

4.4-GRAPHS OF SINE AND COSINE: SINUSOIDS

I. COMBINING PHASE SHIFTS AND PERIOD CHANGE

Construct a sinusoid with a period of $\frac{\pi}{5}$ and amplitude of 6 that passes through (2,0).

$$y = a \sin(bx + c) + d$$

We need to determine a , b , c , and d .

$$|a| = 6 \quad pd = \frac{2\pi}{|b|} \quad \frac{\pi}{5} = \frac{2\pi}{|b|} \quad |b| = 10$$

Now for c ...

The sine curve goes through the origin at (0, 0). This curve passes through the point (2, 0), therefore, it is a horizontal translation 2 units to the right. This gives us a possible sinusoid of $f(x) = 6 \sin(10(x-2))$ or $f(x) = -6 \sin(10(x-2))$

Construct a sinusoid with a minimum value of $y = -5$ at $x = 0$ and a maximum value of $y = 25$ at $x = 32$.

Hint: First choose which general type of sinusoid you are constructing. (I would probably choose the cosine function for this one!)

$$y = a \cos(bx + c) + d$$

We need to determine a , b , c , and d .

$$|a| = \frac{25 - (-5)}{2} \quad pd = \frac{2\pi}{|b|}$$

Since the sinusoid passes through its minimum value at $x = 0$, a would be negative, giving us a sinusoid of

$$|a| = 15 \quad 64 = \frac{2\pi}{|b|}$$

$$y = -15 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{32}x\right) + 10$$

$$d = \frac{\max + \min}{2} \quad |b| = \frac{\pi}{32}$$

$$d = 10$$

II. CONSTRUCTING A SINUSOIDAL MODEL USING TIME

$$f(t) = A \sin(B(t - T)) + C$$

1.) Determine the amplitude.

$$A = \frac{\text{Max} - \text{Min}}{2}$$

2.) Determine the vert. shift.

$$C = \frac{\text{Max} + \text{Min}}{2}$$

3.) Determine the period.

$$B = \frac{2\pi}{pd}$$

4.) Choose the appropriate model

based on the behavior at the given time.

Max at t : $f(t) = A \cos(B(t-T)) + C$

Min at t : $f(t) = -A \cos(B(t-T)) + C$

$\frac{1}{2}$ way between Min and Max at t :

$$f(t) = A \sin(B(t-T)) + C$$

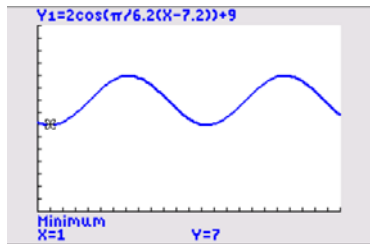
$\frac{1}{2}$ way between Max and Min at t :

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On Sept. 4, 2016 the high tide at the Jersey shore occurs at 7:12 AM. At that time the water at the Atlantic City Pier is measured to be 11 feet deep. AT 1:24 PM low tide occurs and the water measures only 7 feet deep. Assume the depth of the water is a sinusoidal function of time with a period of $\frac{1}{2}$ a lunar day (12 hr. 24 min.)

A.) At what time Sept. 4, 2016 does the first low tide occur?

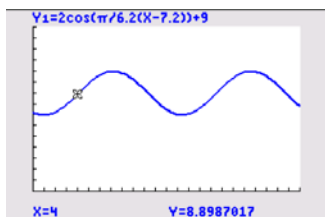
$$A = \frac{11-7}{2} = 2 \quad B = \frac{2\pi}{12.4} = \frac{\pi}{6.2} \quad C = \frac{11+7}{2} = 9 \quad T = 7.2$$



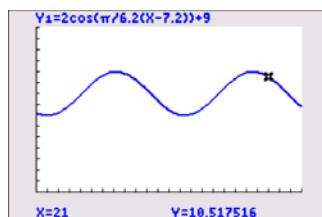
$$f(t) = 2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6.2}(t-7.2)\right) + 9$$

$$t = 1:00 \text{ am}$$

B.) What is the approximate depth of the water at 4:00 AM and 9:00 PM?

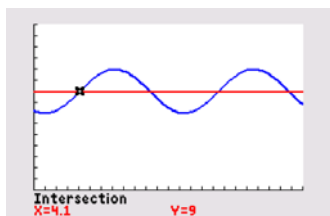


$$f(4) \approx 8.899 \text{ ft}$$



$$f(21) \approx 10.518 \text{ ft}$$

C.) What is the first time on Sept. 4, 2016 that the water was 9 feet deep?



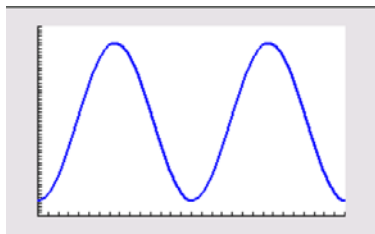
$$t = 4:06 \text{ am}$$

Joey and Sally are riding on a Ferris wheel at the county fair. The Ferris wheel has a diameter of 50 feet and turns at 4 revolutions per minute with its lowest point 5 feet above the ground. Assume that Joey and Sally's height h above the ground is a function of time t in seconds, where $t = 0$ represents the lowest point of the wheel.

A) Write an equation for h .

$$A = \frac{55-5}{2} = 25 \quad B = \frac{2\pi}{15} \quad C = \frac{55+5}{2} = 30 \quad h(t) = -25 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{15}t\right) + 30$$

B.) Draw a graph of h for $0 \leq t \leq 30$.



C.) Use h to estimate Joey and Sally's height at $t = 8$ seconds. $h(8) \approx 54.454 \text{ ft}$

