

SAMPLING THEOREM

- **Objectives:**

Representation Using Impulses

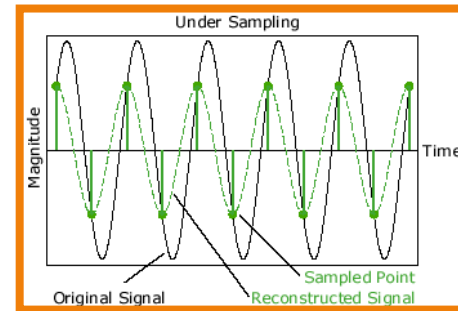
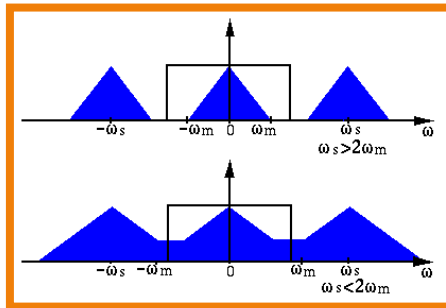
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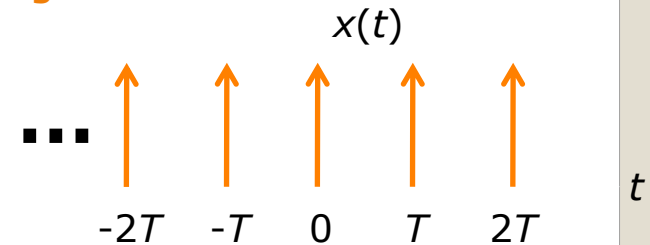


Representation of a CT Signal Using Impulse Functions

- The goal of this lecture is to convince you that bandlimited CT signals, when sampled properly, can be represented as discrete-time signals with NO loss of information. This remarkable result is known as **the Sampling Theorem**.

- Recall our expression for a pulse train:

$$p(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT)$$



- A sampled version of a CT signal, $x(t)$, is:

$$x_s(t) = x(t)p(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)\delta(t - nT) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(nT)\delta(t - nT)$$

This is known as **idealized sampling**.

- We can derive the complex Fourier series of a pulse train:

$$p(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} \quad \text{where} \quad \omega_0 = 2\pi / T$$

$$c_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} p(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} \delta(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt = \frac{1}{T} \left[e^{-jk\omega_0 t} \right]_{t=0} = \frac{1}{T}$$

$$p(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{T} e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

Fourier Transform of a Sampled Signal

- The Fourier series of our sampled signal, $x_s(t)$ is:

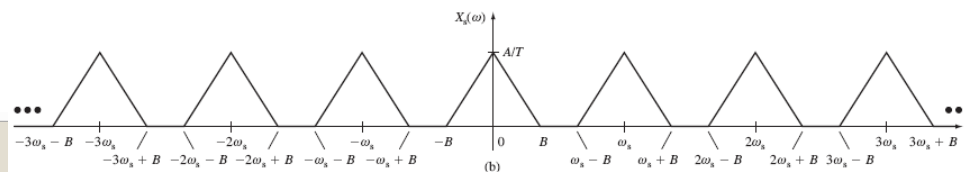
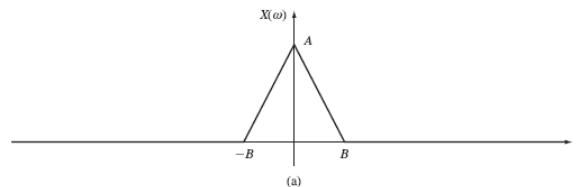
$$x_s(t) = p(t)x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{T} x(t) e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

- Recalling the Fourier transform properties of linearity (the transform of a sum is the sum of the transforms) and modulation (multiplication by a complex exponential produces a shift in the frequency domain), we can write an expression for the Fourier transform of our sampled signal:

$$\begin{aligned} X_s(e^{j\omega}) &= \mathcal{F}\{p(t)x(t)\} = \mathcal{F}\left\{\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{T} x(t) e^{jk\omega_0 t}\right\} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}\{x(t) e^{jk\omega_0 t}\} \\ &= \frac{1}{T} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X(e^{j(\omega - k\omega_0)}) \end{aligned}$$

