

# Chapter 9

## Sampling Theorem

# Sampling

We live in a continuous-time world: most of the signals we encounter are CT signals, e.g.  $x(t)$ . How do we convert them into DT signals  $x[n]$ ?

- Sampling, taking snap shots of  $x(t)$  every  $T$  seconds.

$T$  – sampling period

$x[n] \equiv x(nT)$ ,  $n = \dots, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots$  — regularly spaced samples

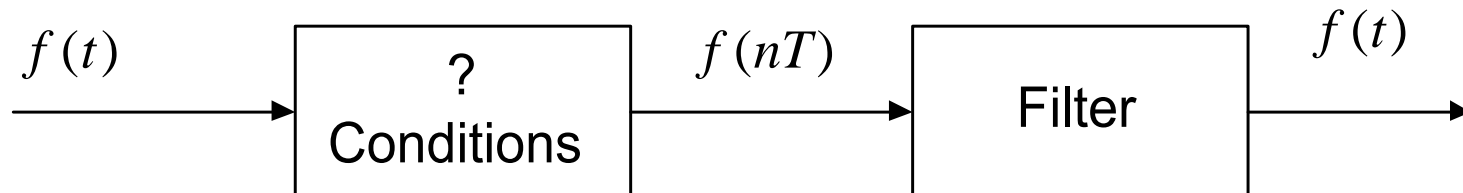
Applications and Examples

- Digital Processing of Signals
- Strobe
- Images in Newspapers
- Sampling Oscilloscope
- ...

**How do we perform sampling?**

# The Sampling Theorem

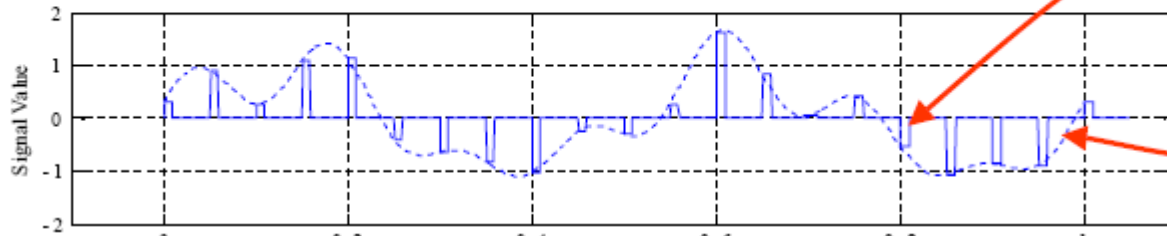
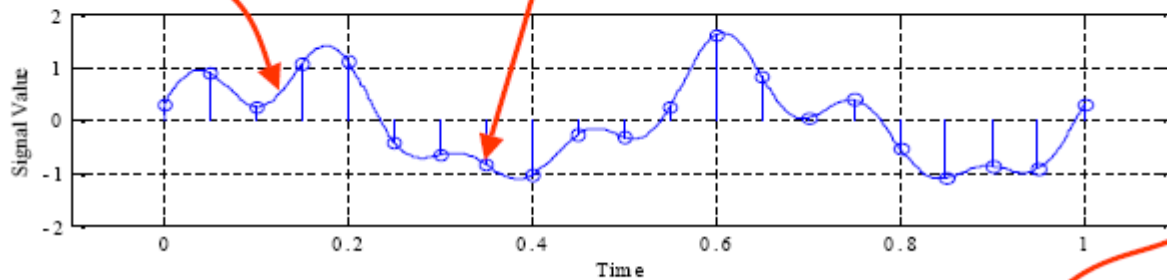
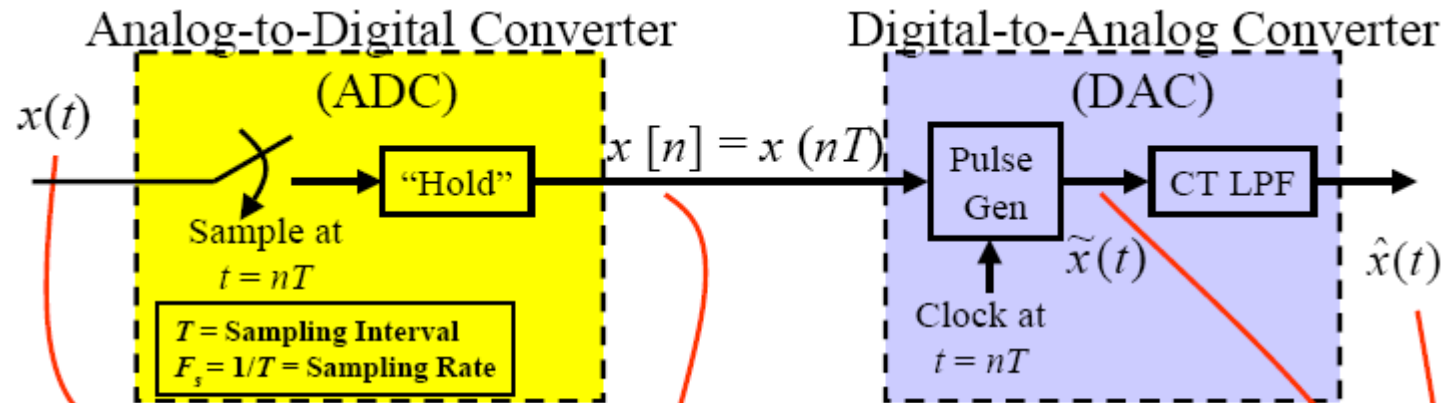
Signals bearing information are available either in continuous form  $f(t)$  or in discrete form (digital form). Therefore, we would like to determine the necessary conditions which allow us to change an analog signal to a discrete signal without loss of information, and how we recover the original signal by filtering, this link is known as the "The sampling theorem".



