

DSP First, 2/e

Lecture 9 Sampling & Aliasing

READING ASSIGNMENTS

- This Lecture:
 - Chap 4, Sections 4-1 and 4-2
- Other Reading:
 - Recitation: Strobe Demo (Sect 4-5)
 - Next Lecture: Chap. 4, Sects. 4-3 and 4-4

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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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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)

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System IMPLEMENTATION

- **ANALOG/ELECTRONIC:**

- Circuits: resistors, capacitors, op-amps



- **DIGITAL/MICROPROCESSOR**

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



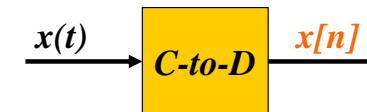
SAMPLING $x(t)$

- **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: $x[n] = x(nT_s) = x(n/f_s)$

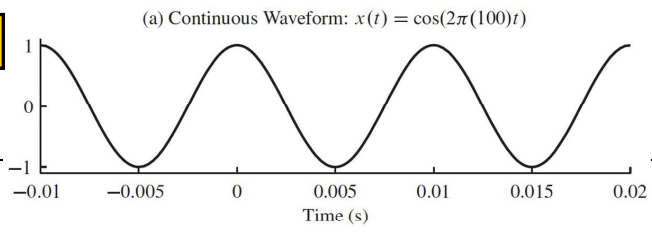


STORING DIGITAL SOUND

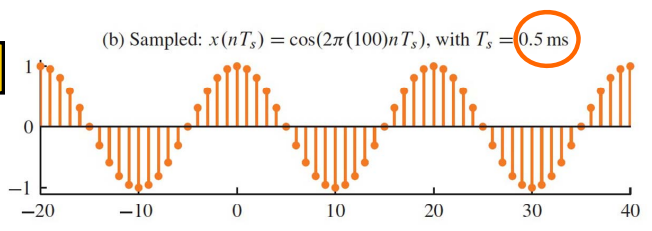
- $x[n]$ is a **SAMPLED SIGNAL**

- 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

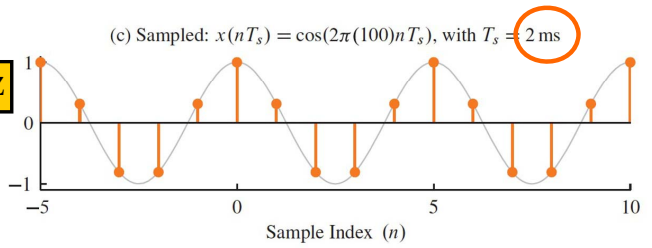
$f = 100\text{Hz}$



$f_s = 2\text{ kHz}$



$f_s = 500\text{Hz}$



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

SAMPLING THEOREM

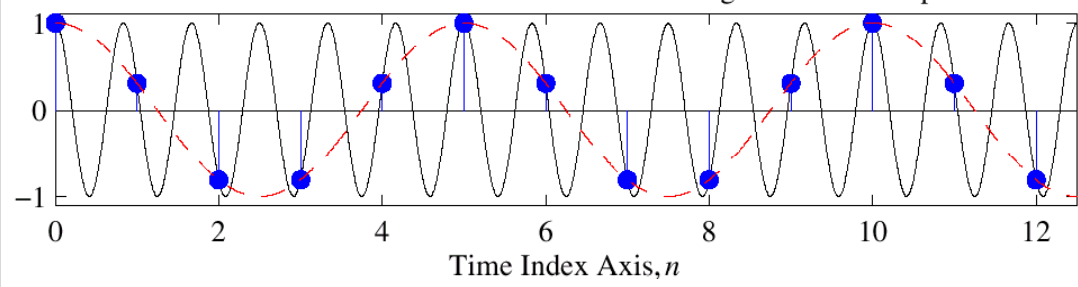
- HOW OFTEN DO WE NEED TO SAMPLE?
- DEPENDS on FREQUENCY of SINUSOID
- ANSWERED by SHANNON/NYQUIST Theorem
- ALSO DEPENDS on **“RECONSTRUCTION”**

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...

