



Objective:

We'll convolve a sinusoidal signal:

$$x[n] = \sin(2\pi f n)$$

with the filter

$$h[n] = [1, -1]$$

This filter gives the discrete difference, so:

Where the sine is increasing, the output will be positive

At peaks/troughs, the output will be near zero

What You'll See:

Input: smooth blue sinusoid

Output: red plot showing positive spikes when sine is rising, and negative dips when it's falling

Around the sine wave's peaks and troughs, the output approaches zero (since the slope is near flat)

◇ Physical Interpretation:

This is like measuring:

Slope

Speed of change

Also called discrete derivative

Used in:

FM demodulation

Instantaneous frequency estimation

Detecting fast vs. slow variation in IQ signals.

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import numpy as np
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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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Time vector

```
n = np.arange(0, 50)
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f = 0.05 # normalized frequency (cycles/sample)
x = np.sin(2 * np.pi * f * n)
```

Difference filter

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h = np.array([1, -1])
y = np.convolve(x, h, mode='full')
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Time axis for $y[n]$

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n_y = np.arange(len(y))
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Plotting

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plt.figure(figsize=(10, 4))
plt.stem(n, x, basefmt=" ", linefmt='b-', markerfmt='bo', label='Input: sin(2πfn)')
plt.stem(n_y, y, basefmt=" ", linefmt='r-', markerfmt='ro', label='Output: Difference')
plt.title("Effect of Convolution with [1, -1] on a Sinusoid")
plt.xlabel("Sample index n")
plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
plt.grid(True)
plt.legend()
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
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Optional: print first few values

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print("First 10 output values y[n]:", np.round(y[:10], 3))
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