

## Scientific Notation: Guided Notes

1. What pattern do you notice in the table?
2. How can you tell how many zeros are in a number based on the power of 10?

How wide is our universe?

This number is written in \_\_\_\_\_ . When numbers get large, it is easier to write them in \_\_\_\_\_ .

### Scientific Notation

Definition: A number is expressed in scientific notation when it is in the form \_\_\_\_\_ where \_\_\_\_\_ is between 1 and 10 and \_\_\_\_\_ is an integer.

Write the width of the universe in scientific notation:

**210,000,000,000,000,000 miles**

Where is the decimal point now?

Where would you put the decimal to make this number be between 1 and 10?

How many decimal places did you move the decimal?

When the original number is more than 1, the exponent is \_\_\_\_\_ .

The answer in scientific notation is \_\_\_\_\_ .

Example 1:

Write 28750.9 in scientific notation.

Are these numbers in scientific notation?

1)  $42.6 \times 10^8$

2)  $0.96 \times 10^{-2}$

3)  $4.6 \times 10^5$

Write these numbers in scientific notation:

- 4) 62,400
- 5) 0.00085
- 6) 1,602,000

Write these numbers in standard notation:

7)  $6.72 \times 10^{-5}$

8)  $5.63 \times 10^4$

9)  $1.2 \times 10^{-3}$

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### Scientific Notation and Standard Notation

**Convert the following numbers into scientific notation:**

1) -0.0265

7) 392

2) 53000

8) - 0.00361

3) - 3400

9) 0.000023

4) 101000

10) - 0.010

5) - 45.01

11) 1000000

6) 0.00671

12) - 4.50

**Convert the following numbers into standard notation:**

1)  $1.92 \times 10^3$

7)  $-4.29 \times 10^5$

2)  $3.51 \times 10^{-7}$

8)  $-2.23 \times 10^{-4}$

3)  $2.30 \times 10^4$

9)  $1.76 \times 10^{-3}$

4)  $1.901 \times 10^{-2}$

10)  $8.65 \times 10^{-1}$

5)  $9.11 \times 10^3$

11)  $5.40 \times 10^7$

6)  $1.76 \times 10^0$

12)  $7.4 \times 10^{-5}$

**Section G: Addition** The first step is to make sure the exponents are the same. We do this by changing the main number (making it bigger or smaller) so that the exponent can change (get bigger or smaller). Then we can add the main numbers and keep the exponents the same.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Model: } (3 \times 10^4) + (2 \times 10^3) &= (3 \times 10^4) + (0.2 \times 10^4) \\ &= 3.2 \times 10^4 \text{ (same exponent)} \\ &= 32,000 \text{ (final answer)} \end{aligned}$$

First express the problem with the exponents in the same form, then solve the problem.

same exponent                      final answer

33)  $(4 \times 10^3) + (3 \times 10^2) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

34)  $(9 \times 10^2) + (1 \times 10^4) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

35)  $(8 \times 10^6) + (3.2 \times 10^7) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

36)  $(1.32 \times 10^3) + (3.44 \times 10^4) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

**Section H: Subtraction** Just like addition, the first step is to make the exponents the same. Instead of adding the main numbers, they are subtracted. Try to convert so that you will not get a negative answer.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Model: } (3 \times 10^4) - (2 \times 10^3) &= (30 \times 10^3) - (2 \times 10^3) \\ &= 28 \times 10^3 \text{ (same exponent)} \\ &= 2.8 \times 10^4 \text{ (final answer)} \end{aligned}$$

same exponent

final answer

37)  $(2 \times 10^2) - (4 \times 10^1) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

38)  $(3 \times 10^{-6}) - (5 \times 10^{-7}) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

39)  $(9 \times 10^{12}) - (8.1 \times 10^9) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

40)  $(2.2 \times 10^{-4}) - (3 \times 10^2) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

