

# Index Numbers

Denoted by  $I_{01}$   
0  $\Rightarrow$  Base year  
1  $\Rightarrow$  Current year

- $\rightarrow$  Statistical tool
- $\rightarrow$  measure changes in **variable**



- $\rightarrow$  Compare changes over time or places
- $\rightarrow$  Current year value is compared with Base year value
- $\rightarrow$  Expressed in percentage

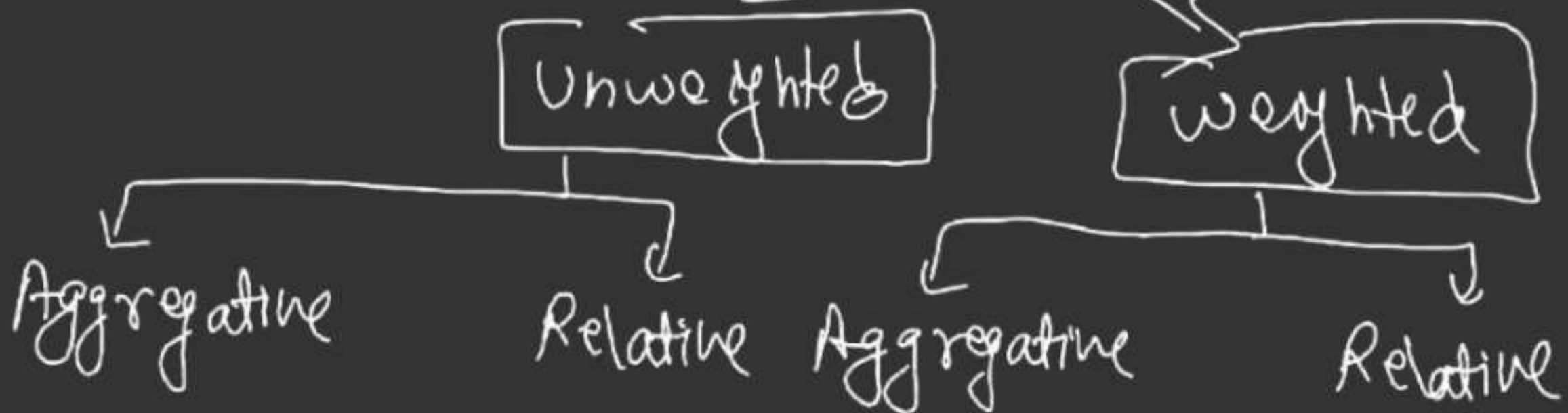
**Price index**  
 $\Downarrow$   
measure changes in price

**Quantity index**  
 $\Downarrow$   
measure changes in volume consumption, sales.

## # Challenges in construction of index number

- $\rightarrow$  selection of Base year
- $\rightarrow$  selection of product
- $\rightarrow$  selection of prices
- $\rightarrow$  selection of formula
- $\rightarrow$  selection of weight

## # methods of construction of index number



## # Simple Aggregative method

$$P_{01} = \frac{\sum P_1}{\sum P_0} \times 100$$

## # Simple Relative method

$$P_{01} (AM) = \frac{\sum \left( \frac{P_1}{P_0} \times 100 \right)}{N}$$

$$P_{01} (VM) = AL \left[ \frac{\sum \log \left( \frac{P_1}{P_0} \times 100 \right)}{N} \right]$$

## # Weighted Aggregative method

$$P_{01} = \frac{\sum P_1 (w)}{\sum P_0 (w)} \times 100$$

weight  
↓  
→ quantity is taken as weight  
→ Different statisticians take different year quantity

Laspeyres (Base year quantity)

$$P_{01} = \frac{\sum P_1 Q_0}{\sum P_0 Q_0} \times 100$$

Paasches (current year quantity)

$$P_{01} = \frac{\sum P_1 Q_1}{\sum P_0 Q_1} \times 100$$

Fishers (Geometric mean of L & P)

$$P_{01} = \sqrt{L \times P}$$

$$P_{01} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum P_1 Q_0}{\sum P_0 Q_0} \times \frac{\sum P_1 Q_1}{\sum P_0 Q_1}} \times 100$$

Marshall Edgeworth (Average of Base year & current year quantity)

$$P_{01} = \frac{\sum P_1 \left( \frac{Q_0 + Q_1}{2} \right)}{\sum P_0 \left( \frac{Q_0 + Q_1}{2} \right)}$$

