

**EE-2025**

**Fall-2001**

**Lecture 8**  
**D-to-A Conversion**  
**24-Sept-2001**

## Information

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- Lab #4: prepare song for listening
  - Get **LATEST** notes file
  - **FORMAL** Lab Report (150 points)
- Lab #5 is posted
  - Practice image display and down-sampling
- Problem Set #4 due this week
  - HW #5 is posted

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## Quiz-1

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- Graders for each problem posted
- Resolve grading issues NO LATER than Oct. 1st
- Check the Bulletin Board for msgs

## Education

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- “Education is an admirable thing, but it is well to remember from time to time that nothing that is worth knowing can be taught.” .....Oscar Wilde
- So, Labs are one way to approximate knowledge acquisition in the “real world”

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## READING ASSIGNMENTS

### ■ This Lecture:

- Revised Chapter 4: pp. 4023-4032
- Chapter 4, pp. 100-111

### ■ Other Reading:

- Recitation: Chapter 4, pp. 90-100
  - Strobe Demo
- Next Lecture: Chapter 5 (beginning)

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## LECTURE OBJECTIVES

- FOLDING: a type of ALIASING
- DIGITAL-to-ANALOG CONVERSION is
  - Reconstruction from samples
    - SAMPLING THEOREM applies
  - Smooth **Interpolation**
- Mathematical Model of D-to-A
  - **SUM of SHIFTED PULSES**
    - Linear Interpolation example

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## SIGNAL TYPES



### ■ A-to-D

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

### ■ D-to-A

- Convert  $y[n]$  back to a "continuous-time" signal,  $y(t)$
- $y[n]$  is called a "**discrete-time**" signal

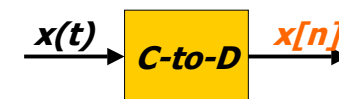
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## SAMPLING $x(t)$

- UNIFORM SAMPLING at  $t = nT_s$ 
  - IDEAL:  $x[n] = x(nT_s)$



### *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  $2f_{\max}$ .

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## NYQUIST RATE

- "Nyquist Rate" Sampling
  - $f_s > \text{TWICE}$  the HIGHEST Frequency in  $x(t)$
  - "Sampling above the Nyquist rate"
- BANDLIMITED SIGNALS
  - DEF:  $x(t)$  has a HIGHEST FREQUENCY COMPONENT in its SPECTRUM
- NON-BANDLIMITED EXAMPLE
  - TRIANGLE WAVE is NOT BANDLIMITED

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## DEMOS from CHAPTER 4

- CD-ROM DEMOS
- SAMPLING DEMO
  - Different Sampling Rates
    - Aliasing of a Sinusoid
- STROBE DEMO
  - Synthetic vs. Real
  - Television SAMPLES at 30 fps
- Sampling & Reconstruction

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## SPECTRUM for $x[n]$

- INCLUDE ALL SPECTRUM LINES
  - ALIASES
    - ADD INTEGER MULTIPLES of  $2\pi$  and  $-2\pi$
  - FOLDED ALIASES
    - ALIASES of NEGATIVE FREQS
- PLOT versus NORMALIZED FREQUENCY
  - i.e., DIVIDE  $f_o$  by  $f_s$

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

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## EXAMPLE: SPECTRUM

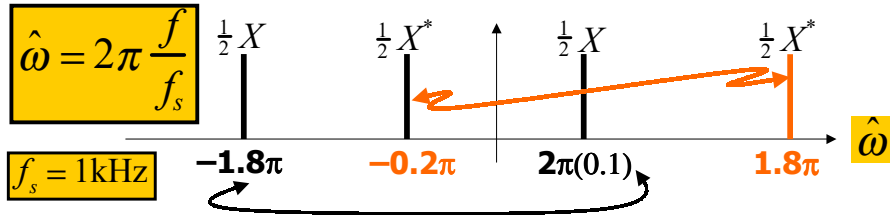
- $x[n] = \text{Acos}(0.2\pi n + \phi)$
- FREQS @  $0.2\pi$  and  $-0.2\pi$
- ALIASES:
  - $\{2.2\pi, 4.2\pi, 6.2\pi, \dots\}$  &  $\{-1.8\pi, -3.8\pi, \dots\}$
  - EX:  $x[n] = \text{Acos}(4.2\pi n + \phi)$
- ALIASES of NEGATIVE FREQ:
  - $\{1.8\pi, 3.8\pi, 5.8\pi, \dots\}$  &  $\{-2.2\pi, -4.2\pi, \dots\}$

