

## Mathematics 11U 6.1 – Periodic and Sinusoidal Functions

This chapter deals with **Sinusoidal Functions**, which are just a type (a subset) of **Periodic Functions**. The two sinusoidal functions we will work with are:  $f(x) = \sin x$  and  $f(\theta) = \cos \theta$

### Periodic Function:

- a graph which repeats itself. The pattern must be exactly the same each time.

### Period:

- one section of the graph that is repeated
- the length on the x-axis of one cycle, one period

### Peak:

- the maximum

### Trough:

- the minimum

$$\left| \frac{3}{7} = 0.\overline{428571}428571428571\dots \right.$$

Period = 428571      Length of Period  
= 6

### Equation of Axis:

- the "middle" of the graph on the y-axis.

$$y = \frac{\text{peak} + \text{trough}}{2}$$

### Amplitude:

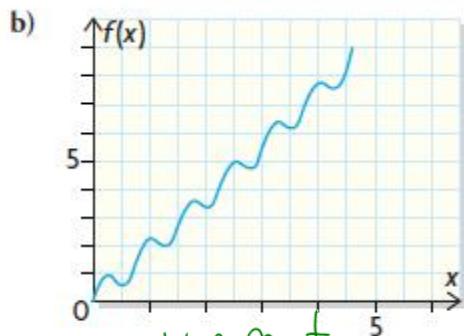
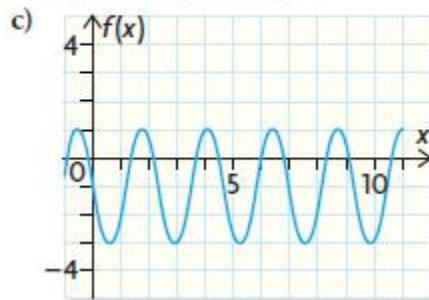
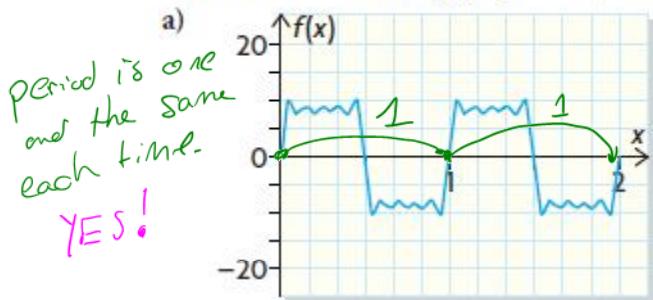
- the distance from the middle to the peak or trough → always positive.

$$\text{amp} = \text{peak} - \text{middle}$$

$$\text{amp} = \text{middle} - \text{trough}$$

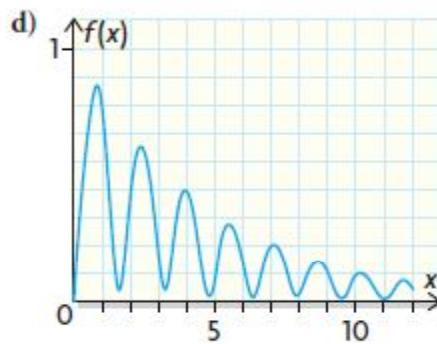
$$\text{amp} = \frac{\text{peak} - \text{trough}}{2}$$

1. Which of the following graphs are periodic? Explain why or why not.



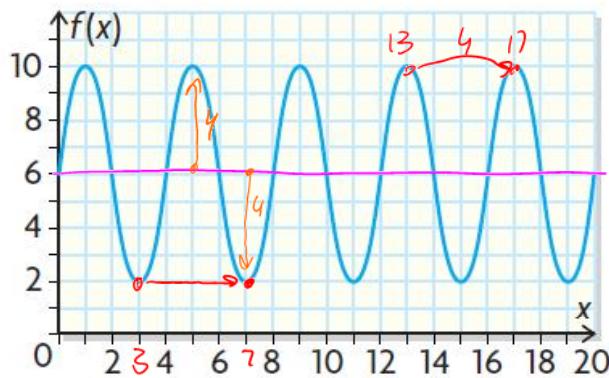
- doesn't repeat  
- keeps increasing

Not periodic



doesn't repeat  
not periodic.

