Scientific Notation in the Real World

Notes	Video Links & Practice Space
Significant digits: the nonzero digits of a number and the that are included between them or any trailing zeros that are considered to be precise.	Vocabulary (:29)
Operations with Scientific Notation Step 1: Simplify inside parenthesis () or other grouping symbols [], using order of operations. Step 2: Simplify terms with exponents and radicals. Step 3: Multiply or divide from left to right. Step 4: Add or subtract from left to right.	Operations with Scientific Notation (3:46) Example: $(6.7 \times 10^4)(8.7 \times 10^6) + (3.2 \times 10^7)$

Practice Problem#1

$$(1.4 \times 10^{16}) - (7.35 \times 10^{14}) + (3.2 \times 10^{10})$$

<u>Practice Operations with Scientific Notation</u> (8:01)

Practice Problem#2

$$\frac{(4 \times 10^{12})(5.625 \times 10^{-18})}{(1.5 \times 10^{12})(2.5 \times 10^{-9})}$$

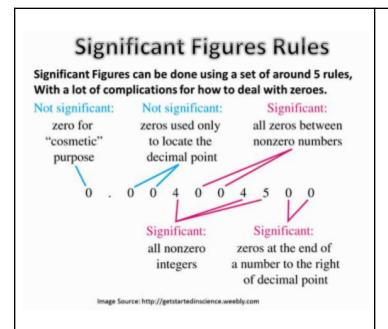
Significant digits

Important: When solving real-world scientific notation problems, your final answer must be as precise as the measurements used to get it, this includes the correct number of digits and is labeled with the correct units.

Rules for determining significant digits:

- 1. Non-zero digits are _____significant.
- 2. Any zeros between two _____ digits are significant.
- 3. A final zero or trailing _____the decimal portion only are significant.

Significant Digits (1:18)



Adding and Subtracting Numbers in Scientific Notation

In addition and subtraction, the number of significant digits in the final answer is based on the number of digits in the ______number given. This means the number of digits after the decimal point determines the number of digits that can be expressed in the answer.

Multiplying and Dividing Numbers in Scientific Notation

In multiplication and division, the number of significant digits is _____on the number that has the fewest number of digits.

Significant Digit Practice	Significant Digit Practice (1:30)
Zeros appearing in front of Non-zero digits are not significant.	
0.068523 has significant digits	
0.00008 has significant digits	
Zeros appearing between Non-zero digits are significant	
50.6 has significant digits	
970006 has significant digits	
Zeros at the end of a number and to the right of a decimal are significant	
35.00 has significant digits	
5.000000000 has significant digits	

Scientific Notation in the Real World Practice Problems

1. A female hippo weighs approximately 2.9×10^3 lbs and a male weighs approximately 7.0×10^3 what is their combined weight? Write the final answer in scientific notation with the correct number of significant digits.

2.
$$\frac{(3.89 \times 10^2) (2.6 \times 10^8)}{1.72 \times 10^5}$$

3. If we were looking to find the product of:

$$6.78 \times 10^4$$
, 5.06×10^6 and 4.72965×10^{-8} . How many significant digits should the product have?

Scientific Notation in the Real World Practice Problems (11:12)

4. Landon is building a rectangular deck in his backyard. He will be using half of his deck for an outdoor kitchen and the other half for shaded seating. The drawing below represents his deck. How much area will he have for his kitchen and seating if he plans to divide his deck in half? The answer should be in scientific notation with the correct significant digits, labeled with the correct units.