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



Spatial Aliasing



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DISCRETE-TIME SINUSOID

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

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

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

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

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

$$\hat{\omega} = \omega T_s = \frac{\omega}{f_s} \quad \text{DEFINE DIGITAL FREQUENCY}$$

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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

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SPECTRUM (DIGITAL)

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

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

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

-0.2π

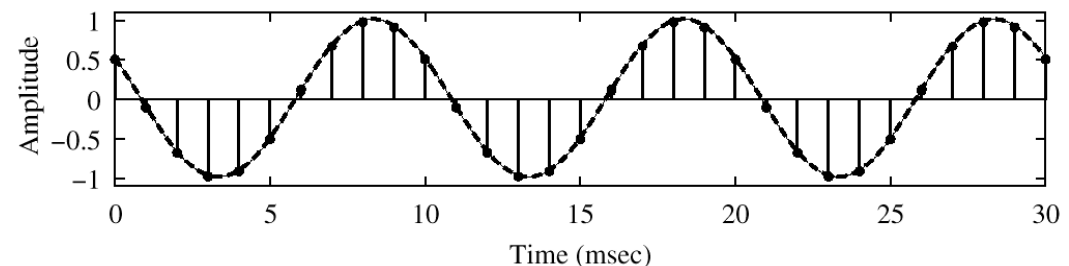
$$\frac{1}{2} X$$

$2\pi(0.1)$

$$\hat{\omega}$$

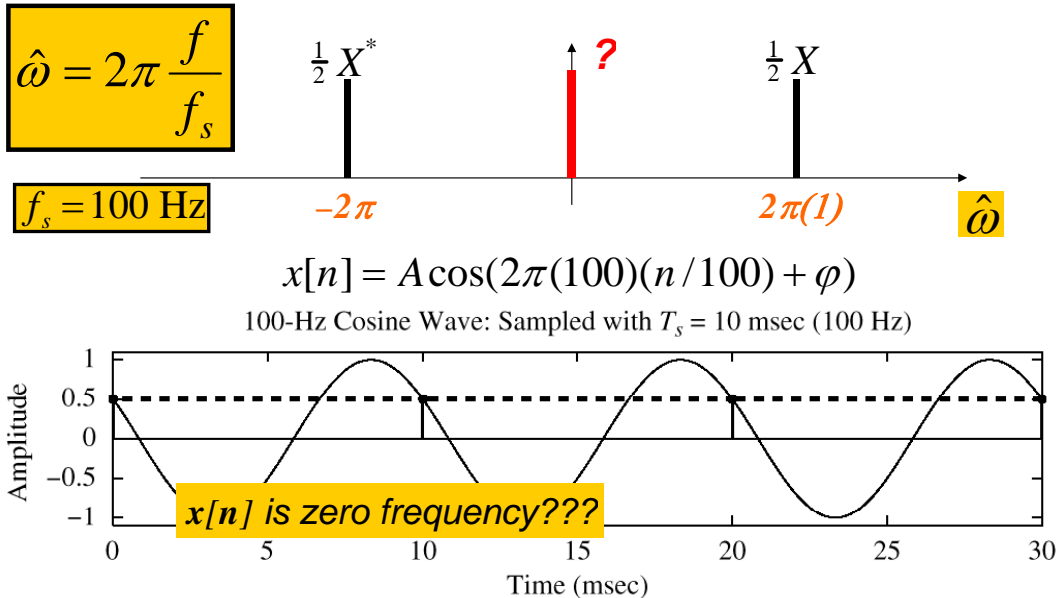
$$x[n] = A \cos(2\pi(100)(n/1000) + \varphi)$$

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



Time (msec)

SPECTRUM (DIGITAL) ???



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

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

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ALIASING DERIVATION

- Other Frequencies give the same $\hat{\omega}$
 - $x_1(t) = \cos(400\pi t)$ sampled at $f_s = 1000 \text{ Hz}$
 - $x_1[n] = \cos(400\pi \frac{n}{1000}) = \cos(0.4\pi n)$
 - $x_2(t) = \cos(2400\pi t)$ sampled at $f_s = 1000 \text{ Hz}$
 - $x_2[n] = \cos(2400\pi \frac{n}{1000}) = \cos(2.4\pi n)$
 - $x_2[n] = \cos(2.4\pi n) = \cos(0.4\pi n + 2\pi n) = \cos(0.4\pi n)$
 - $\Rightarrow x_2[n] = x_1[n]$
- $2400\pi - 400\pi = 2\pi(1000)$