## ✓ CHECK Your Understanding

Examples 1 and 2  
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Evaluate each expression. Express the result in scientific notation.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 1. $(2.6 \times 10^5)(1.9 \times 10^2)$          | 2. $(5.3 \times 10^4)(0.9 \times 10^3)$             |
| 3. $(3.7 \times 10^{-2})(1.2 \times 10^3)$       | 4. $(3.3 \times 10^3)(2.1 \times 10^{-5})$          |
| 5. $\frac{8.37 \times 10^8}{2.7 \times 10^3}$    | 6. $\frac{8.04 \times 10^5}{6.7 \times 10^2}$       |
| 7. $\frac{9.72 \times 10^{-9}}{1.8 \times 10^5}$ | 8. $\frac{4.64 \times 10^{-4}}{2.9 \times 10^{-6}}$ |

Example 3  
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9. **TEXT MESSAGING** In 2005,  $8.1 \times 10^{10}$  text messages were sent in the United States. By 2007, the number of annual text messages had risen to  $3.63 \times 10^{11}$ . About how many times as great was the number of text messages in 2007 than 2005?

Examples 4 and 5  
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Evaluate each expression. Express the result in scientific notation.

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| 10. $(5.4 \times 10^3) + (6.8 \times 10^5)$   | 11. $(8.9 \times 10^9) + (4.2 \times 10^6)$   |
| 12. $(13.5 \times 10^5) - (11.7 \times 10^4)$ | 13. $(9.64 \times 10^8) - (5.29 \times 10^6)$ |

## Practice and Problem Solving

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Extra Practice begins on page EP2.

Examples 1 and 2  
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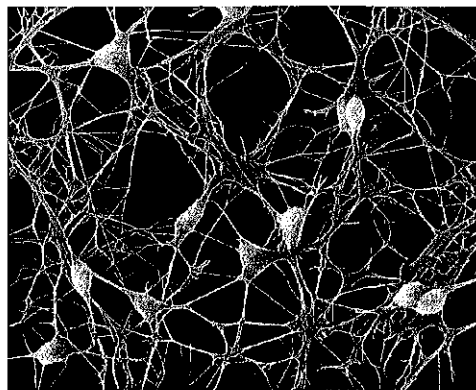
Evaluate each expression. Express the result in scientific notation.

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|---|--|---|
| 14. $(8.5 \times 10^3)(1.1 \times 10^1)$          | 15. $(3.9 \times 10^2)(2.3 \times 10^6)$             |   |
| 16. $(6.45 \times 10^5)(1.2 \times 10^3)$         | 17. $(4.18 \times 10^{-4})(0.9 \times 10^{-5})$      |   |
| 18. $(12.6 \times 10^{-8})(0.5 \times 10^6)$      | 19. $(9.75 \times 10^3)(8.4 \times 10^{-6})$         |   |
| 20. $\frac{8.32 \times 10^7}{1.3 \times 10^5}$    | 21. $\frac{9.45 \times 10^{10}}{1.5 \times 10^6}$    | 22. $\frac{4.2 \times 10^8}{1.68 \times 10^2}$    |
| 23. $\frac{9.0 \times 10^{-11}}{2.4 \times 10^8}$ | 24. $\frac{3.24 \times 10^{-4}}{8.1 \times 10^{-7}}$ | 25. $\frac{11.4 \times 10^5}{4.8 \times 10^{-3}}$ |

Example 3  
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26. **SCIENCE** Neurons are cells in the nervous system that process and transmit information. An average neuron is about  $5.0 \times 10^{-6}$  meter in diameter. A standard table tennis ball is  $4.0 \times 10^{-2}$  meter in diameter. About how many times as great is the diameter of a ball than a neuron?

