

DSP First, 2/e



MODIFIED TLH

Lecture 9

Sampling & Aliasing

SAMPLING AND ALIASING REFERENCES CH 4 2/12/2019

Let's Go to the Movies

Interesting illusion: the helicopter's blades are somehow in sync with the camera's shutter making it seem as though they are not moving.

0:47 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qgvuQGY946g>

Helicopter blades and other fast spinning objects often produce strange effects on camera. Lauren explains why. 3:51

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AYQAKwCxSc>

Audio Sampling Rate Demo 0:35

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hRhVb6iRArg&feature=youtu.be>

Video Aliasing

Why car wheels rotate
backwards in movies 4:25

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SFbINinFsxk&feature=youtu.be>

READING ASSIGNMENTS



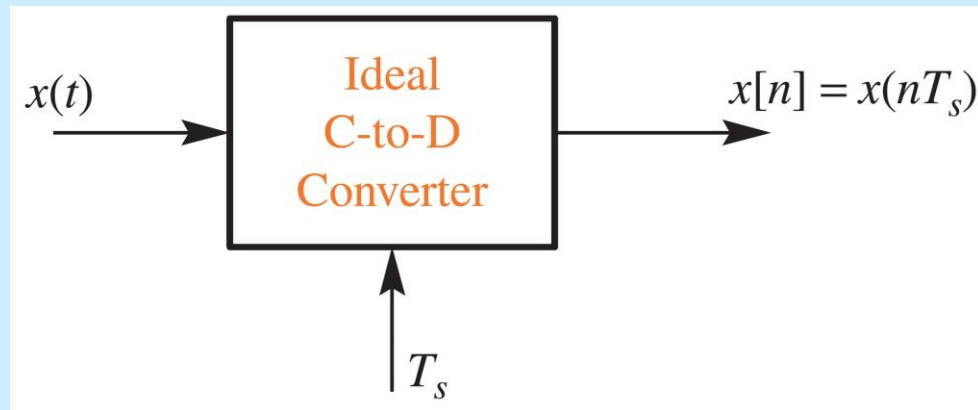
- This Lecture:
 - Chap 4, Sections 4-1 and 4-2

- Other Reading:
 - TLH WEBSITE
 - Next Lecture: Chap. 4, Sects. 4-3 and 4-4

Sampling

Figure 4-1: Block diagram representation of the ideal continuous-to-discrete (C-to-D) converter. The parameter T_s specifies uniform sampling of the input signal every T_s seconds.

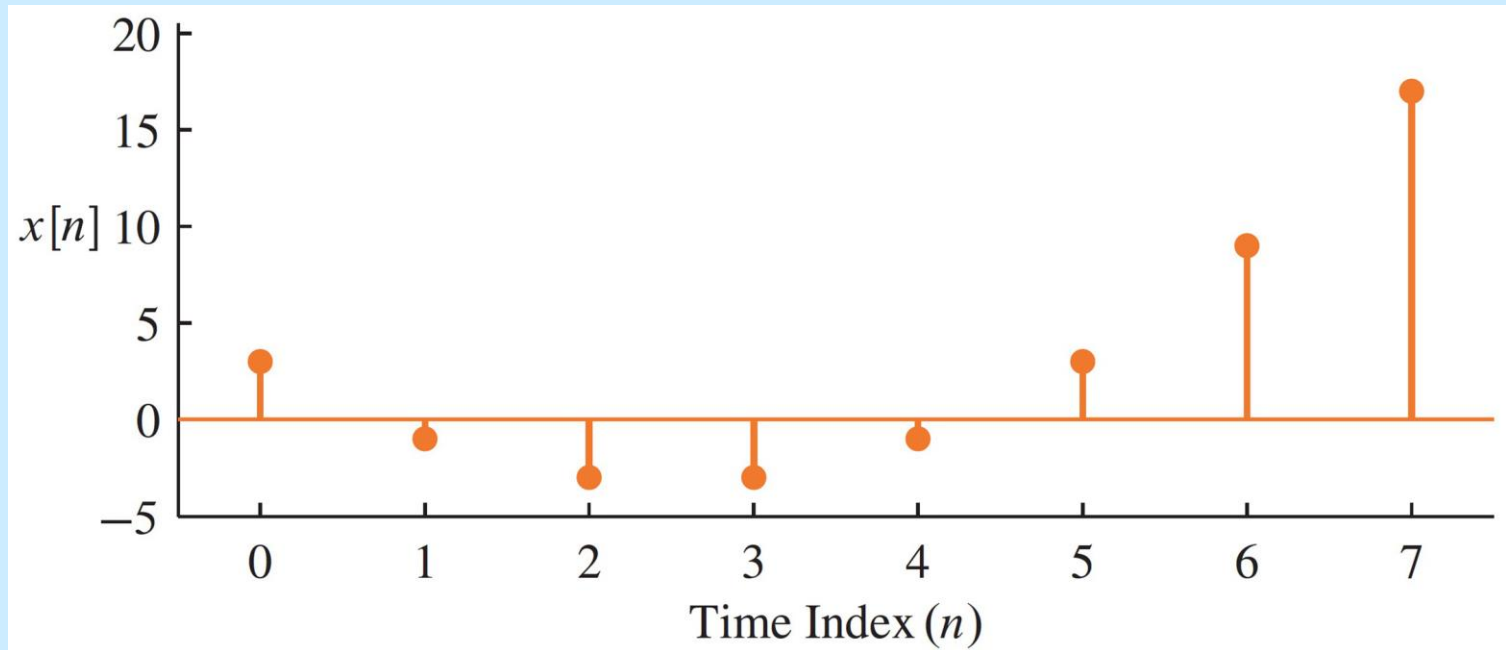
$n = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$ nT_s in seconds



Sometimes ADC, A2D, Analog-to-Digital

Sampling Sinusoidal Signals (1 of 2)

Figure 4-2: Plotting format for discrete-time signals, called a stem plot. In MATLAB, the function stem produces this plot. Some students also refer to the stem plot as a “lollipop” plot.



