

**Numbers cont'd.....** The rules for Indices, if  $m$  and  $n$  are positive integers and  $a \neq 0, b \neq 0$  :

- (a)  $a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$      e.g.  $10^2 \times 10^4 = 10^6$   
(b)  $a^m \div a^n = a^{m-n}$      e.g.  $10^5 \div 10^2 = 10^3$   
(c)  $(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$      e.g.  $(10^3)^4 = 10^{12}$   
(d)  $a^m \times b^m = (ab)^m$      e.g.  $5^3 \times 2^3 = 10^3$   
(e)  $a^m \div b^m = \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^m$      e.g.  $10^3 \div 5^3 = 2^3$   
(f)  $a^0 = 1$      e.g.  $10^0 = 1$   
(g)  $a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n}$      e.g.  $10^{-4} = \frac{1}{10^4}$   
(h)  $a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a}$      e.g.  $27^{\frac{1}{3}} = \sqrt[3]{27} = 3$   
(i)  $a^{\frac{m}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a^m}$  or  $(\sqrt[n]{a})^m$      e.g.  $27^{\frac{2}{3}} = \sqrt[3]{27^2} = \sqrt[3]{729} = 9$   
       or  $27^{\frac{2}{3}} = (\sqrt[3]{27})^2 = 3^2 = 9$

The Standard Form of numbering is  $A \times 10^n$ , where  $n$  is an integer and  $1 \leq A < 10$

Example:

- (1)  $200 \div 0.01 = 20000 = 2 \times 10^4$   
(2)  $(2 \times 10^3) \times (8 \times 10^5) = 16 \times 10^8 = 1.6 \times 10^9$   
(3)  $0.02 \div 5000 = 20 \times 10^{-3} \div 5 \times 10^3 = 4 \times 10^{-6}$

Common prefixes for very large numbers are:

Kilo (K) =  $10^3$ , mega (M) =  $10^6$ , giga (G) =  $10^9$ , tera (T) =  $10^{12}$

And prefixes for very small number are :

milli (m) =  $10^{-3}$ , micro ( $\mu$ ) =  $10^{-6}$ , nano(n) =  $10^{-9}$ , pico (p) =  $10^{-12}$

Example :

- (1)  $5 \times 10^{11}$  Bytes (computer harddisk memory) = 500 GB memory  
(2)  $0.9 \times 10^{-8}$  m =  $9 \times 10^{-9}$  m = 9 nm

Try these questions :

- (1) Simplify  $\frac{32a^2}{7b^5} \times \frac{49a^3b^3}{2}$   
(2) Simplify  $\frac{10}{\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} - \frac{\sqrt{12}}{\sqrt{3}} + \sqrt[3]{9} \times \sqrt[6]{9}$   
(3) Find the value of  $r$ , when  
(a)  $100^3 \times 10^2 \div 10^r = 1$   
(b)  $0.0001 \div 10^3 = \frac{1}{10^r}$   
(4) The mass of electron is  $9.1094 \times 10^{-31}$  Kg.  
The mass of proton is  $1.6726 \times 10^{-27}$  Kg  
The mass of neutron is  $1.6749 \times 10^{-27}$  Kg  
(a) Find the difference between the mass of proton and neutron, giving your answer in standard form.  
(b) How many times more massive is the proton as compared to the electron ? Giving your answer in standard form.