

Problem 5 Raising a Number in Scientific Notation to a Power STEM

Aircraft The expression $\frac{1}{2}mv^2$ gives the kinetic energy, in joules, of an object with a mass of m kg traveling at a speed of v meters per second. What is the kinetic energy of an experimental unmanned jet with a mass of 1.3×10^3 kg traveling at a speed of about 3.1×10^3 m/s?

Plan

How do you raise a number in scientific notation to a power?

A number written in scientific notation is a product. Use the property for raising a product to a power.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}mv^2 &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot (1.3 \times 10^3)(3.1 \times 10^3)^2 && \text{Substitute the values for } m \text{ and } v \text{ into the expression.} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1.3 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 3.1^2 \cdot (10^3)^2 && \text{Raise the two factors to the second power.} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1.3 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 3.1^2 \cdot 10^6 && \text{Multiply the exponents of a power raised to a power.} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1.3 \cdot 3.1^2 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 10^6 && \text{Use the Commutative Property of Multiplication.} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1.3 \cdot 3.1^2 \cdot 10^{3+6} && \text{Add exponents of powers with the same base.} \\ &= 6.2465 \times 10^9 && \text{Simplify. Write in scientific notation.} \end{aligned}$$

The aircraft has a kinetic energy of about 6.2×10^9 joules.

Got It? 5. What is the kinetic energy of an aircraft with a mass of 2.5×10^5 kg traveling at a speed of 3×10^2 m/s?



Lesson Check

Do you know HOW?

Simplify each expression.

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| 1. $(n^3)^6$ | 2. $(b^{-7})^3$ |
| 3. $(3a^{\frac{1}{2}})^4$ | 4. $(9x^{\frac{1}{2}})^2(x^2)^5$ |

Simplify each expression. Write each answer in scientific notation.

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| 5. $(4 \times 10^5)^2$ | 6. $(2 \times 10^{-3})^5$ |
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Do you UNDERSTAND? MATHEMATICAL PRACTICES

- 7. Vocabulary** Compare and contrast the property for raising a power to a power and the property for multiplying powers with the same base.
- 8. Error Analysis** One student simplified $x^5 + x^5$ to x^{10} . A second student simplified $x^5 + x^5$ to $2x^5$. Which student is correct? Explain.
- 9. Open-Ended** Write four different expressions that are equivalent to $(x^{\frac{2}{3}})^3$.



Practice and Problem-Solving Exercises MATHEMATICAL PRACTICES

A Practice

Simplify each expression.

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| 10. $(n^8)^4$ | 11. $(n^4)^8$ | 12. $(c^2)^{\frac{1}{4}}$ | 13. $(x^{\frac{2}{5}})^{10}$ |
| 14. $(w^7)^{-1}$ | 15. $(x^{\frac{3}{5}})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ | 16. $d(d^{-2})^{-9}$ | 17. $(z^8)^0 z^{\frac{1}{2}}$ |
| 18. $(a^{\frac{2}{3}})^3 c^4$ | 19. $(c^3)^{\frac{1}{3}}(d^3)^0$ | 20. $(t^2)^{-2}(t^2)^{-5}$ | 21. $(m^3)^{-1}(x^{\frac{1}{3}})^{\frac{1}{4}}$ |

See Problems 1 and 2.

Simplify each expression.

22. $(3n^{-6})^{-4}$ 23. $(7a)^{-2}$ 24. $(5y^{\frac{1}{2}})^4$ **See Problems 3 and 4.**
 25. $(36g^4)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$
 26. $(2x^{\frac{1}{6}})^3x^2$ 27. $(2y^{\frac{7}{9}})^{-3}$ 28. $(r^{\frac{2}{5}}s)^5$ 29. $(y^2z^{-3})^{\frac{1}{6}}(y^3)^2$
 30. $(3b^{-2})^2(a^2b^4)^3$ 31. $4j^2k^6(2j^{11})^3k^5$ 32. $(mg^4)^{-1}(mg^4)$ 33. $(2j^2k^4)^{-5}(k^{-1}j^7)^6$

Simplify. Write each answer in scientific notation.

34. $(3 \times 10^5)^2$ 35. $(4 \times 10^2)^5$ 36. $(2 \times 10^{-10})^3$ **See Problem 5.**
 37. $(2 \times 10^{-3})^3$
 38. $(7.4 \times 10^4)^2$ 39. $(6.25 \times 10^{-12})^{-2}$ 40. $(3.5 \times 10^{-4})^3$ 41. $(2.37 \times 10^8)^3$

42. **Geometry** The radius of a cylinder is 7.8×10^{-4} m. The height of the cylinder is 3.4×10^{-2} m. What is the volume of the cylinder? Write your answer in scientific notation. (*Hint: $V = \pi r^2 h$*)

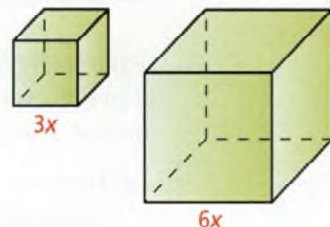
B Apply

Complete each equation.

43. $(b^2)^{\square} = b^8$ 44. $(m^{\square})^{\frac{1}{3}} = m^{-12}$ 45. $(x^{\square})^7 = x^6$
 46. $(n^9)^{\square} = n$ 47. $(y^{-4})^{\square} = y^{\frac{1}{2}}$ 48. $7(c^1)^{\square} = 7c^{\frac{3}{2}}$
 49. $(5x^{\square})^2 = 25x^{-4}$ 50. $(3x^3y^{\square})^3 = 27x^9$ 51. $(m^2n^3)^{\square} = \frac{1}{m^6n^9}$

52. **Think About a Plan** How many times the volume of the small cube is the volume of the large cube?

- What expression can you write for the volume of the small cube? For the volume of the large cube?
- What property of exponents can you use to simplify the volume expressions?



Simplify each expression.

53. $3^2(3x)^3$ 54. $(4.1)^5(4.1)^{-5}$ 55. $(b^{\frac{1}{6}})^3b^{\frac{1}{6}}$
 56. $(-5x)^2 + 5x^2$ 57. $(-2a^{\frac{2}{3}}b)^3(ab^{\frac{1}{3}})^3$ 58. $(2x^{-3})^2(0.2x)^2$
 59. $4xy^20^4(-y)^{-3}$ 60. $(10^3)^4(4.3 \times 10^{-8})$ 61. $(3^7)^2(3^{-4})^3$

62. **Reasoning** Simplify $(x^2)^3$ and x^{2^3} . Are the expressions equivalent? Explain.

63. a. **Error Analysis** What mistake did the student make in simplifying the expression at the right?

$$\begin{array}{r} (2+3)^2 = 2^2 + 3^2 \\ = 4 + 9 \\ = 13 \end{array}$$

- b. What is the correct simplified form of the expression?

- STEM** 64. **Wind Energy** The power generated by a wind turbine depends on the wind speed. The expression $800v^3$ gives the power in watts for a certain wind turbine at wind speed v in meters per second. If the wind speed triples, by what factor does the power generated by the wind turbine increase?

65. Can you write the expression $49x^2y^2z^2$ using only one exponent? Show how or explain why not.