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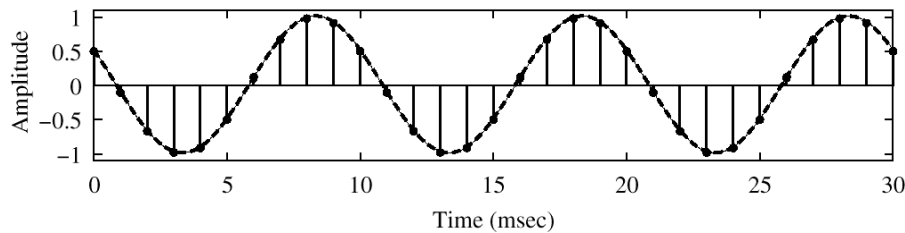
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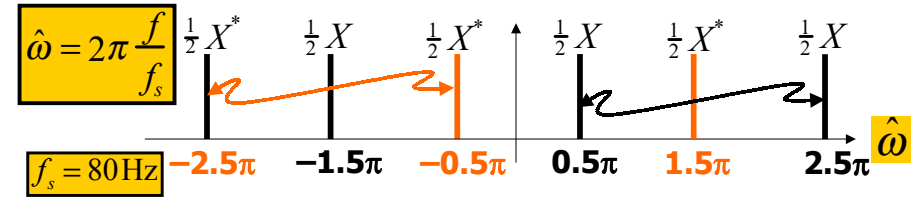
## SPECTRUM (MORE LINES)



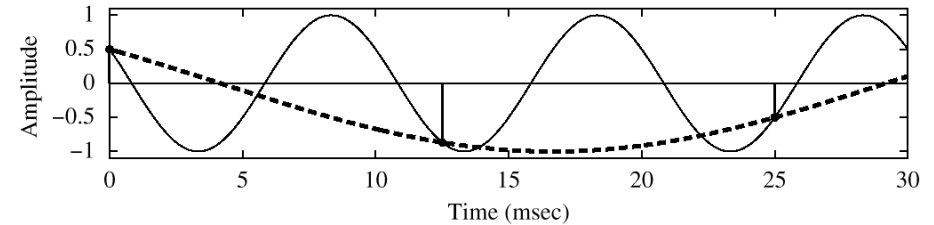
100-Hz Cosine Wave: Sampled with  $T_s = 1$  msec (1000 Hz)



## SPECTRUM (ALIASING CASE)



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



## FOLDING (a type of ALIASING)

■ EXAMPLE: 3 different  $x(t)$ ; same  $x[n]$

$$f_s = 1000$$

$$\cos(2\pi(100)t) \rightarrow \cos[2\pi(0.1)n]$$

$$\cos(2\pi(1100)t) \rightarrow \cos[2\pi(1.1)n] = \cos[2\pi(0.1)n]$$

$$\cos(2\pi(900)t) \rightarrow \cos[2\pi(0.9)n]$$

$$= \cos[2\pi(0.9)n - 2\pi n] = \cos[2\pi(-0.1)n] = \cos[2\pi(0.1)n]$$

■ 900 Hz "folds" to 100 Hz when  $f_s = 1$  kHz

$$\hat{\omega} = 2\pi \frac{100}{1000} = 2\pi(0.1)$$

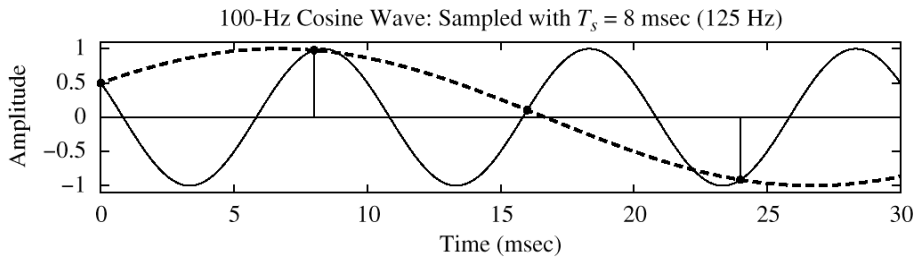
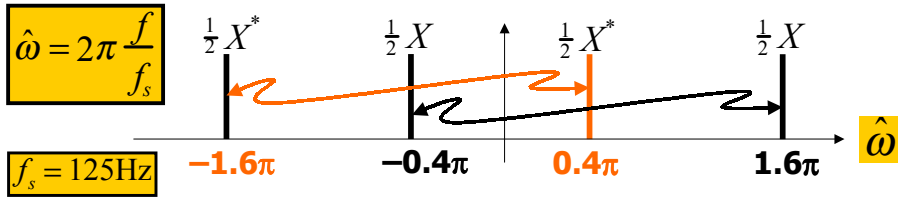
## DIGITAL FREQ $\hat{\omega}$ AGAIN