2. Determine the range, period, equation of the axis, and amplitude of the function shown.



2. Period:  $7-3 = 4$

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3. Equation of Axis:

$$y = \frac{10+2}{2}$$

$$y = 6$$

4. Amplitude:

$$\text{amp} = 4$$

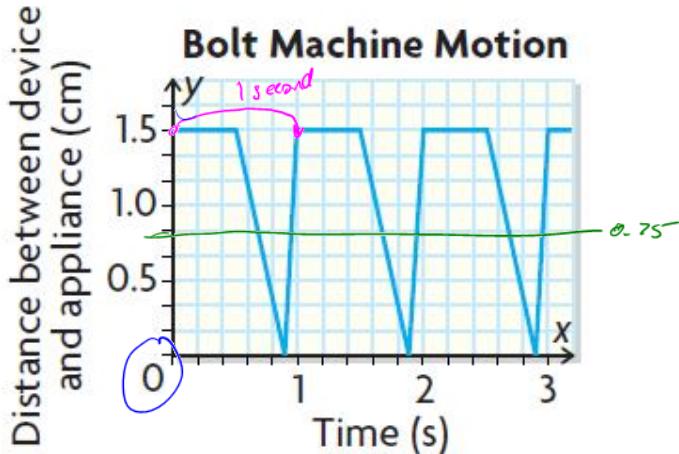
$$\text{amp} = \frac{10-2}{2} = 4$$

1. Range: Peak = 10 Trough = 2

$$\{ f(x) \in \mathbb{R} \mid 2 \leq f(x) \leq 10 \}$$

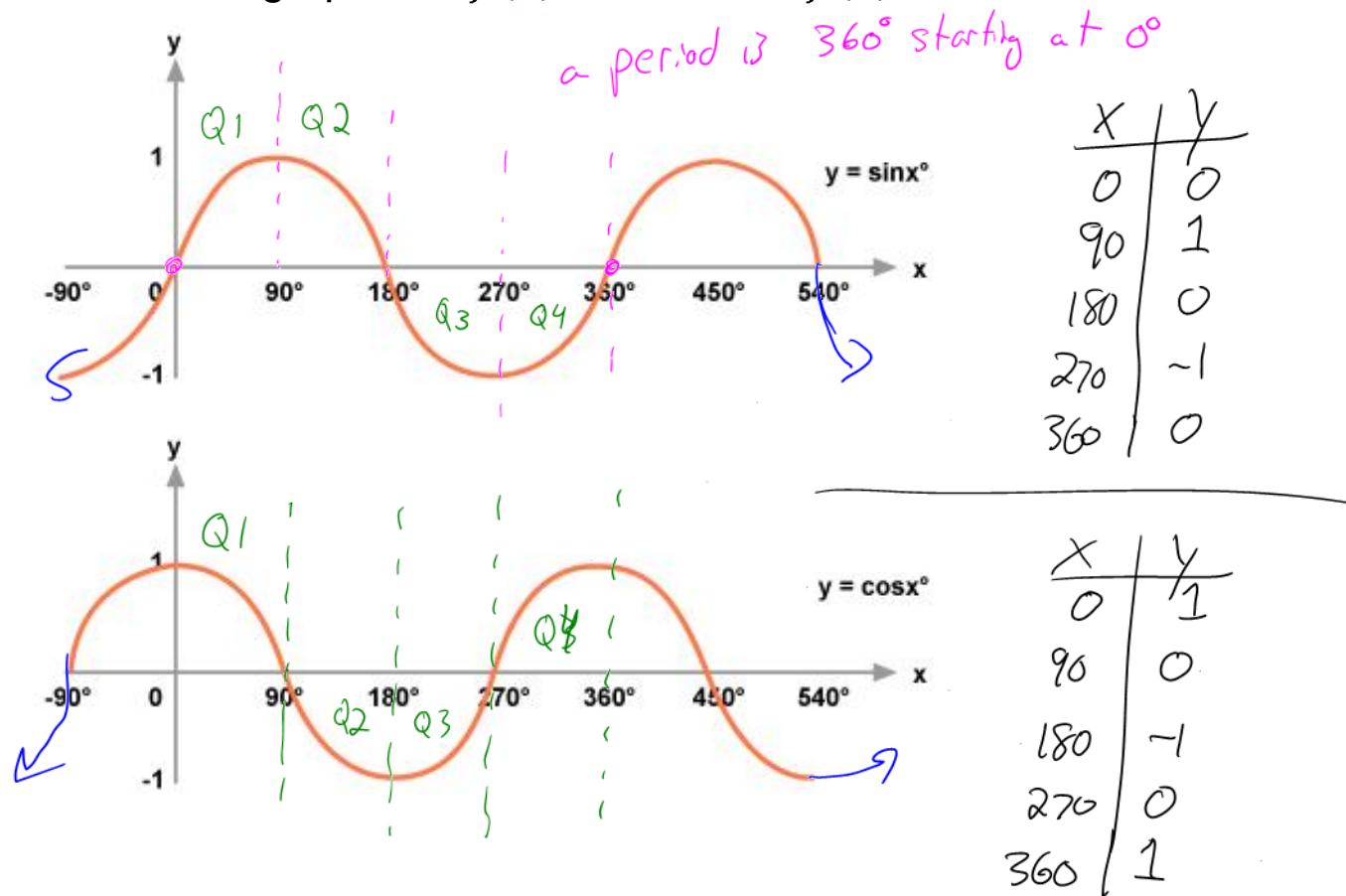
y is inbetween 2 and 10.

