

Solution Set for Homework #4 on Finite Impulse Response (FIR) Filter

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Problem 1:

Solution:

Part a:

Using a binomial expansion.

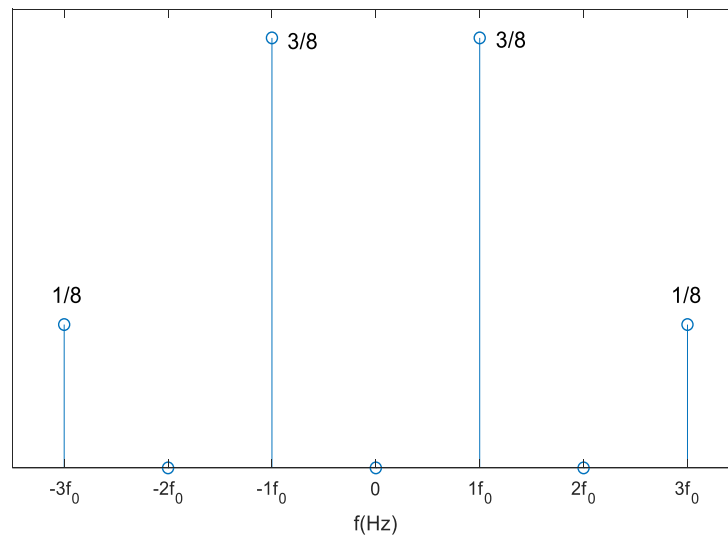
i. $(a + b)^3 = (a + b)(a + b)^2 = (a + b)(a^2 + 2ab + b^2) = a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3$

ii. $\cos(2\pi f_0 t) = \left(\frac{e^{j2\pi f_0 t} + e^{-j2\pi f_0 t}}{2} \right)$

$$\cos^3(2\pi f_0 t) = \left(\frac{e^{j2\pi f_0 t} + e^{-j2\pi f_0 t}}{2} \right)^3 = \frac{1}{8} \left(e^{j2\pi(3f_0)t} + 3e^{j2\pi f_0 t} + 3e^{-j2\pi f_0 t} + e^{-j2\pi(3f_0)t} \right)$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{8} e^{j2\pi(3f_0)t} + \frac{3}{8} e^{j2\pi f_0 t} + \frac{3}{8} e^{-j2\pi f_0 t} + \frac{1}{8} e^{-j2\pi(3f_0)t}$$

$$a_3 = a_{-3} = \frac{1}{8} \text{ and } a_2 = a_{-2} = 0 \text{ and } a_1 = a_{-1} = \frac{3}{8} \text{ and } a_0 = 0$$



$$\cos^3(2\pi f_0 t) = \frac{3}{4} \cos(2\pi f_0 t) + \frac{1}{4} \cos(2\pi(3f_0)t)$$

Part b:

i.
$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^0 e^t dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 e^{-t} dt = \frac{1}{2} [e^t]_{-1}^0 + \frac{1}{2} [-e^{-t}]_{t=0}^1 = \frac{1}{2}(1 - e^{-1}) - \frac{1}{2}(e^{-1} - 1) = 1 - e^{-1}$$

$$a_0 = 1 - e^{-1} = 0.6321$$

ii.
$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} \cos(2\pi f_0 t) dt = \frac{1}{2\pi f_0 T_0} [\sin(2\pi f_0 t)]_{t=0}^{T_0} = \frac{1}{2\pi} (0 - 0) = 0$$

Part c:

i.

We'll derive the formula by using the result from part ii below.

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a^n = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - a^N}{1 - a} = \frac{1}{1 - a} \text{ if } |a| < 1$$

because

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} a^N = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } |a| < 1 \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

ii.

