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**EXERCISE 9.4:** Use the  $z$ -transform of

$$x[n] = \delta[n - 1] - \delta[n - 2] + \delta[n - 3] - \delta[n - 4]$$

and the system function  $H(z) = 1 - z^{-1}$  to find the output of a first-difference filter when  $x[n]$  is the input. Compute your answer by using polynomial multiplication and also by using the difference equation:

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

What is the degree of the  $z$ -transform polynomial that represents the output  $y[n]$ ?