3. The motion of an automated device for attaching bolts to a household appliance on an assembly line can be modelled by the graph shown at the left.
- What is the period of one complete cycle? one second
  - What is the maximum distance between the device and the appliance? 1.5 cm
  - What is the range of this function?  $\{y \in \mathbb{R} | 0 \leq y \leq 1.5\}$
  - If the device can run for five complete cycles only before it must be turned off, determine the domain of the function.  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} | 0 \leq x \leq 5\}$
  - Determine the equation of the axis.  $y = \frac{1.5+0}{2} = 0.75$
  - Determine the amplitude.  $y = \frac{1.5-0}{2} = 0.75$  peak-middle =  $1.5 - 0.75 = 0.75$
  - There are several parts to each complete cycle of the graph. Explain what each part could mean in the context of "attaching the bolt."



## 6.2 – Sinusoidal Functions

What do the graphs of:  $f(\theta) = \sin \theta$  and  $f(\theta) = \cos \theta$  look like?



$$f(x) = a \sin(k(x-d)) + c$$

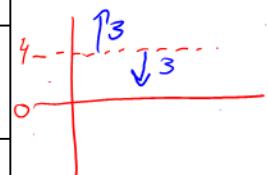
Function	$f(x) = 3 \sin(2x - 180) + 4$ Factored		
Proper Function	$f(x) = 3 \sin(2(x - 90)) + 4$		
Amplitude $=  a $ , must be positive.	3 vertical stretch		
Period $\frac{360^\circ}{K}$	$\frac{360^\circ}{2} = 180^\circ$ one cycle	$\frac{1}{2} = \text{H. Stretch}$	d = Horizontal Shift
Phase Shift d	90°	horiz. shift	c = Vertical shift.
Equation of Axis $y = c$	$y = 4$	vert. shift.	
Domain (2 cycles) Start at 0°	$\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 \leq x \leq 360\}$ $180 \times 2$		
Range Trough to Peak	$\text{Peak} = c + a = 4 + 3 = 7$	$\text{Trough} = c - a = 4 - 3 = 1$	$1 \leq f(x) \leq 7$