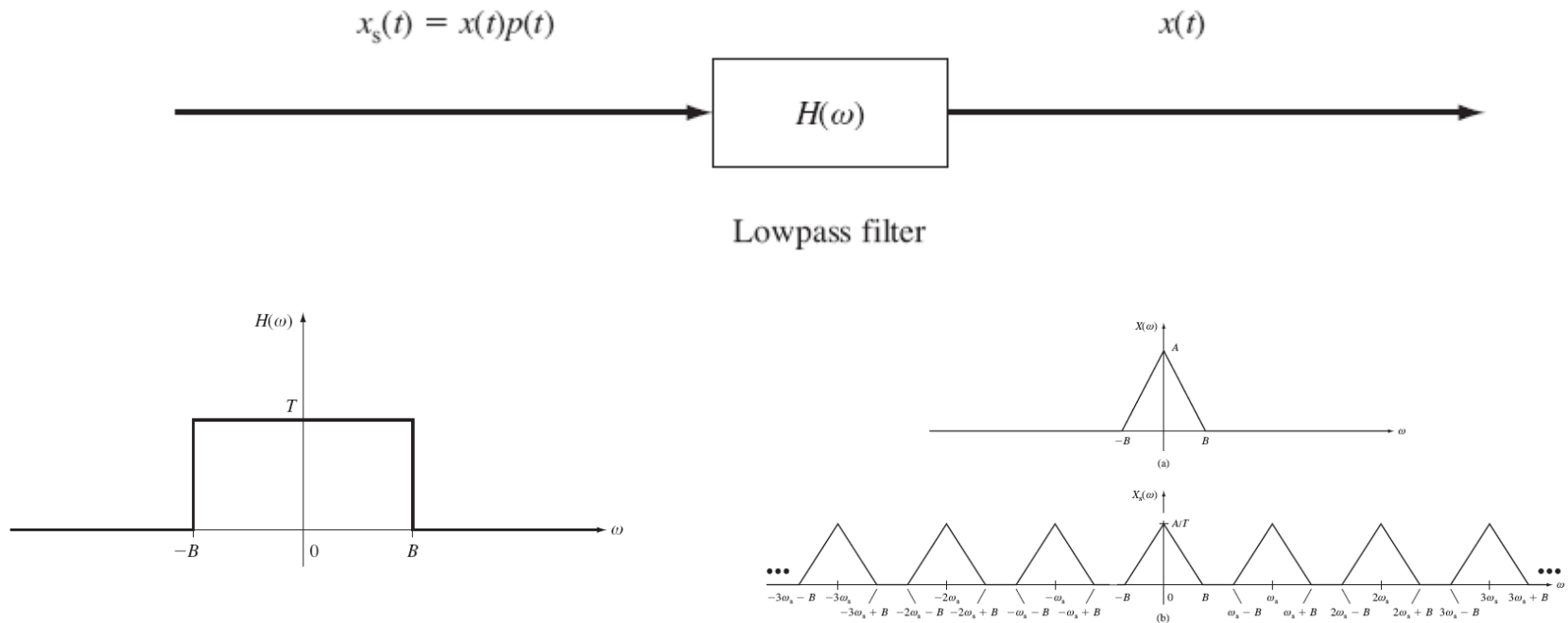
$$|X(e^{j\omega})| = 0 \quad \text{for } \omega > B$$

- If our original signal, $x(t)$, is bandlimited:



Signal Reconstruction

- Note that if $\omega_s \geq 2B$, the replicas of $X(e^{j\omega})$ do not overlap in the frequency domain. We can recover the original signal exactly.



- The sampling frequency $\omega_s \geq 2B$, is referred to as the **Nyquist sampling frequency**.
- There are two practical problems associated with this approach:
 - The lowpass filter is not physically realizable. Why?
 - The input signal is typically not bandlimited. Explain.