*Normalized Radian Frequency*

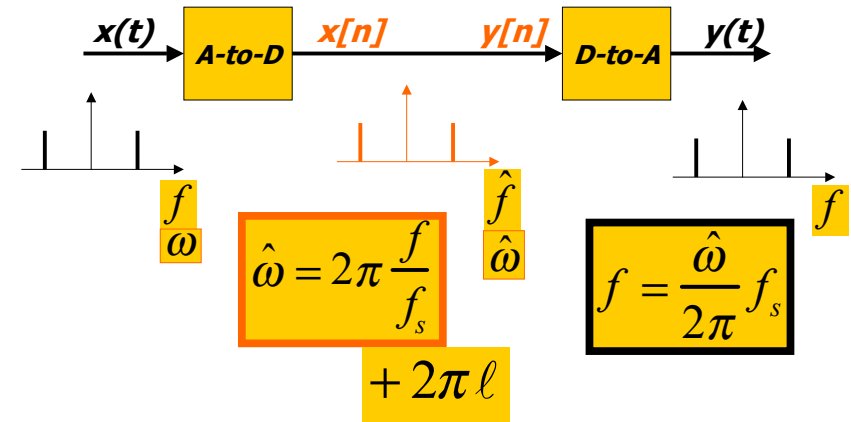
$$\hat{\omega} = \omega T_s = \frac{2\pi f}{f_s} + 2\pi \ell \quad \text{ALIASING}$$

$$\hat{\omega} = \omega T_s = -\frac{2\pi f}{f_s} + 2\pi \ell \quad \text{FOLDED ALIAS}$$

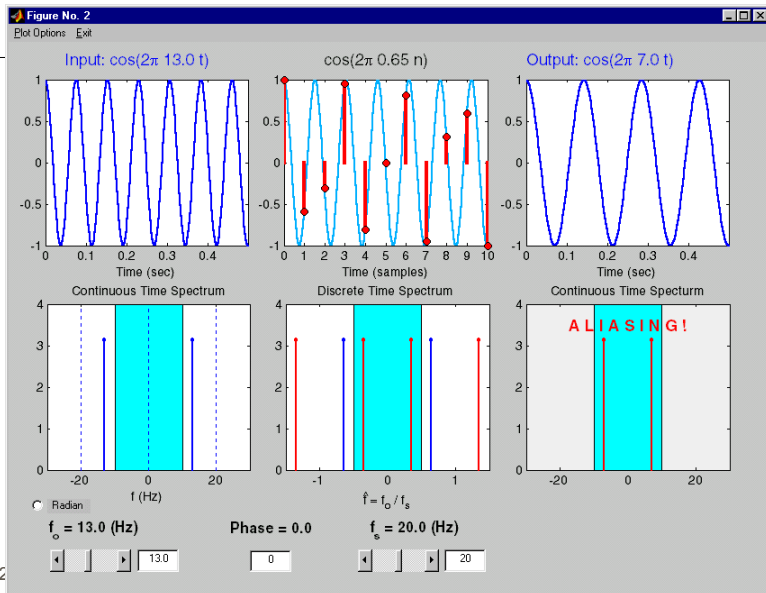
# SPECTRUM (FOLDING CASE)



