

# Oppenheimer Assignment 1

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*Abstract*—Oppenheim and Schafer Discrete Time Signal Processing Prentice Hall 2nd Edition, Solution for Question 3.42(a)

### 1 QUESTION 3.42(A)

A casual and stable LTI system  $\mathcal{S}$  has its input  $x[n]$  and output  $y[n]$  related by the linear constant-coefficient difference equation

$$y[n] + \sum_{k=1}^{10} a_k y[n-k] = x[n] + \beta x[n-1] \quad (1.1)$$

Let the impulse response of  $\mathcal{S}$  be  $h[n]$   
Show that  $h[0]$  must be non zero

### 2 SOLUTION

Substituting  $x[n] = \delta[n]$ , we get  $y[n] = h[n]$ .  
(Since  $h[n]$  is the response of  $\delta[n]$  to  $\mathcal{S}$ )

$$\Rightarrow h[n] + \sum_{k=1}^{10} a_k h[n-k] = \delta[n] + \beta \delta[n-1] \quad (2.1)$$

Since the system is causal, we have,

$$h[n] = 0 \quad \forall n < 0 \quad (2.2)$$

Using (2.2) and substituting  $n = 0$  in (2.1), we have,

$$\begin{aligned} h[0] + \sum_{k=1}^{10} a_k h[-k] &= \delta[0] + \beta \delta[-1] \\ \Rightarrow h[0] &= \delta[0] = 1 \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

Thus using (2.3), we can conclude that  $h[0]$  is equal to 1 and is hence non zero.