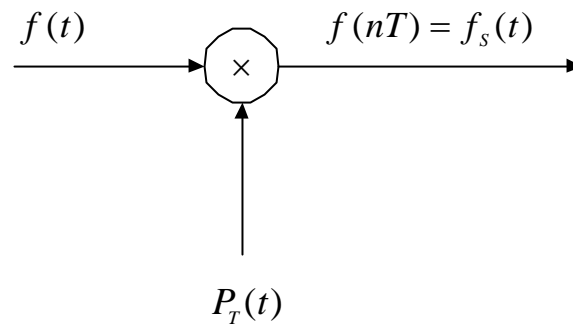
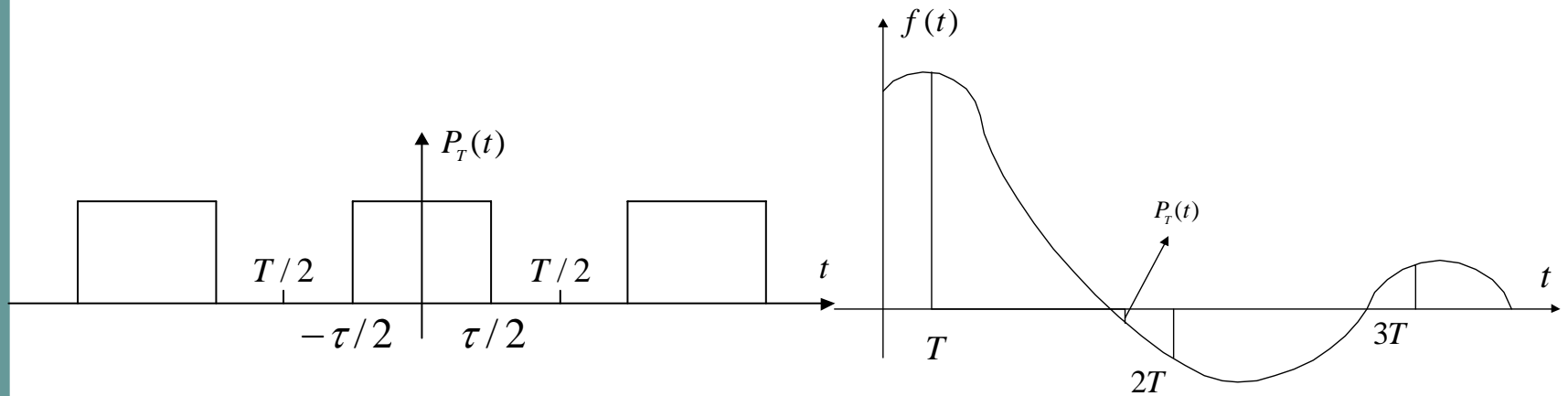
# Definition

A real-valued band-limited (low-pass signals, the bandwidth is limited) having no frequency components above a frequency of  $W$  rad/s [ $W=2\pi B$ ;  $B$  is in Hz] is determined uniquely by its values at uniform intervals that are spaced no greater than  $(1/2B)$  seconds apart.

