

**Math 112: #23 A/B/C**

A) Use the difference identity  $\cos(\alpha - \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta$

to re-express  $f(x) = 3\cos x + 4\sin x$

as  $f(x) = A \cos(x - \alpha)$

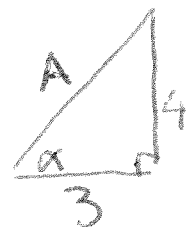
That is, find  $A > 0$  and  $\alpha$  for which  $A \cos(x - \alpha) = 3\cos x + 4\sin x$

$$\frac{A \cos(x - \alpha)}{A} = \frac{3 \cos x + 4 \sin x}{A}$$

$$\cos(x - \alpha) = \frac{3}{A} \cos x + \frac{4}{A} \sin x$$

$$\cos x \cos \alpha + \sin x \sin \alpha = \frac{3}{A} \cos x + \frac{4}{A} \sin x$$

$$\text{So } \cos \alpha = \frac{3}{A} \text{ and } \sin \alpha = \frac{4}{A}$$



$$A^2 = 3^2 + 4^2$$

$$A = \sqrt{9 + 16} = 5$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) \alpha$$

$$5 \cos\left(x - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)\right) = 3 \cos x + 4 \sin x$$

B) Use the difference identity  $\cos(\alpha - \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta$

to re-express  $f(t) = -5\cos t + 12\sin t$

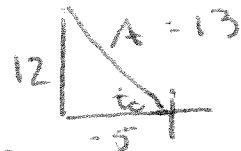
as  $f(t) = A \cos(t - t_0)$

That is, find  $A > 0$  and  $t_0$  for which  $A \cos(t - t_0) = -5\cos t + 12\sin t$

$$\frac{A \cos(t - t_0)}{A} = \frac{-5\cos t}{A} + \frac{12\sin t}{A}$$

$$\cos(t - t_0) = \cos t \cos t_0 + \sin t \sin t_0 = \frac{-5}{A} \cos t + \frac{12}{A} \sin t$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos t_0 = \frac{-5}{A} \quad \sin t_0 = \frac{12}{A}$$



$$13 \cos\left(t - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{12}{-5}\right)\right)$$

or

$$\leftarrow \begin{aligned} \tan \alpha &= \frac{12}{-5} \\ \alpha &= \tan^{-1}\left(-\frac{12}{5}\right) = \alpha \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} A^2 &= (-5)^2 + 12^2 \\ A &= \sqrt{169} = 13 \end{aligned}$$

$$13 \cos\left(t + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{12}{5}\right)\right) \quad \text{since } \tan\left(\frac{12}{5}\right) = -\tan\left(-\frac{12}{5}\right)$$

C) Use the difference identity  $\cos(\alpha - \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta$

to re-express  $f(t) = 6\cos t - 8\sin t$

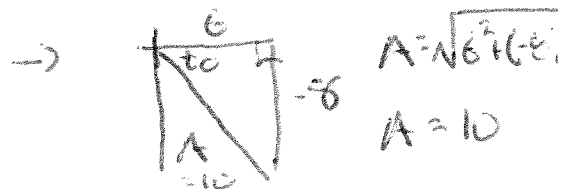
as  $f(t) = A \cos(t - t_0)$

That is, find  $A > 0$  and  $t_0$  for which  $A \cos(t - t_0) = 6\cos t - 8\sin t$

$$\frac{A \cos(t - t_0)}{A} = \frac{6\cos t}{A} - \frac{8\sin t}{A}$$

$$\cos(t - t_0) = \cos t \cos t_0 + \sin t \sin t_0 = \frac{6}{A} \cos t - \frac{8}{A} \sin t$$

$$\text{so } \cos t_0 = \frac{6}{A} \quad \text{and} \quad \sin t_0 = -\frac{8}{A}$$



$$\therefore 10 \cos\left(t - \tan^{-1}\left(-\frac{4}{3}\right)\right) = 6\cos t - 8\sin t$$

$$\text{or } = 10 \cos\left(t + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)\right)$$

$$\text{because } \tan\left(-\frac{4}{3}\right) = -\tan\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)$$

$$\tan t_0 = \frac{-8}{6} = -\frac{4}{3}$$

$$\tan^{-1}\left(-\frac{4}{3}\right) = t_0$$