

CONCEPT: SCIENTIFIC NOTATION

Format for Scientific Notation

- **Scientific Notation:** used to turn small or large, inconvenient numbers into manageable ones.

$$6.88 \times 10^{-12}$$

- ☐ **Coefficient:** The beginning part of value that is \geq ____, but less than ____.
- ☐ **Base:** The portion of the scientific notation value that is always 10.
- ☐ **Exponent:** The number of places the decimal was moved to create the scientific notation value.
 - Must be expressed as a whole number integer.

EXAMPLE: Which of the following scientific notation values is written correctly?

a) $1.25 \times 10^{-1/4}$

b) 0.00320×10^{-9}

c) 5.220×10^3

d) 7.3000×2^7

Scientific Notation to Standard Notation

- **Standard Notation:** The normal way of writing numbers.

- ☐ A _____ **exponent** tells you to make the **coefficient** value larger.

$$7.17 \times 10^5$$

- ☐ A _____ **exponent** tells you to make the **coefficient** value smaller.

$$3.25 \times 10^{-7}$$

PRACTICE: Convert the following scientific notation values into standard notation.

a) 1.25×10^{-4}

b) 3.20×10^{-9}

c) 1.6100×10^4

Standard Notation to Scientific Notation

- To convert a number into a scientific notation value, make sure the coefficient is \geq ____, but less than ____ .

- ☐ Increasing the coefficient value makes the **exponent** value decrease.

0.0000145

- ☐ Decreasing the coefficient value makes the **exponent** value increase.

101,325,000

PRACTICE: Convert the following standard notation values into scientific notation.

a) 377,000

b) 0.000101

c) 707.82