# Physical Steps



# Mathematical Steps



# Mathematical Details

- $f_s(t) = f(t) \cdot p_T(t)$
- $P_T(t)$  is a periodic function of period  $T$ . It can be expressed in a Fourier series form.

$$P_T(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} P_n e^{jn\omega_0 t} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

$$f_s(t) = f(t) \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} P_n e^{jn\omega_0 t}$$

# The Fourier Transform of $f_s(t)$

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$$F_S(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_s(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} P_n e^{jn\omega_0 t} e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

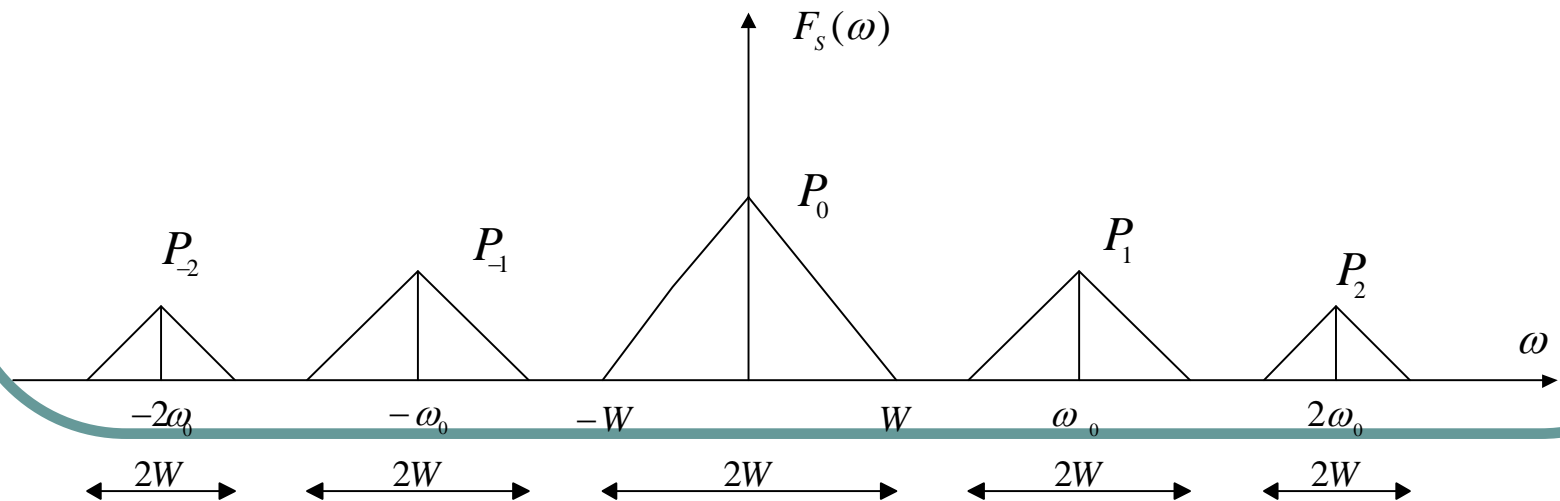
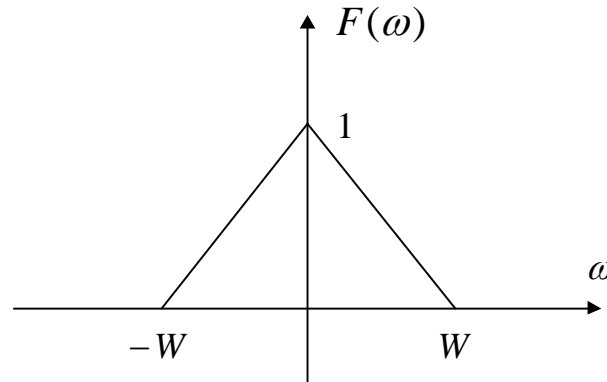
$$F_S(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} P_n \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-j(\omega - n\omega_0)t} dt$$

$$F_S(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} P_n F(\omega - n\omega_0)$$



# Case 1: $T < 1/2B$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T} \Rightarrow \frac{2\pi}{\omega_0} = T; \quad T < \frac{1}{2B} \Rightarrow \frac{2\pi}{\omega_0} < \frac{1}{2B} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\omega_0} < \frac{1}{2(2\pi B)} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\omega_0} < \frac{1}{2W} \Rightarrow \omega_0 > 2W$$