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>> help stem
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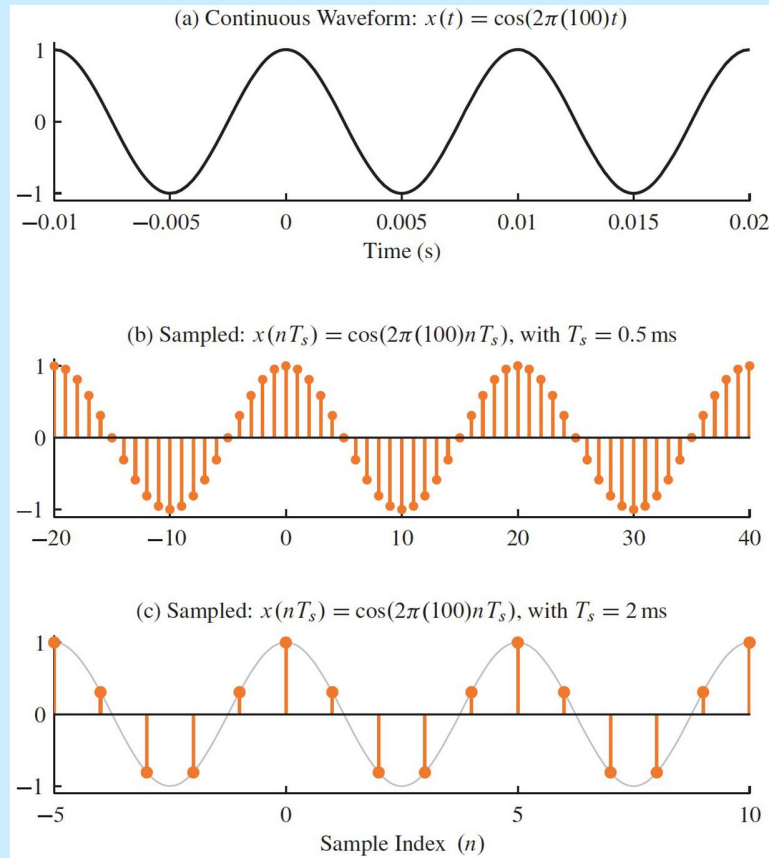
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stem Discrete sequence or "stem" plot.
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`stem(Y)` plots the data sequence Y as stems from the x axis terminated with circles for the data value. If Y is a matrix then each column is plotted as a separate series.

`stem(X,Y)` plots the data sequence Y at the values specified in X .

Sampling Sinusoidal Signals (2 of 2)

Figure 4-3: A continuous-time 100 Hz sinusoid (a) and two discrete-time sinusoids formed by sampling at $f_s = 2000$ samples/s (b) and at $f_s = 500$ samples/s (c).



LECTURE OBJECTIVES

- SAMPLING can cause ALIASING
 - Sampling Theorem
 - Sampling Rate > 2(Highest Frequency)
- Spectrum for digital signals, $x[n]$
 - Normalized Frequency

$$\hat{\omega} = \omega T_s = \frac{2\pi f}{f_s} + 2\pi\ell$$

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ALIASING

SYSTEMS Process Signals



- PROCESSING GOALS:
 - Change $x(t)$ into $y(t)$
 - For example, more BASS, pitch shifting
 - Improve $x(t)$, e.g., image deblurring
 - Extract Information from $x(t)$

System IMPLEMENTATION

- ANALOG/ELECTRONIC:

- Circuits: resistors, capacitors, op-amps



- DIGITAL/MICROPROCESSOR

- Convert $x(t)$ to **numbers** stored in memory



SAMPLING $x(t)$

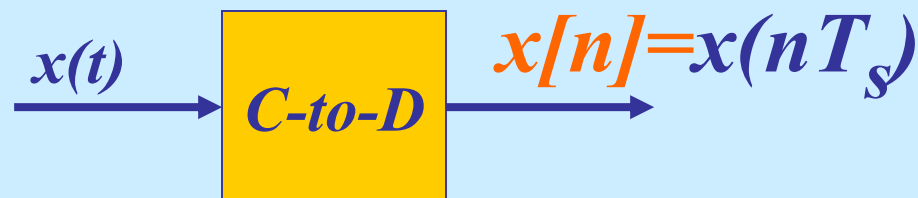
■ SAMPLING PROCESS

- Convert $x(t)$ to **numbers** $x[n]$
 - “ n ” is an integer index; $x[n]$ is a sequence of values
 - Think of “ n ” as the storage address in memory
- ## ■ UNIFORM SAMPLING at $t = nT_s$
- IDEAL: $x[n] = x(nT_s)$



SAMPLING RATE, f_s

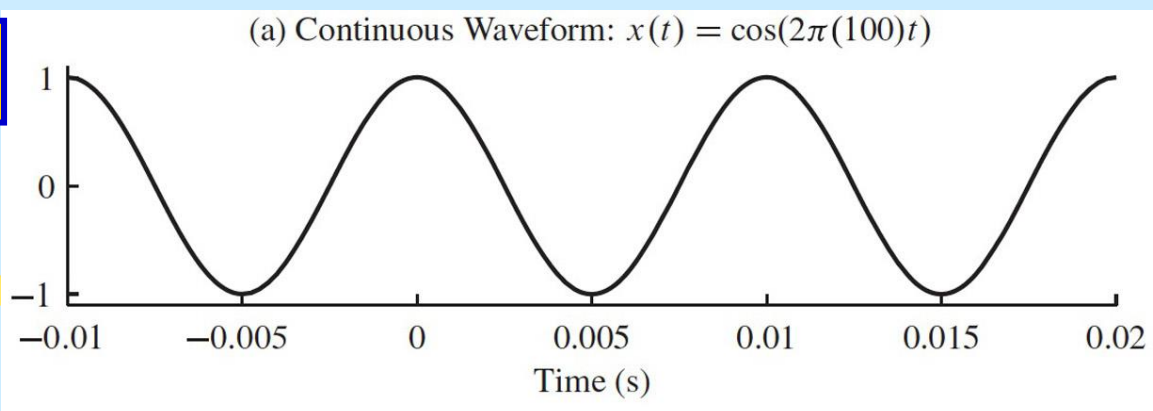
- SAMPLING RATE (f_s)
 - $f_s = 1/T_s$
 - NUMBER of SAMPLES PER SECOND
 - $T_s = 125$ microsec $\rightarrow f_s = 8000$ samples/sec
 - UNITS of f_s ARE HERTZ: 8000 Hz
- UNIFORM SAMPLING at $t = nT_s = n/f_s$
 - IDEAL: $x[n] = x(nT_s) = x(n/f_s)$