Dorbish & Bowley (Average of L & P)

$$P_{01} = \frac{L + P}{2} = \left[ \frac{\frac{\sum P_1 Q_0}{\sum P_0 Q_0} + \frac{\sum P_1 Q_1}{\sum P_0 Q_1}}{2} \right] \times 2$$

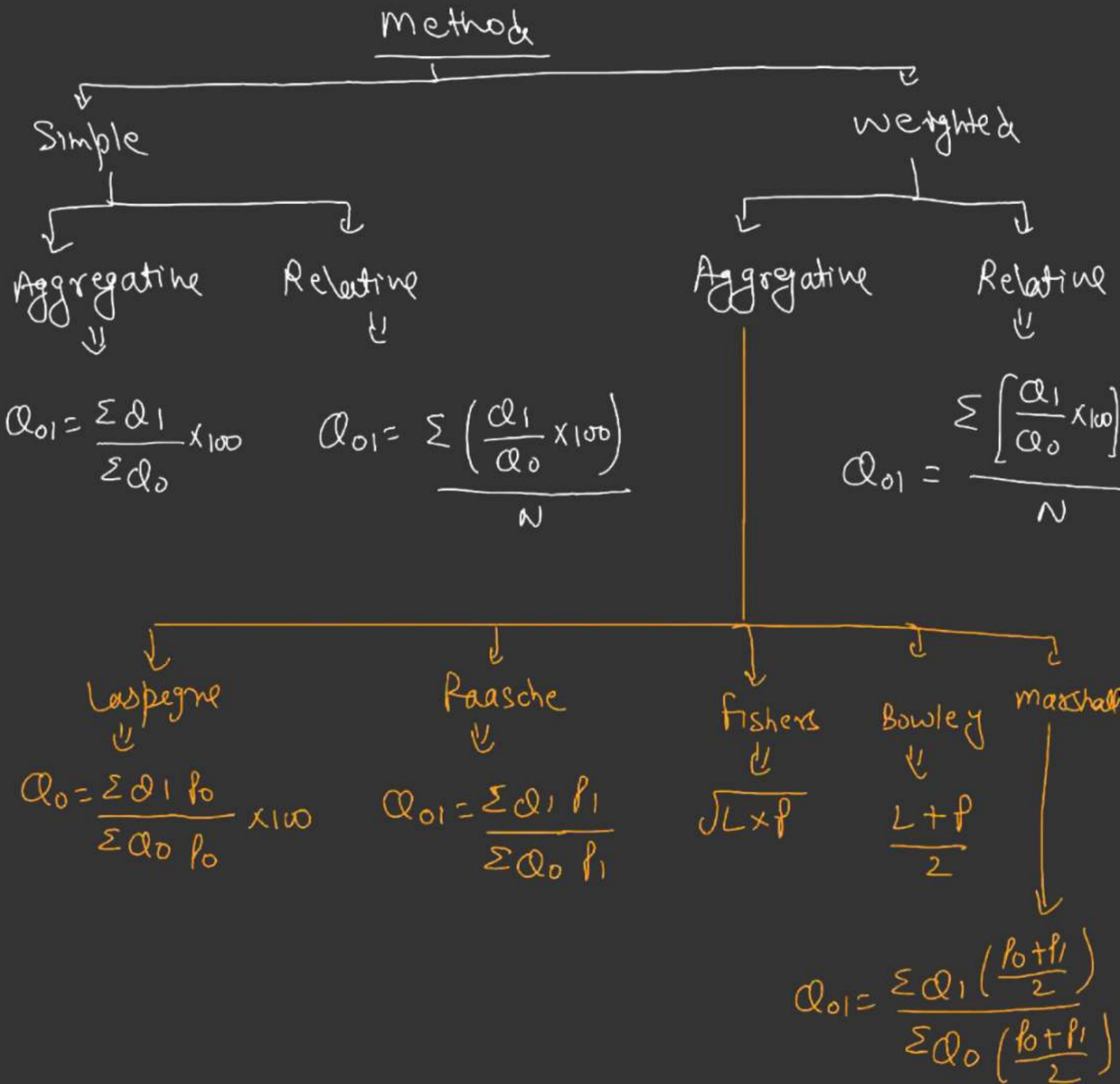
# weighted relative method

$$P_{01} \text{ (AM)} = \frac{\sum W_i \left( \frac{P_1}{P_0} \times 100 \right)}{\sum W_i} \quad \& \quad P_{01} \text{ (GM)} = A.L. \left[ \frac{\sum W_i \log \left( \frac{P_1}{P_0} \times 100 \right)}{\sum W_i} \right]$$