# FREQUENCY DOMAINS



# SAMPLING GUI (new)



# D-to-A Reconstruction



■ Create continuous  $y(t)$  from  $y[n]$

■ **IDEAL**

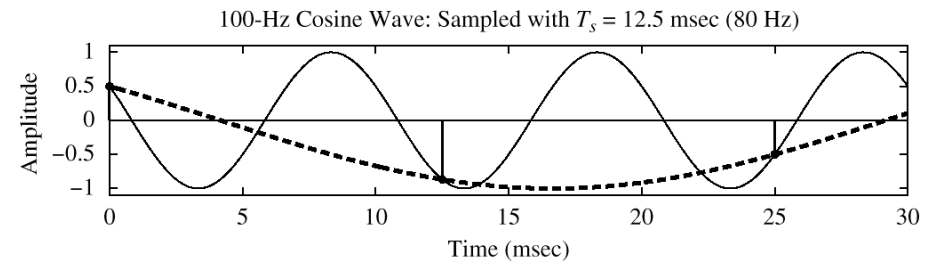
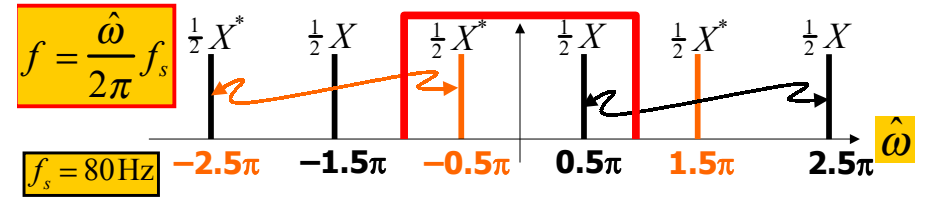
- If you have formula for  $y[n]$
- Replace  $n$  in  $y[n]$  with  $f_s t$
- $y[n] = A \cos(0.2\pi n + \phi)$  with  $f_s = 8000$  Hz
- $y(t) = A \cos(2\pi(800)t + \phi)$

# D-to-A is AMBIGUOUS !

## ■ ALIASING

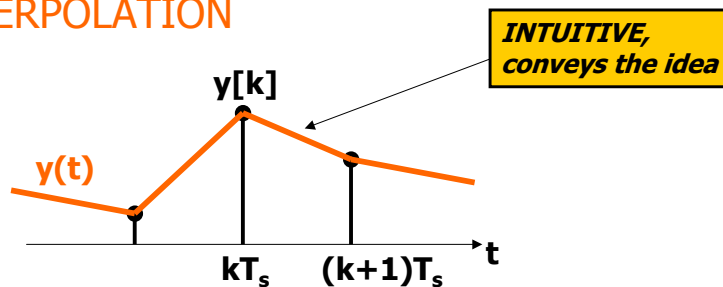
- Given  $y[n]$ , which  $y(t)$  do we pick ???
- INFINITE NUMBER of  $y(t)$ 
  - PASSING THRU THE SAMPLES,  $y[n]$
- D-to-A RECONSTRUCTION MUST CHOOSE ONE OUTPUT
- RECONSTRUCT THE SMOOTHEST ONE
  - THE LOWEST FREQ, if  $y[n] = \text{sinusoid}$

# SPECTRUM (ALIASING CASE)



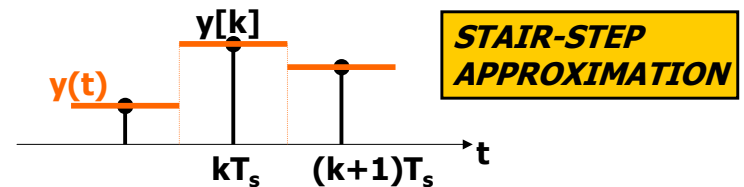
# Reconstruction (D-to-A)

- CONVERT STREAM of NUMBERS to  $x(t)$
- "CONNECT THE DOTS"
- INTERPOLATION



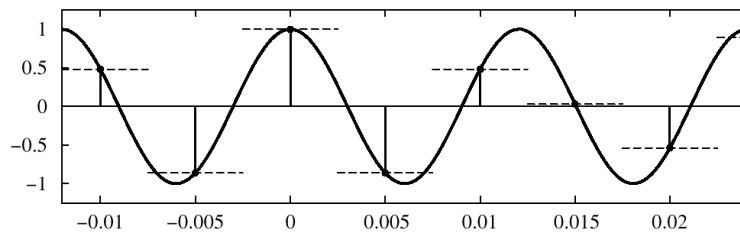
# SAMPLE & HOLD DEVICE

- CONVERT  $y[n]$  to  $y(t)$ 
  - $y[k]$  should be the value of  $y(t)$  at  $t = kT_s$
  - Make  $y(t)$  equal to  $y[k]$  for
    - $kT_s - 0.5T_s < t < kT_s + 0.5T_s$

