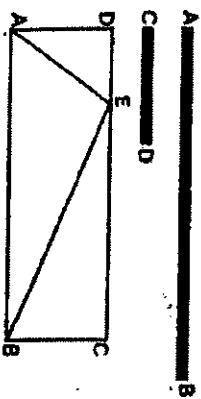


h) \dots cylinder \dots cone with the same base and height.



i) \dots cube A \dots cube B.

2. Look at these examples:



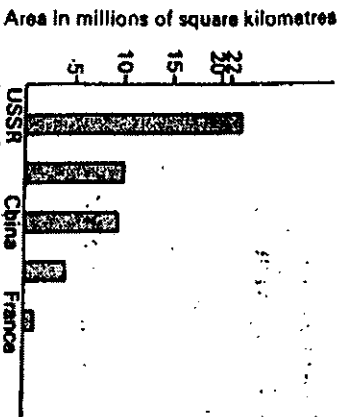
The lengths of AB and CD are in the ratio of approximately 3:1.

The areas of ABCD and ABE are in the ratio of exactly 2:1.

Now make similar sentences about the examples in exercise 1.

Section 2 Development

3. Look and read:



This bar graph shows the relative sizes of some countries in millions of square kilometres.

- The USSR is far larger than India.
- India is considerably larger than France.
- Canada is slightly larger than China.

Now compare the other countries in the same way.

4. Look at the table below showing the heights of the highest mountains in the different continents. Draw a bar graph to illustrate the heights and then compare the heights of different mountains:

Continent	Highest Mountain	Height (in metres)
Africa	Kilimanjaro	5963
Antarctica	Vinson Massif	5139
Asia	Everest	8880
Australasia	Wilhelm	4693
Europe	Elbrus	5633
North America	McKinley	6187
South America	Aconcagua	6959

5. Look and read:

Variation

$y \propto x$

The ratio between y and x is a constant.

y is directly proportional to x.

We say that y varies directly as x.

$y \propto \frac{1}{x}$

y is directly proportional to the reciprocal of x. We say that y is inversely proportional to x and that y varies inversely as x.

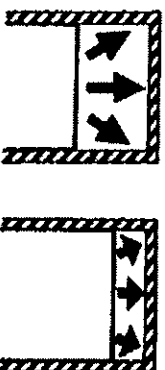
$y \propto xz$

y is directly proportional to the product of x and z. We say that y is jointly proportional to x and z, and that y varies jointly as x and z.

Describe the relationship between the following quantities, where k is a constant:

- $y = \frac{k}{x}$
- $y = kxz$
- $y : x = k$
- $y = kx$
- $y : \frac{1}{x} = k$

6. Look and read:



The volume of a gas is inversely proportional to its pressure. The smaller the volume, the higher the pressure.

Now make similar sentences about the following:

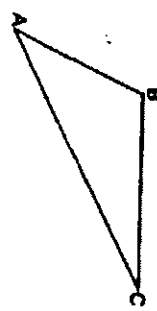
- the density and pressure of a gas (for a constant temperature)
- the volume and temperature of a gas (for a constant pressure)
- the velocity of a falling body and the time it has been falling
- acceleration and mass for a constant force
- the electrical resistance of a wire and its cross-sectional area
- the circumference of a circle and its diameter
- the volume of a cylinder and its cross-sectional area and height

Section 3 Reading

7. Read this:

The ratio of two quantities is the magnitude of one quantity relative to the other. Division of the quantity a by the quantity b gives the ratio $\frac{a}{b}$, which can also be written as a:b and is read as 'the ratio of a to b'. For example, the ratio of boys to girls in a particular school is 3:2. If the

School has 250 pupils, then we can see that $\frac{2}{3}$ of these are boys and $\frac{1}{3}$ girls. i.e. there are 150 boys and 100 girls.



Relative sizes of more than two quantities may be expressed by ratio. For example, the ratio of AB:BC:AC in triangle ABC is 3:4:6. Hence we can see that AC is twice as long as AB. Any triangle which is similar to triangle ABC has sides in exactly the same ratio.

When the ratio of one pair of quantities is equal to the ratio of another pair of quantities, the two pairs are said to be in proportion. If we say that a, b, c, d, are in proportion, we mean that $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$. A property of this proportion is that the reciprocals are also in proportion. Moreover, the ratio of the numerators is equal to the ratio of the denominators.

Say whether the following statements are true or false. Correct the false statements.

- a) In a test a student scored 30 out of 100. This gives a ratio of correct answers to incorrect answers of 3:10.
- b) The length of the shortest side of a triangle similar to triangle ABC is 12 cm. The other sides are therefore 16 and 24 cm long.
- c) Any triangle with sides in the ratio 2:3:6 is a right-angled triangle.
- d) We may use ratios to express the relationship between any number of quantities.
- e) If a, b, c, d are in proportion, then $ad = bc$.

8. Complete these exercises:

The last two sentences of the reading passage contain two properties of the proportion $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$. Put these two properties into mathematical form, and number them 1 and 2. In the calculations which follow, there are four more properties of the proportion. Complete the proof by adding expressions from the lists.

From properties 2 and 3, we have
 Adding 1 to each side, we obtain
 From properties 2 and 5, we have
 Similarly
 From properties 2 and 4, we have

But
 Therefore
 Given
 Substituting, we obtain

- a) $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$ (.....)
- b) $\dots\dots \frac{a}{b} + 1 = \frac{c}{d} + 1$

e) $\dots\dots \frac{b}{c} = 1$ and $\frac{d}{d} = 1$

d) $\dots\dots \frac{a+b}{b} = \frac{c+d}{d}$ (Property 3)

e) $\dots\dots \frac{a-b}{b} = \frac{c-d}{d}$ (Property 4)

f) $\dots\dots \frac{a+b}{c+d} = \frac{b}{d}$

g) $\dots\dots \frac{a-b}{c-d} = \frac{b}{d}$

h) $\dots\dots \frac{a+b}{c+d} = \frac{a-b}{c-d}$ (Property 5)

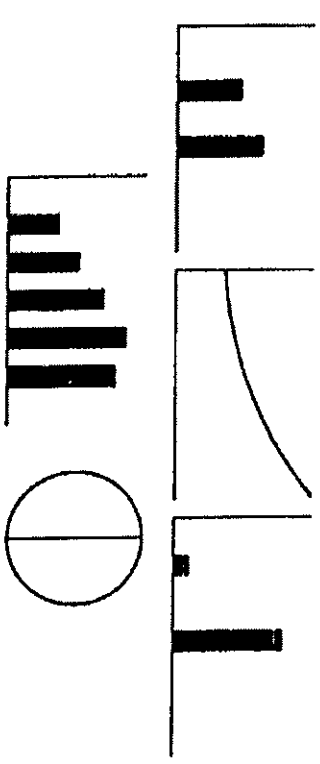
i) $\dots\dots \frac{a+b}{a-b} = \frac{c+d}{c-d}$ (Property 6)

Section 4 Listening

Using percentages in statistics

9. Listen to the passage and write down these words in the order in which you hear them:
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| passed | respectively | while |
| whereas | relative | higher |
| improvement | yesterday | meat |

10. Copy the following diagrams, which illustrate the statistics in the five examples:



The five examples given in the passage may be summarised as: (1) bread; (2) wages; (3) exam; (4) restaurant; (5) meat.

- a) Put the correct title under each diagram.
- b) Label the diagrams as accurately as possible using the figures