

2b) A small simplification to 2b)

$$\text{corr}(a_n, b_n) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \cos(2\pi f_n k) \sin(2\pi f_n k)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \sin(4\pi f_n k)$$

$$N^r = \text{Im} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} e^{j(4\pi f_n k)} \right) = \text{Im} \left(\frac{1 - e^{j4\pi f_n N}}{1 - e^{j4\pi f_n}} \right)$$

$$= \text{Im} \left(\frac{0 + 0j}{1 - e^{j4\pi f_n}} \right) = 0$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\text{corr}(a_n, b_n) = 0}$$