

Unit Summary - Algebra Unit

Note Title

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- Linear Equations ($y = mx + b$)

$$\rightarrow m = \text{slope} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$\rightarrow b = y$ -intercept (when $x=0$, crosses the y -axis)

\rightarrow Graphing linear equations

\rightarrow rearrange to slope-int. form ($y = mx + b$)

\rightarrow Intercept method (plot both x & y intercepts)

\rightarrow Finding equation of a line

\rightarrow slope (m) & y -intercept (b)

\rightarrow Linear modelling (word problems)

\rightarrow Supply/demand equations

- Solving Systems of Equations (2 or more equations)

\rightarrow 2×2 system (2 eqns & 2 unknowns/variables)

\rightarrow # of eqns must match the # of variables

in order to get a numeric answer.

\rightarrow solve by graphing

\rightarrow solution = intersection point

\rightarrow solve by substitution

\rightarrow solve by elimination

\rightarrow rearrange the eqn to $\#x + \#y + \#z = \text{Constant}$

\rightarrow all variables on one side, constant on other

\rightarrow manipulate eqns & add to create one eqn w/
one unknown

\rightarrow Conditional Solutions

- 3×3 System of Equations

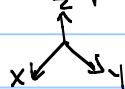
\rightarrow elimination (create a 2×2 system)

$$\rightarrow \text{matrices} \Rightarrow [x] = [A^{-1}] [B]$$

variable \uparrow coefficient \uparrow constant \uparrow

\rightarrow Quadratic Applications of 3×3 systems.

- 3D Graphing



\rightarrow sketching 3D planes

\rightarrow find & plot all 3 intercepts

\rightarrow Finding eqns of planes ($z = ax + by + c$)