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a)  
[2 pt]

$f = 200 \text{ Hz}$  since  $\sin(\omega t)$  has freq 1 Hz. (period 1 s)

$$T = \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{200} = 0.005 \text{ s}$$



b)  
[2 pt]

Period is minimum, positive such time shift so signal remains unchanged  
So period is not 0.01, rather 0.05 s

c)  
[3 pt]

$\sin(200t)$ ? recall  $\sin(2\pi ft)$  has freq.  $f$  so  $200 = 2\pi f$

d)

7 semis =  $2^{7/12} = 1.4983\dots$

$f = \frac{200}{2\pi} \approx 31.8 \text{ Hz}$

[3 pt]

close to  $3:2 = 3/2 = 1.5$

$T = \frac{1}{f} = 0.0314 \text{ sec.}$

notice 3-4 digit accuracy is enough!

% error =  $\frac{1.4983\dots - 1.5}{1.5} \times 100\% \approx -0.113\%$

Cents error: any two numbers form a ratio, eg  $r = \frac{1.4983\dots}{1.5} \approx 0.99887\dots$

Expressed in cents, #cents =  $1200 \frac{\log r}{\log 2} \approx -1.96 \text{ cents}$

Another way to get:  $3/2$  is how many equal-tempered semis?  $n = 12 \frac{\log 3/2}{\log 2} \approx 7.0196\dots$   
1.96 cents more than 7.

2  
[6 total]

F6 = 1 octave & 8 semitones above A4 (440 Hz)

$$f_{F6} = 440 \cdot 2 \cdot 2^{8/12} \text{ Hz} = 1396.91\dots \text{ Hz}$$

$$\approx 1397 \text{ Hz to 3 significant digits}$$

C4 is below A4 since C5 is 3 semis above A4.

$$f_{C4} = 440 \cdot 2^{-9/12} = 261.6 \text{ Hz}$$

Eb1 is 3 octaves below Eb4 which is 6 semis below A4.

$$\text{so } f_{Eb1} = 440 \cdot 2^{-3} \cdot 2^{-6/12} = 38.9 \text{ Hz}$$

you can use log to any base (eg log<sub>10</sub>)  
but I prefer you use natural log ("ln")

3. a)  $n = 12 \frac{\log \frac{422.5}{440}}{\log 2} \approx -0.703$

nearest A4, 30 cents sharp of it.  
(70 cents flat of A4) or G4

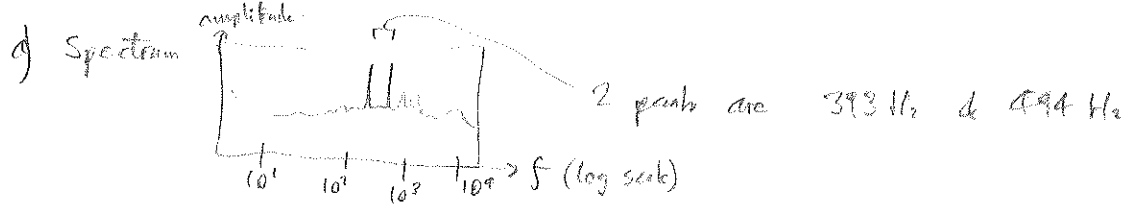
b)  $n = 12 \frac{\log \frac{120}{440}}{\log 2} = -22.49$

closest to -22 = -24 + 2

so 2 octaves & 2 semis down from A4,  
below up

⇒ B2, 49 cents flat of it.

4. (6+2 bonus)



b)  $n = 12 \frac{\log \frac{393}{440}}{\log 2} = -1.956$  semitones relative to A4.

so 4 cents sharp of G4  
0 cents sharp of B4

$n = 12 \frac{\log \frac{494}{440}}{\log 2} = 2.004$

c)  $r = \frac{494}{393} \approx 1.2570 \approx \frac{5}{4}$  to within 0.6%

Interval is 4 semitones, called 'major third'

d) It's a dial tone from our landline phone system, transposed up 2 semitones! (pitch-shifted)  
(usual dial tone is F4 & A4)

5. (8 pts)

a) iii) zero-crossings getting less frequent as f decreasing.

b) iv)  $g(t) = t \sin t$  and i) does it too!

c) v) since plot it:  $\sin(t^2)$ .

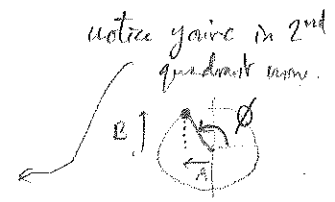
d) none do that.