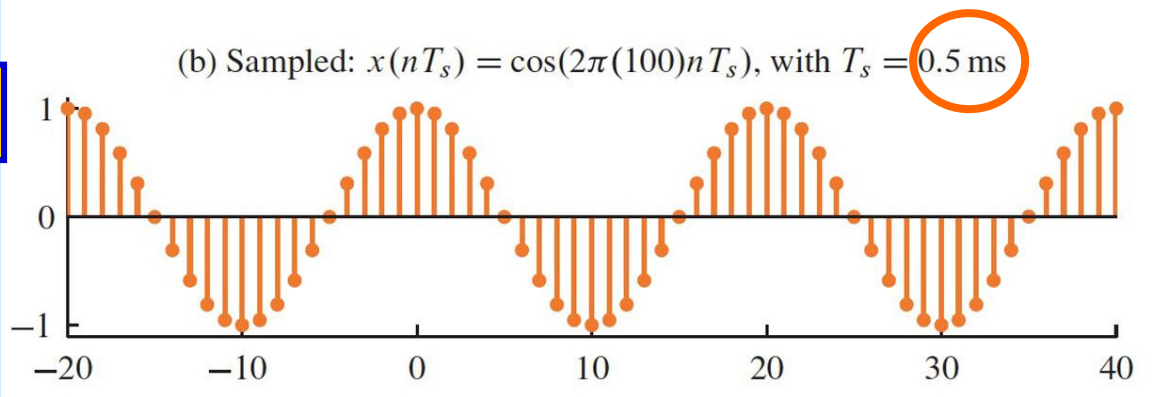
STORING DIGITAL SOUND

- $x[n]$ is a SAMPLED SIGNAL
 - A list of numbers stored in memory
- EXAMPLE: audio CD
- CD rate is 44,100 samples per second
 - 16-bit samples
 - Stereo uses 2 channels
- Number of bytes for 1 minute is
 - $2 \times (16/8) \times 60 \times 44100 = 10.584$ Mbytes

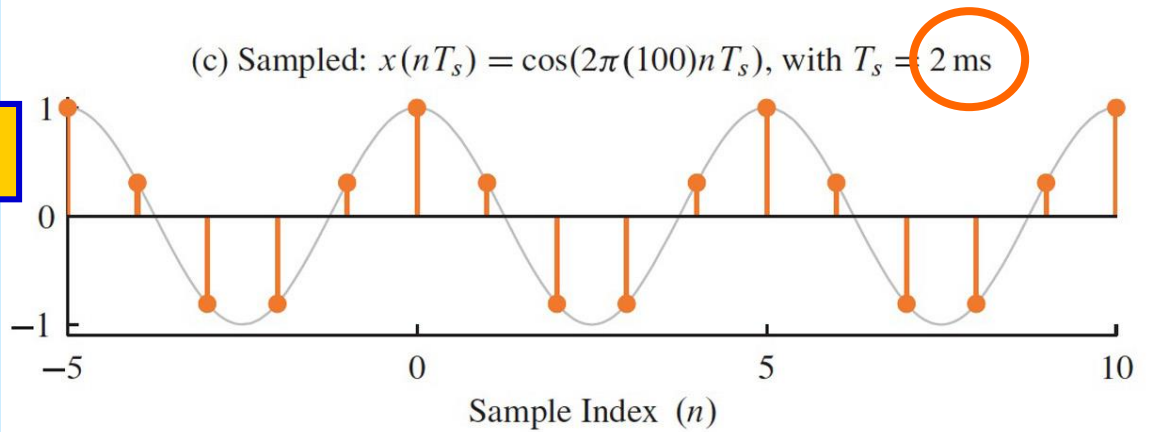
$f = 100\text{Hz}$



$f_s = 2\text{ kHz}$



$f_s = 500\text{Hz}$



May 2 Which one provides the most accurate representation of $x(t)$?

SAMPLING THEOREM

- HOW OFTEN DO WE NEED TO SAMPLE?
 - DEPENDS on FREQUENCY of SINUSOID
 - ANSWERED by SHANNON/NYQUIST Theorem
 - ALSO DEPENDS on “RECONSTRUCTION”

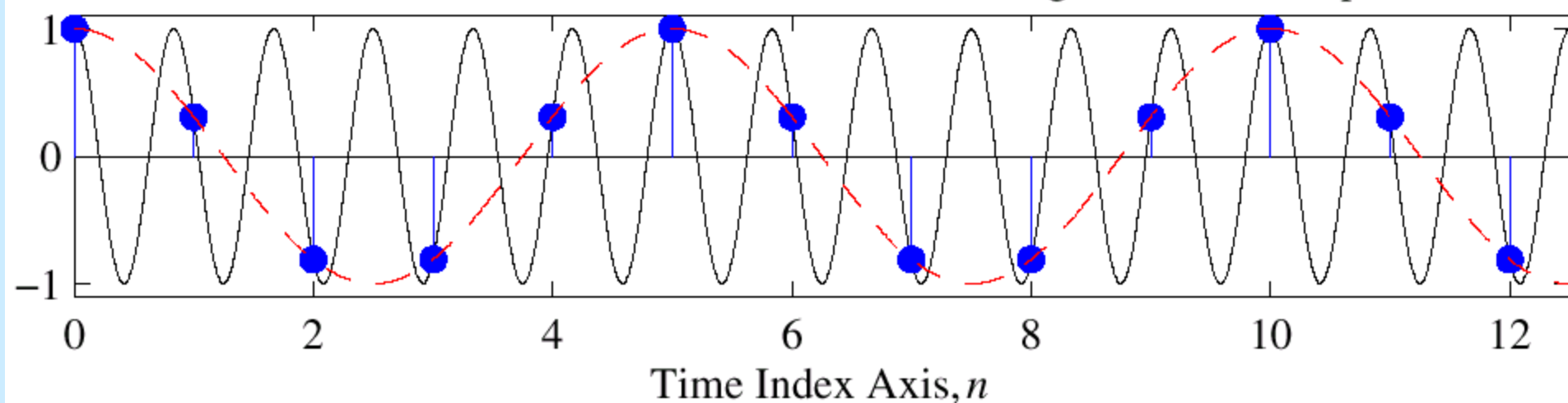
Shannon Sampling Theorem

A continuous-time signal $x(t)$ with frequencies no higher than f_{\max} can be reconstructed exactly from its samples $x[n] = x(nT_s)$, if the samples are taken at a rate $f_s = 1/T_s$ that is greater than $2f_{\max}$.