Solution: We'll derive a closed-form answer. Let's start with a slightly different indexing for n:

$$\sum_{n=1}^N a^n = a + a^2 + \dots + a^{N-1} + a^N$$

We'll reorder the addition of the terms to go from highest exponent to lowest:

$$\sum_{n=1}^N a^n = a^N + a^{N-1} + \dots + a^2 + a = a (a^{N-1} + a^{N-2} + \dots + a + 1)$$

The terms in parenthesis are from the result of dividing $a^N - 1$ by $a - 1$. We'll compute the polynomial division using long division:

		a^{N-1}	a^{N-2}	...	a	1	
	$a-1$	a^N	0	0	...	0	-1
	-	a^N	$-a^{N-1}$				
	-	0	a^{N-1}	$-a^{N-2}$			
	-		a^{N-1}	$-a^{N-2}$			
	-		0	a^{N-2}	...		
	-			a^2			
	-			a^2	$-a$		
	-			0	a	-1	
	-				a	-1	0

$$\sum_{n=1}^N a^n = a (a^{N-1} + a^{N-2} + \dots + a + 1) = a \left(\frac{a^N - 1}{a - 1} \right) = a \left(\frac{1 - a^N}{1 - a} \right)$$

We can connect this summation with the form in the question:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a^n = \frac{1}{a} \sum_{n=1}^N a^n = \frac{1 - a^N}{1 - a}$$

I based the above derivation on the content at

<https://www.purplemath.com/modules/series7.htm>

Second solution:

Let assume:

$$S = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a^n$$

By multiplying "a" to both sides of this equation:

$$aS = a \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a^n = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a^{n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^N a^n$$

$$a^0 + aS = a^0 + \sum_{n=1}^N a^n = \sum_{n=0}^N a^n$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^N a^n = a^N + \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a^n = a^N + S$$

$$a^N + S = a^0 + aS$$

$$S(1 - a) = a^0 - a^N = 1 - a^N$$

$$S = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a^n = \frac{1 - a^N}{1 - a}$$

Problem 2:

Solution:

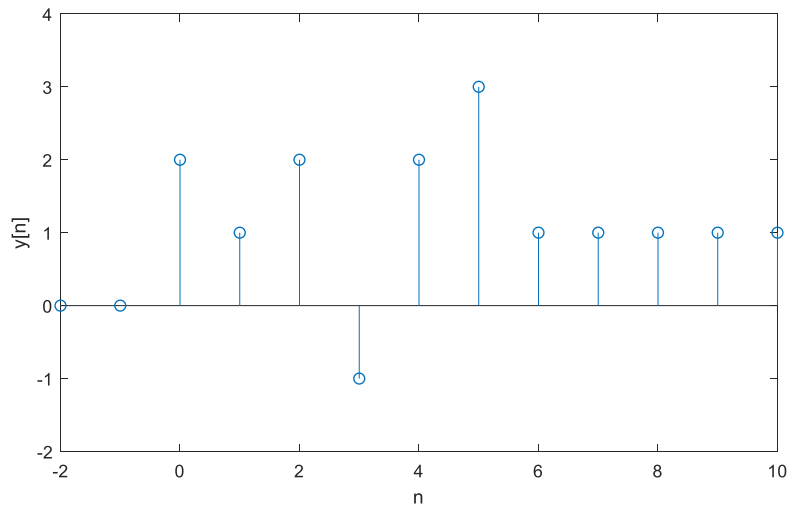
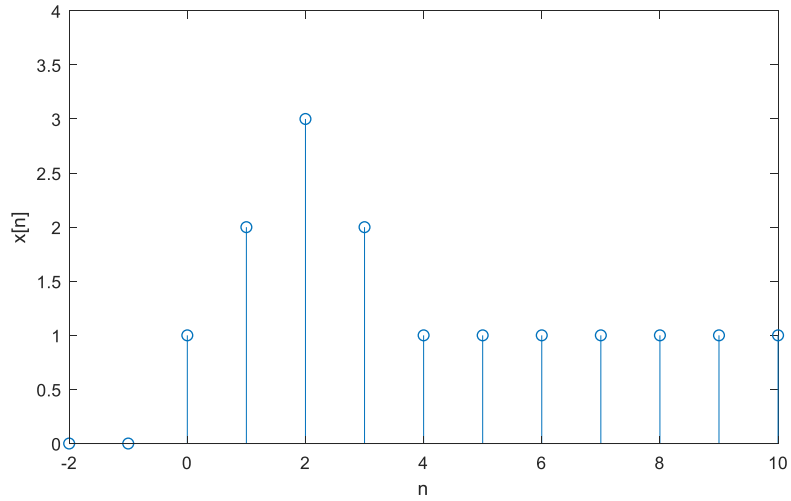
Part a:

