

**Example 3-2:** The plots in Fig. ?? illustrate several points about the spectrum for the sum of two signals. The spectrum of  $x_1(t)$  is shown in Fig. ??(a), and the spectrum of  $x_2(t)$  in Fig. ??(b). When adding the spectra, we see that both spectra have components at the frequencies  $f = \pm 7$  and 0, so three phasor additions must be done.

$$3 + 3e^{j\pi} = 0 \quad (\text{at } f = 0)$$

$$4e^{-j\pi/4} + 4e^{j\pi/4} = 4\sqrt{2} \quad (\text{at } f = -7)$$

$$4e^{j\pi/4} + 4e^{-j\pi/4} = 4\sqrt{2} \quad (\text{at } f = 7)$$

Since the complex amplitudes at  $f = 0$  cancel out, there is no DC component in the sum spectrum of Fig. ??(c). The spectrum for  $x_1(t)$  has components at  $f = \pm 2$ , but the spectrum for  $x_2(t)$  does not, so those components are copied directly to the sum spectrum. Likewise, the components at  $f = \pm 5$  in the spectrum for  $x_2(t)$  are also copied to the sum spectrum.