Reconstruction? Which One?

Given the samples, draw a sinusoid through the values

Two continuous cosine functions drawn through the same samples



$$x[n] = \cos(0.4\pi n)$$

When n is an integer
 $\cos(0.4\pi n) = \cos(2.4\pi n)$

Occam's razor -> pick lowest frequency sinusoid

Be careful...

See the References on the Website

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qgvuQGY946g>



DISCRETE-TIME SINUSOID

- Change $x(t)$ into $x[n]$ DERIVATION

$$x(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \varphi)$$

$$x[n] = x(nT_s) = A \cos(\omega nT_s + \varphi)$$

$$x[n] = A \cos((\omega T_s)n + \varphi)$$

$$x[n] = A \cos(\hat{\omega}n + \varphi)$$

$$\hat{\omega} = \omega T_s = \frac{\omega}{f_s}$$

DEFINE DIGITAL FREQUENCY

DIGITAL FREQUENCY

 $\hat{\omega}$

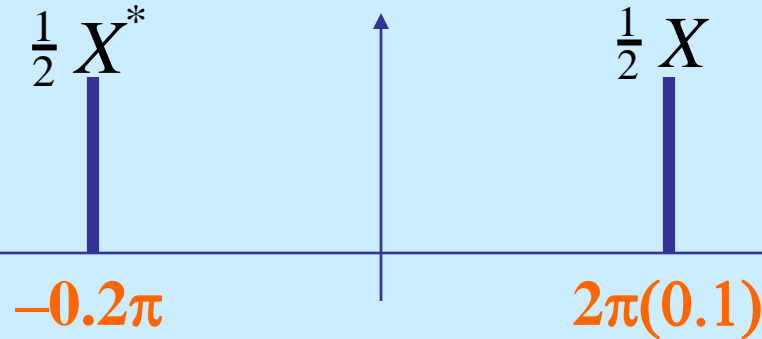
$$\hat{\omega} = \omega T_s = \frac{2\pi f}{f_s}$$

- $\hat{\omega}$ VARIES from **0** to **2π** , as f varies from 0 to the sampling frequency
- UNITS are radians, not rad/sec
 - DIGITAL FREQUENCY is NORMALIZED

SPECTRUM (DIGITAL)

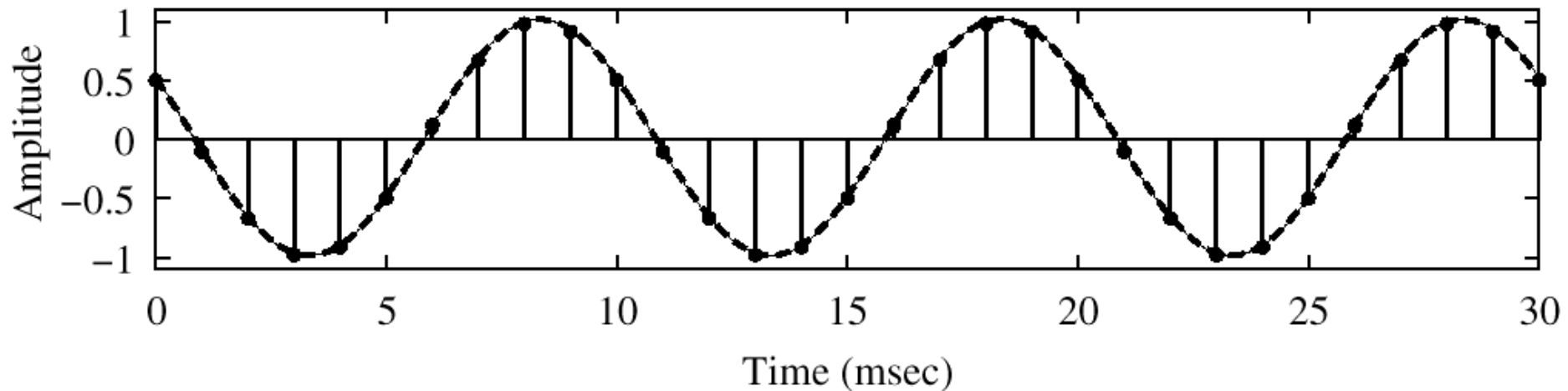
$$\hat{\omega} = 2\pi \frac{f}{f_s}$$

$$f_s = 1 \text{ kHz}$$



$$x[n] = A \cos(2\pi(100)(n/1000) + \varphi)$$

100-Hz Cosine Wave: Sampled with $T_s = 1$ msec (1000 Hz)



SPECTRUM (DIGITAL) ???

$$\hat{\omega} = 2\pi \frac{f}{f_s}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} X^*$$

