

Algebra 1 7.4

\*8th grade standard

Express numbers in scientific notation\*

Find products and quotients of numbers in scientific notation

scientific notation

exponent

standard form

activity: triangle puzzles  
whiteboards

$$\begin{array}{c} 6.2300000000000000 \\ \hline \downarrow \\ 6.23 \times 10^{-14} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} 6.23 \times 10^4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 0.000000000000314 \\ \hline \\ 3.14 \times 10^{-11} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} 314 \times 10^{-11} \end{array}$$

### KeyConcept Standard Form to Scientific Notation

- Step 1** Move the decimal point until it is to the right of the first nonzero digit. The result is a real number  $a$ .
- Step 2** Note the number of places  $n$  and the direction that you moved the decimal point.
- Step 3** If the decimal point is moved left, write the number as  $a \times 10^n$ .  
If the decimal point is moved right, write the number as  $a \times 10^{-n}$ .
- Step 4** Remove the unnecessary zeros.

Make it a 1-digit number by moving decimal point  
(between 1 and 9)

How far did you move it?

(Remember, every place value is  $\times 10$ )

Did it get bigger or smaller?

(we have to keep things equal)

### Example 1 Standard Form to Scientific Notation

Express each number in scientific notation.

a. 201,000,000

$$\begin{array}{l} 2.01 \times 10^8 \\ \boxed{2.01 \times 10^8} \\ \hline \cancel{2.01 \times 10^8} \end{array}$$

b. 0.000051

$$5.1 \times 10^{\textcircled{-5}}$$

$$5.1 \times 10^{-5}$$

**Guided Practice**

1A.  $68,700,000,000$

$6.87 \times 10^{10}$

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1B.  $0.0000725$

$7.25 \times 10^{-5}$

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What does  $10^2$  mean?



$10 \cdot 10$

$100$

### WatchOut!

**Negative Signs** Be careful about the placement of negative signs. A negative sign in the exponent means that the number is between 0 and 1. A negative sign before the number means that it is less than 0.

### KeyConcept Scientific Notation to Standard Form

- Step 1** In  $a \times 10^n$ , note whether  $n > 0$  or  $n < 0$ .
- Step 2** If  $n > 0$ , move the decimal point  $n$  places right.  
If  $n < 0$ , move the decimal point  $-n$  places left.
- Step 3** Insert zeros, decimal point, and commas as needed for place value.

x100...x10...etc. makes a number bigger (move decimal pt to right)

**Example 2** Scientific Notation to Standard Form

Express each number in standard form.

a.  $6.32 \times 10^9$

6,320,000,000



"times a decimal" = gets smaller (how much smaller?)

b.  $4 \times 10^{-7}$   
<sub>+7</sub>

.0000004

2A.  $3.201 \times 10^6$



3,201,000

2B.  $9.03 \times 10^{-5}$



.0000903

Commutative property of multiplication

$$\frac{10}{10} \frac{10}{10} \frac{10}{10} \frac{10}{10}$$



### Example 3 Multiply with Scientific Notation

Evaluate  $(3.5 \times 10^{-3})(7 \times 10^5)$ . Express the result in both scientific notation and standard form.

$$(3.5)(7)(10^{-3})(10^5)$$

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$$\frac{24.5 \times 10^2}{\uparrow} \begin{matrix} +1 \\ -1 \end{matrix}$$
$$2.45 \times 10^3$$
$$\downarrow$$

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Answer in sci notation and/or standard form  
Follow directions

• **Guided Practice**

Evaluate each product. Express the results in both scientific notation and standard form.

3A.  $(6.5 \times 10^{12})(8.7 \times 10^{-15})$

$$(6.5)(8.7)10^{12}10^{-15}$$

$$56.55 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (} \begin{matrix} +1 \\ -1 \end{matrix} \text{)}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 5.655 \times 10^{-2} \\ \downarrow \\ .05655 \end{array}$$

3B.  $(7.8 \times 10^{-4})^2$

$$\underline{7.8} \times 10^{-4} \cdot \underline{7.8} \times 10^{-4}$$

$$60.84 \times 10^{-8} \text{ (} \begin{matrix} +1 \\ -1 \end{matrix} \text{)}$$

$$6.084 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ .0000006084 \end{array}$$

Grouping

**Example 4** Divide with Scientific Notation

Evaluate  $\frac{3.066 \times 10^8}{7.3 \times 10^3}$ . Express the result in both scientific notation and standard form.

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Evaluate each quotient. Express the results in both scientific notation and standard form.

4A.  $\frac{2.3958 \times 10^3}{1.98 \times 10^8}$

4B.  $\frac{1.305 \times 10^3}{1.45 \times 10^{-4}}$



### Real-World Example 5 Use Scientific Notation

**MUSIC** In the United States, a CD reaches gold status once 500 thousand copies are sold. A CD reaches platinum status once 1 million or more copies are sold.

a. Express the number of copies of CDs that need to be sold to reach each status in standard notation.



#### Real-WorldLink

The platinum award was created in 1976. In 2004, the criteria for the award was extended to digital sales. The top-selling artist of all time is the Beatles with 170 million units sold.

Source: Recording Industry Association of America

b. Write each number in scientific notation.

c. How many copies of a CD have sold if it has gone platinum 13 times? Write your answer in scientific notation and standard form.