

## Lesson #5.5: Making Connections and Instantaneous Rate of Change

**Example #1:** The variations in mean daily minimum temperatures for Fernie, British Columbia, a ski area in the interior of B.C., from January 1 to December 31, are shown.

Month	Temperature (°C)
1	-11.7
2	-8.7
3	-5.4
4	-1.3
5	2.5
6	6.3
7	8.0
8	7.4
9	3.5
10	-0.4
11	-4.9
12	-10.0

$P_{2\pi} = \frac{2\pi}{K}$   
 $K = \frac{2\pi}{P} = \frac{\pi}{6}$

a) Write a sine function to model the data.

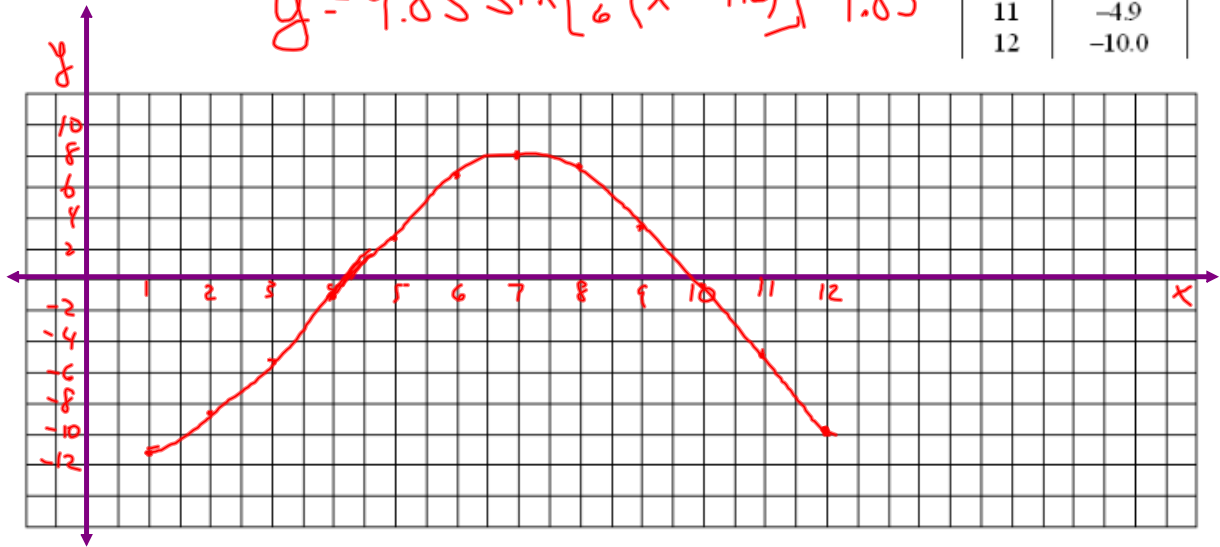
Period  $\Rightarrow$  12 months  
 Vert. Shift  $\Rightarrow \frac{8 - 11.7}{2} = -1.85$

amp = 9.85

PS  $\Rightarrow$  from graph about 4.2

b) Make a scatter plot of the data. Then, graph the model on the same set of axes. How well does the curve fit the data in the scatter plot?

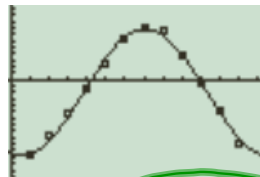
$$y = 9.85 \sin\left[\frac{\pi}{6}(x - 4.2)\right] - 1.85$$



c) Check your model using a sinusoidal regression using technology. How does the regression equation compare with the model?

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SinReg
y=a*sin(bx+c)+d
a=9.747897064
b=.4854820931
c=-1.856023496
d=-1.96749194
    
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d) Describe what you would do if instead of using a sine function as your model you used a cosine function to model the data.

$$y = 9.85 \cos\left[\frac{\pi}{6}(x - 7.2)\right] - 1.85 + 4.8$$

e) Estimate the rate of change of the daily minimum temperature on October 1.

-4.684

The temperature on Oct 1 is decreasing at a rate of  $-4.684^\circ\text{C}/\text{month}$

Homework: pg 296; #1 - 4, 6, 7, 10

$x$	$\Delta x$	$\Delta y$	$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$
$9 \rightarrow 10$	1	-4.34	-4.34
$9.5 \rightarrow 10$	0.5	-2.27	-4.55
$9.9 \rightarrow 10$			-4.666
$9.99 \rightarrow 10$			-4.682
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