a = vertical stretch

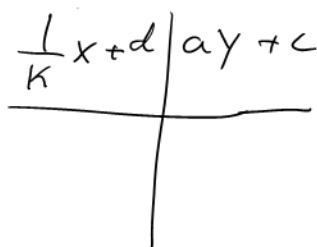
K = Horizontal stretch

d = Horizontal shift

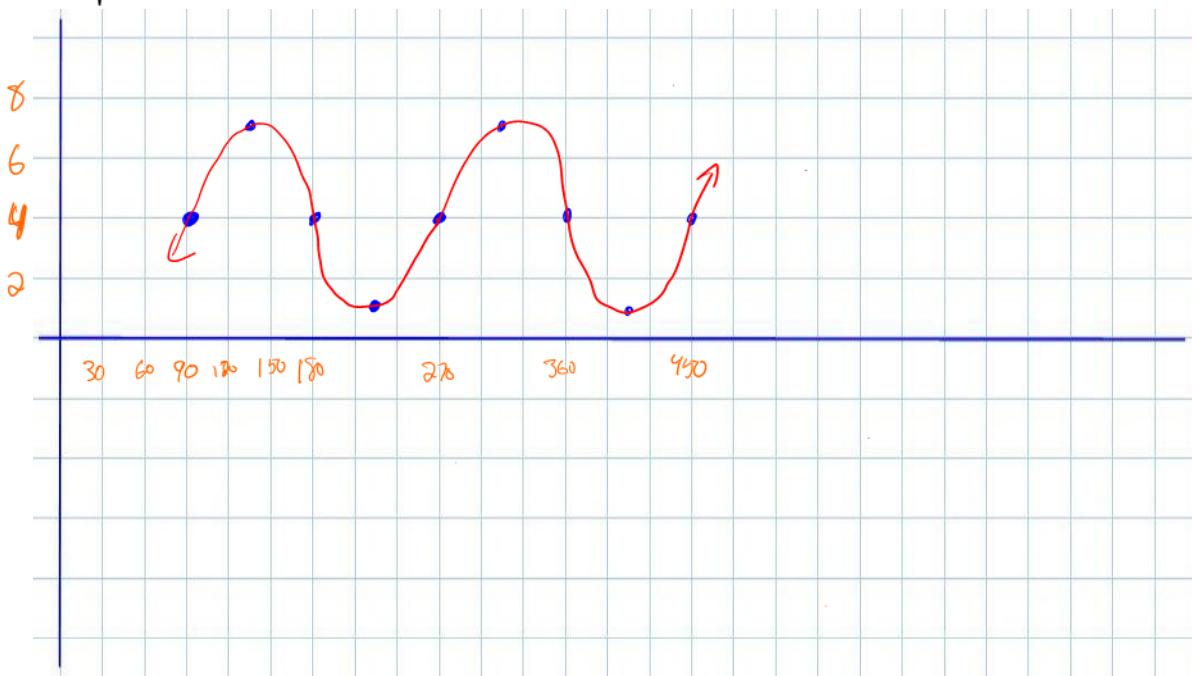
c = Vertical shift.



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x	y	$\frac{1}{2}x + 90$	$3y + 4$
0	0	90	4
90	1	135	7
180	0	180	4
270	-1	225	1
360	0	270	4