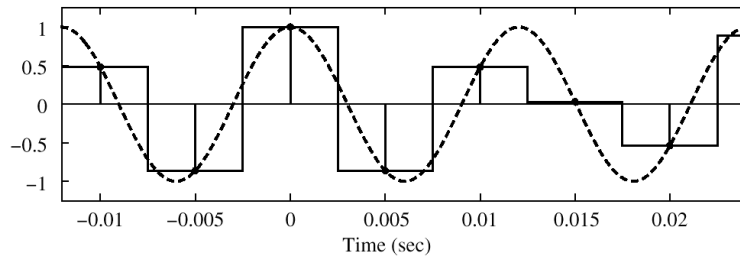


## SQUARE PULSE CASE

Sampling and Zero-Order Reconstruction:  $f_0 = 83$   $f_s = 200$



Original and Reconstructed Waveforms



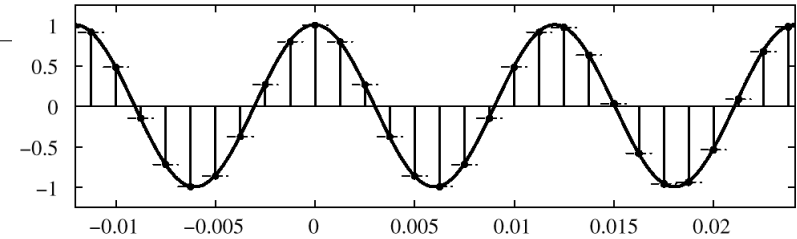
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Time (sec)

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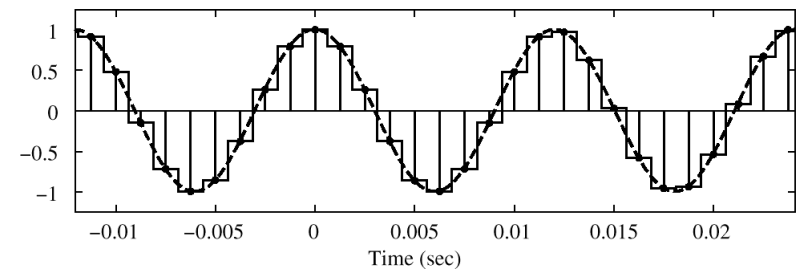
## OVER-SAMPLING CASE

Sampling and Zero-Order Reconstruction:  $f_0 = 83$   $f_s = 800$



**EASIER TO RECONSTRUCT**

Original and Reconstructed Waveforms



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Time (sec)

## MATH MODEL for D-to-A

$$y(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} y[n]p(t - nT_s)$$

SQUARE PULSE:

$$p(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & -\frac{1}{2}T_s < t \leq \frac{1}{2}T_s \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

