

Practical No. -4-

Standard Length/Weight Relations and Condition Factor.

I- Length/Weight Relationship:

1. The data given below have been collected from measuring and weighting specimens of *Oreochromis niloticus* from the white Nile.
2. You are required to illustrate graphically the relationship between the SL and Wt by using the actual figures for obtaining a curve and by using the logarithms of these figures to obtain a linear graph.

The equation is:

$$W = a L^b$$

$$\log W = \log a + b \log L, \text{ where}$$

W = weight

A + b = constants standing for slop and intercept.

3. Compare the following per sex.
4. The data are:

Females		Males	
Wt (gm)	Length (cm)	Wt (gm)	Length (cm)
97.5	13.7	115.8	16.9
100.5	13.5	225.4	18.5
148.5	16	240.5	18.5
150.5	15	747.4	20
158.5	16.5	878.2	28
252.5	18.5	912.6	26
291.5	18.5	1057.7	30
299.0	19.5	1155.5	29
309.5	19	1251.5	31
365.5	21.6		
370	21.5		
389.4	20.5		
557.3	24		
829.5	26		
855	28		
936	29		
1018.7	28		
1488.5	33		
1709.3	31		
1775.8	29		

5. Draw conclusions from your findings?

II- Condition Factor:
(Well-being Factor).

1. Apply the equation:

$$K = W / L^3 \times 100 \quad \text{Where,}$$

K=condition factor

W=Weight of the individual

L=length of the individual

to the data given above.

2. Examine the results in each case and draw conclusions on the well being of each individual per sex.