$$y[n] = 2x[n] - 3x[n-1] + 2x[n-2]$$

The values for x[n] and y[n] are given in the following table.

n	< 0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
x[n]	0	1	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
x[n-1]	0	0	1	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
x[n-2]	0	0	0	1	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	1
y[n]	0	2	1	2	-1	2	3	1	1	1	1	1

Part b:



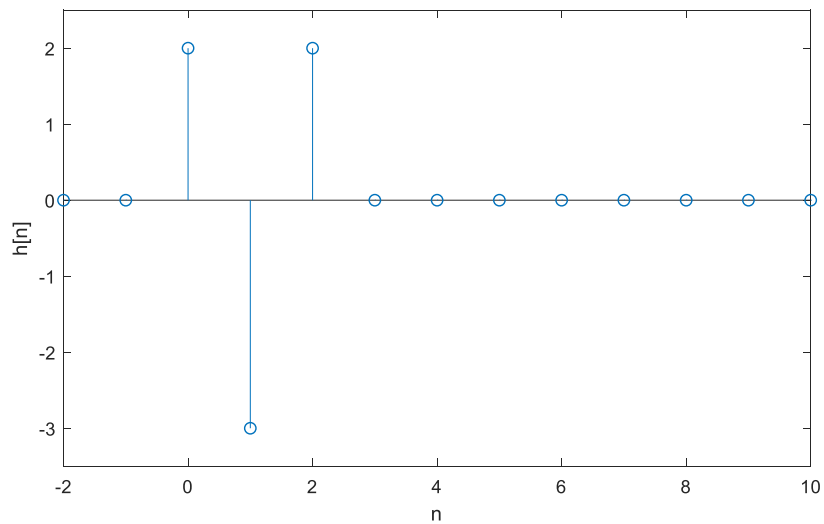
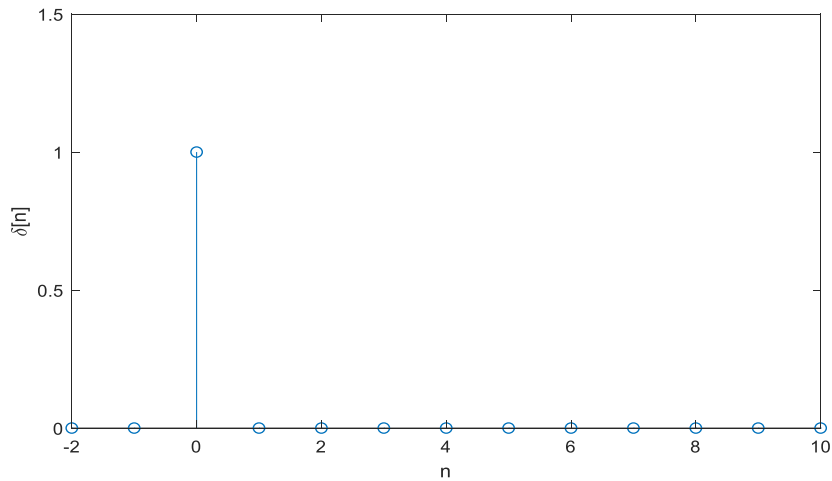
Part c:

$$\delta[n] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } n = 0 \\ 0 & \text{for all } n \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$h[n] = 2\delta[n] - 3\delta[n-1] + 2\delta[n-2]$$

n	< 0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$\delta[n]$	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$\delta[n-1]$	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$\delta[n-2]$	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$h[n]$	0	2	-3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Part d:



Problem 3:

Prologue: This problem introduces the convolution sum, and asks you to calculate it for a simple finite impulse response filter (L -point averaging filter) given an infinitely long input signal. The unit step signal models a physical action such as turning on a switch and leaving it on indefinitely. In discrete time, the unit step function $u[n]$ is zero in amplitude for $n < 0$, and one in amplitude for $n \geq 0$.