## EXPAND the SUMMATION

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} y[n]p(t - nT_s) =$$

$$\dots + y[0]p(t) + y[1]p(t - T_s) + y[2]p(t - 2T_s) + \dots$$

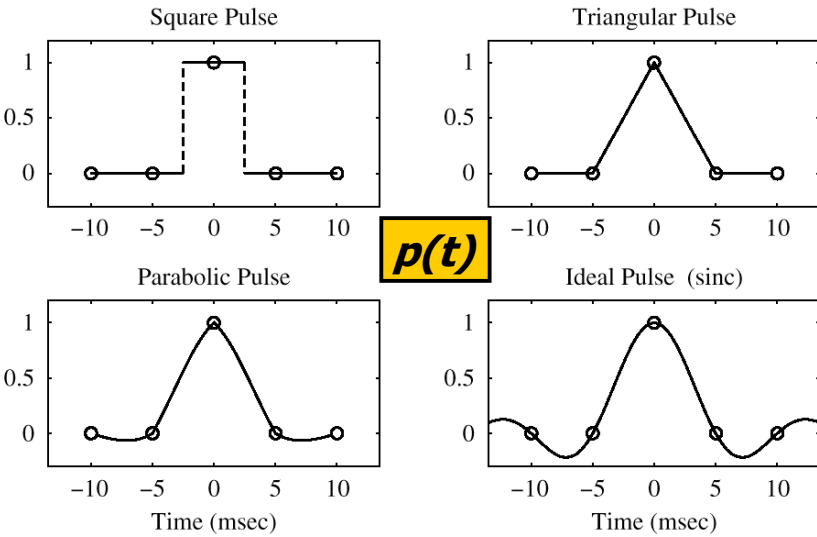
■ SUM of SHIFTED PULSES  $p(t - nT_s)$

■ "WEIGHTED" by  $y[n]$

■ CENTERED at  $t = nT_s$

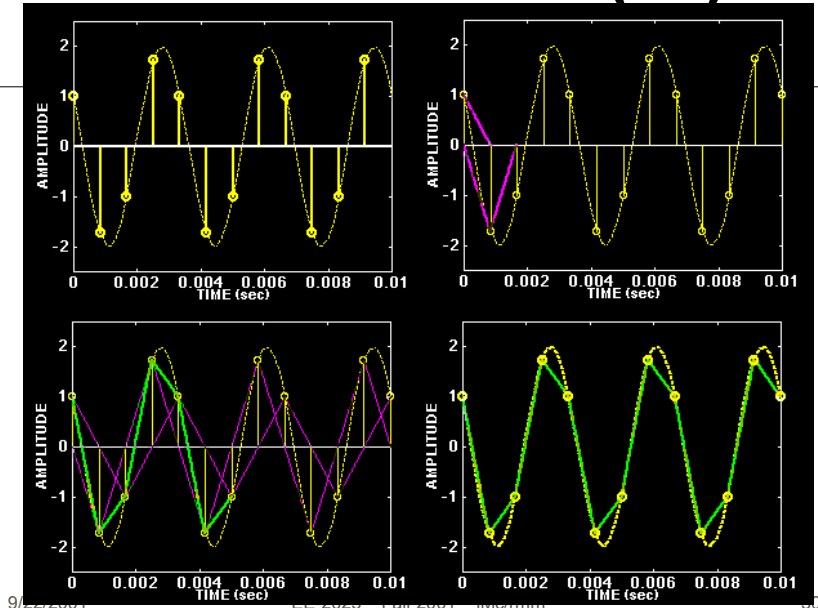
■ SPACED by  $T_s$

■ RESTORES "REAL TIME"



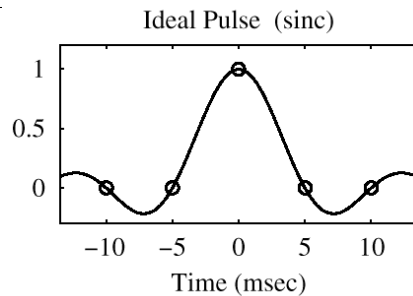
**Figure 4.17** Four different pulses for D-to-C conversion. The sampling period is  $T_s = 0.005$ , i.e.,  $f_s = 200$  Hz. Note that the duration of each pulse is approximately one or two times  $T_s$ .

## TRIANGULAR PULSE (2X)



## OPTIMAL PULSE ?

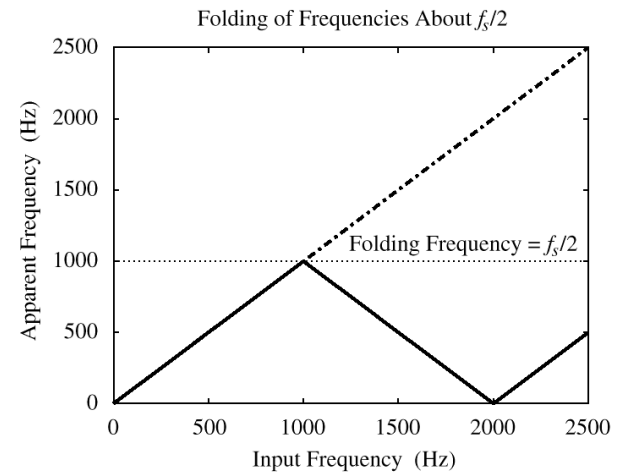
**CALLED  
"BANDLIMITED  
INTERPOLATION"**



$$p(t) = \frac{\sin \frac{\pi}{T_s} t}{\frac{\pi}{T_s} t} \quad \text{for } -\infty < t < \infty$$

$$p(t) = 0 \quad \text{for } t = 0, \pm T_s, \pm 2T_s$$

## FOLDING DIAGRAM



**Figure 4.4** Folding of a sinusoid sampled at  $f_s = 2000$  samples/sec. The apparent frequency is the lowest frequency of a sinusoid that has exactly the same samples as the input sinusoid.