

Scientific Notation

Simplify and express in scientific notation:

Example 1

$$\begin{aligned} & (4 \times 10^{-9}) + (2 \times 10^{-5}) \\ &= (4 \times 10^{-9}) + (2 \times 10^{-9}) \times 10^4 \\ &= (4 \times 10^{-9}) + (20000 \times 10^{-9}) \\ &= 20004 \times 10^{-9} \\ &= \mathbf{2.0004 \times 10^{-5}} \end{aligned}$$

Example 2

$$\begin{aligned} & (5 \times 10^7) - (3 \times 10^4) \\ &= (5 \times 10^4) \times 10^3 - (3 \times 10^4) \\ &= (5000 \times 10^4) - (3 \times 10^4) \\ &= 4997 \times 10^4 \\ &= \mathbf{4.997 \times 10^7} \end{aligned}$$

Simplify each problem and express the answer in scientific notation.

1) $(9 \times 10^{-3}) + (1 \times 10^6)$

3) $(2 \times 10^{-4}) - (5 \times 10^5)$

5) $(7 \times 10^{-6}) + (3 \times 10^4)$

7) $(6 \times 10^5) - (2 \times 10^2)$

8) $(8 \times 10^3) + (9 \times 10^{-1})$

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