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In percolation theory, an infinite random lattice graph model is studied. A fundamental quantity is the percolation threshold, often interpreted as a phase transition point, above which infinite clusters exist. Past applications of the substitution method derived rigorous upper and lower bounds for the percolation threshold of a lattice graph by comparison with a percolation model on an exactly-solved lattice graph. For a class of planar lattice graphs, an approach that does not require a reference lattice will be presented. (Received September 18, 2012)