

“Heaven’s Light is Our Guide”



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## **Introduction:**

Digital Signal Processing (DSP) is a vital tool for transforming and analyzing real-world signals like audio. In this assignment, we use a convolution-based low-pass filter to reduce high-frequency noise in an audio file. We demonstrate the effectiveness of a moving average filter using Python, Librosa, and SciPy by filtering a noisy .wav file and visualizing the outcome.

## **Motivation:**

Low-pass filtering is foundational in DSP and has broad applications:

- Noise reduction in audio and communication systems
- Smoothing and signal shaping in audio editing tools
- Practical understanding of DSP through real-time implementation

This task reinforces the theoretical knowledge of filtering using hands-on coding and waveform analysis.

## **Background Study:**

### **Convolution in Signal Processing:**

Convolution is used in signal processing to apply transformations like filtering. In audio processing, it modifies the input signal by convolving it with a filter kernel to alter frequency characteristics.

### **Low-Pass Filters (LPF):**

An LPF allows low-frequency components to pass while suppressing high-frequency noise. A moving average LPF

averages neighboring sample values, which smoothens rapid changes and attenuates noise.

## **Social and Economic Impact:**

### **Societal Benefits:**

- **Hearing aids:** Enhance speech clarity
- **Music production:** Noise suppression and quality improvement
- **Telecommunications:** Improved voice clarity

### **Economic Importance:**

- **Entertainment:** Clean audio improves user experience in music, games, and films
- **VoIP:** Better signal quality enhances communication
- **Medical tech:** Filters in hearing devices rely on DSP

## **Related Mathematical Studies:**

### **Discrete-Time Convolution:**

The convolution of discrete-time signals is represented as:

$$y[n] = \sum_{\{k=-\infty\}}^{\{\infty\}} x[k] \cdot h[n - k]$$

Where **x[n]** is the input, **h[n]** is the impulse response, and **y[n]** is the output.

## **Moving Average Filter:**

A basic LPF is defined as:

$$h[n] = \frac{1}{N} , if 0 \leq n \leq N$$
$$= 0 , otherwise$$

This filter suppresses rapid variations and highlights the overall trend of the signal.

## **Theory:**

### **Working procedure of the filter:**

- Each output sample is the average of  $n = 201$  neighboring samples.
- This smoothens the waveform, reducing sharp transitions.
- The longer the filter, the stronger the noise suppression.

### **Expected Outcomes:**

- **Time domain:** Smooth waveform, lower sharpness
- **Auditory:** Less hiss and harshness, more muffled tone

## **Implementation:**

### **Tools Used:**

- Python 3
- Librosa for loading audio
- SciPy for convolution
- Matplotlib for visualization
- Jupyter/Colab for execution

### **Steps Performed:**

1. Loaded "Signal.wav" and trimmed it to 10 seconds.

2. Defined a low-pass filter with kernel size 201.
3. Applied convolution to the signal using mode='same'.
4. Played both original and filtered signals.
5. Plotted waveform comparison.

## Code:

```
import librosa
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy.signal import convolve
from IPython.display import Audio

# Signal
audio_data, sampling_rate = librosa.load("Signal.wav",
sr=None)

duration_sec = 10
audio_data = audio_data[:sampling_rate * duration_sec]

# Low-Pass Filter
n = 201
Filter = np.ones(n) / n

Output_Signal = convolve(audio_data, Filter, mode='same')

Time = np.linspace(0, len(audio_data) / sampling_rate,
len(audio_data))

print("Original Noisy Audio Signal:")
display(Audio(data=audio_data, rate=sampling_rate))

print("Filtered Audio Signal:")
display(Audio(data=Output_Signal, rate=sampling_rate))

# Plotting Signals
plt.figure(figsize=(15, 7))
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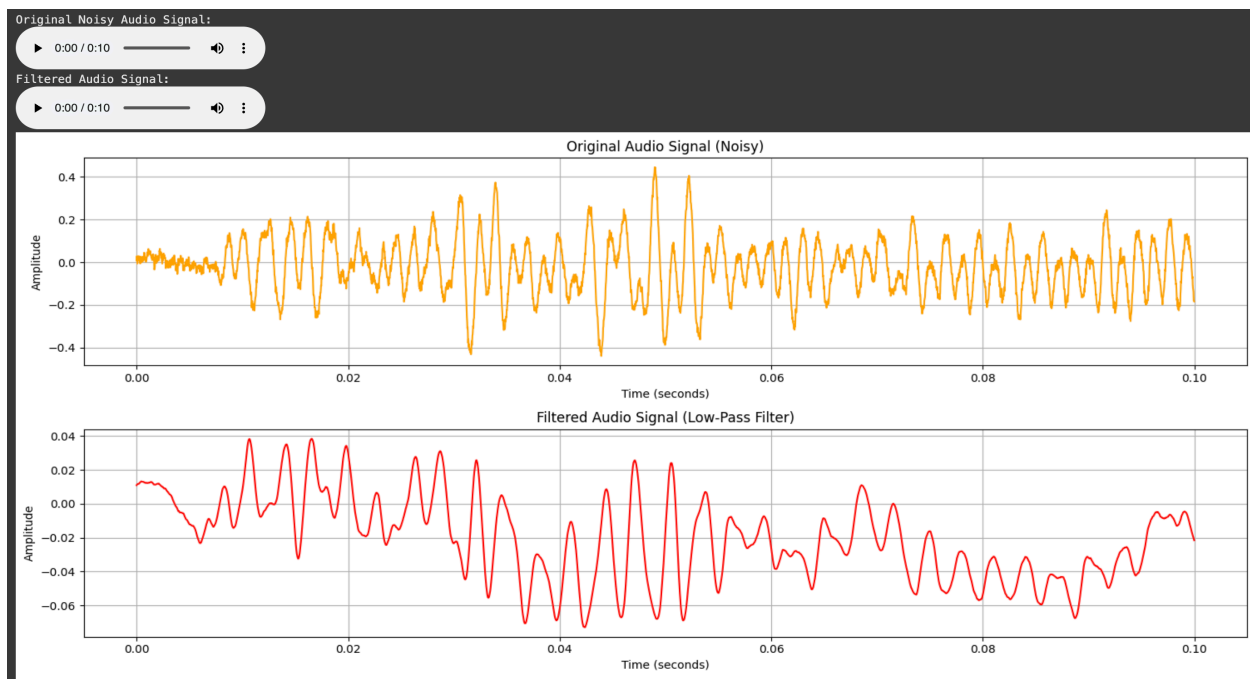
# Original Signal
plt.subplot(2, 1, 1)
plt.plot(Time[:sampling_rate // 10],
audio_data[:sampling_rate // 10], color='orange')
plt.title("Original Audio Signal (Noisy)")
plt.xlabel("Time (seconds)")
plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
plt.grid(True)

# Filtered Signal
plt.subplot(2, 1, 2)
plt.plot(Time[:sampling_rate // 10],
Output_Signal[:sampling_rate // 10], color='red')
plt.title("Filtered Audio Signal (Low-Pass Filter)")
plt.xlabel("Time (seconds)")
plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
plt.grid(True)

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

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## Output:



## **Conclusion:**

This experiment demonstrated:

- Implementation of a simple LPF using convolution
- Effective reduction of high-frequency noise in real audio
- Clear auditory and visual improvements
- Strong connection between DSP theory and practice