



Unit 02 Outcomes



Identify the exponent and base in a given expression.

For X^y

Base = X

Exponent = y

Describe the function of a positive exponent of base 10 as a multiplying factor.

For $A = 10^y$

Value of $A = 10 \times 10 \times 10$ (y times)

$10^2 = 10 \times 10 = 100$



Describe the function of a negative exponent of base 10 as a dividing factor.

For $A = 10^{-y}$

Value of $A = 1/10 \times 1/10 \times 1/10$ (y times)

$$10^{-2} = 1/10 \times 1/10 = 0.01$$

Recognize that the notation 10^0 is equal to one.

$$10^0 = 1$$

Identify in a measured quantity expressed in exponential form: coefficient, exponential, and unit label.



Coefficient x exponential units
where exponential = 10^x

Convert any number in ordinary decimal form to exponential form, or any number in exponential form to ordinary decimal form.

Any number has a variety of exponentials:

Number	=	Coefficient	x	exponential
n	=	C	x	10^{exponent}
33,700.	=	337,000.	x	10⁻¹
33,700.	=	33,700.	x	10⁰
33,700.	=	3,370.	x	10¹



Express any quantity in scientific notation

$$\text{Number} = C \times 10^{\text{exponent}}$$

where coefficient (C) is $1 \leq C < 10$

Add and subtract quantities in exponential notation and express results in standard exponential notation.

Calculator → do calculation

Manually → exponents must be equal to +/- coefficients

Recognize that to be added or subtracted numbers in exponential form must have the same exponent.

Multiply & divide quantities in exponential notation and express results in standard exponential notation.

This requires practice on personal calculator



Express the following in scientific notation

0.0004589	4.5889×10^{-4}
12334	1.2334×10^4
56.7	5.67×10^1
337	3.37×10^2
56789	5.6789×10^4
0.0020	2.0×10^{-3}



Express the following in decimal notation

$$8.532 \times 10^{-4} = 0.0008532$$
$$8.532 \times 10^4 = 85320$$
$$8.532 \times 10^0 = 8.532$$

Calculate the following

$$3.45 \times 10^{-4} \times 2.67 \times 10^{10} = 9.21 \times 10^6$$
$$(15.9 \times 10^{-3}) / (4.47 \times 10^{-3}) = 3.557$$
$$(7.24 \times 10^{-2}) \times [(2.68 \times 10^7) / (25.6 \times 10^{-4})] = 7.58 \times 10^8$$
$$[(125) / (4.2 \times 10^{-6})] \times [(458 \times 10^{-9})(345) / 10.3] = 4.57 \times 10^2$$

