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 HOMEWORK 4 SOLUTIONS

**Solution:**

a) We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_k &= \frac{1}{10} \sum_{n=0}^9 x[n] e^{-j \frac{2\pi}{10} kn} \\
 &= \frac{1}{10} \sum_{n=0}^2 e^{-j \frac{2\pi}{10} kn} \\
 &= \frac{1}{10} \left[ e^{-j \frac{2\pi}{10} k0} + e^{-j \frac{2\pi}{10} k1} + e^{-j \frac{2\pi}{10} k2} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{10} \left[ 1 + e^{-j \frac{k\pi}{5}} + e^{-j \frac{2k\pi}{5}} \right] .
 \end{aligned}$$

b) There are two ways to approach this. The first one is to observe that

$$y[n] = x[n] + x[n-1] + x[n-2]$$

and therefore using the shifting property of DTFS,

$$\begin{aligned}
 b_k &= a_k + a_k e^{-j \frac{k\pi}{5}} + a_k e^{-j \frac{2k\pi}{5}} \\
 &= a_k \left[ 1 + e^{-j \frac{k\pi}{5}} + e^{-j \frac{2k\pi}{5}} \right] \\
 &= a_k \cdot 10a_k \\
 &= 10a_k^2 .
 \end{aligned}$$

We could also arrive at the same conclusion by observing that

$$y[n] = x[n] \tilde{*} x[n]$$

where  $\tilde{*}$  is the periodic convolution operation. Therefore, it directly follows from the convolution property of DTFS that

$$b_k = 10a_k^2 .$$

c) Similar to part b, the trick is to observe that

$$z[n] = x[n] + x[-n]$$

and therefore using the time reversal property of the DTFS, we obtain

$$c_k = a_k + a_{-k}$$

where  $a_{-k} = a_{10-k}$ .

**Problem 2:** Noting that the period is 10 and using the formula, we have

$$a_k = \frac{1}{10} \sum_{n=0}^9 x[n] e^{-j \frac{2\pi}{10} kn} .$$

However, since  $x[0] = 1$  and  $x[n] = 0$  for all  $1 \leq n \leq 9$ , the above summation simplifies drastically to

$$a_k = \frac{1}{10}x[0]e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{10}k \cdot 0} = \frac{1}{10}$$

for all  $k = 0, 1, \dots, 9$ .