

# UNITARY METHOD

Unitary Method is one in which the value of a unit quantity is first obtained to find the value of any given quantity.

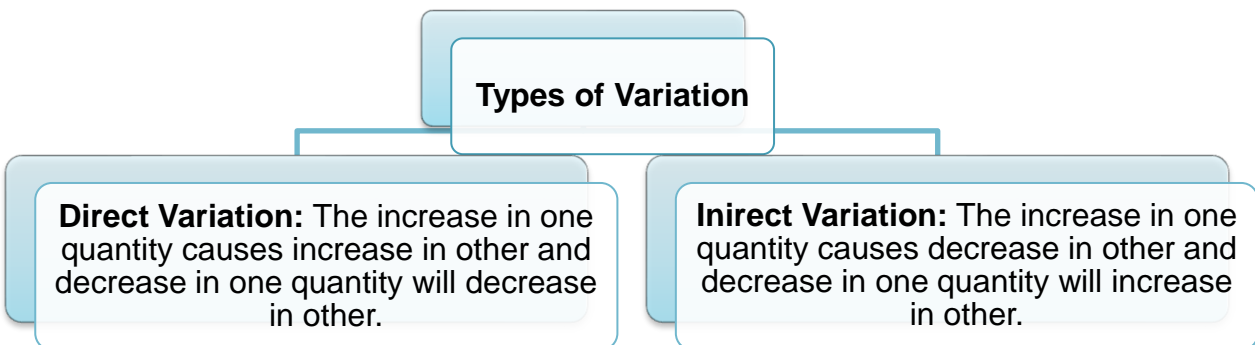
Variation means change

A quantity which takes different values is called a variable. Ex: x, y...

A quantity which does not change is called a constant. Ex: 2,  $\frac{3}{4}$ ,  $\pi$

**DIRECT PROPORTION/DIRECT VARIATION:** Let x and y be to variables such that ratio of y to x is a constant, y varies directly with x or y is directly proportional to x. This is represented as  $y/x=k$  :  $y=kx$  where  $k$ = constant of proportionality .**Symbol used is " $\alpha$ "**.

**INVERSE PROPORTION/IN DIRECT VARIATION:** Let x and y be to variables such that product of two variables is a constant. i.e.  $xy=k$  :  $x=k/y$  where  $k$ = constant of proportionality .**Symbol used is " $1/\alpha$ "**



While applying unitary method, arrange statement in such a way that, whatever is asked to find in the question is written at the end of the statement.

## TIME AND WORK:

- One day's work =  $\frac{1}{\text{No of days required to complete the work}}$
- No. of days required to do certain work =  $\frac{1}{\text{One day's work}}$
- No. of days required to complete certain work =  $\frac{\text{Work to be completed}}{\text{One day's work}}$
- A is completes work in x days and B in y days, then One day's work =  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y}$