

Chapter 12



Exponents and Powers

Decimal number system:

Decimal fractions:

Fractions in which denominators are powers of 10 known as decimal fractions.

Example:

$$\frac{1}{10} = 1 \text{ Tenth} = 0.1$$

$$\frac{1}{100} = 1 \text{ Hundredth} = 0.01$$

Expanded form of decimal number system:

Any decimal number can be written in expanded form by using integral exponents of '10'.

Examples:

3456 in the expanded form can be expressed as follows.

Sol.

$$3456 = (3 \times 1000) + (4 \times 100) + (5 \times 10) + (6 \times 1)$$

$$\therefore 3456 = (3 \times 10^3) + (4 \times 10^2) + (5 \times 10^1) + (6 \times 10^0) \quad (\because 10^0 = 1)$$

746.853 in the expanded form can be expressed as follows.

Sol.

$$746.853 = (7 \times 100) + (4 \times 10) + (6 \times 1) + \frac{8}{10} + \frac{5}{100} + \frac{3}{1000}$$

$$= (7 \times 10^2) + (4 \times 10^1) + (6 \times 10^0) + \frac{8}{10} + \frac{5}{10^2} + \frac{3}{10^3}$$

$$= (7 \times 10^2) + (4 \times 10^1) + (6 \times 10^0) + (8 \times 10^{-1}) + (5 \times 10^{-2}) + (3 \times 10^{-3})$$

