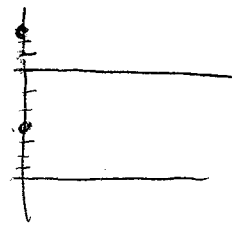


LESSON #7: WRITING A TRIGONOMETRIC MODEL (DAY 2)

Do Now:

Which statement is *incorrect* for the graph of the function $y = -3 \cos\left[\frac{\pi}{3}(x-4)\right] + 7$?



- 1) The period is 6. ✓
- 2) The amplitude is 3. ✓
- 3) The range is [4,10]. ✓
- ④ The midline is $y = -4$.

$$\frac{2\pi}{\frac{\pi}{3}} = 2\pi \cdot \frac{3}{\pi} = 6 \checkmark$$

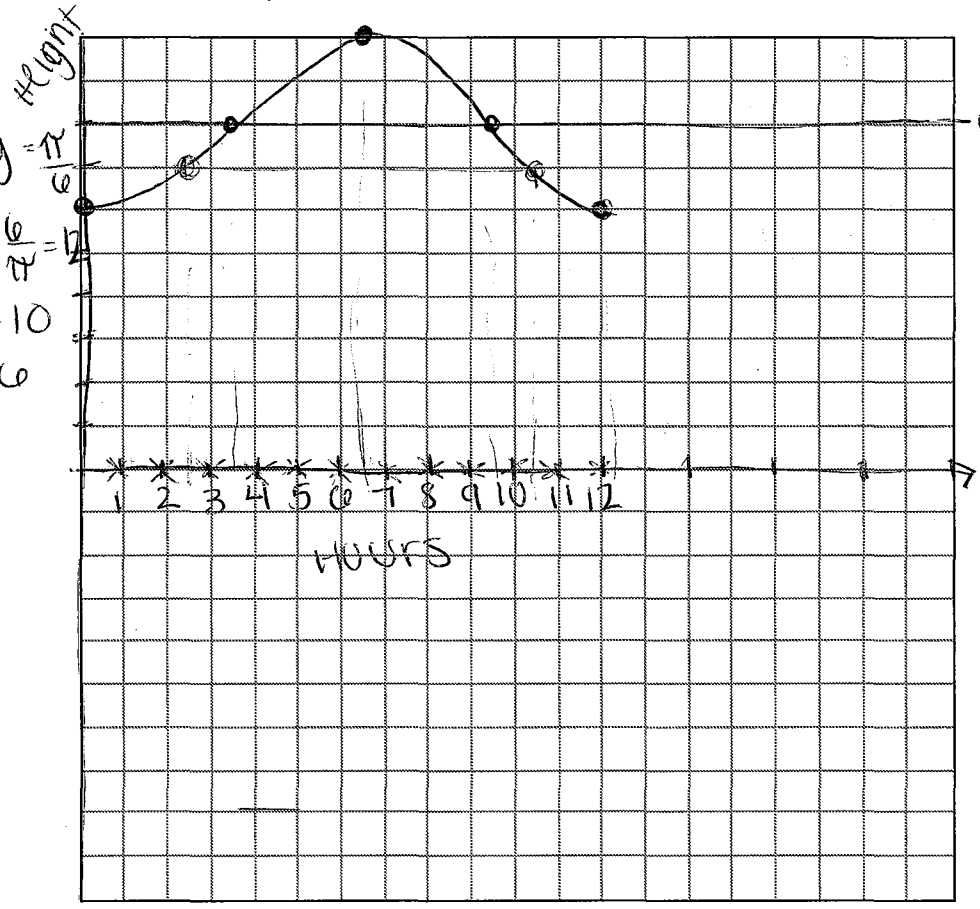
$$\begin{aligned} 7 + 3 &= 10 \\ 7 - 3 &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

$y = 7!$

1. The tide at a boat dock can be modeled by the equation $y = -2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6}t\right) + 8$, where t is the number of hours past noon and y is the height of the tide, in feet.

- a. For how many hours between $t = 0$ and $t = 12$ is the tide at least 7 feet?
 $10.5 - 2.5 = 8 \text{ hours}$
- b. How many hours does it take for the tide to reach its maximum height?
 6.5 hours
- c. What is the maximum height of the tide in feet?
 10 feet

amp = 2
 frequency = $\frac{\pi}{6}$
 period = $2\pi \cdot \frac{6}{\pi} = 12$
 max = $8 + 2 = 10$
 min = $8 - 2 = 6$



Xmin	0
Xmax	12
Xscl	1
Ymin	6
Ymax	10
Yscl	1

2. The average annual snowfall in a certain region is modeled by the function $S(t) = 10\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{5}t\right) + 20$, where S represents the annual snowfall, in inches, and t represents the number of years since 1970.

a. What is the minimum annual snowfall, in inches, for this region? $20 - 10 = \boxed{10}$