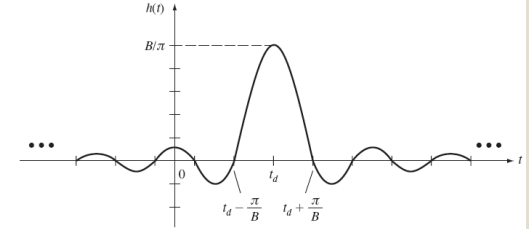
Signal Interpolation

- **The frequency response of the lowpass, or interpolation, filter is:**

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \begin{cases} T, & -B \leq \omega \leq B \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

- **The impulse response of this filter is given by:**

$$h(t) = \frac{BT}{\pi} \frac{\sin(Bt/\pi)}{(Bt/\pi)} \equiv \frac{BT}{\pi} \text{sinc}(Bt/\pi B) \quad -\infty \leq t \leq \infty$$



- **The output of the interpolating filter is given by the convolution integral:**

$$y(t) = h(t) * x_s(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_s(\tau) h(t - \tau) d\tau$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(nT) \delta(t - nT) \right] h(t - \tau) d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(nT) \delta(t - nT) h(t - \tau) d\tau$$

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(nT) \delta(t - nT) h(t - \tau) d\tau$$

- **Using the sifting property of the impulse:**

$$y(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(nT) \delta(t - nT) h(t - \tau) d\tau$$

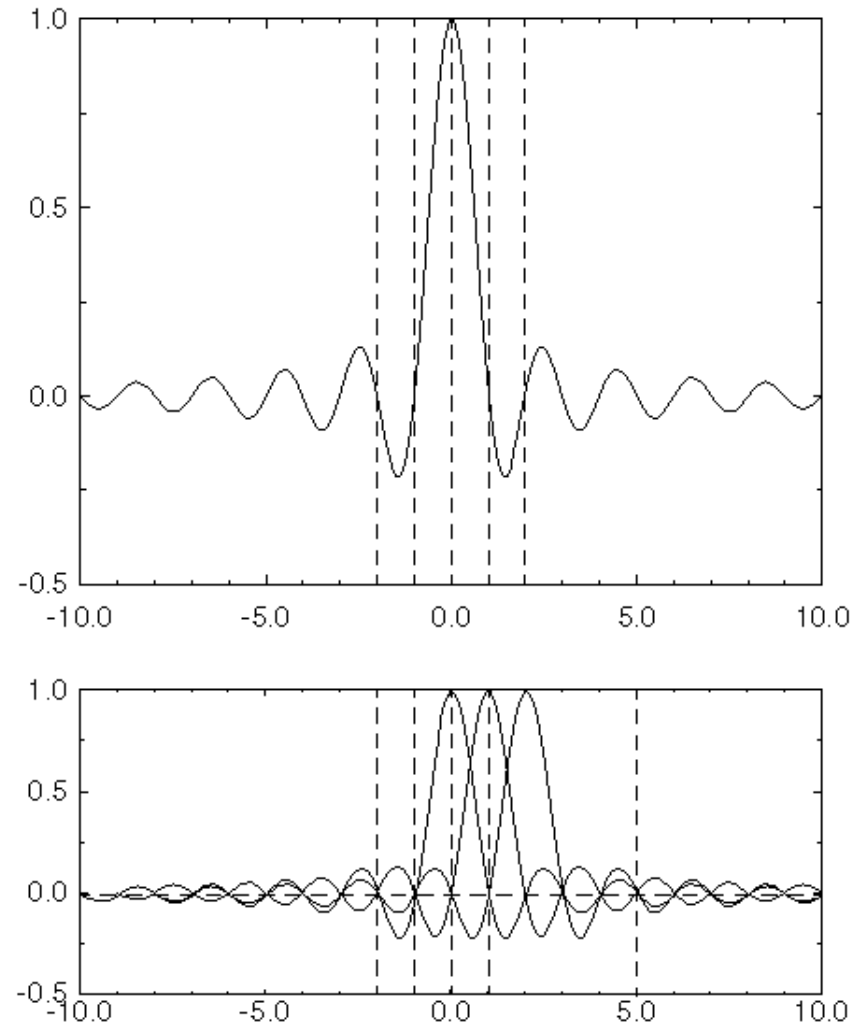
$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(nT) h(t - nT)$$

Signal Interpolation (Cont.)

