



STEPPING STONE SCHOOL (HIGH)

Some special Approach of proportions: -

EXAMPLES ① If $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = \frac{e}{f}$ then each is equal to $\frac{\sqrt[n]{a^n + c^n + e^n}}{\sqrt[n]{b^n + d^n + f^n}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{a^3 + c^3 + e^3}}{\sqrt[3]{b^3 + d^3 + f^3}} = \dots$

$$= \frac{\sqrt[n]{a^n + c^n + e^n}}{\sqrt[n]{b^n + d^n + f^n}}$$

Proof: Let $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = \frac{e}{f} = k \Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= bk \\ c &= dk \\ e &= fk \end{aligned}$$

So $a^n + c^n + e^n = k^n (b^n + d^n + f^n)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^n + c^n + e^n}{b^n + d^n + f^n} = k^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt[n]{a^n + c^n + e^n}}{\sqrt[n]{b^n + d^n + f^n}} = k \text{ . Similarly other's proof you try.}$$

Application: $\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta + \sin \theta} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta - \sin \theta}$ Prove, $\cos \theta + \sin \theta = \sqrt{2} \sin \theta$
 $\cos \theta - \sin \theta = \sqrt{2} \cos \theta$

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Proof: Given relation $\frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta + \cos \theta} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta - \sin \theta}$; Applying

above property we get -

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta + \sin \theta} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta - \sin \theta} = \frac{\sqrt{\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta}}{\sqrt{(\sin \theta + \cos \theta)^2 + (\cos \theta - \sin \theta)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{1}}{\sqrt{2(\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta)}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta + \sin \theta} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta - \sin \theta} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow \cos \theta + \sin \theta = \sqrt{2} \sin \theta$$

$$\alpha \quad \cos \theta - \sin \theta = \sqrt{2} \cos \theta$$

Ex-2) If $b^2 = ac$ or a, b, c are in continued proportion.

Prove that; $\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{(a+b+c)^2} = \frac{(a-b+c)}{(a+b+c)}$

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{a^2 + c^2 + ac}{(a+b+c)^2} \quad (\because b^2 = ac) = \frac{(a+c)^2 - 2ac + ac}{(a+b+c)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(a+c)^2 - ac}{(a+b+c)^2} = \frac{(a+c)^2 - b^2}{(a+b+c)^2} =$$

$$= \frac{(a+c+b)(a+c-b)}{(a+b+c)^2} = \frac{a+c-b}{a+b+c}; \text{ Proved.}$$

Ex-3: Find 'x' if, $16 \left(\frac{a-x}{a+x} \right)^3 = \frac{(a+x)}{(a-x)}$

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Given $16 = \left(\frac{a+x}{a-x}\right)^4$

$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{a+x}{a-x}\right)^4 = (\pm 2)^4 \Rightarrow \frac{a+x}{a-x} = \pm 2$

$\Rightarrow \frac{a+x}{a-x} = 2$

$\Rightarrow \frac{2a}{2x} = \frac{2+1}{2-1}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{x} = 3 \Rightarrow x = \frac{a}{3}$

So Ans $\Rightarrow x = \frac{a}{3}, 3a$

OR

$\frac{a+x}{a-x} = -2$

$\Rightarrow \frac{x+a}{x-a} = 2$

$\frac{2x}{2a} = \frac{2+1}{2-1} = \frac{3}{1}$

$x = 3a$

Ex-4: Given $\frac{x^3 + 12x}{6x^2 + 8} = \frac{y^3 + 27y}{9y^2 + 27}$; Using

properties of proportion prove that, $3x = 2y$

Ans - By Componendo and dividendo we get -

$\frac{x^3 + 6x^2 + 12x + 8}{x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 8} = \frac{y^3 + 9y^2 + 27y + 27}{y^3 - 9y^2 + 27y - 27}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{x^3 + 3x^2 \cdot 2 + 3x \cdot 2^2 + 2^3}{x^3 - 3x^2 \cdot 2 + 3x \cdot 2^2 - 2^3} = \frac{y^3 + 3 \cdot y^2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot y \cdot 3^2 + 3^3}{y^3 - 3 \cdot y^2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot y \cdot 3^2 - 3^3}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{(x+2)^3}{(x-2)^3} = \frac{(y+3)^3}{(y-3)^3} \Rightarrow \frac{x+2}{x-2} = \frac{y+3}{y-3}$

Again applying Componendo \rightarrow

Dividendo we get: $\frac{2x}{2 \cdot 2} = \frac{2y}{2 \cdot 3} \Rightarrow \frac{x}{2} = \frac{y}{3}$

$\Rightarrow 3x = 2y$

Exercises: 1) If $\frac{x^2 + y^2}{x^2 - y^2} = \frac{17}{8}$ find $\frac{x}{y}$

ii) $\frac{x^3 + y^3}{x^3 - y^3}$. 2) Solve for 'x' from

$$\frac{\sqrt{3x+4} + \sqrt{3x-5}}{\sqrt{3x+4} - \sqrt{3x-5}} = 9$$

Q3) If $\frac{ay - bx}{p} = \frac{cx - az}{q} = \frac{bz - cy}{r}$; prove

that; $\Rightarrow \frac{y}{b} = \frac{z}{c} = \frac{x}{a}$

Q4) If $\frac{b+c-a}{y+z-x} = \frac{c+a-b}{z+x-y} = \frac{a+b-c}{x+y-z}$; then prove

that each ratio is equal to $\frac{a}{x} = \frac{b}{y} = \frac{c}{z}$

Q5) Solve: $\frac{1+x+x^2}{1-x+x^2} = \frac{62(1+x)}{63(1-x)}$

Q6) If $x = \frac{\sqrt{a+1} + \sqrt{a-1}}{\sqrt{a+1} - \sqrt{a-1}}$; Using properties of proportion

Show that: $x^2 - 2ax + 1 = 0$.

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