

Ex: Solve  $\frac{dx}{y+z} = \frac{dy}{z+x} = \frac{dz}{x+y}$  ——— (1)

Sol: Choosing 1, -1, 0 & 0, 1, -1 as multipliers, each fraction

$$= \frac{dx - dy}{(y+z) - (z+x)} = \frac{dy - dz}{(z+x) - (x+y)} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

So  $\frac{dx - dy}{-(x-y)} = \frac{dy - dz}{-(y-z)} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dx - dy}{x-y} = \frac{dy - dz}{y-z}$

$$\Rightarrow \log(x-y) = \log(y-z) + \log c_1$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-y)/(y-z) = c_1 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Choosing 1, 1, 1 as multipliers, each fraction of (1).

$$= \frac{dx + dy + dz}{2(x+y+z)} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Combining the first fraction in (2) with fraction (4),

$$\frac{dx - dy}{-(x-y)} = \frac{dx + dy + dz}{2(x+y+z)}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-y)(x+y+z)^{1/2} = c_2 \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

The reqd. soln is given by (3) & (5)

Ex: Solve  $dx/y = dy/x = dz/z$  ——— (1)

Sol: From first two fractions, we obtain  $x^2 - y^2 = c_1$  — (2)

Choosing 1, 1, 0 as multipliers, each fraction of (1)

$$= \frac{dx + dy}{y+x}$$

Combining this fraction with last part of (1), we get

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx + dy}{x+y} = \frac{dz}{z} \Rightarrow \log(x+y) - \log z = \log c_2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+y)/z = c_2 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

The complete soln is given by (2) & (3)