- Inserting our expression for the impulse response:

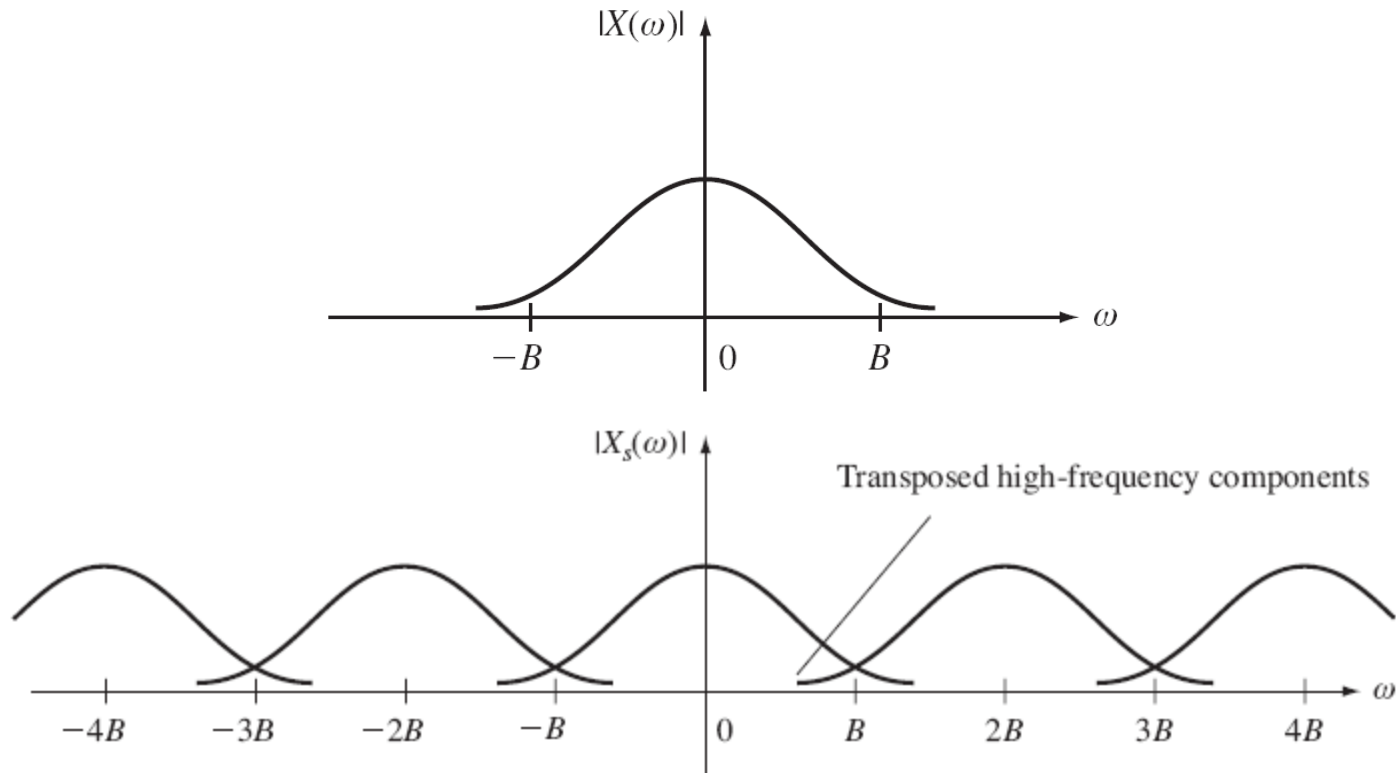
$$y(t) = \frac{BT}{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(nT) \operatorname{sinc}\left(\frac{B}{\pi}(t - nT)\right)$$

- This has an interesting graphical interpretation shown to the right.
- This formula describes a way to perfectly reconstruct a signal from its samples.
- Applications include digital to analog conversion, and changing the sample frequency (or period) from one value to another, a process we call resampling (up/down).
- But remember that this is still a noncausal system so in practical systems we must approximate this equation. Such implementations are studied more extensively in an introductory DSP class.



