Algebra Resource Sheet

Arithmetic Operations

$$ab + ac = a(b + c)$$
 $a\left(\frac{b}{c}\right) = \frac{ab}{c}$

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$$\frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)}{c} = \frac{a}{bc}$$

$$\frac{a}{\left(\frac{b}{c}\right)} = \frac{ac}{b}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} = \frac{ab + bc}{bd}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} - \frac{c}{d} = \frac{ad - bc}{bd}$$

$$\frac{a-b}{c-b} = \frac{b-a}{d-c}$$

$$\frac{a+b}{c} = \frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{c}$$

$$\frac{ab + ac}{a} = b + c, a \neq 0 \qquad \frac{\frac{a}{b}}{\frac{c}{c}} = \frac{ad}{bc}$$

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Properties of Radicals

$$\sqrt[n]{a} = a^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

$$\sqrt[n]{ab} = \sqrt[n]{a}\sqrt[n]{b}$$

$$\sqrt[m]{\sqrt[n]{a}} = \sqrt[nm]{a}$$

$$\sqrt[n]{\frac{a}{b}} = \frac{\sqrt[n]{a}}{\sqrt[n]{b}}$$

 $\sqrt[n]{a^n} = a$, if n is odd

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, if *n* is even

Important Formulas

Quadratic

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

Formula:

If
$$P_1 = (x_1, y_1)$$
 and $P_2 =$

Distance

 (x_2, y_2) are two points, then the distance between them is:

Formula:

 $d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$

Continuous Exponential Growth/ Decay

$$P(t) = P_o e^{rt}$$

Laws of Exponents

$$a^n a^m = a^{n+m}$$

$$\frac{a^n}{a^m} = a^{n-m} = \frac{1}{a^{m-n}}$$

$$(a^n)^m = a^{nm}$$

$$a^0 = 1, a \neq 0$$

$$(ab)^n = a^n b^n$$

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^n = \frac{a^n}{b^n}$$

$$a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n}$$

$$\frac{1}{a^{-n}} = a^n$$

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 $a^{\frac{n}{m}} = \left(a^{\frac{1}{m}}\right)^n = (a^n)^{\frac{1}{m}}$

Logarithms and Log Properties

Definition

 $y = \log_b x$ is equivalent to $x = b^y$

Logarithm Properties

$$\log_b b = 1$$

$$\log_b 1 = 0$$

$$\log_b b^x = x$$

$$b^{\log_b x} = x$$

$$\log_b(x^r) = r \log_b x$$

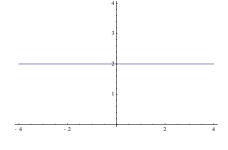
$$\log_b(xy) = \log_b x + \log_b y$$

$$\log_b\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log_b x - \log_b y$$

Functions and Graphs

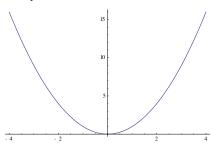
Constant Function:

$$f(x) = a$$
, where a is a constant



Parabola/Quadratic Function:

$$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$



Line/Linear Function:

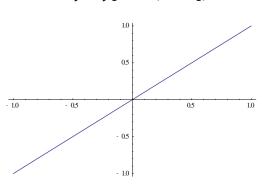
$$f(x) = mx + b$$

Slope-intercept form:

$$y = mx + b$$

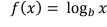
Point-slope form:

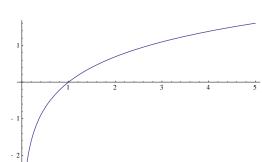
$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$



Logarithmic Function:

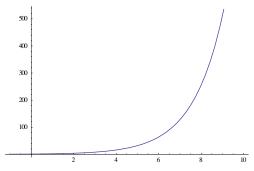
$$f(x) = \log_b x$$





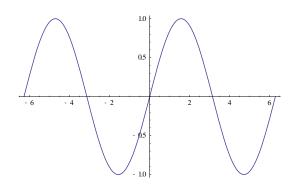
Exponential Function:

$$f(x) = ab^x$$



Sine Function:

$$f(x) = \sin(x)$$



Cosine function:

$$f(x) = \cos(x)$$

