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Lines

Slope = m	Slope-intercept: y=mx+b	
m = dy/dx	Point-slope: y-y1=m(x-x1)	
Parallel: m=m	General Form: Ax+By+C=0	
Perpendicular: m=-(1/m)		

Distance= $sqr((x2-x1)^2+(y2-y1)^2)$

Absolute Values and Inequalities Absolute Value is distance from 0 (= not included) Iabl=lal*lbl [= included] Iabl=lal*lbl Infinities use (in notation)

Check inequality problems for both positive and negative answers, and that the answers make sense in original problem

Use number lines for systems of equations

Exponents
$a^{x} * a^{y} = a^{x+y}$
$a^{x} / a^{y} = a^{x-y}$
(a ^x) ^y =a ^{xy}
(ab) ^x =a ^x * b ^x
$(a/b)^{\chi} = (a^{\chi}/b^{\chi})$

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Functions

In functions, each x value has only one y value				
Use vertical line test to determine if a graph shows a function				
(f+g)(x)=f(x)+g(x)	(f-g)(x)=f(x)-g(x)			
$(fg)(x)=f(x)^*g(x)$	(f/g)(x)=f(x)/g(x), g(x)=0			
(f □ g) =f(g(x))				
For inverse functions, $f(g(x))=x$				

Logarithms

Assume all these logs have a base of *a* y=log(x) when a^y=x log(xy) = log(x)+log(y) log(x/y)=log(x)-log(y)

 $log(x)^{n}=n^{*}log(x)$

log(1)=0, log(a)=1

Natural Log and e		
In and <i>e</i> are inverse operations and cancel each other out		
ln(xy)=ln(x)+ln(y)	$e^{X} * e^{y} = e^{X+y}$	
ln(x/y)=ln(x)-ln(y)	$e^{X} \setminus e^{Y} = e^{X-Y}$	
$ln(x)^n = n^* ln(x)$	$(e^{X})^{Y}=e^{XY}$	
Change of Base: $log(base a)(x) = ln(x)/ln(a)$		

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Trigonometric Functions and Graphs

Function	Graph Descriptions (Without Transformations)		
sinx= O/H	Sinusoidal, Starts at 0		
cosx= A/H	Sinusoidal, Starts at A		
tanx= O/A	Positive cubic functions		
cscx= H/O	Positive and Negative Parabolas (Starts at 0)		
secx= H/A	Positive and Negative Parabolas (Doesn't start at 0)		
cotx= A/O	Negative cubic functions		
Trig functions take an angle and find the corresponding ration of the sides			
Inverse functions take the ration of the sides and find the corresponding angle			
Graphs			

Increasing: m>0	Decreasing: m<0	Constant: m=0		
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Minimum: Decreasing to Increasing				
Maximum: Increasing to Decreasing				

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