27. **ASTRONOMY** The Sun burns about  $4.4 \times 10^6$  tons of hydrogen per second. How much hydrogen does the Sun burn in one year? (*Hint*: one year =  $3.16 \times 10^7$  seconds)



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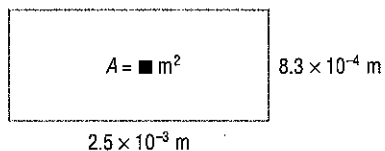
28.  $(7.3 \times 10^5) + (2.4 \times 10^6)$       29.  $(9.5 \times 10^{11}) + (6.3 \times 10^9)$   
 30.  $(13.57 \times 10^8) + (5.9 \times 10^5)$       31.  $(8.64 \times 10^6) + (13.34 \times 10^9)$   
 32.  $(12.1 \times 10^4) - (9.5 \times 10^3)$       33.  $(1.03 \times 10^9) - (4.7 \times 10^7)$   
 34.  $(15.4 \times 10^{11}) - (6.94 \times 10^{10})$       35.  $(8.71 \times 10^4) - (6.34 \times 10^1)$

36. **MEASUREMENT** A circular swimming pool holds  $1.22 \times 10^6$  cubic inches of water. It is being filled at a rate of  $1.5 \times 10^3$  cubic inches per minute. About how long will it take to fill the swimming pool?

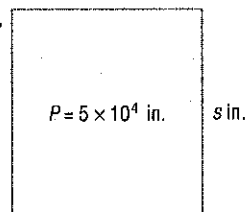
37. **PARKS** Central Park in New York City is rectangular in shape and measures approximately  $1.37 \times 10^4$  feet by  $2.64 \times 10^2$  feet. If one acre is equal to  $4.356 \times 10^4$  square feet, how many acres does Central Park cover?

**MEASUREMENT** Find the missing measure for each figure.

38.



39.



### H.O.T. Problems

40. **FIND THE ERROR** Enrique is finding  $\frac{6.63 \times 10^{-6}}{5.1 \times 10^{-2}}$ . Find his mistake and correct it.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{6.63 \times 10^{-6}}{5.1 \times 10^{-2}} &= \left(\frac{6.63}{5.1}\right) \left(\frac{10^{-6}}{10^{-2}}\right) \\ &= 1.3 \times 10^{-6-2} \\ &= 1.3 \times 10^{-8} \end{aligned}$$



41. **Which One Doesn't Belong?** Identify the expression that does not belong with the other three. Explain your reasoning.

$14.28 \times 10^9$      $(3.4 \times 10^6)(4.2 \times 10^3)$      $1.4 \times 10^9$      $(3.4)(4.2) \times 10^{(6+3)}$

42. **Write MATH** Explain how to estimate the sum of  $(4.215 \times 10^{-2})$  and  $(3.2 \times 10^{-4})$ .

## More Practice With Scientific Notation

Perform the following operations in scientific notation. Refer to the introduction if you need help.

**Section E: Multiplication** (the "easy" operation - remember that you just need to multiply the main numbers and add the exponents).

Model:  $(2 \times 10^2) \times (6 \times 10^3) = 12 \times 10^5 = 1.2 \times 10^6$

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Remember that your answer should be expressed in two parts, as in the model above. The first part should be a number less than 10 (eg: 1.2) and the second part should be a power of 10 (eg:  $10^6$ ). If the first part is a number greater than ten, you will have to convert the first part. In the above example, you would convert your first answer ( $12 \times 10^5$ ) to the second answer, which has the first part less than ten ( $1.2 \times 10^6$ ). For extra practice, convert your answer to decimal notation. In the above example, the decimal answer would be 1,200,000

scientific notation	decimal notation
25) $(1 \times 10^3) \times (3 \times 10^1) =$ _____	_____
26) $(3 \times 10^4) \times (2 \times 10^3) =$ _____	_____
27) $(5 \times 10^{-5}) \times (11 \times 10^4) =$ _____	_____
28) $(2 \times 10^{-4}) \times (4 \times 10^3) =$ _____	_____

**Section F: Division** (a little harder - we basically solve the problem as we did above, using multiplication. But we need to "move" the bottom (denominator) to the top of the fraction. We do this by writing the negative value of the exponent. Next divide the first part of each number. Finally, add the exponents).