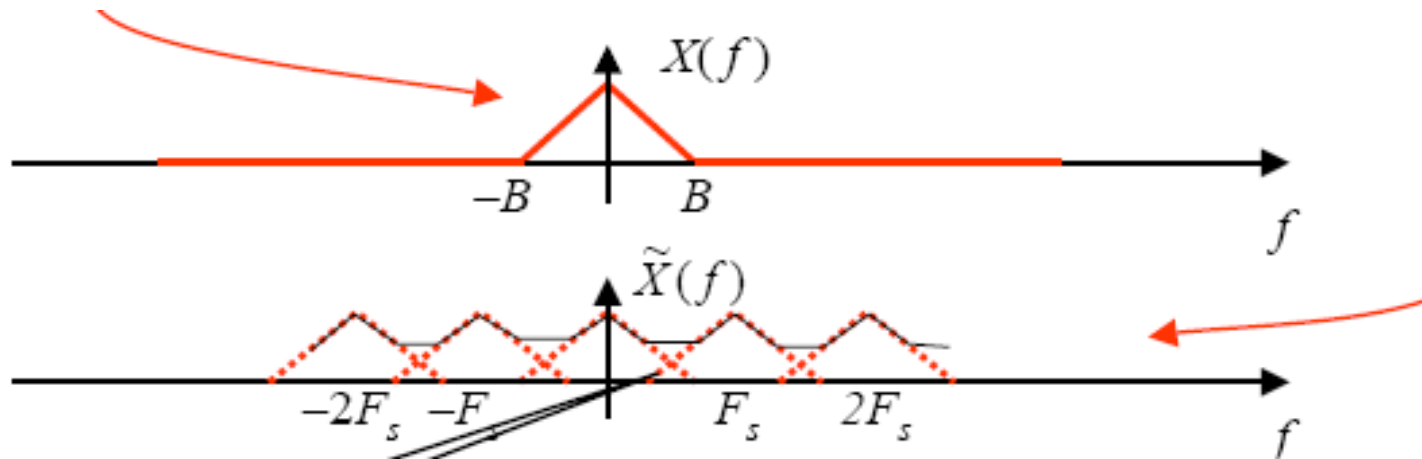
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- Accordingly, the 2-signals would not interfere with each other. The original signal  $f(t)$  can be recovered from its sampled version by the use of an LPF of bandwidth  $W$  rad/s.
- Notation:  **$(1/2B)$  is called the *Nyquist interval***, and  **$1/T$  is called the *Nyquist rate***

# Under sampling

## Case 2: $T > 1/2B$

- In this case,  $\omega_0 < 2W$



Accordingly,  $f(t)$  can not be recovered from its sampled version

# General notes

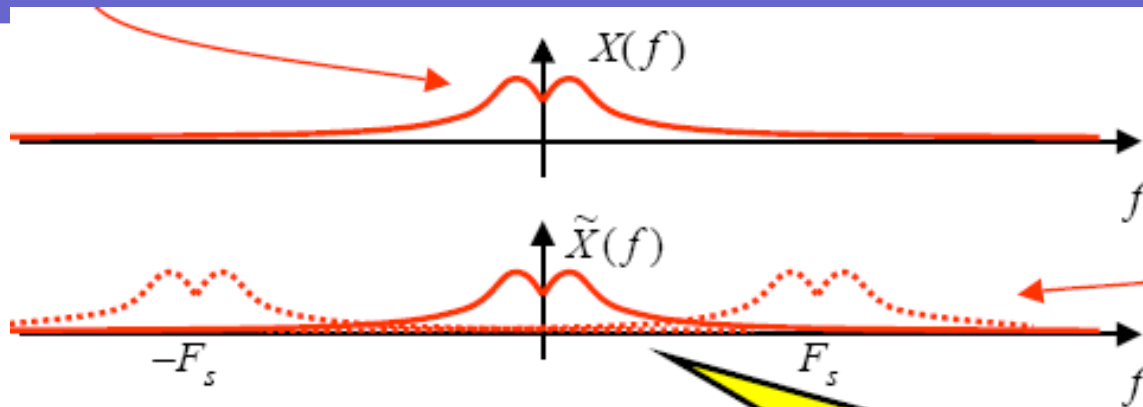
The minimum sampling rate of  $F_s = 2B$  samples/sec is called the Nyquist Rate.

Sampling at the Nyquist rate is called Critical Sampling.

Sampling faster than the Nyquist rate is called Over Sampling

Note: Critical sampling is only possible if an IDEAL lowpass filter is used.... so in practice we generally need to choose a sampling rate somewhat above the Nyquist rate (e.g.,  $2.2B$  ); the choice depends on the application.

# Aliasing: What if the signal $f(t)$ is not band-limited



**For Non-BL Signal Aliasing always happens regardless of  $F_s$  value**

**All practical signals are Non-BL!!!!**

**... so we choose  $F_s$  to minimize the aliasing to an level acceptable for the specific application**