

Sig Figs & Scientific Notation

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1. State the number of significant figures in each measurement

- a. 3 734 grams
 b. 5 82.400 meters
 c. 2 92 000°C
 d. 1 0.003 second
 e. 3 607 liters
 f. 1 1×10^{-4} hertz

2. Round the number at left to the number of significant figures stated in each column.

Number	Four significant figures	Three significant figures	Two significant figures	One significant figure
84.631	84.63	84.6	85	80
0.945 00	0.9450	0.945	0.95	0.9
7.953 10	7.953	7.95	8.0	8
2 058 268	2058 000	2060 000	2100 000	2 000 000

3. Perform the following operations. Round the answers to the appropriate number of significant figures.

a. $8.2 \text{ cm} \times 6.08 \text{ cm} \times 15.0 \text{ cm}$
 $= 750 \text{ cm}$

b. $34.8 \text{ meter} / 3.048 \text{ seconds}$
 $= 11.4 \text{ m/s}$

c. $23.4^\circ\text{C} - 8.4^\circ\text{C}$
 $= 15.0^\circ\text{C}$

d. $65.48 \text{ g} + 3.0 \text{ g} + 0.882 \text{ g} + 26.46 \text{ g}$
 $= 95.8 \text{ g}$

4. Convert the following numbers from decimal to scientific notation. The answer must have the same number of significant figures as the original number.

a. $1.5 \times 10^8 \text{ km}$ 150 000 000 km (average distance between Earth and sun)

b. $1.98 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}$ 0.000 198 cm (diameter of blood platelet)

c. $7400 \times 10^3 \text{ g}$ 7400. grams (mass of a bowling ball)

d. $6. \times 10^0 \text{ Km/hr}$ 6 km/hour (fast walking speed)

5. Convert the following numbers from scientific notation to decimal notation.

a. 13000 km $1.3 \times 10^4 \text{ km}$ (diameter of Earth)

b. 3850000 mi^2 3.85×10^6 square miles (area of US)

c. 0.0080 g 8.0×10^{-3} gram (mass of a small spider)