# Quantity Index

 (volume index)

measure changes in consumptions, production or sales over a period of time or some other character



# {value index}

$$V_{01} = \frac{\sum P_1 Q_1}{\sum P_0 Q_0} \times 100$$

# {Group index}

$$\frac{\sum w_i I_i}{\sum w_i} \quad \text{where } I_i = \text{index of particular item}$$

# Consumer Price index  
(Cost of Living index)

changes in {cost of Living}

→ Representative market  
Basket of goods & services

→ Food, clothing, Rent, Health  
& other daily expenses

$$CPI = \frac{\text{Total exp. in C.Y.}}{\text{Total exp. in B.Y.}}$$

(Laspeyres formula)

$$CPI = \frac{\sum w_i I_i}{\sum w_i}$$

(weighted Relative)

## # Deflated value (Real value)

$$\text{Deflated value} = \frac{\text{current value}}{\text{Price index}}$$

Eg.

Year	Index	Wages	Real wages
2010	100	500	$\frac{500}{100} \times 100 = 500$
2011	110	600	$\frac{600}{110} \times 100 = 545$
2012	140	800	$\frac{800}{140} \times 100 = 571$
2013	200	900	$\frac{900}{200} \times 100 = 450$

## # Shifting of Base year

- when old Base year is not relevant
- changes in economic policies, global & Domestic market structure

Eg.

Year	Index (Base-2010)	New index (Base-2012)
2010	100	$\frac{100}{120} \times 100 = 83$
2011	110	$\frac{110}{120} \times 100 = 92$
2012	120	$\frac{120}{120} \times 100 = 100$
2013	140	$\frac{140}{120} \times 100 = 117$

$$\text{Shifted Price index} = \frac{\text{original Price index}}{(\text{index of the year where it has to be shifted})} \times 100$$

# # Splicing of Two index series

→ Combining Two index series with different Base year

→ used when \* changes in quantity weight  
\* change in method of calculation

\* New Product introduction

eg.

Year	(Base-2010) old index	(Base-2012) Revised index	(Base-2010) Spliced index	(Base-2012) Spliced index
2010	100		100	$\frac{100}{150} \times 100 = 67$
2011	120		120	$\frac{100}{150} \times 120 = 80$
2012	150	100	150	100
2013		130	$\frac{150}{100} \times 130 = 195$	130
2014		160	$\frac{150}{100} \times 160 = 240$	160