Model: 
$$\frac{(12 \times 10^3)}{(6 \times 10^2)} = 2 \times (10^3 \times 10^{-2}) = 2 \times 10^1 = 20$$

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$$\frac{(12 \times 10^3)}{(6 \times 10^2)} = 2 \times (10^3 \times 10^{-2}) = 2 \times 10^1 = 20$$

Write your answer as in the model; first convert to a multiplication problem, then solve the problem.

multiplication problem	final answer (in sci. not.)
29) $(8 \times 10^6) / (4 \times 10^3) =$ _____	_____
30) $(3.6 \times 10^8) / (1.2 \times 10^4) =$ _____	_____
31) $(4 \times 10^3) / (8 \times 10^5) =$ _____	_____
32) $(9 \times 10^{21}) / (3 \times 10^{19}) =$ _____	_____



## MATH HANDBOOK TRANSPARENCY WORKSHEET

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# Operations with Scientific Notation

Use with Appendix B,  
Operations with  
Scientific Notation

1. Perform the following operations and express the answers in scientific notation.

a.  $(1.2 \times 10^5) + (5.35 \times 10^6)$

b.  $(6.91 \times 10^{-2}) + (2.4 \times 10^{-3})$

c.  $(9.70 \times 10^6) + (8.3 \times 10^5)$

d.  $(3.67 \times 10^2) - (1.6 \times 10^1)$

e.  $(8.41 \times 10^{-5}) - (7.9 \times 10^{-6})$

f.  $(1.33 \times 10^5) - (4.9 \times 10^4)$

2. Perform the following operations and express the answers in scientific notation.

a.  $(4.3 \times 10^8) \times (2.0 \times 10^6)$

b.  $(6.0 \times 10^3) \times (1.5 \times 10^{-2})$

c.  $(1.5 \times 10^{-2}) \times (8.0 \times 10^{-1})$

d.  $\frac{7.8 \times 10^3}{1.2 \times 10^4}$

e.  $\frac{8.1 \times 10^{-2}}{9.0 \times 10^2}$

f.  $\frac{6.48 \times 10^5}{(2.4 \times 10^4)(1.8 \times 10^{-2})}$

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### Operations with Scientific Notation

**Add or Subtract the following numbers that are in scientific notation. Make sure your final answer is in proper scientific notation.**

1)  $5 \times 10^3 + 4.3 \times 10^4 =$

2)  $2.3 \times 10^{-4} - 6 \times 10^{-5} =$

3)  $4 \times 10^5 + 3.3 \times 10^6 =$

4)  $7.2 \times 10^{-2} + 5.3 \times 10^{-1} =$

5)  $9.2 \times 10^{10} - 8.4 \times 10^{11} =$

**Multiply or Divide the following numbers that are in scientific notation. Make sure your final answer is in proper scientific notation.**

1)  $(3.5 \times 10^5) \times (4 \times 10^3) =$

2)  $(9 \times 10^4) / (3 \times 10^2) =$

3)  $(5 \times 10^6) \times (7 \times 10^8) =$

4)  $(7.5 \times 10^5) / (2.5 \times 10^3) =$

5)  $(4.5 \times 10^3) / (2 \times 10^6) =$

## Scientific Notation Word Problems

Complete all problems. Show all work.

- 1) In 2000, the top attendance at an amusement park in the United States was 15,400,000 people. Write the number of people in scientific notation.
  
- 2) The planet Mercury is an estimated  $3.598 \times 10^7$  miles from the Sun. Write the distance Mercury is from the Sun in Standard form.
  
- 3) In 2000, an estimated  $7.7 \times 10^7$  people spoke French as their first language and an estimated  $1 \times 10^8$  people spoke standard German as their first language. In 2000, which language had more speakers?
  
- 4) In 2000, an estimated  $1.664 \times 10^8$  dollars in 1000-dollar bills were in circulation. How many 1000-dollar bills were in circulation in 2000?
  
