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Sec. 8.4: Use Scientific Notation

Scientific Notation: A number written in the form $c \times 10^n$ where:

- $1 \leq c < 10$
- n is an integer

Converting from standard form to scientific notation:

Move the decimal from its position in _____ form to where it needs to be to satisfy the inequality $1 \leq c < 10$. The _____ of places and the _____ you move the decimal will dictate the _____ of 10 used in scientific notation.

$$45.700 =$$

$$0.0000457 =$$

Converting from scientific notation to standard form:

Move the decimal the _____ of places and _____ indicated by the power of 10 in scientific notation.

$$3.85 \times 10^6 =$$

$$3.85 \times 10^{-6} =$$

Multiplying/Dividing numbers in scientific notation:

Multiply or divide the _____; then use our rules of exponents to determine the power of 10 in the result. You might need to _____ your answer if the coefficient does not satisfy the requirement $1 \leq c < 10$.

$$(3 \times 10^8) \cdot (1.5 \times 10^{-3}) =$$

$$(4 \times 10^5) \div (8 \times 10^{-4}) =$$

Examples of scientific notation in the real world:

- Avogadro's number: 6.022×10^{23}
- Approximate distance between carbon atoms in diamond: 1.54×10^{-10} m (or 1.54 Å)

Examples

1. Write 5,480,000 in scientific notation.
2. Write 0.574×10^8 in scientific notation.
3. Write 9.54×10^{-7} in standard notation.
4. Simplify $(8.4 \times 10^5) \cdot (3.2 \times 10^{-5})$. Write your answer in scientific notation.
5. Simplify $(8.4 \times 10^5) \div (3.2 \times 10^{-5})$. Write your answer in scientific notation.
6. Simplify $(-3 \times 10^4)^3$. Write your answer in scientific notation.
7. Simplify $(2.4 \times 10^{-4})^{-5}$. Write your answer in scientific notation.

Sec. 8.4 Practice Problems

Write each number in scientific notation.

1) 0.61

2) 0.00036

3) 56400

4) 59

5) 0.018

6) 71.8×10^{-3}

7) 83400

8) 30.7×10^{-1}

Write each number in standard notation.

9) 6×10^4

10) 9×10^{-4}

11) 2×10^0

12) 9.82×10^{-5}

Write each number in scientific notation.

13) 0.000995

14) 6.16

Simplify. Write each answer in scientific notation.

15) $(8.1 \times 10^{-2})(8.4 \times 10^2)$

16) $(4 \times 10^{-5})(9.3 \times 10^3)$

17) $(3.6 \times 10^0)(3 \times 10^{-5})$

18) $(9.9 \times 10^{-6})(2.04 \times 10^{-1})$

19) $(1.4 \times 10^3)(5.2 \times 10^1)$

20) $(6.2 \times 10^2)(6.9 \times 10^2)$

21) $\frac{6.8 \times 10^1}{9.81 \times 10^2}$

22) $\frac{2.7 \times 10^{-6}}{3.8 \times 10^3}$

23) $\frac{5 \times 10^{-3}}{3 \times 10^{-5}}$

24) $\frac{4.5 \times 10^{-2}}{5.42 \times 10^0}$

$$25) \frac{4.12 \times 10^5}{4 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$26) \frac{6 \times 10^4}{5.44 \times 10^5}$$

$$27) \frac{0.74 \times 10^0}{35 \times 10^{-1}}$$

$$28) \frac{2 \times 10^{-1}}{0.2 \times 10^{-1}}$$

$$29) (8 \times 10^{-5})^3$$

$$30) (1.62 \times 10^{-5})^6$$

$$31) (1.2 \times 10^6)^2$$

$$32) (7 \times 10^{-3})^2$$

$$33) (4 \times 10^2)^2$$

$$34) (6.89 \times 10^1)^5$$

$$35) \frac{2.4 \times 10^{-2}}{5.27 \times 10^0}$$

$$36) (0.23 \times 10^6)(6 \times 10^3)$$

Answers to Sec. 8.4 Practice Problems

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| 1) 6.1×10^{-1} | 2) 3.6×10^{-4} | 3) 5.64×10^4 | 4) 5.9×10^1 |
| 5) 1.8×10^{-2} | 6) 7.18×10^{-2} | 7) 8.34×10^4 | 8) 3.07×10^0 |
| 9) 60000 | 10) 0.0009 | 11) 2 | 12) 0.0000982 |
| 13) 9.95×10^{-4} | 14) 6.16×10^0 | 15) 6.804×10^1 | 16) 3.72×10^{-1} |
| 17) 1.08×10^{-4} | 18) 2.02×10^{-6} | 19) 7.28×10^4 | 20) 4.278×10^5 |
| 21) 6.932×10^{-2} | 22) 7.105×10^{-10} | 23) 1.667×10^2 | 24) 8.303×10^{-3} |
| 25) 1.03×10^8 | 26) 1.103×10^{-1} | 27) 2.114×10^{-1} | 28) 10×10^0 |
| 29) 5.12×10^{-13} | 30) 1.808×10^{-29} | 31) 1.44×10^{12} | 32) 4.9×10^{-5} |
| 33) 1.6×10^5 | 34) 1.553×10^9 | 35) 4.554×10^{-3} | 36) 1.38×10^9 |