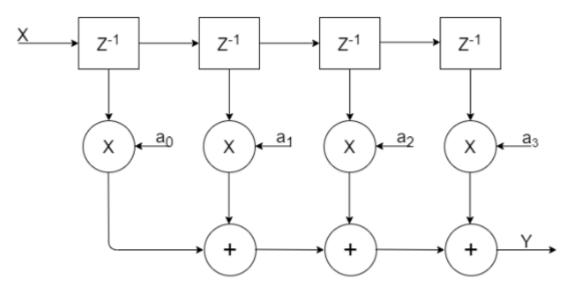
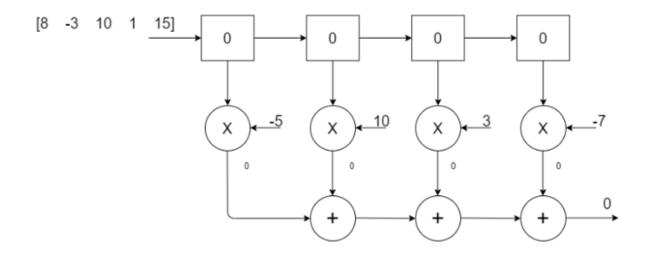
An FIR (finite impulse response) filter, takes the digital input date, manipulates it, and outputs the digital data. In this example, a simple convolution operation course between the input data (X), the FIR filter coefficients (a) to give an output (Y) which is the convolution between X and a.

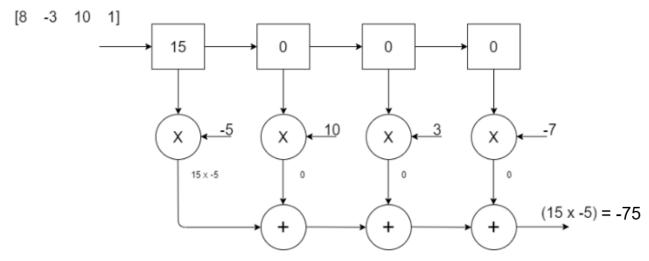
Shown below is a generic design of a 4 tap FIR filter. As we can see, a FIR filter tap consists of delay block ( $z^{-1}$ ), a multiplication block ( $\otimes$ ), and the addition block ( $\oplus$ ).

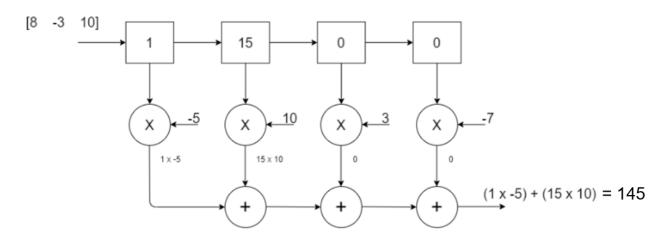


Shown below is a step by step process of the convolution operation between the input [8 -3 10 1 15] and the coefficients [-5 10 3 -7]. It should be noted, all the steps shown below, will occur at the positive edge of the system clock signal.

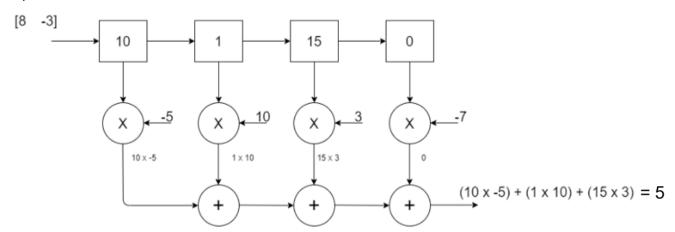


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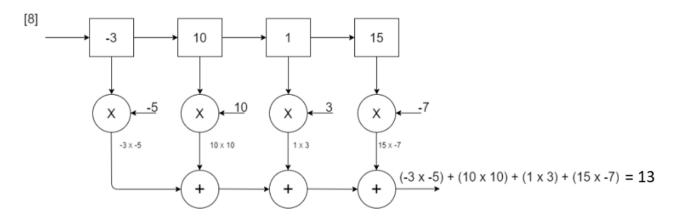




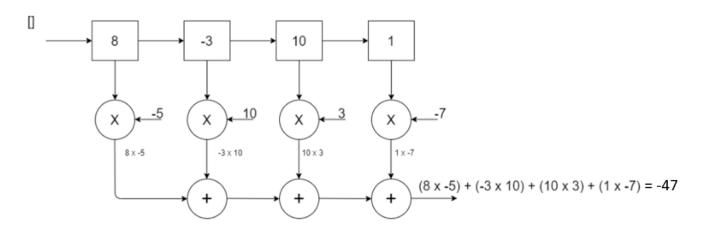


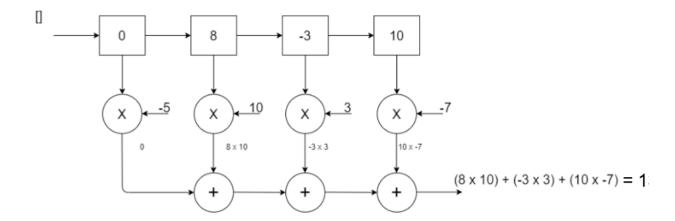


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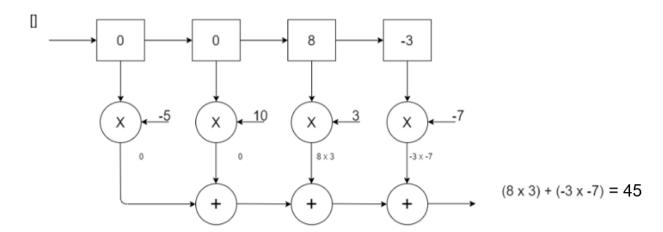


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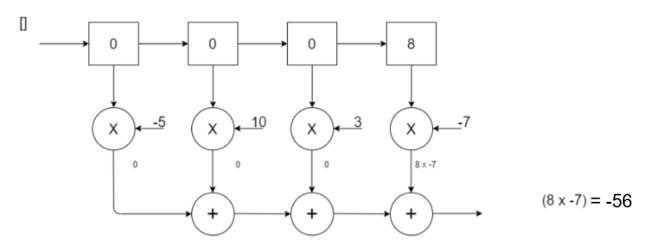


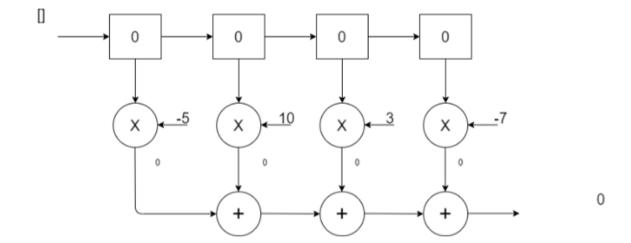


8)



9)





The following convolution process between two complex numbers can be confirmed to be correct through by checking the corresponding operation in MATLAB, as shown below:

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>> x = [15 1 10 -3 8];
>> a = [-5 10 3 -7];
>> conv(x,a)
ans =
-75 145 5 13 -47 1 45 -56
```