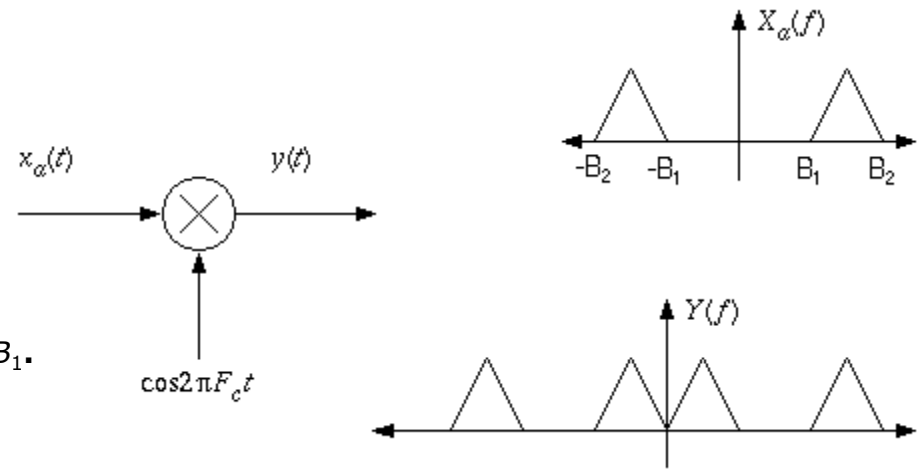
Aliasing

- Recall that a time-limited signal cannot be bandlimited. Since all signals are more or less time-limited, they cannot be bandlimited. Therefore, we must lowpass filter most signals before sampling. This is called an **anti-aliasing filter** and are typically built into an analog to digital (A/D) converter.
- If the signal is not bandlimited distortion will occur when the signal is sampled. We refer to this distortion as **aliasing**



Sampling of Narrowband Signals

- What is the lowest sample frequency we can use for the narrowband signal shown to the right?
- Recalling that the process of sampling shifts the spectrum of the signal, we can derive a generalization of the Sampling Theorem in terms of the physical bandwidth occupied by the signal.
- A general guideline is $f_s \geq 2B$, where $B = B_2 - B_1$.
- A more rigorous equation depends on B_1 and B_2 :



