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1. Gas is escaping a spherical balloon at the rate of  $4 \ cm^3$  per minute. How fast is the surface area shrinking when the radius is  $24 \ cm^2$ . For a sphere,  $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$  and  $S = 4\pi r^2$  where V is volume, S is surface area and r is the radius of the balloon.

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**2.** The top of a ladder slides down a vertical wall at a rate of 0.15 meters/second. At the moment when the bottom of the ladder is 3 meters from the wall, it slides away from the wall at a rate of 0.2 meters/second. How long is the ladder?

**3.** Two cars start moving from the same pont. One travels south at 60 mi/h and the other travels west at 25 mi/h. At what rate is the distance between the cars increasing two hours later?

**4.** A street light is mounted at the top of a 15-ft-tall pole. A man 6 ft tall walks away from the pole with a speed of 5 ft/s along a straight path. How fast is the tip of his shadow moving when he is 40 ft from the pole?

(Hint: The length of the shadow is measured from the person to the tip of the shadow; the rate at which the tip of the shadow is moving is measured from the pole to the tip of the shadow.)