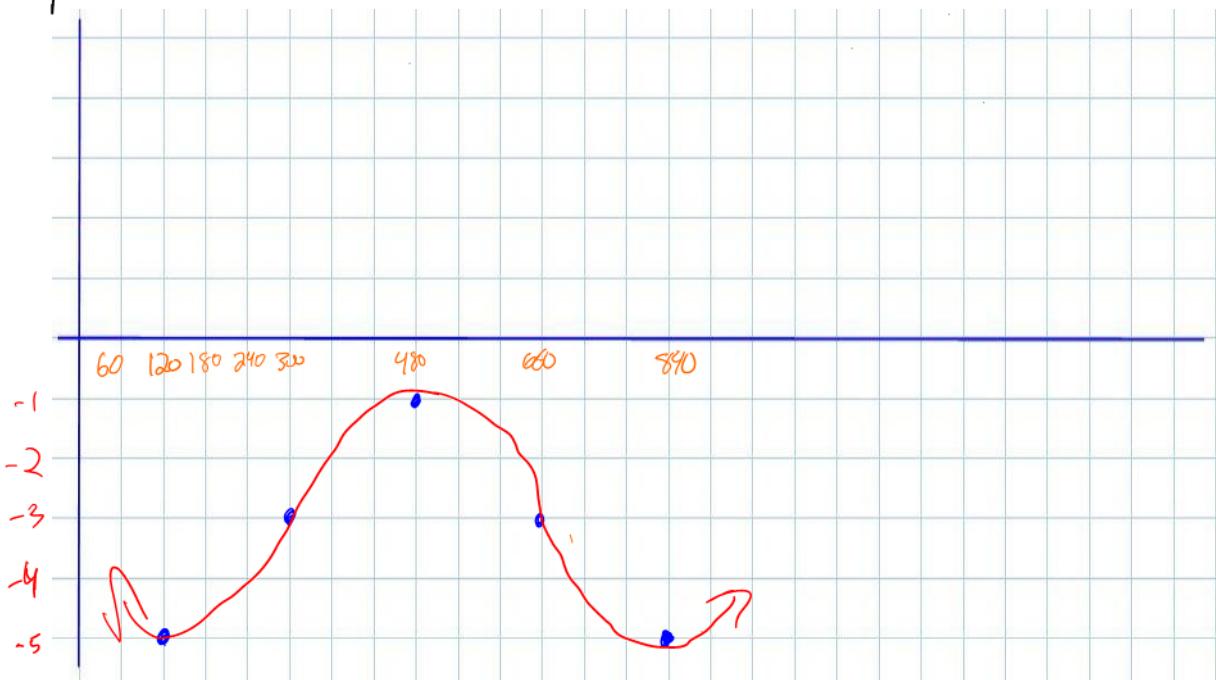


Start with  
 $y = \sin x$

Function	$f(x) = -2 \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}x - 60\right) - 3$
Proper Function	$f(x) = -2 \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}(x - 120)\right) - 3$
Amplitude	$ a $
Period	$\frac{360}{\frac{1}{2}} = 720$
Phase Shift	$120$
Equation of Axis	$y = -3$
Domain (2 cycles)	$\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 \leq x \leq 1440\}$
Range	$\text{Peak} = C + \text{amp}$ $= -3 + 2$ $= -1$
	$\text{Trough} = C - \text{amp}$ $= -3 - 2$ $= -5$
	$-5 \leq y \leq -1$

start with cosine

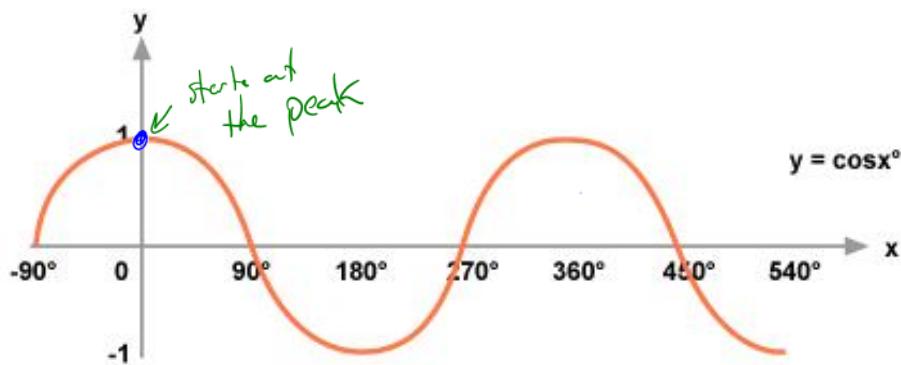
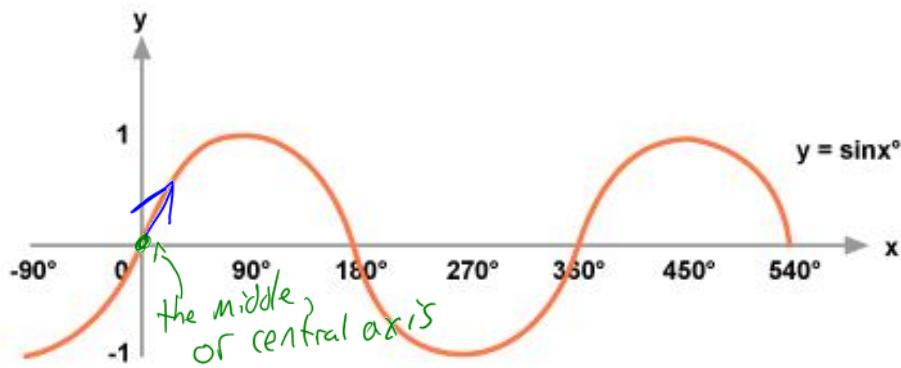
x	y	$2x + 120$	$-2y - 3$
0	1	120	-5
90	0	300	-3
180	-1	480	-1
270	0	660	-3
360	1	840	-5