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$$\frac{1}{2} X$$

$$f_s = 100 \text{ Hz}$$

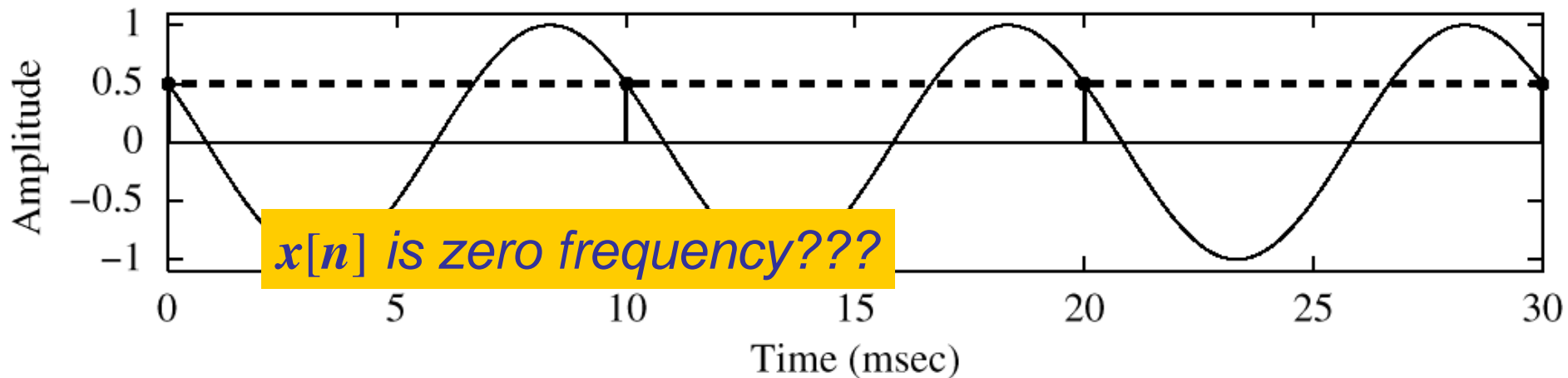
$$-2\pi$$

$$2\pi(1)$$

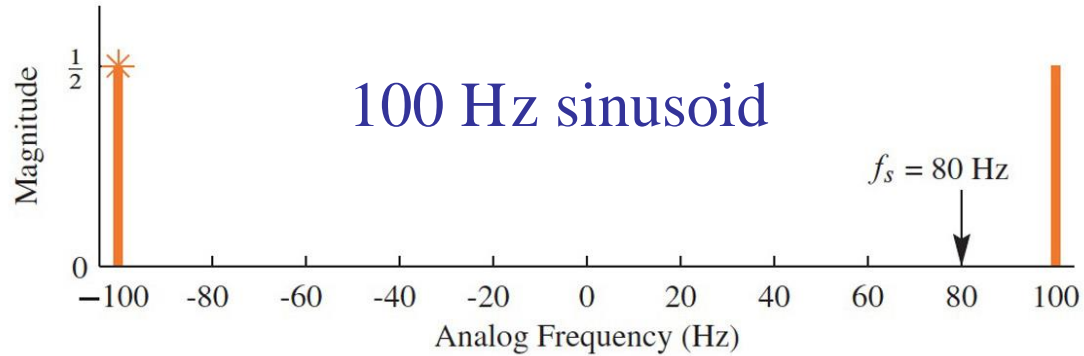
$$\hat{\omega}$$

$$x[n] = A \cos(2\pi(100)(n/100) + \varphi)$$

100-Hz Cosine Wave: Sampled with $T_s = 10$ msec (100 Hz)

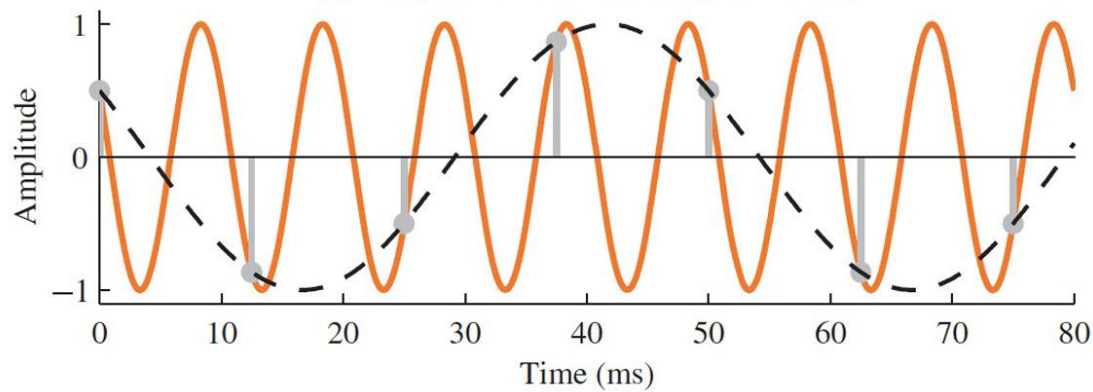


(a) Spectrum of the 100 Hz Cosine Wave



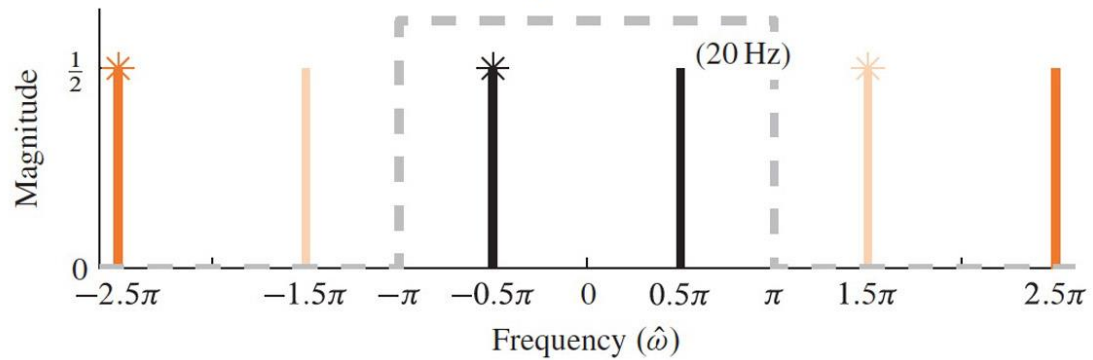
$f_s = 80 \text{ samples/s.}$

(b) Sampled at $T_s = 12.5 \text{ ms}$ ($f_s = 80 \text{ Hz}$)



$\hat{\omega} = \pm 2 \cdot 5\pi \text{ rad,}$

(c) Discrete-Time Spectrum of 100 Hz Sinusoid



The REST of the STORY

- Spectrum of $x[n]$ has more than one line for each complex exponential
 - Called ALIASING
 - MANY SPECTRAL LINES
- SPECTRUM is PERIODIC with period = 2π
 - Because

$$A \cos(\hat{\omega}n + \varphi) = A \cos((\hat{\omega} + 2\pi\ell)n + \varphi)$$

ALIASING DERIVATION

- Other Frequencies give the same $\hat{\omega}$

$$x_1(t) = \cos(400\pi t) \quad \text{sampled at } f_s = 1000 \text{ Hz}$$

$$x_1[n] = \cos\left(400\pi \frac{n}{1000}\right) = \cos(0.4\pi n)$$

$$x_2(t) = \cos(2400\pi t) \quad \text{sampled at } f_s = 1000 \text{ Hz}$$

$$x_2[n] = \cos\left(2400\pi \frac{n}{1000}\right) = \cos(2.4\pi n)$$

$$x_2[n] = \cos(2.4\pi n) = \cos(0.4\pi n + 2\pi n) = \cos(0.4\pi n)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2[n] = x_1[n]$$

