

2.9 Scientific Notation



Go to http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Scientific_notation . Read the introduction and the section titled “Normalized Notation”.

Using the expression $a \times 10^b$, where a is any real number and b is an integer, complete the following:

Activity 1 - Circle all values that could be used for a in normalized scientific notation.

6.28	314	-10.4	7.32	13
-4.98	5.12	44	-235	7.99
90	-3.00	897	5	102

Activity 2 - Circle all values that can be used for b in normalized scientific notation.

6.2	3	10	-7.32	-1
4	-5	4.2	2.35	17
9	3.4	8	5.09	102

Activity 3 - Circle all the expressions that are expressed in normalized scientific notation.

6.28×10^5	314×10^{-2}	-10.4×10^8	$7.32 \times 10^{2.5}$	$13 \times 10^{-0.8}$
-4.98×10^3	$5.12 \times 10^{0.09}$	44×10^7	-235×10^{-6}	7.99×10^{15}
90×10^{-2}	$-3.00 \times 10^{8.25}$	897×10^1	5×10^{-5}	102×10^2

Class Notes – Write each expression in decimal form.

LP#1 $7.00 \times 10^4 =$	$5.00 \times 10^6 =$	$8 \times 10^2 =$
LP#2 $7.21 \times 10^4 =$	$5.89 \times 10^6 =$	$8.1 \times 10^2 =$
LP#3 $7.00 \times 10^{-4} =$	$5.00 \times 10^{-6} =$	$8 \times 10^{-2} =$
LP#4 $7.21 \times 10^{-4} =$	$5.89 \times 10^{-6} =$	$8.1 \times 10^{-2} =$

Explain the pattern that you see above in relation to exponents being positive.

Explain the pattern that you see above in relation to exponents being negative.

Class Notes – Express each number using scientific notation.

LP#5 534,000	6,500	985,000,000
LP#6 0.00083	0.0000000121	0.00005732
LP#7 9,310,000,000	0.000000398	443

Review – In the **left column** write each expression in decimal form. In the **right column** express each decimal using scientific notation.

R#1 $6.90 \times 10^3 =$ $4.68 \times 10^{-5} =$	8,350 0.0432
R#2 $7.01 \times 10^4 =$ $2.56 \times 10^{-9} =$	9,210,000 0.000054
R#3 $9.23 \times 10^5 =$ $2.71 \times 10^{-7} =$	360,000 0.000781

Homework – Write each expression in decimal form.

1) $6.02 \times 10^4 =$ 2) $1.46 \times 10^7 =$ 3) $8.00 \times 10^8 =$ 4) $4.66 \times 10^3 =$

5) $4.51 \times 10^8 =$ 6) $3.19 \times 10^5 =$ 7) $7.06 \times 10^3 =$ 8) $6.21 \times 10^9 =$

9) $5.21 \times 10^{-4} =$ 10) $8.39 \times 10^{-7} =$ 11) $1.81 \times 10^{-2} =$ 12) $7.83 \times 10^{-8} =$

13) $2.16 \times 10^{-1} =$ 14) $7.72 \times 10^{-6} =$ 15) $5.03 \times 10^{-9} =$ 16) $1.23 \times 10^{-6} =$

Express each number using scientific notation.

17) 7,240 18) 0.053 19) 8,050,000 20) 0.000624

21) 471,000 22) 0.000175 23) 6,130 24) 0.0756

25) 11,200,000 26) 0.00008 27) 790,000 28) 0.000458

29) 1,300 30) 0.0981 31) 197,000,000 32) 0.000004

Synthesis

Express the following in scientific form.

33) $\frac{5}{1000}$ 34) $\frac{7}{10}$ 35) $\frac{21}{500}$ 36) $\frac{789}{10,000}$ 37) $\frac{56}{2000}$

38) $\frac{123}{1,000,000}$ 39) $\frac{27}{20,000}$ 40) $\frac{423}{100,000}$ 41) $\frac{31}{500,000}$ 42) $\frac{5}{1000}$