

## IMPORTANT FORMULA AND EQUATIONS

1. Speed, Time and Distance:

Speed = Distance / time

Time = distance /speed

Distance =speed\*distance

2. km/hr to m/sec conversion:

$x \text{ km/hr} = [x \cdot 5/18] \text{ m/sec}$

3. m/sec to km/hr conversion:

$x \text{ m/sec} = [x \cdot 18/5] \text{ km/h}$

4. If the ratio of the speeds of A and B is  $a : b$ , then the ratio of the times taken by them to cover the same distance is  $1/a : 1/b$  or  $b : a$

5. Suppose a man covers a certain distance at  $x \text{ km/hr}$  and an equal distance at  $y \text{ km/hr}$ . Then, the average speed during the whole journey is  $[xy/(x+y)] \text{ km/hr}$

- Average speed: if both the time taken are equal i.e  $t_1 = t_2 = t$ , then,  $t_1 + t_2 / 2$
- The average of odd numbers from 1 to  $n$  is  $= [\text{Last odd no.} + 1] / 2$ .
- The average of even numbers from 1 to  $n$  is  $= [\text{Last even no.} + 2] / 2$ .
- $(x + y) t$  km apart of them more in opposite direction.

### KEY NOTE:

**Caution** average speed should not be calculated as average of different speeds, i.e., Ave. speed  $\neq$  Sum of speed / No. of different Speed

There are two different cases when average speed is required.

#### Case I

When time remains constant and speed varies :

If a man travels at the rate of  $x \text{ km/h}$  for  $t$  hours and again at the rate of  $y \text{ km/h}$  for another  $t$  hours, then for the whole journey, his average speed is given by

$$\text{Average speed} = \frac{\text{Total distance}}{\text{Total time taken}} = \frac{xt + yt}{t + t} = \frac{x + y}{2} \text{ kmph.}$$

Average speed

#### Case II

When the distance covered remains same and the speeds vary :

When a man covers a certain distance with a speed of  $x$  km/h and another equal distance at the rate of  $y$  km/h. then for the whole journey, the average speed is given by Average speed  $= \frac{2xy}{(x+y)}$  km/h.

### Velocity

The speed of a moving body is called as its velocity if the direction of motion is also taken into consideration

$$\text{Velocity} = \frac{\text{Net displacement of the body}}{\text{Time taken}}$$

Relative speed

#### a) Bodies moving in same direction

- When two bodies move in the same direction, then the difference of their speeds is called the relative speed of one with respect to the other.
- When two bodies move in the same direction, the distance between them increases (or decreases) at the rate of difference of their speeds.

#### b) Bodies moving in opposite direction

- The distance between two bodies moving towards each other will get reduced at the rate of their relative speed (i.e., sum of their speeds). The

$= \text{Initial distance between two bodies} / \text{Sum of their Speed}$

- Relative speed of one body with respect to other body is sum of their speeds.
- Increase or decrease in distance between them is the product of their relative speed and time.

Key notes to solve problems

- When a moving body covers a certain distance at  $x$  km/h and another same distance at the speed of  $y$  km/h, then average speed of moving body during its entire journey will be  $[\frac{2xy}{(x+y)}]$  km/h
- A man covers a certain distance at  $x$  km/h by car and the same distance at  $y$  km/h by bicycle. If the time taken by him for the whole journey by  $t$  hours, then Total distance

covered by him  $= \frac{2txy}{x+y}$  km.

- A boy walks from his house at  $x$  km/h and reaches the school ' $t_1$ ' minutes late. If he walks at  $y$  km/h he reaches ' $t_2$ ' minutes earlier. Then, distance between the school and

the house. 
$$= \frac{xy}{(y-x)} \left( \frac{t_1+t_2}{60} \right) \text{ km}$$

- If a man walks with  $(x/y)$  of his usual speed he takes  $t$  hours more to cover a certain distance.

- Then the time to cover the same distance when he walks with his usual

speed, 
$$\frac{xt}{y-x} \text{ hours.}$$

- If two persons A and B start at the same time in opposite directions from the points and after passing each other they complete the journeys in ' $x$ ' and ' $y$ ' hrs. respectively, then  
A's speed : B's speed =  $\sqrt{y} : \sqrt{x}$ .

- If the speed is  $(a/b)$  of the original speed, then the change in time taken to cover the same

distance is given by Change in time = 
$$\left( \frac{b}{a} - 1 \right) \times \text{original time}$$

Key notes to solve problems on Trains

- The time taken by a train in passing a signal post or a telegraph pole or a man standing

near a railway line 
$$= \frac{\text{Length of the train}}{\text{Speed of the train}}$$

- The time taken by a train passing a railway bridge or a platform or a tunnel or a train at

rest 
$$= \frac{x+y}{\text{Speed}}$$
 where,  $x$  = length of the train  $y$  = length of the bridge or platform or standing train or tunnel

- Time taken by faster train to pass the slower train in the same direction

where,  $x$  = length of the first train

$y$  = length of the second train

$u$  = speed of the first train

$v$  = speed of the second train and  $u > v$

Time taken by the trains in passing each other while moving in opposite

direction 
$$= \frac{x+y}{u+v}$$

$$= \frac{x+y}{u-v}$$

$$= \frac{x}{u - v}$$

- Time taken by the train to cross a man where, both are moving in the same direction and  
 $x$  = length of the train  
 $u$  = speed of the train and  
 $v$  = speed of the man.

$$= \frac{x}{u + v}$$

Time taken by the train to across a man running in the opposite direction

- If two trains start at the same time from two points A and B towards each other and after crossing, they take  $a$  and  $b$  hours in reaching B and A respectively. Then.

$$A's \text{ speed} : B's \text{ speed} = (\sqrt{b} : \sqrt{a})$$

- A train starts from a place at  $u$  km/h and another fast train starts from the same place after  $t$  hours at  $v$  km/h in the same direction. Find at what distance from the starting place both the trains will meet and also find the time of their meeting.

$$\text{Distance} = \frac{uv t}{v - u} \text{ km}$$

$$\text{time} = \frac{ut}{v - u} \text{ hours}$$

- The distance between two places A and B is  $x$  km. A train starts from A to B at  $u$  km/h. One another train after  $t$  hours starts from B to A at  $v$  km/h. At what distance from A will both the train meet and also find the time of their meeting

$$\text{Time} = \frac{x - ut}{u + v} + t \text{ hours}$$

$$\text{Distance from A} = u \left( \frac{x - ut}{u + v} + t \right) \text{ km.}$$

- Two trains starts simultaneously from the stations A and B towards each other at the rates of  $u$  and  $v$  km/h respectively. When they meet it is found that the second train had traveled  $x$  km more than the first. Then the distance between the two stations

$$\text{is } \frac{x(u + v)}{v - u} \text{ km.}$$

(i.e., between A and B)