$$2B \leq f_s \leq 4B$$

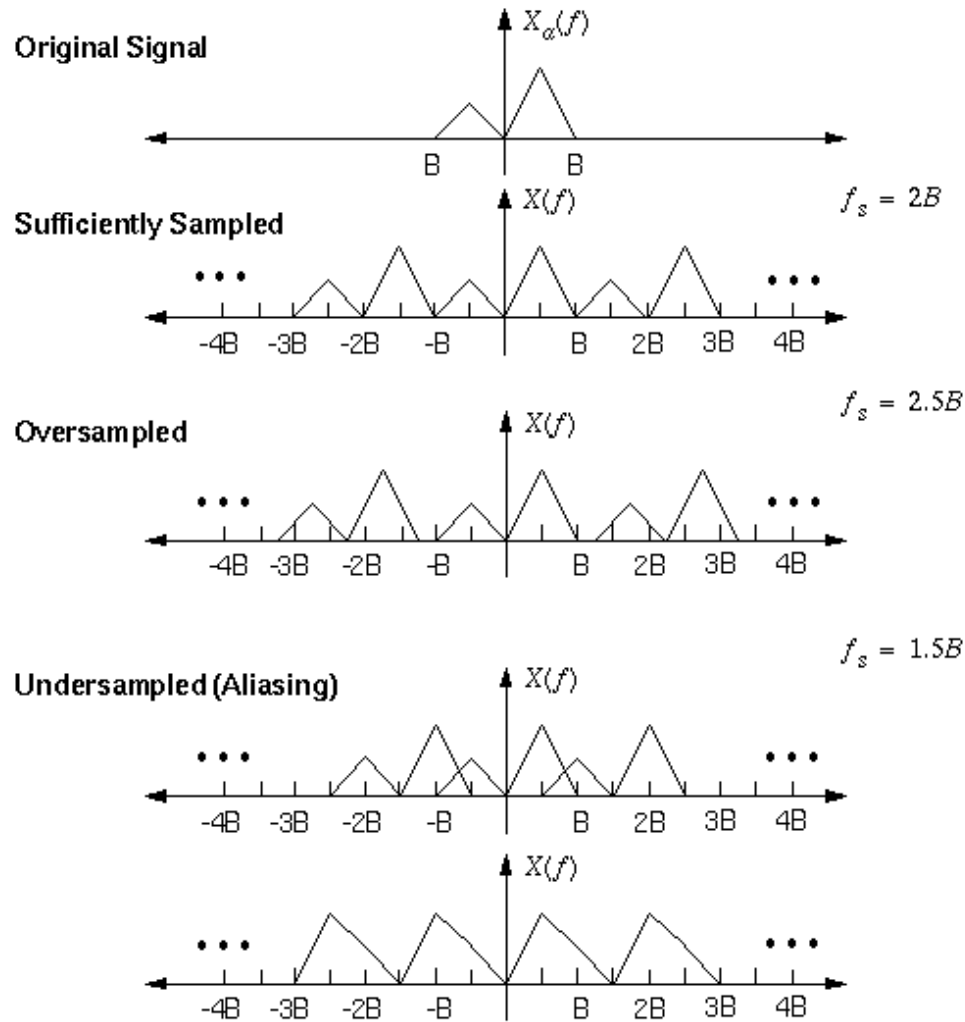
$$f_s = 2B \frac{r'}{r} \quad \text{where} \quad r' = \frac{f_c + B/2}{B}$$

- Sampling can also be thought of as a modulation operation, since it shifts a signal's spectrum in frequency.

$$f_c = (B_1 + B_2) / 2$$

$$r = \lfloor r' \rfloor \quad (\text{greatest integer greater than or equal to } r)$$

Undersampling and Oversampling of a Signal



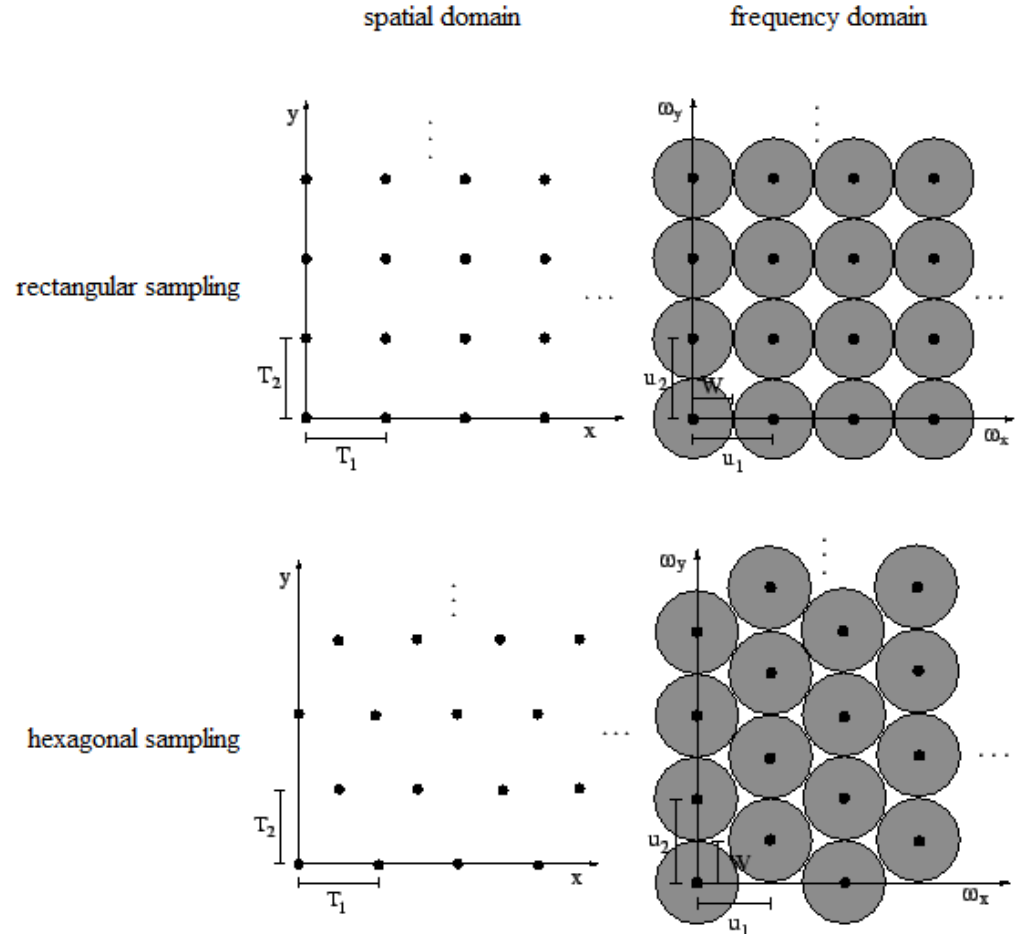
Sampling is a Universal Engineering Concept