Transformations

## 6.6 – Models of Sinusoidal Functions

A reminder of our sinusoidal functions:



The key to creating equations:

$$f(x) = a \sin(k(x - d)) + c$$

Amplitude =  $a$ , found by  $\frac{\text{peak} - \text{trough}}{2}$  or  $\text{amp} = \frac{\text{peak} - \text{trough}}{2}$

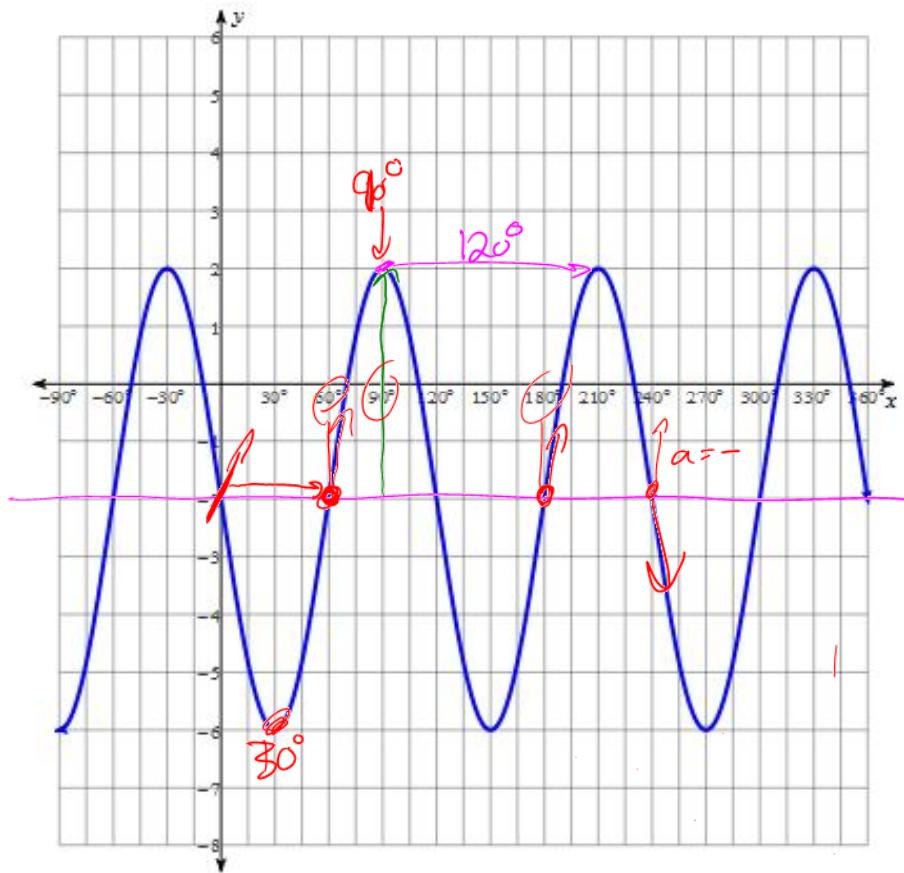
$$\text{Period} = \frac{360^\circ}{k} \quad \text{therefore } k = \frac{360}{\text{Period}}$$