- 5) During its orbit around the Sun, Mercury gets as close as  $4.8 \times 10^7$  miles from Earth and as far as  $1.38 \times 10^8$  miles from Earth. What is the product between these distances?
  
- 6) Divide  $2.4 \times 10^8$  by  $1.2 \times 10^5$ . Write your answer in scientific notation.

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**Recognizing Scientific Notation** Is each number written in scientific notation?

1.  $56.29 \times 10^{12}$

2.  $0.84 \times 10^{-3}$

3.  $6.11 \times 10^5$

4. In Scientific notation, you use positive exponents to write numbers

\_\_\_\_\_ and negative exponents to write numbers \_\_\_\_\_.

**Writing Numbers in Scientific Notation**

6. 56,900,000

7. 0.0985

8. 267,000

9. 0.0000000009

**Writing numbers in Standard Notation**

10.  $1.55 \times 10^6$

11.  $2 \times 10^{-11}$

12.  $5.07 \times 10^4$

13.  $5.6 \times 10^{-4}$

**Using Scientific Notation to order Numbers**

14.  $0.052 \times 10^7$     $5.12 \times 10^5$     $5.32 \times 10^3$     $5.34 \times 10^3$  – Order from least to greatest

15.  $60.2 \times 10^{-5}$     $63 \times 10^4$     $0.067 \times 10$     $61 \times 10^{-2}$  – Order from greatest to least

**Adding and Subtracting Values in Scientific Notation**

16.  $(1.34 \times 10^{14}) + (1.3 \times 10^{12}) =$

17.  $(9.7821 \times 10^{-17}) + (3.14 \times 10^{-18}) =$

18.  $(4.2 \times 10^3) - (1.34 \times 10^2) =$

19.  $(5.23 \times 10^{25}) - (6.32 \times 10^{22}) + (1.34 \times 10^{24}) =$

**Multiplying and Dividing Values in Scientific Notation**

20.  $(7 \times 10^2)(4 \times 10^5)$

21.  $(3.2 \times 10^{-3})(1.3 \times 10^5)$

22. 
$$\frac{9.3 \times 10^4}{3.1 \times 10^{-2}}$$

23. 
$$\frac{1.2 \times 10^{-2}}{4.1 \times 10^4}$$

**Problem Solving using Values in Scientific Notation**

24. In 2005, the population was about  $2.87 \times 10^8$ . Spending for health care was about \$5745 per person. About how much did the US spend on health care in 2005? Express your answer in scientific notation

25. A computer can perform  $4.66 \times 10^8$  instructions per second. How many instructions is that per hour? Use scientific notation.

26. If you were writing a report about the national debt in Mr. Eyre's class, would you use scientific notation or standard notation to express the debt amount? Explain why.

27. The world population in 2025 may reach  $7.84 \times 10^9$ . This is about 3 times the world population in 1950. What was the world population in 1950?

28. Simplify  $90(1.2 \times 10^{-5})$ . Write the answer in scientific notation.  
 A.  $1.08 \times 10^{-7}$     B.  $108.0 \times 10^{-5}$     C.  $108.0 \times 10^{-3}$     D.  $1.08 \times 10^{-3}$

29. Which answer has the states in the table at the right ordered from least to greatest projected population?  
 F. New York, Florida, Virginia, Vermont  
 G. Vermont, Virginia, New York, Florida  
 H. Vermont, Virginia, Florida, New York  
 I. Florida, New York, Virginia, Vermont

**Projected Population  
in 2025**

State	Population
Florida	$2.07 \times 10^7$
Virginia	$8.47 \times 10^6$
Vermont	$6.78 \times 10^5$
New York	$1.98 \times 10^7$

30. Which equals 275 million?  
 A.  $275 \times 10^5$     B.  $2.75 \times 10^6$   
 C.  $2.75 \times 10^8$     D.  $275 \times 10^9$