

Summary on Inequalities:

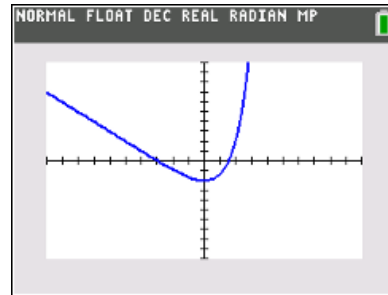
1. Graphical method – if question says no need exact or algebraic method.

Solve $e^x > x+3$.

$$e^x - x - 3 > 0$$

Sketch $y = e^x - x - 3$ and find the zeros.

Ans: $x < -2.95$ or $x > 1.51$.



2. Algebraic method

Solve $f(x) > g(x)$.

(1) First move all terms to one side, i.e. $f(x) - g(x) > 0$.

(2) Combine LHS into one algebraic fraction.

(3) Factorize the numerator and denominator whenever possible.

(4) Draw up a number line to alternate the sign or use graph.

***The sign does not alternate when there is a repeated root.**