## Add and subtract numbers in standard form



Work out the totals. Write your answers as ordinary numbers.

Rosie and Dora are adding numbers in standard form.



Rosie

I think 
$$(2 \times 10^7) + (3 \times 10^7) = 5 \times 10^7$$

I disagree. I think  $(2 \times 10^7) + (3 \times 10^7)$ =  $5 \times 10^8$ 



Do you agree with Rosie or Dora?

Explain your answer.

 $2 \times 10^7 + 3 \times 10^7 = 20,000,000 + 30,000,000 = 50,000,000 = 5 \times 10^7$ 

Work out the calculations. Give your answers in standard form.

a) 
$$(4 \times 10^6) + (3 \times 10^6)$$

**d)** 
$$(6.2 \times 10^5) + (3.1 \times 10^5)$$

**b)** 
$$(6 \times 10^{-2}) + (3 \times 10^{-2})$$

e) 
$$(8 \times 10^7) - (3 \times 10^7)$$

c) 
$$(8 \times 10^4) + 10^4$$

**f)** 
$$(7 \times 10^{-4}) - (3 \times 10^{-4})$$

Amir is adding numbers in standard form.



$$(4 \times 10^5) + (8 \times 10^5)$$
= 12 × 10<sup>5</sup>, but that's not standard form.

Explain how you know  $12 \times 10^5 = 1.2 \times 10^6$ 

Find the answers to the additions.

Give your answers in standard form.

a) 
$$(9 \times 10^6) + (8 \times 10^6) = \frac{1.7 \times 10^7}{}$$
 c)  $(9 \times 10^{-2}) + (8 \times 10^{-2}) = \frac{1.7 \times 10^{-4}}{}$ 

c) 
$$(9 \times 10^{-2}) + (8 \times 10^{-2}) = 1.7 \times 10^{-7}$$

b) 
$$(8 \times 10^4) + (9 \times 10^4) = \frac{1.7 \times 10^{-5}}{1.7 \times 10^{-5}}$$
 d)  $(9 \times 10^{-5}) + (8 \times 10^{-5}) = \frac{1.7 \times 10^{-4}}{1.7 \times 10^{-5}}$ 

d) 
$$(9 \times 10^{-5}) + (8 \times 10^{-5}) = 1.7 \times 10^{-4}$$





To work out  $(3.4 \times 10^5) +$  $(4.5 \times 10^4)$ , I'm going to change the numbers back to ordinary form.

Here are Jack's workings.

$$3.4 \times 10^5 = 340,000$$

$$4.5 \times 10^4 = 45,000$$

340,000

+ 45,000

 $790,000 = 7.9 \times 10^5$ 

- a) What mistake has Jack made?
- **b)** Find the correct answer to  $(3.4 \times 10^5) + (4.5 \times 10^4)$ Give your answer in standard form.

3.85×10<sup>5</sup>

Convert the numbers back to ordinary numbers to work out the calculations. Give your answers in standard form.

a) 
$$(2.5 \times 10^5) + (4.3 \times 10^4)$$

**b)** 
$$(2.5 \times 10^5) + (3.4 \times 10^6)$$

c) 
$$(1.7 \times 10^{-3}) + (2.7 \times 10^{-2})$$

**f)** 
$$(6.3 \times 10^4) - (5.7 \times 10^3)$$

**d)** 
$$(6.8 \times 10^{-3}) + (7.9 \times 10^{-4})$$

g) 
$$(6.3 \times 10^{-2}) - (5.7 \times 10^{-3})$$

e) 
$$(2.5 \times 10^5) - (3.3 \times 10^4)$$

**h)** 
$$(7.4 \times 10^{-4}) - (3.8 \times 10^{-5})$$

a) The answer to  $(8 \times 10^5) + (4 \times 10^4)$  can be written in the form  $A \times 10^5$ 

Circle the correct value of A.

12

1.2

84

8.4

**b)** The answer to  $(6 \times 10^8) - (3 \times 10^7)$  can be written in the form  $5.7 \times 10^{n}$ 

Circle the correct value of n.

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(8)

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