- Note that the concept of sampling is applied to many electronic systems:

- electronics: CD players, switched capacitor filters, power systems
- biological systems: EKG, EEG, blood pressure
- information systems: the stock market.

- Sampling can be applied in space (e.g., images) as well as time, as shown to the right.

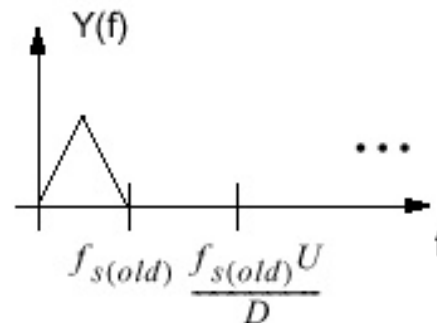
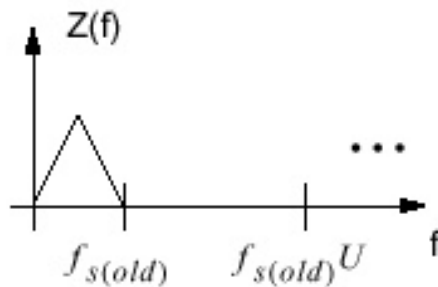
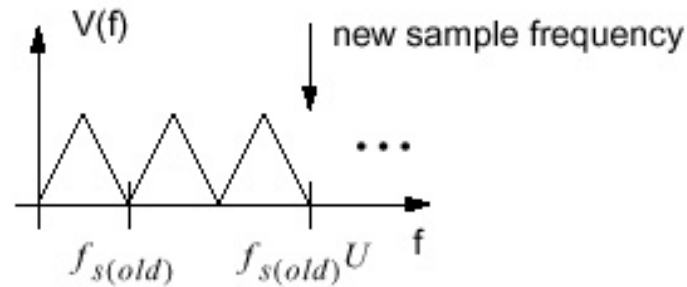
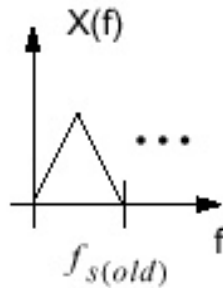
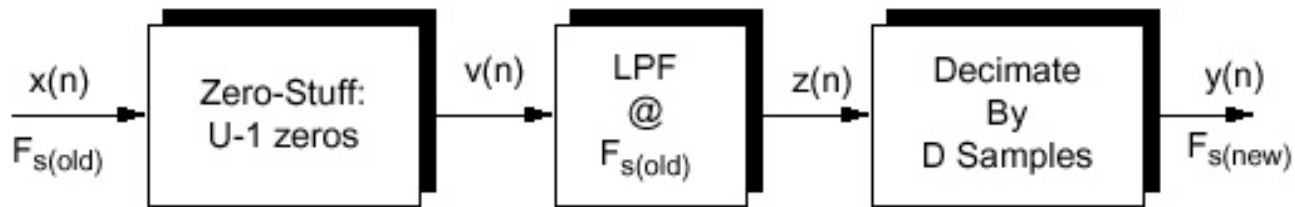
- Full-motion video signals are sampled spatially (e.g., 1280x1024 pixels at 100 pixels/inch) , temporally (e.g., 30 frames/sec), and with respect to color (e.g., RGB at 8 bits/color). How were these settings arrived at?



