- [6 points] You are an intern at A&B, Alice & Bob Inc. It's the year 2055, and you're headed to Mars to help the newest A&B store, which will open there on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2056.
  - **a**. [3 points] The daily sales of space suits, in thousands, at the new store d Earth days after it opens can be modeled by the sinusoidal function

$$S(d) = 16\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{687} \cdot d\right) + 17.$$

*i.* The function S(d) has a period of one Mars year. Use this information to find the length of a Mars year in units of Earth days.

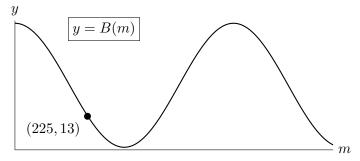
Answer: One Mars year is <u>687</u> Earth days.

*ii.* According to this model, what are the minimum and maximum daily sales, in thousands, of A&B space suits on Mars?

minimum sales of <u>1</u> thousand suits

maximum sales of \_\_\_\_\_\_ thousand suits

**b.** [3 points] The daily sales of space boots, in thousands, at the new store m Mars days after it opens can be modeled by a different sinusoidal function B(m), which also has a period of one Mars year, which is 670 Mars days. The graph of B(m) is given below. Note that a maximum occurs at m = 0.



The first time that daily sales of space boots equals 13,000 is m = 225 Mars days after the store opens, as shown on the graph. Find the next two values of m at which daily sales of space boots will equal 13,000 according to this model. You do not need to simplify your answers.

Solution: We know that the period is equal to 670 and m = 0 is a maximum. Therefore, using the symmetry of the graph, the next time sales will be 13,000 is

$$670 - 225 = 445.$$

To get the third time when sales are 13,000 we should just add a period to the first solution:

$$225 + 670 = 895.$$