

# PROPORTIONAL REASONING...

# Multiplicative Change

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## What do I need to be able to do?

By the end of this unit you should be able to:

- Solve problems and explain direct proportion
- Use conversion graphs to make statements, comparisons and form conclusions
- Understand and use scale factors for length

## Keywords

- Proportion:** a statement that links two ratios
- Variable:** a part that the value can be changed
- Axes:** horizontal and vertical lines that a graph is plotted around
- Approximation:** an estimate for a value
- Scale Factor:** the multiple that increases/ decreases a shape in size
- Currency:** the system of money used in a particular country
- Conversion:** the process of changing one variable to another
- Scale:** the comparison of something drawn to its actual size.

## Direct Proportion

As one variable changes the other changes at the same rate.



4 cans of pop = £2.40

4 cans of pop = £2.40  
 $\times 0.5$   
 2 cans of pop = £1.20

This multiplier is the same in the same way that this would be for ratio

This is a multiplicative change

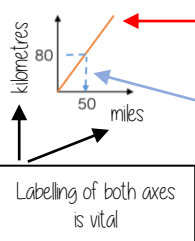
4 cans of pop = £2.40

12 cans of pop = £7.20

Sometimes this is easiest if you work out how much one unit is worth first  
 e.g. 1 can of pop = £0.60

## Conversion Graphs

Compare two variables



This is always a straight line because as one variable increases so does the other at the same rate

To make conversions between units you need to find the point to compare – then find the associated point by using your graph. Using a ruler helps for accuracy. Showing your conversion lines help as a "check" for solutions

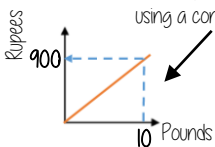
## Conversion between currencies



£1 = 90 Rupees

Currency is directly proportional

For every £1 I have 90 Rupees



Currency can be converted using a conversion graph

Convert 630 Rupees into Pounds

£1 = 90 Rupees  
 $\times 10$   
 £10 = 900 Rupees  
 $\times 7$   
 £7 = 630 Rupees

630 ÷ 90 = 7

## Ratio between similar shapes



Angles in similar shapes do not change. e.g. if a triangle gets bigger the angles can not go above 180°

The two rectangles are similar.

3m 8m

4.5m ?m

Corresponding sides

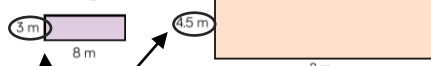
3m : 4.5m  
 1m : 1.5m

8m : 12m  
 1m : 1.5m

Note: Simplify to the same ratio

## Understand Scale Factor

The two rectangles are similar.



$$3 \times 1.5 = 4.5$$

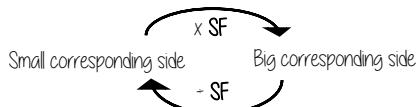
This is a multiplicative change.

Use corresponding sides to calculate a scale factor

Missing length  
 $8 \times 1.5 = 12m$

Scale factor can also be calculated by:

**Bigger corresponding side**  
**Smaller corresponding side**



## Draw and interpret scale diagrams

A picture of a car is drawn with a scale of 1:30

For every 1cm on my image is 30cm in real life

The car image is 10cm

Image : Real life  
 1cm : 30cm  
 $\times 10$   
 10cm : 300cm

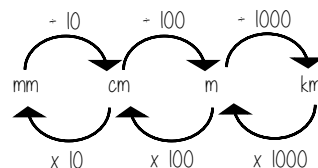


The car in real life is 210cm

Image : Real life  
 1cm : 30cm  
 $\times 7$   
 7cm : 210cm



## Interpret maps with scale factors



1 cm : 250 m

Ratios need to be in the same units

1 cm : 250m

1 cm : 25000cm

$250 \times 100 = 25000$

For every 1cm on my map is 25000cm in real life