$$2400\pi - 400\pi = 2\pi(1000)$$

ALIASING DERIVATION

- Other Frequencies give the same $\hat{\omega}$

If $x(t) = A \cos(2\pi(f + \ell f_s)t + \varphi)$

$$t \leftarrow \frac{n}{f_s}$$

and we want : $x[n] = A \cos(\hat{\omega}n + \varphi)$

$$\text{then : } \hat{\omega} = \frac{2\pi(f + \ell f_s)}{f_s} = \frac{2\pi f}{f_s} + \frac{2\pi \ell f_s}{f_s}$$

$$\hat{\omega} = \omega T_s = \frac{2\pi f}{f_s} + 2\pi \ell$$

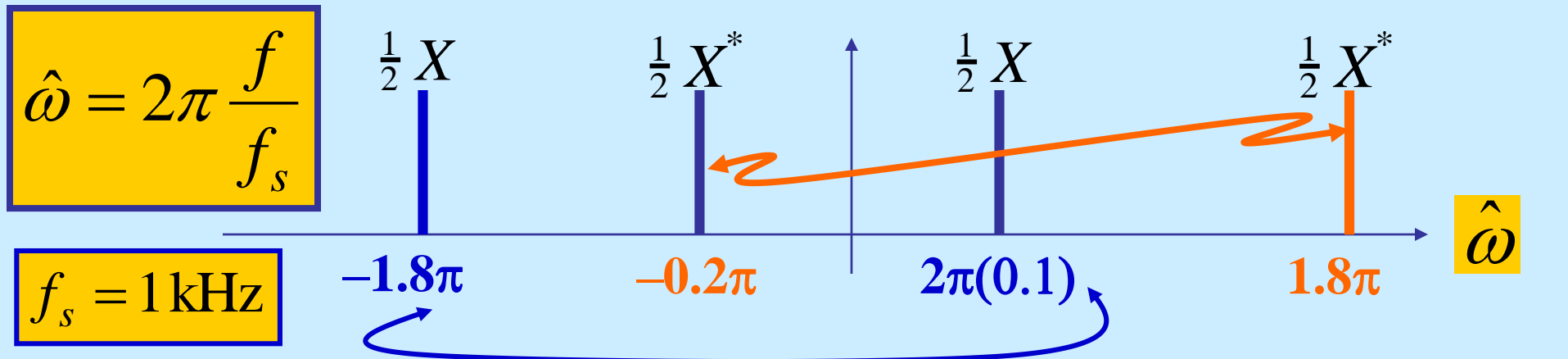
ALIASING CONCLUSIONS

- Adding an INTEGER multiple of f_s or $-f_s$ to the frequency of a continuous sinusoid $x_c(t)$ gives exactly the same values for the sampled signal $x[n] = x_c(n/f_s)$
- **GIVEN $x[n]$, we CAN'T KNOW whether it came from a sinusoid at f_0 or $(f_0 + f_s)$ or $(f_0 + 2f_s)$...**
- **This is called ALIASING**

SPECTRUM for $x[n]$

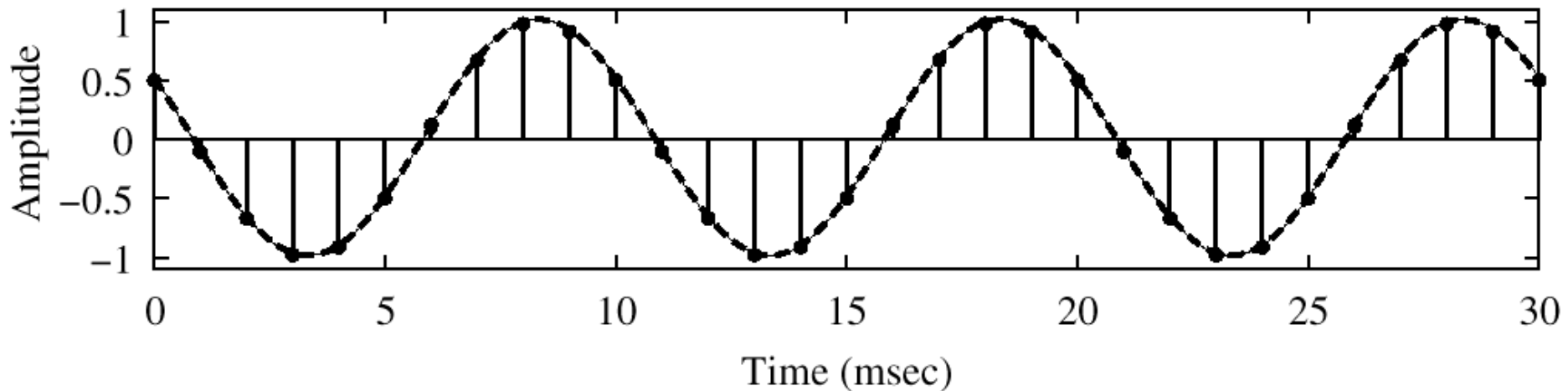
- PLOT versus NORMALIZED FREQUENCY
- INCLUDE ALL SPECTRUM LINES
 - ALIASES
 - ADD MULTIPLES of 2π
 - SUBTRACT MULTIPLES of 2π
 - FOLDED ALIASES
 - (to be discussed later)
 - ALIASES of NEGATIVE FREQS

SPECTRUM (MORE LINES)

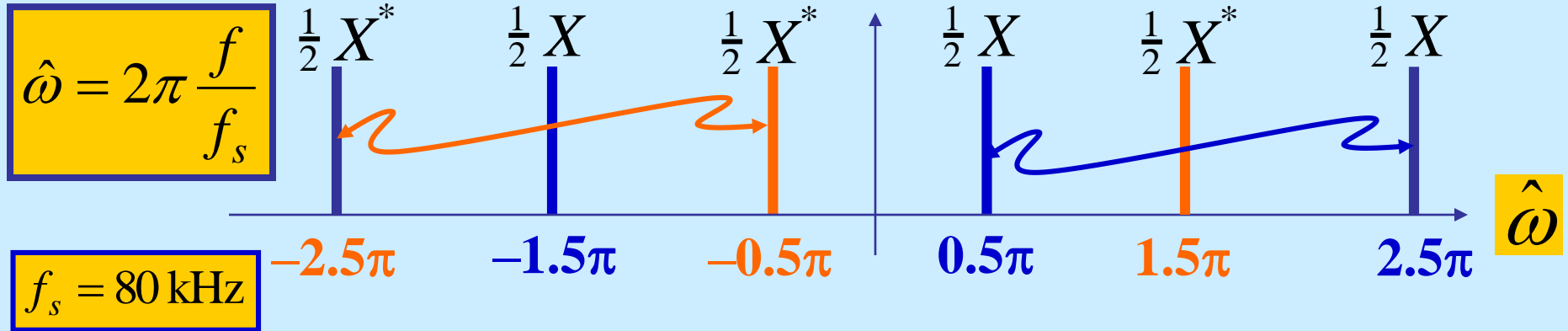


$$x[n] = A \cos(2\pi(100)(n/1000) + \varphi)$$

100-Hz Cosine Wave: Sampled with $T_s = 1 \text{ msec}$ (1000 Hz)