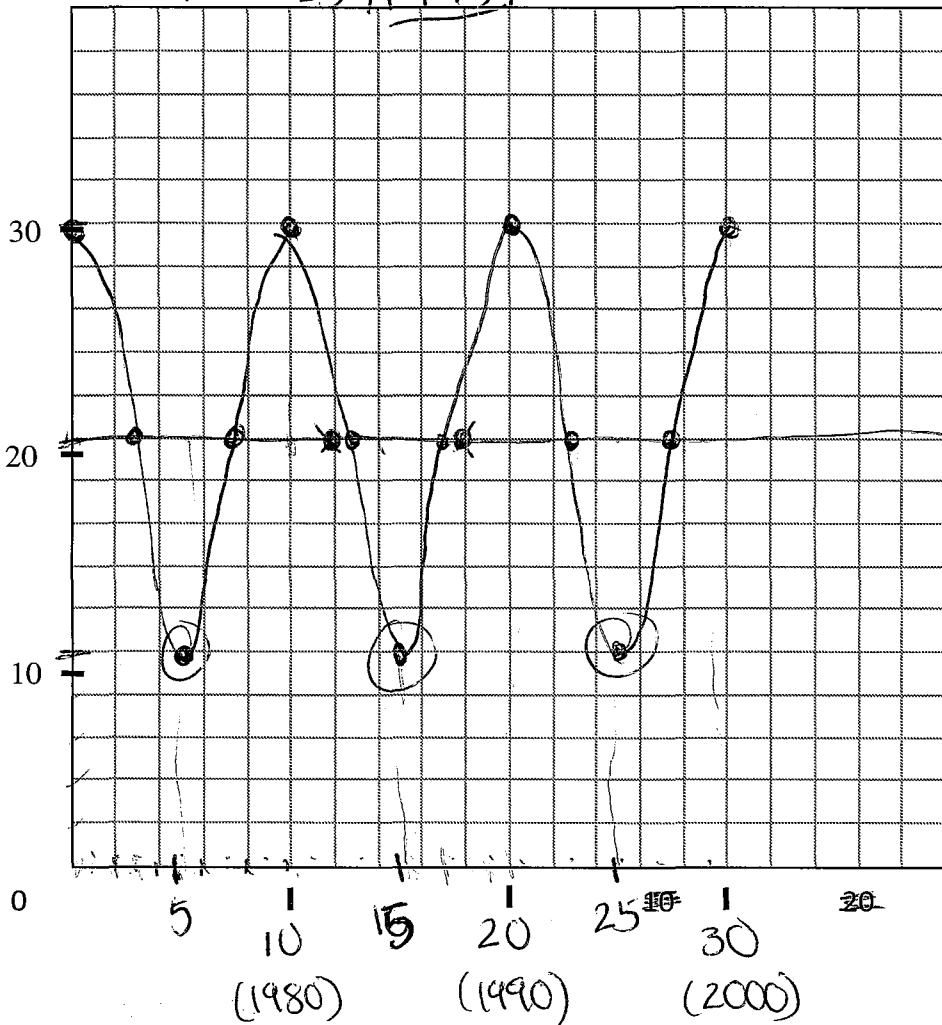
b. Find the period of the function.

$$\frac{2\pi}{\frac{\pi}{5}} = 2\pi \cdot \frac{5}{\pi} = \boxed{10} \quad \text{1 curve by 10}$$

c. In which years (there is more than one) between 1970 and 2000 did the minimum amount of snow fall?

$$\begin{aligned} 1970 + 5 &= \boxed{1975} \\ 1970 + 15 &= \boxed{1985} \\ 1970 + 25 &= \boxed{1995} \end{aligned}$$

snowfall



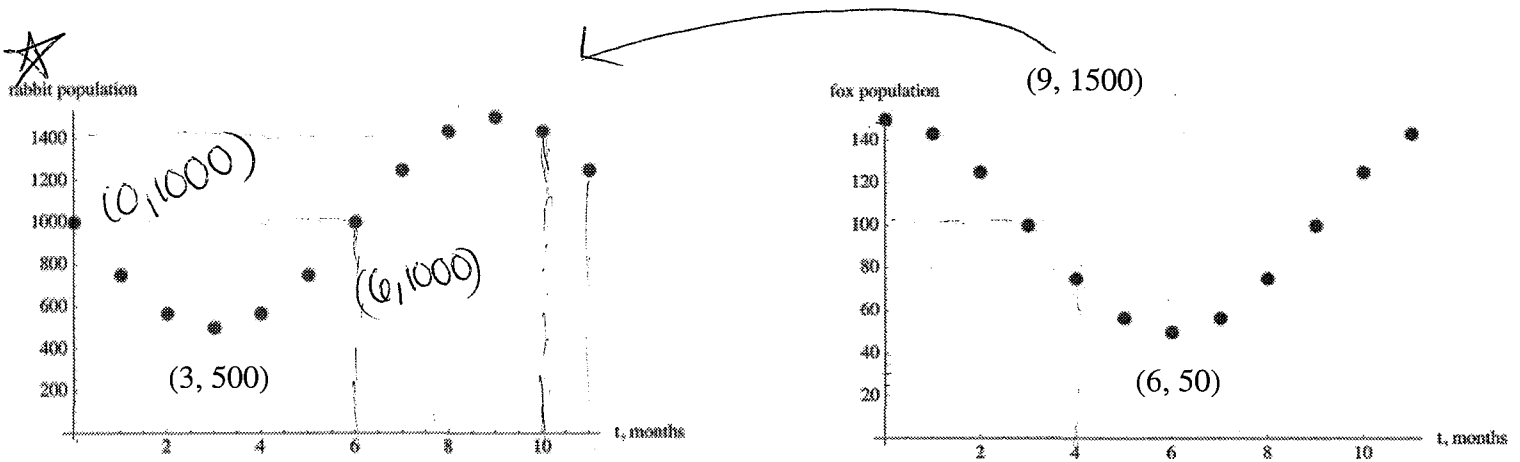
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Xmin	0
Xmax	30
Xscl	2
Ymin	10
Ymax	30
Yscl	2