Part a:

The MATLAB function `stepfun(n, n0)` implements $u[n-n_0]$ and is plotted on the right:

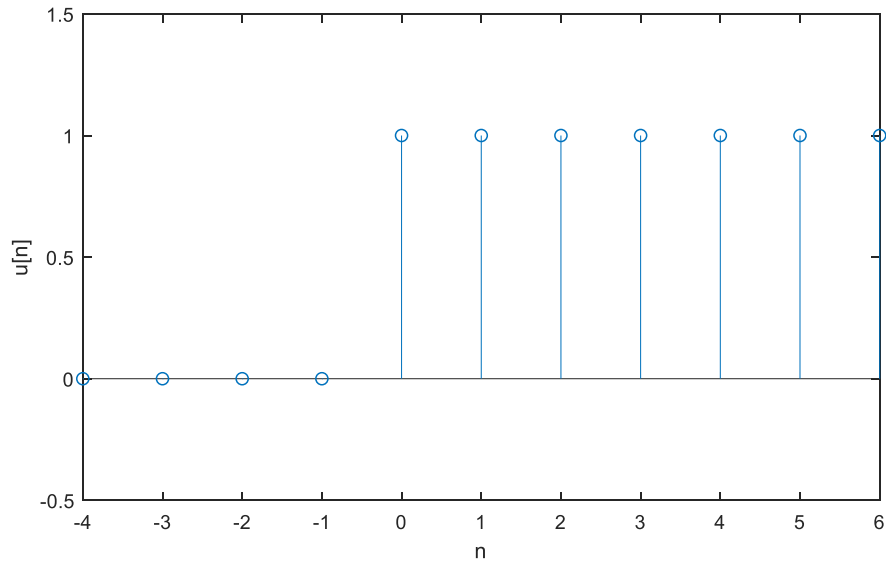
Unit-step signal turns on at $n=0$ so

$$u[n] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } n \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } n < 0 \end{cases}$$

MATLAB code:

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n = -4:6;
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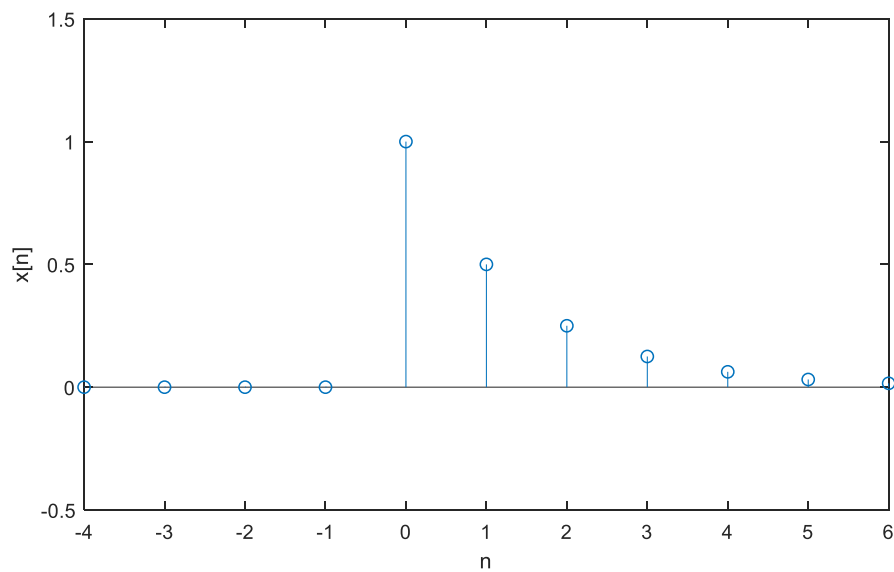
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u = stepfun(n,0);  
stem(n,u)  
xlabel('n')  
ylabel('u[n]')  
ylim([-0.5 1.5])
```



Part b:

MATLAB Code:

```
n = -4:6;  
u = stepfun(n,0);  
x = (0.5.^n).*u;  
stem(n,x)  
xlabel('n')  
ylabel('x[n]')  
ylim([-0.5 1.5])
```



Part c:

In order to calculate $y[n]$, the value of $x[n]$ should be calculated for different parts of discrete-time range.

n	X[n]	X[n-1]	X[n-2]	X[n-3]	Y[n]
-5	0	0	0	0	0
-4	0	0	0	0	0
-3	0	0	0	0	0
-2	0	0	0	0	0
-1	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1/4
1	1/2	1	0	0	3/8
2	1/4	1/2	1	0	7/16
3	1/8	1/4	1/2	1	15/32
4	1/16	1/8	1/4	1/2	15/64
5	1/32	1/16	1/8	1/4	15/128
6	1/64	1/32	1/16	1/8	15/256
7	1/128	1/64	1/32	1/16	15/512
8	1/256	1/128	1/64	1/32	15/1024
9	1/512	1/256	1/128	1/64	15/2048
10	1/1024	1/512	1/256	1/128	15/4096

Part d:

$$x[n] = a^n u[n]$$

$$x[n-k] = \begin{cases} 0, & n < k \\ a^{n-k} & n \geq k \end{cases}$$

$$y[n] = \begin{cases} 0, & n < 0 \\ \frac{1}{L} \sum_{k=0}^n a^{n-k} = \frac{a^n}{L} \sum_{k=0}^n a^{-k} = \frac{a^n}{L} \left(\frac{1-a^{-(n+1)}}{1-a^{-1}} \right) = \frac{1}{L} \left(\frac{a^{n+1}-1}{a-1} \right), & 0 \leq n \leq L-1 \\ \frac{1}{L} \sum_{k=0}^{L-1} a^{n-k} = \frac{a^n}{L} \sum_{k=0}^{L-1} a^{-k} = \frac{a^n}{L} \left(\frac{1-a^{-L}}{1-a^{-1}} \right) = \frac{a^{n-L+1}}{L} \left(\frac{a^L-1}{a-1} \right), & n \geq L \end{cases}$$

$$y[n] = \begin{cases} 0, & n < 0 \\ \frac{1}{L} \left(\frac{a^{n+1}-1}{a-1} \right), & 0 \leq n \leq L-1 \\ \frac{a^{n-L+1}}{L} \left(\frac{a^L-1}{a-1} \right), & n \geq L \end{cases}$$

Problem 4-

Prologue: For a discrete-time finite impulse response (FIR) filter with $M+1$ coefficients, the values of the coefficients are equal to the impulse response $h[n]$. Given input $x[n]$, the output $y[n]$ is given by

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M h[k]x[n-k]$$

This formula determines $y[n]$ by computing the discrete-time convolution of $x[n]$ and $h[n]$.

Deconvolution attempts to determine $h[n]$ when knowing the input $x[n]$ and the output $y[n]$.

Application. An application is in determining the acoustic response of a concert hall. One places an audio speaker on stage and a microphone at one of the seats at head height. A laptop controls the discrete-time signal being played over the audio speaker $x[n]$ and records the output of the microphone in discrete-time as $y[n]$. The values computed for $h[n]$ give a model for the acoustic response of the room. That is, given an audio signal $x[n]$, we can compute what a person in the concert hall would hear by convolving $h[n]$ and $x[n]$. This emulation of a concert hall is available on certain audio playback systems.

Approach. There are many methods for deconvolution, i.e. determining $h[n]$ when knowing the input $x[n]$ and the output $y[n]$. The method below uses the convolution formula for an FIR filter to compute the impulse response $h[n]$:

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M h[k]x[n-k]$$

Assuming that $h[n]$ and $x[n]$ are causal signals, i.e. their amplitude values are zero when $n < 0$, the formula for the first output sample $y[0]$ gives us one equation in one unknown $h[0]$ because we know the values of $x[0]$ and $y[0]$:

$$y[0] = h[0]x[0]$$

We then solve for $h[0]$, which works as long as $x[0]$ is not zero. The next output sample gives us one equation in one unknown $h[1]$:

$$y[1] = h[0]x[1] + h[1]x[0]$$

We then solve for $h[1]$, which works as long as $x[0]$ is not zero.

Solution:**Part a:**

$$x[n] = u[n]$$

$$y[n] = u[n-1]$$

Using the formula on prologue, the value of $h[n]$ can be calculated.

$$y[0] = h[0]x[0]$$

So the value of $h[0]$ can be calculated as: $h[0] = 0/1 = 0$

$$y[1] = h[0]x[1] + h[1]x[0]$$

$$h[1] = \frac{1-0}{1} = 1$$

$$y[2] = h[0]x[2] + h[1]x[1] + h[2]x[0]$$

$$h[2] = \frac{1-0-1}{1} = 0$$

n	x[n]	y[n]	h[n]
0	1	0	0
1	1	1	1
2	1	1	0

We've stopped calculating values for $h[n]$ to see if we've finished. We can now compute the convolution of $h[n]$ and $x[n] = u[n]$ to see if we get $y[n] = u[n-1]$

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M h[k]x[n-k] = x[n-1] = u[n-1]$$

Now, if we place $x[n] = \delta[n]$, the output of system is $y[n] = h[n]$

$$h[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M h[k]\delta[n-k] = \delta[n-1]$$

Part b:

$$x[n] = u[n]$$

$$y[n] = \delta[n]$$

$$h[0] = \frac{y[0]}{x[0]} = 1$$

$$h[1] = \frac{y[1] - h[0]x[1]}{x[0]} = -1$$

$$h[2] = \frac{y[2] - h[0]x[2] - h[1]x[1]}{x[0]} = 0$$

n	x[n]	y[n]	h[n]
0	1	1	1
1	1	0	-1
2	1	0	0

We've stopped calculating values for $h[n]$ to see if we've finished. We can now compute the convolution of $h[n]$ and $x[n] = u[n]$ to see if we get $y[n] = \delta[n]$

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M h[k]x[n-k] = x[n] - x[n-1] = u[n] - u[n-1] = \delta[n]$$

Now, if we place $x[n] = \delta[n]$, the output of system is $y[n] = h[n]$

$$h[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M h[k]\delta[n-k] = \delta[n] - \delta[n-1]$$

Part c:

$$x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$$

$$y[n] = \delta[n-1]$$

$$h[0] = \frac{y[0]}{x[0]} = 0$$

$$h[1] = \frac{y[1] - h[0]x[1]}{x[0]} = \frac{1 - 0}{1} = 1$$

$$h[2] = \frac{y[2] - h[0]x[2] - h[1]x[1]}{x[0]} = \frac{0 - 0 - 0.5}{1} = -0.5$$

$$h[3] = \frac{y[3] - h[0]x[3] - h[1]x[2] - h[2]x[1]}{x[0]} = \frac{0 - 0 - 0.25 + 0.25}{1} = 0$$

n	x[n]	y[n]	h[n]
0	1	0	0
1	1/2	1	1
2	1/4	0	-0.5
3	1/8	0	0

We've stopped calculating values for $h[n]$ to see if we've finished. We can now compute the convolution of $h[n]$ and $x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$ to see if we get $y[n] = \delta[n-1]$

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M h[k]x[n-k] = x[n-1] - \frac{1}{2}x[n-2] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} u[n-1] - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} u[n-2] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} \delta[n-1] = \delta[n-1]$$

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$$h[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M h[k]\delta[n-k] = \delta[n-1] - \frac{1}{2}\delta[n-2]$$