# # Test of Adequacy

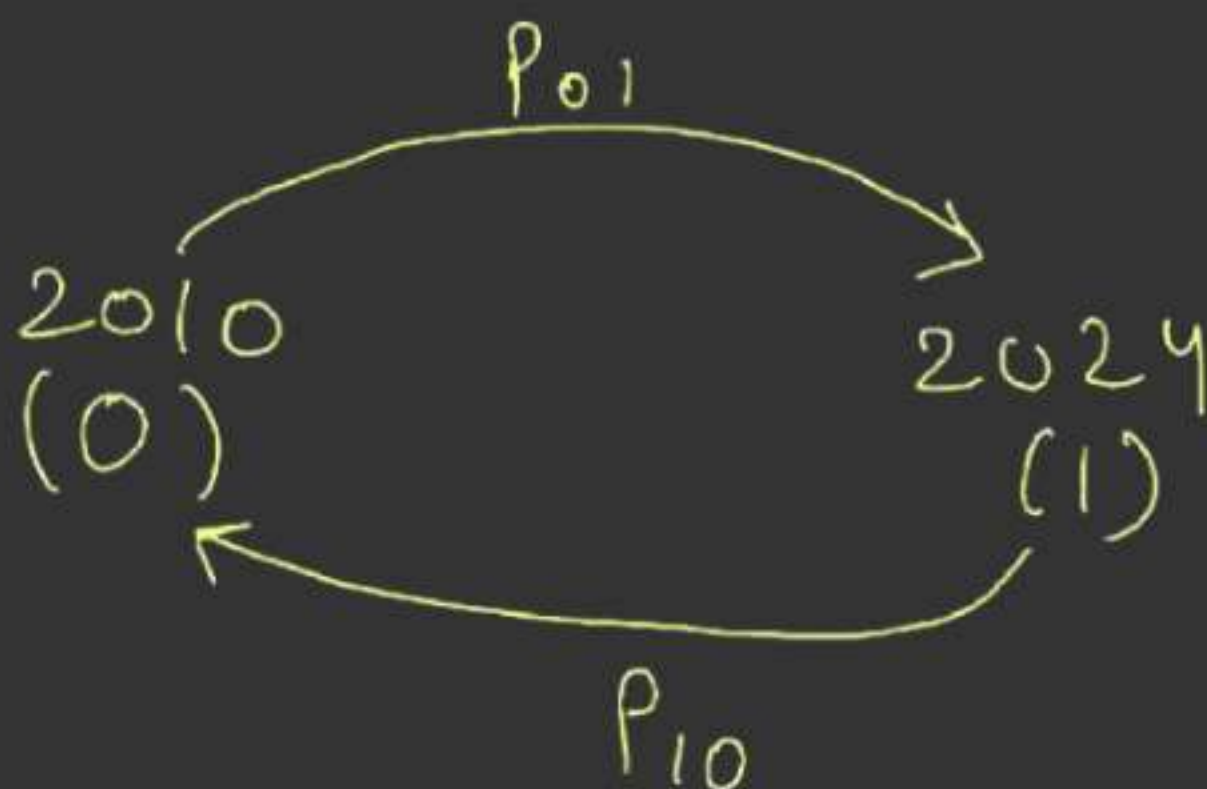
## # 1] Unit Test

Formula should be independent of units of price & quantity, Due to change in units index number should not change

→ This test is satisfied by all methods except "simple aggregative method"

## # 2] Time Reversal Test

Formula should work both ways "forward" & "Backward"



$$P_{01} \times P_{10} = 1$$

→ Satisfied by

\* fishers (vm)

\* simple Relative (vm)

\* weighted Relative (vm)

\* marshall edgeworth

### # 3] Factor Reversal Test

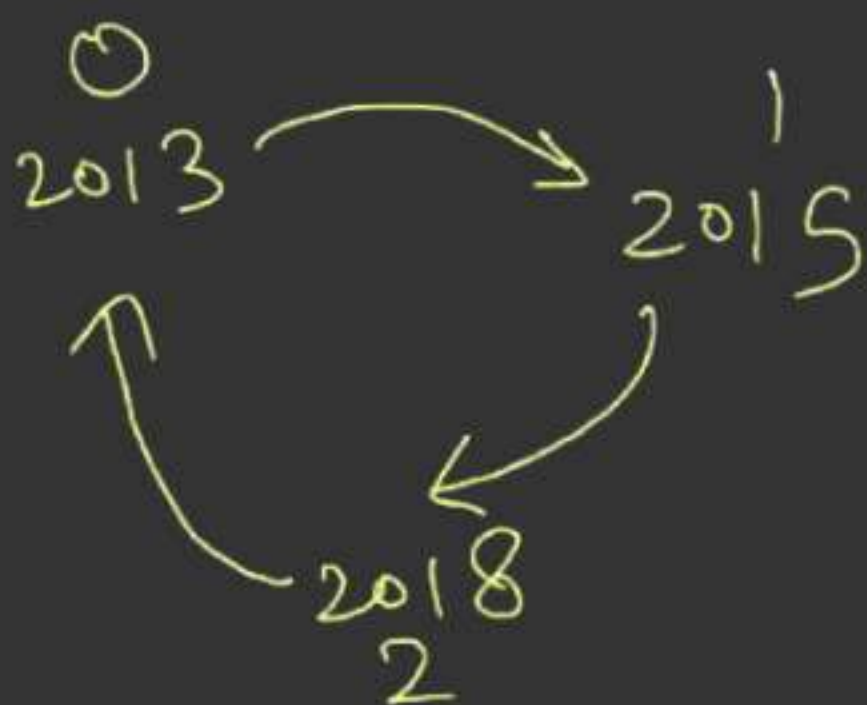
$$P_{01} \times Q_{01} = V_{01}$$

or

$$P_{01} \times Q_{01} = \frac{\sum P_1 Q_1}{\sum P_0 Q_0}$$

Satisfied by "fishers"

### # 4] Circular Test → Extension of Time reversal



$$P_{01} \times P_{12} \times P_{21} = 1$$

Satisfied by

→ simple price Relative (vm)

→ weighted aggregative (fixed weight)