6.



relates sin & cos ampl. to sin ampl. w/ phase  $\phi$ .  
so  $A = C \cos \phi$   
 $B = C \sin \phi$

$\sin(200\pi t + \frac{2\pi}{3})$   
 $C=1$   $\phi = \frac{2\pi}{3} = 120^\circ$   
so  $A = 1 \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} = -1/2$   
 $B = 1 \sin \frac{2\pi}{3} = \sqrt{3}/2 \approx 0.866$



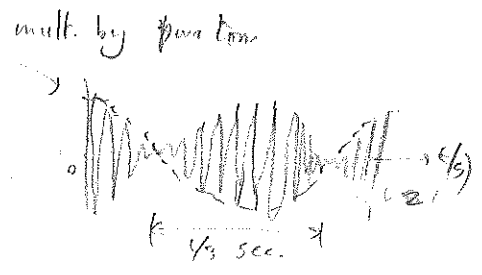
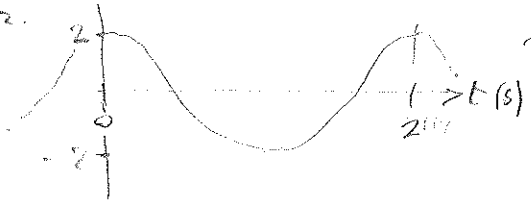
It will sound identical to  $\sin(200\pi t)$  since the time offset involved ( $\frac{1}{2}$  of period 0.01s) is tiny, and our ears don't care much about phase shifts. [Try out w/ auditory if you don't believe it]

7. a)  $\sin 400\pi t + \sin 402\pi t = g(t)$   $\omega = 2\pi f$

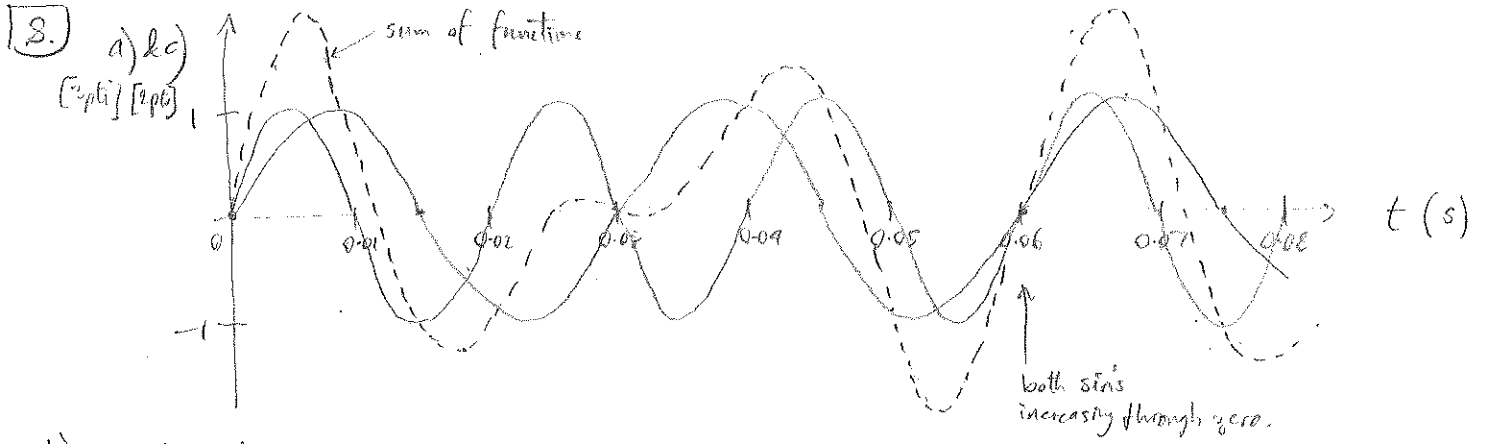
b) You hear a tone at around 200.5 Hz, changing loudness (pulsating) 1 times a second, i.e. beats, beating at  $1 \text{ Hz} = |f_2 - f_1|$

c) using  $\sin a + \sin b = 2 \cos \frac{a-b}{2} \sin \frac{a+b}{2}$  (derived in handout)  
 and substituting  $\begin{cases} a = 400\pi t \\ b = 402\pi t \end{cases}$ , get  $g(t) = 2(\cos 1\pi t)(\sin 401\pi t)$

slowly-varying amplitude (from 0 to  $\pm 2$ ), reaches largest size of values ( $\pm 2$ ) twice per 0.5 Hz cycle, i.e. at 1 Hz. pure tone



see notes on beats



b)  $\sin 100\pi t$   $\omega = 100\pi$  so  $f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \frac{100\pi}{2\pi} = 50 \text{ Hz}$ ,  $T = \frac{1}{50} = 0.02 \text{ s}$   
 $\sin \frac{200}{3}\pi t$   $f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \frac{200\pi/3}{2\pi} = \frac{100}{3} = 33.3 \text{ Hz}$ ,  $T = \frac{3}{100} = 0.03 \text{ s}$  } use to figure out zero-crossings first!

d) sum function repeats only when both sin curves repeat, i.e. are doing the same thing together. This is at 0.06s, i.e. when one has done 3 whole periods, and other has done 2.

Notice  $6 = \text{least common multiple of } 2 \text{ \& } 3 = \text{lcm}(2, 3)$

Freq. ratio  $\frac{100/2}{100/3} = \frac{3}{2}$  is "perfect 5<sup>th</sup>", or v. close to 7 semitones in equal temperament.