Phase Shift =  $d$  – this is your “starting point” – must be peak, EoA or trough

$$\text{Equation of Axis} = c, \text{ found by } \frac{\text{peak} + \text{trough}}{2}$$

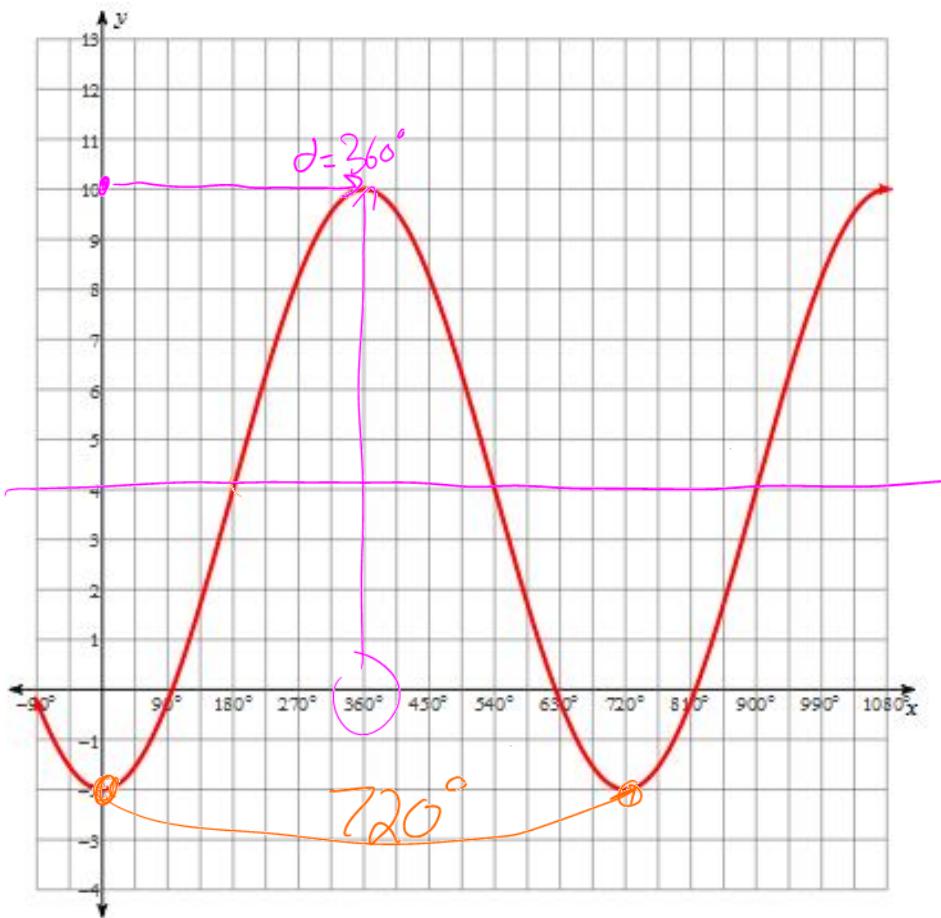
	Starting at...
+sin	Equation of axis, then heads to peak
-sin	Equation of axis, then heads to trough
+cos	Peak
-cos	Trough

} depends on the phase shift or “ $d$ ”



Peak and Trough	$P=2 \quad T=-6$
Equation of Axis	$y = \frac{2 + -6}{2} = -2 \quad \textcircled{E}$
Amplitude	$\text{amp} = 4 \quad \left  \frac{2 - -6}{2} = 4 \right. \quad \textcircled{a}$
Period and $k$	$\text{period} = 120^\circ \quad \underline{k = \frac{360}{120} = 3}$
Phase Shift for sine	$\underline{\underline{d = 60}} \quad \parallel \quad \underline{\underline{d = 240}} \quad f(x) = -4 \sin(3(x - 240)) - 2$
Phase Shift for cosine	$x\text{-value for peak} = 90^\circ \quad a = + \quad \left  \quad x\text{-value for a trough} = 30^\circ \quad a = - \right.$
Functions	$f(x) = 4 \sin(3(x - 60)) - 2$ $f(x) = 4 \cos(3(x - 90)) - 2$