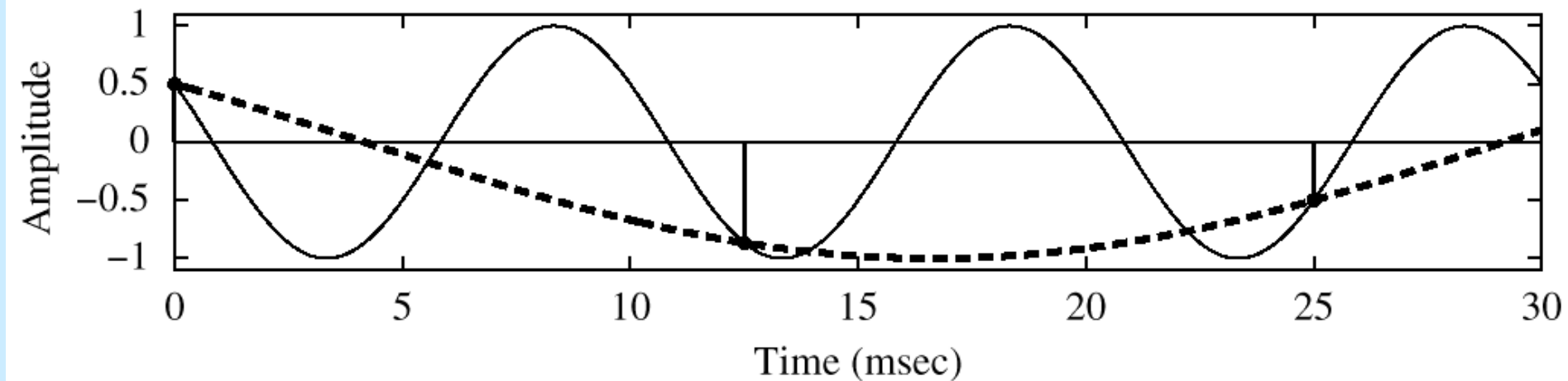


SPECTRUM (ALIASING CASE)