Downsampling and Upsampling

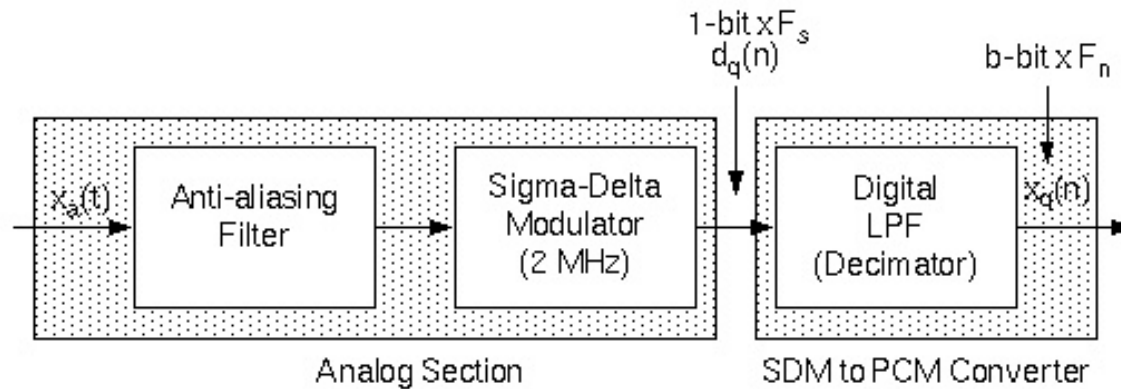
- Simple sample rate conversions, such as converting from 16 kHz to 8 kHz, can be achieved using digital filters and zero-stuffing:

$$F_{s(new)} = F_{s(old)} \left(\frac{U}{D} \right)$$

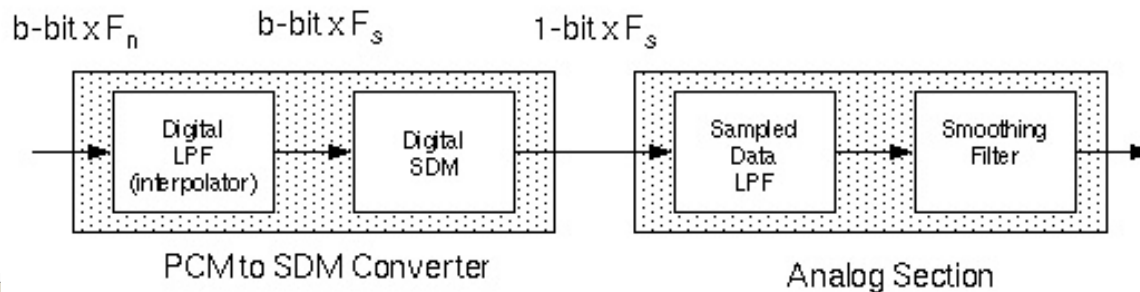


Oversampling

- Sampling and digital signal processing can be combined to create higher performance samplers ☺
- For example, CD players use an oversampling approach that involves sampling the signal at a very high rate and then downsampling it to avoid the need to build high precision converter and filters.



An Oversampling D/A Converter



Summary

- **Introduced the Sampling Theorem and discussed the conditions under which analog signals can be represented as discrete-time signals with no loss of information.**
- **Discussed the spectrum of a discrete-time signal.**
- **Demonstrated how to reconstruct and interpolate a signal using sinc functions that are a consequence of the Sampling Theorem.**
- **Introduced a variety of applications involving sampling including downsampling and oversampling.**