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What is the process for solving Related Rates problems?

Identify

From Problem

Know

Find

When

Rates

 $d(\text{something})/dt$

most of time length/sometimes time

Equation: must have same variables as Know & Find

Derivative: always with respect to time!!

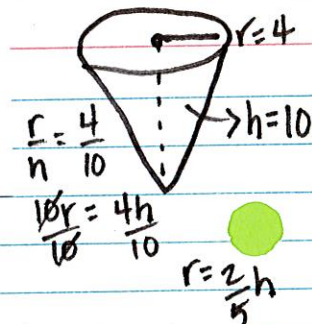
Substitute: sub in and solve for find

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$$V = \frac{1}{3} \pi \left(\frac{2}{5}h\right)^2 h$$

$$V = \frac{1}{3} \pi \left(\frac{4}{25}\right) h^2 h$$

$$V = \frac{4}{75} \pi h^3$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{4}{75} \pi (3h^2) \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{4\pi}{25} h^2 \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$10 = \frac{4\pi}{25} (5)^2 \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{5}{2\pi} \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{min}}$$

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Know: $dr/dt = 2 \text{ cm/s}$ Find: $dA/dt = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ When: $R = 12 \text{ cm}$ Equation: $[A = \pi R^2] \frac{d}{dt}$ Derivative: $\frac{dA}{dt} = 2\pi R \frac{dR}{dt}$

Substitute:

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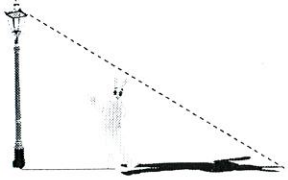
$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 2\pi (12\text{cm}) (2\frac{\text{cm}}{\text{s}})$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 48\pi \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{s}}$$

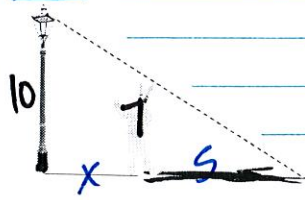
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$$\text{Eqn: } \frac{\text{Small}}{\Delta} = \frac{\text{lg}}{\Delta}$$

$$\frac{7}{s} = \frac{10}{x+s}$$

$$7x + 7s = 10s$$

$$D: [7x = 3s] \frac{d}{dt}$$

$$7 \frac{dx}{dt} = 3 \frac{ds}{dt}$$

$$\frac{7(\frac{ds}{dt})}{s} = \frac{3 \frac{ds}{dt}}{s}$$

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{7ft}{s}$$

K: $\frac{dx}{dt} = 3 \text{ ft/sec}$

F: $\frac{ds}{dt} =$

W: ?