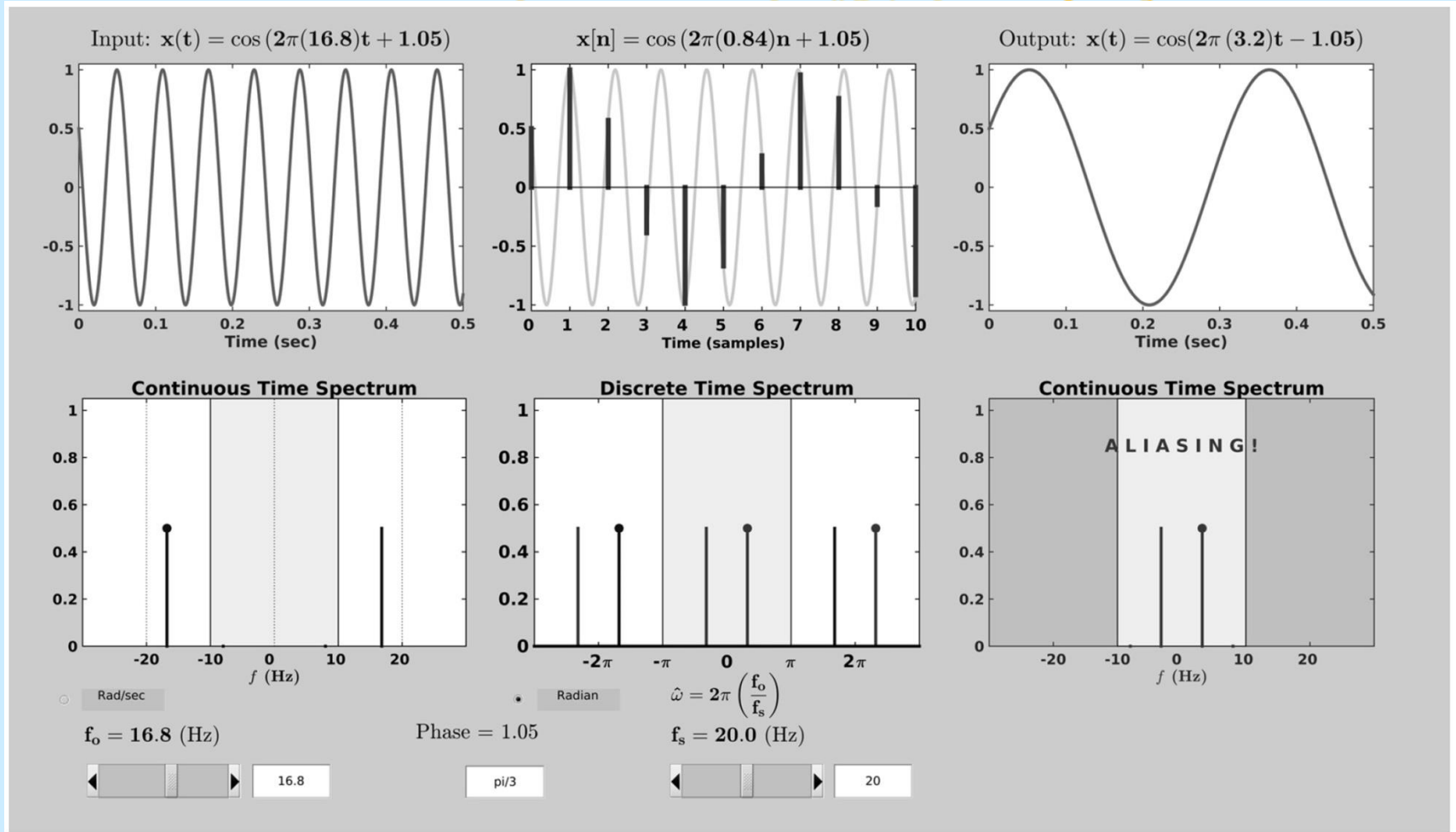


$$x[n] = A \cos(2\pi(100)(n/80) + \varphi)$$

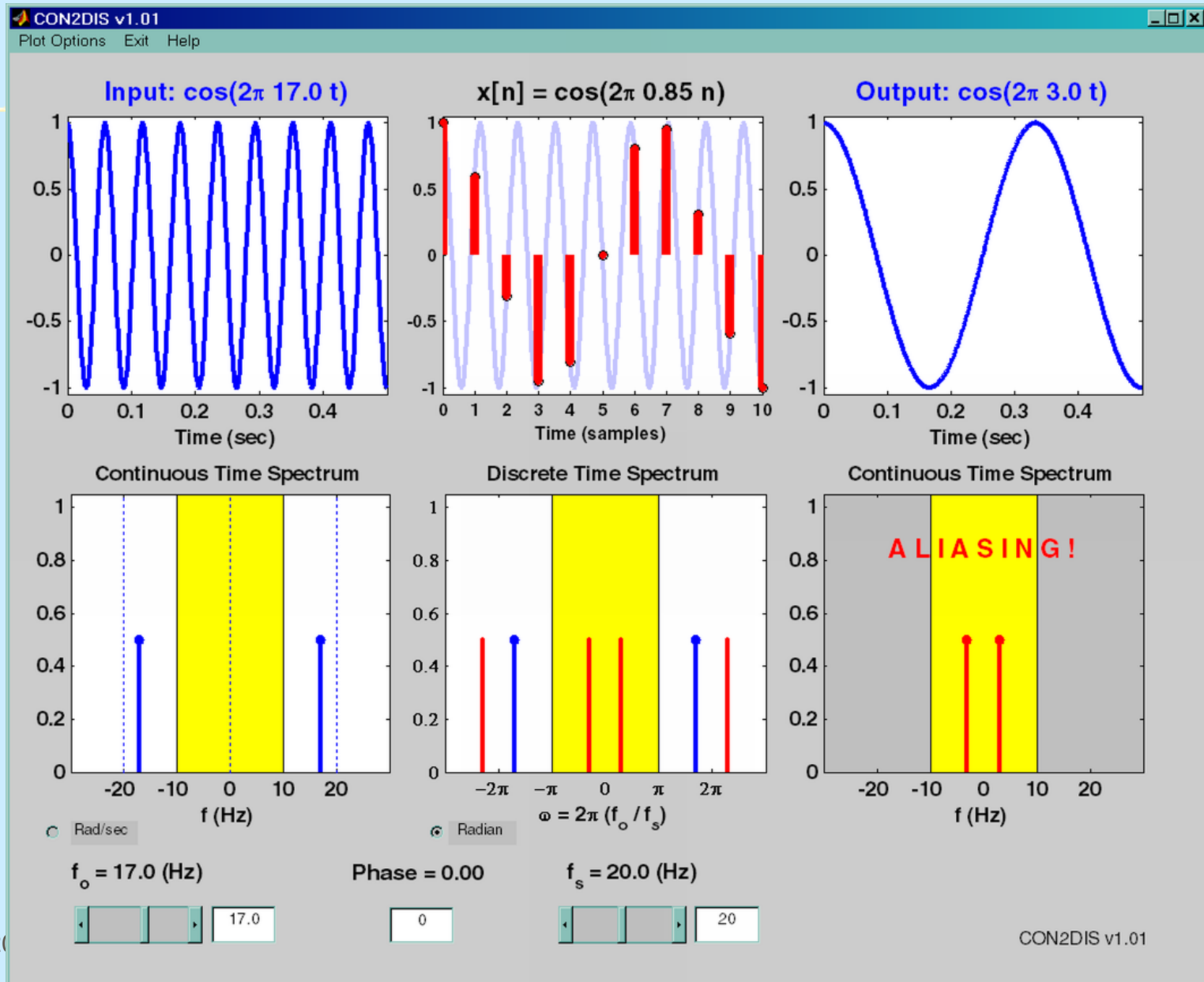
100-Hz Cosine Wave: Sampled with $T_s = 12.5$ msec (80 Hz)



SAMPLING GUI (con2dis)



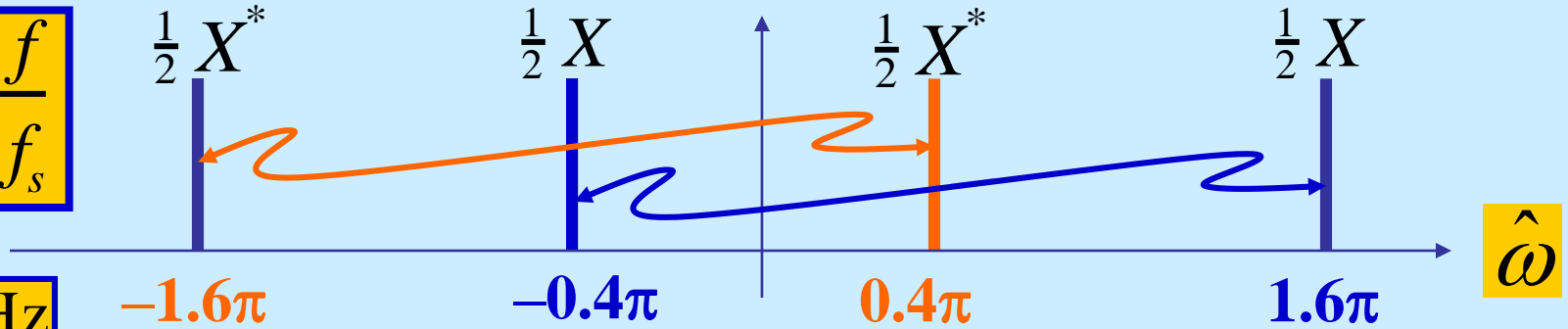
SAMPLING GUI (con2dis)



SPECTRUM (FOLDING CASE)

$$\hat{\omega} = 2\pi \frac{f}{f_s}$$

$$f_s = 125 \text{ Hz}$$



$$x[n] = A \cos(2\pi(100)(n/125) + \varphi)$$

100-Hz Cosine Wave: Sampled with $T_s = 8$ msec (125 Hz)

