

Lesson 13

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By studying this lesson you will be able to;

- Identify the scientific notation and write numbers up to the millions period in scientific notation,
- Convert numbers expressed in scientific notation to normal form,
- Identify the rules related to rounding off numbers,
- Round off a given numbers to the nearest ten, nearest hundred, nearest thousand and nearest decimal place,
- Solve problems related to rounding off.


## SCIENTIFIC NOTATION

Scientific notation is a way of writing lengthy numbers. They required more space to write and difficult to read. Therefore scientists have developed a shorter method to express lengthy numbers.

Writing a number as a product of two numbers, where one is between 1 and 10 and the other is a power of 10 , is known as the scientific notation.

If A is a number between 1 and 10 or 1 and n is an integer, then $\mathrm{A} \times 10^{\mathrm{n}}$ is a number written in scientific notation ( $1 \leq \mathrm{A}<10$ )

## Examples

1).write 80000 in scientific notation

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80000=8 \times 10000=8 \times 10^{4}
$$

2).Write 354 in scientific notation
$354=3.54 \times 100=3.54 \times 10^{2}$
3).Write 63.33 in scientific notation

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63.33=6.333 \times 10 \quad 6.333 \times 10^{1}
$$

## Exercise


1). Complete the following table.

| Number | 1 or a number <br> between 1 and 10 $x$multiple <br> of 10 | scientific notation |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1). 20 | $2 \times 10$ | $2 \times 10^{1}$ |
| 2). 56 |  |  |
| 3). 110 |  |  |
| 4). 333 |  |  |
| 5). 2045 |  |  |
| 6). 9670 |  |  |
| 7). 11325 |  |  |
| 8)123690 |  |  |
| 9). 4581771 |  |  |
| 10). 12000000 |  |  |

2).Writing each of the following numbers in scientific notation

1) 5
2)36
2) 72
4)500
5)8 070
6)6 570
7)1 111000
8)56 990777

## WRITING N NUMBER BETWEEN 0 AND 1 IN SCIENTIFIC NOTATION

When a number between 0 and 1 is written in scientific notation, the index of the power of 10 is a negative integer

## Examples

> 1) $0.1=\frac{1}{10}=\frac{1}{10^{1}}=1 \times 10^{-1}$
> 2) $0.08=\frac{8}{100}=\frac{8}{10^{2}}=8 \times 10^{-2}$
> 3) $0.00071=\frac{7.1}{10000}=\frac{7.1}{10^{4}}=7.1 \times 10^{-4}$

## Exercise

Write each of the following numbers in scientific notation
1). 0.3
5).0.0063
2). 0.54
6).0.00085
3).0.075
7). 0000094
4).0.0901
8).0.000022


## CONVERTING NUMBERS EXPRESSED IN SCIENTIFIC NOTATION TO GENERAL FORM

Examples

1) $2.3 \times 10^{2}$

Since it is multiplied by 102 , shifting the decimal point 2 places to the right. $2.3 \times 100=2300$
2) $1.5 \times 10^{-3}$

Since it is divided by 1000 , shifting the decimal point 3 places to the left.

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1.5 \times \frac{1}{1000}=0.0015
$$

## Exercise

Convert the following numbers to general form.
I. $2 \times 10^{3}$
II. $1.04 \times 10^{2}$
III. $8.23 \times 10^{5}$
VI. $4.3 \times 10^{-3}$
VII. $\quad 9.56 \times 10^{-4}$
VIII. $6 \times 10^{0}$
IV. $\quad 4.675 \times 10^{3}$
IX. $\quad 8.7 \times 10^{1}$
V. $2 \times 10^{-1}$
X. $\quad 7.21 \times 10^{0}$

## ROUNDING OFF NUMBERS

## Rounding off to the nearest 10

$>$ While rounding off to the nearest 10, if the digit in the units place is 1, 2, 3 or 4(less than 5), then the digit in the unit place is replaced by 0.
Examples:

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12\longrightarrow10
34\longrightarrow30
153\longrightarrow150
5041\longrightarrow5040
```

$>$ If the digit in the units place is 5 or greater than 5, then the units place is replaced by 0 and the tens place increased by 1.
Examples:

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45\longrightarrow50
368\longrightarrow370
779\longrightarrow780
4796 4800
```

Rounding off to the nearest 100

- If the digit in the tens place is less than 5, then the number round off to the previous hundred.

Examples:
$225 \longrightarrow 200$
$432 \longrightarrow 400$
$3111 \longrightarrow 3100$
$>$ If the digit in the tens place is 5 or greater than 5, then the number round off to the next hundred.
Examples:
$354 \longrightarrow 400$
$6085 \longrightarrow 6100$
$4383 \longrightarrow 4400$

## Rounding off to the nearest 1000

- If the digit in the hundreds place is less than 5 , then the number round off to the previous thousand.
Examples:

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3245\longrightarrow3000
4154\longrightarrow4000
25368\longrightarrow25000
```

$>$ If the digit in the hundreds place is 5 or greater than 5, then the number round off to the next thousand.
Examples:

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1630 \longrightarrow 2000
4850\longrightarrow5000
25600 \longrightarrow26000
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## Round off to a given decimal place

$>$ When rounding off to the nearest whole number, if the digit in the first decimal place is less than 5 , then the first decimal place is replaced by 0 .
If the digit in the first decimal place is 5 or greater than 5 , then the first decimal place is replaced by 0 and the whole number increased by 1.
Examples:

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1.2\longrightarrow1
3.45\longrightarrow3
12.05\longrightarrow12
4.5\longrightarrow5
13.81\longrightarrow14
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> When rounding off to the nearest first decimal place, if the digit in the second decimal place is less than 5 , then the second decimal place is replaced by 0. If the digit in the second decimal place is 5 or greater than 5 , then the second decimal place is replaced by 0 and the first decimal place is increased by 1.
Examples:

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2.31 \longrightarrow 2.3
35.52\longrightarrow35.5
40.55\longrightarrow40.6
122.382\longrightarrow122.4
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$>$ When rounding off to the nearest second decimal place, if the digit in the third decimal place is less than 5 , then the third decimal place is replaced by 0. If the digit in the third decimal place is 5 or greater than 5 , then the third decimal place is replaced by 0 and the second decimal place is increased by 1.
Examples:

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1.234\longrightarrow 1.23
43.678\longrightarrow43.68
102.785\longrightarrow102.79
45.421 \longrightarrow 45.42
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## Exercise

1) Round off to the nearest 10 .
I. 34
II. 49
III. 325
IV. 5127
V. 8712
VI. 4325
2) Round off to the nearest 100 .
I. 430 II. 212
III. 6225
IV. 18307
V. 16492
VI. 65555
3) Round off to the nearest 1000 .
I. 3100
II. 89760
III. 43289
IV. 143567
V. 12345 VI.
I. 989873
4) Round off 3.1562 ,
I. To the nearest whole number
II. To the first decimal place
III. To the second decimal place
5) Round off 53591,
I. To the nearest 10
II. To the nearest 100
III. To the nearest 1000
6) When a certain number is rounded off to the nearest 10 , the number 60 is obtained. Find separately the least and the greatest value that the number can take.