$$f(x) = 4 \cos(3(x - 30)) - 2$$



Peak and Trough	$P = 10 \quad T = -2$
Equation of Axis	$y = \frac{10 + -2}{2} = 4 \quad (c)$
Amplitude	$\text{amp} = 6 \quad (a)$
Period and $k$	$\text{period} = 720^\circ \quad k = \frac{360}{720} = \frac{1}{2} \quad (k)$
Phase Shift for sine	blah
Phase Shift for cosine	$d = 360^\circ$ <sup>peak</sup> $a +$
Functions	$f(x) = 6 \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}(x - 360)\right) + 4$

$x$	$0^\circ$	$45^\circ$	$90^\circ$	$135^\circ$	$180^\circ$	$225^\circ$	$270^\circ$
$y$	9	7	5	7	9	7	5

$$\text{Peak} = 9$$

$$\text{Trough} = 5$$

$$\text{Middle} \Rightarrow y = 7 \quad (\textcircled{c})$$

$$\text{Amp} = \frac{9-5}{2} = 2 \quad (\textcircled{a})$$

$$\text{Period} = 180^\circ$$

$$k = \frac{360}{180} = 2$$

Zach said use  $90^\circ$  which is a trough  $\therefore -\cosine$ .

$$f(x) = -2 \cos(2(x-90)) + 7$$

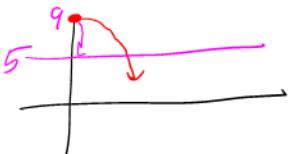
A sinusoidal function has an amplitude of 4 units, a period of  $120^\circ$ , and a maximum at  $(0, 9)$ . Determine the equation of the function.

$$\text{amp} = 4 \quad (\textcircled{a})$$

$$\text{period} = 120^\circ$$

$$k = \frac{360}{120} = 3 \quad (\textcircled{k})$$

$x$ -coordinate of the peak  $\therefore d = 0$



$$\therefore f(x) = 4 \cos(3(x-0)) + 5$$

$$\text{Peak at } 9.$$

$$f(x) = 4 \cos(3x) + 5$$

$$\text{Middle} = \text{Peak} - \text{amp} \\ \geq 9 - 4 = 5 \quad (\textcircled{c})$$

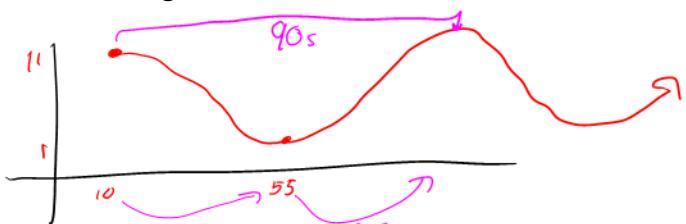
A group of students is tracking a friend, John, who is riding a Ferris wheel. They know that John reaches a maximum height of 11m at 10s and then reaches a minimum height of 1m at 55s. How high is John after 2 minutes?

$$\text{Time} = x$$

$$\text{Max} : (10, 11)$$

$$\text{height} = y$$

$$\text{Min} : (55, 1)$$



$$\text{Peak} = 11$$

$$\text{Trough} = 1$$

$$\text{Middle: } y = \frac{1+11}{2} = 6 \quad (\textcircled{c})$$

$$\text{Amp: } 11-6 = 5 \quad (\textcircled{a})$$

$$\text{Period: } 90^\circ \quad k = \frac{360}{90} = 4 \quad (\textcircled{k})$$

$$10 = d$$

$$f(x) = 5 \cos(4(x-10)) + 6$$

$$2 \text{ minutes} = 120 \text{ seconds}$$

$$f(120) = 5 \cos(4(120-10)) + 6$$

$$f(120) = 6.9 \text{ metres}$$