years

LAB #4

1. Given below are two graphs that show the populations of foxes and rabbits in a national park over a 12 month period. The maximum and minimum points are given.



a. Examine both graphs, why it is appropriate to model the number of rabbits and foxes using a trigonometric function.

The population follows a cyclic pattern

b. Find an appropriate trigonometric function (equation) that models the number of rabbits, $r(t)$, as a function of time, with t in months.

$$y = 500 \sin(.52x + 3.14) + 1000$$

c. Find an appropriate trigonometric function (equation) that models the number of foxes, $f(t)$, as a function of time, with t in months.

2. Stephanie had observed that the number of squirrels she sees varies sinusoidally over the course of a year. She found that the equation $S(t) = -30\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6}t\right) + 50$ provided a good model for the average number of squirrels, $S(t)$, Stephanie sees per month where t represents the number of months since December 1.

a. What is the period of the function? Justify your answer.

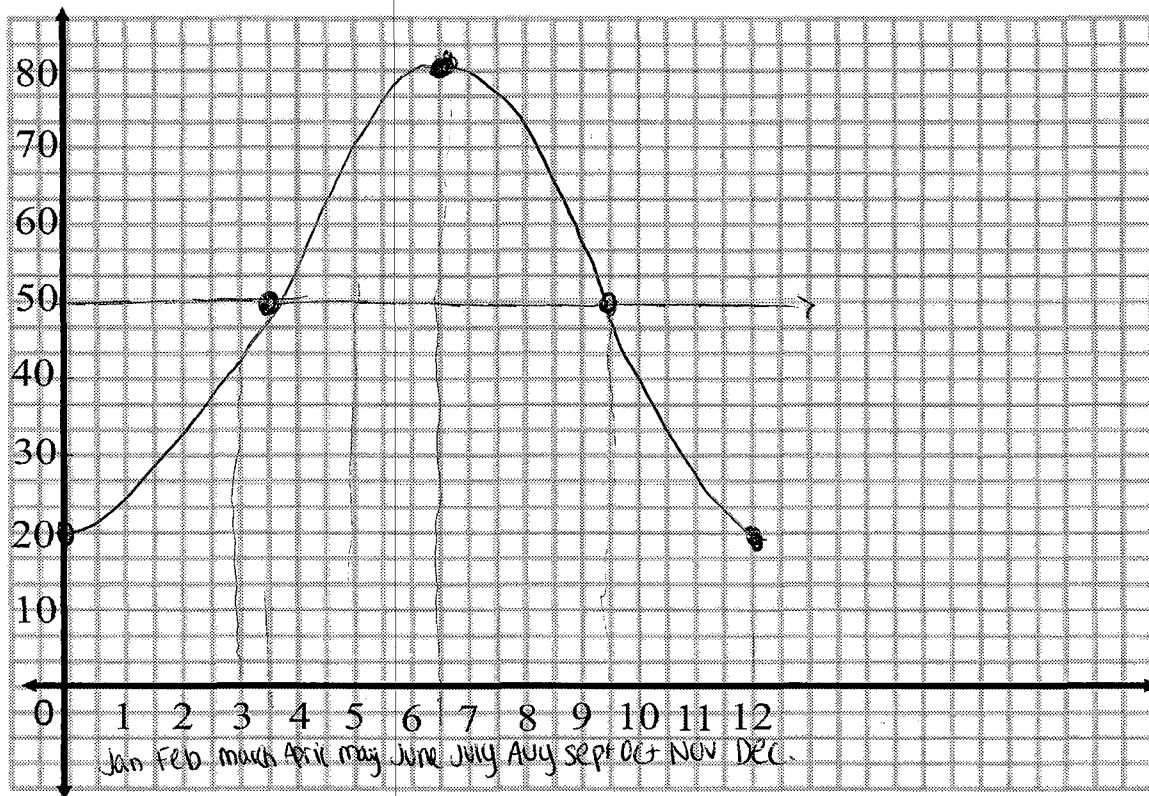
$$2\pi \cdot \frac{6}{\pi} = 12$$

b. Graph this function. Use your calculator to help you!

c. When did Stephanie see the most squirrels?
Between June + July

d. How many squirrels did she see then?

80



WINDOW

Xmin	0
Xmax	12
Xscl	1
Ymin	0
Ymax	80
Yscl	10

e. What is the average number of squirrel that Stephanie saw on March 1? On May 1?

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