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

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

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

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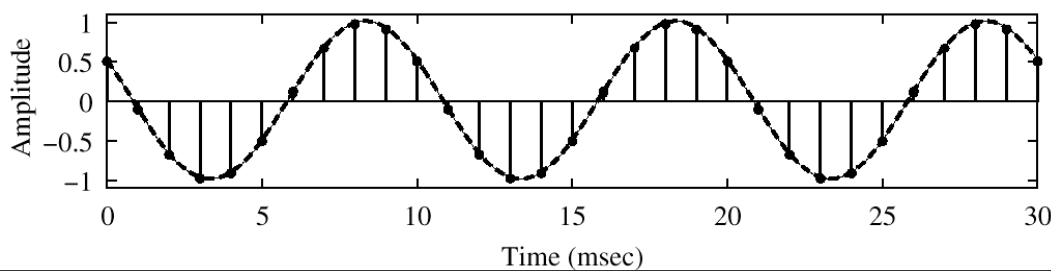
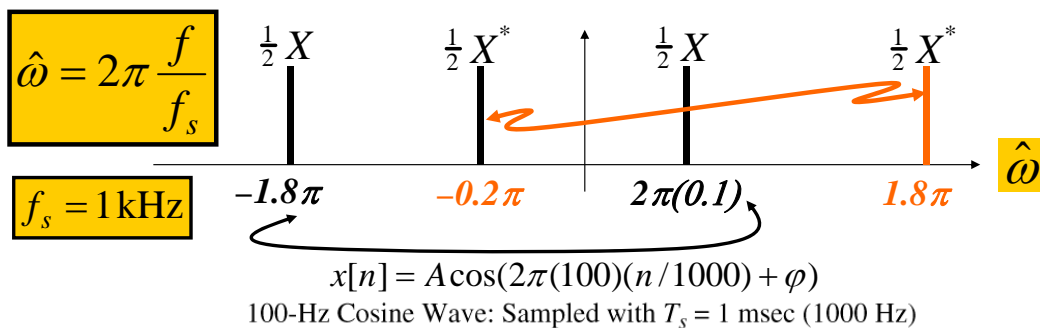
ALIASING CONCLUSIONS

- 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**

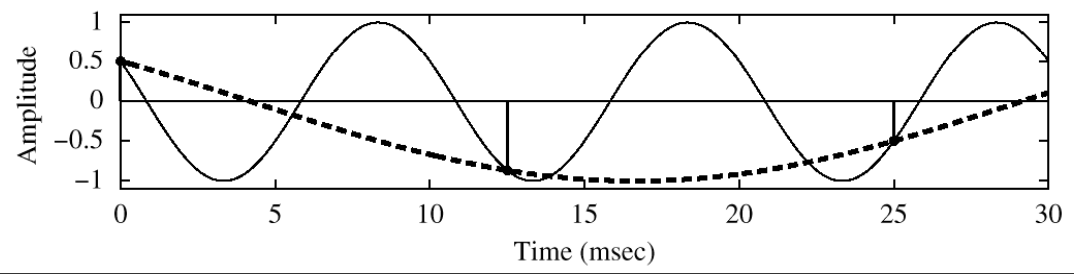
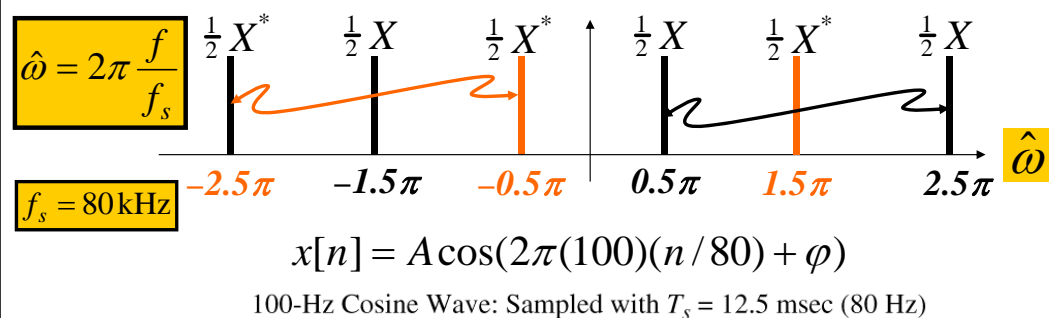
SPECTRUM for $x[n]$

- 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

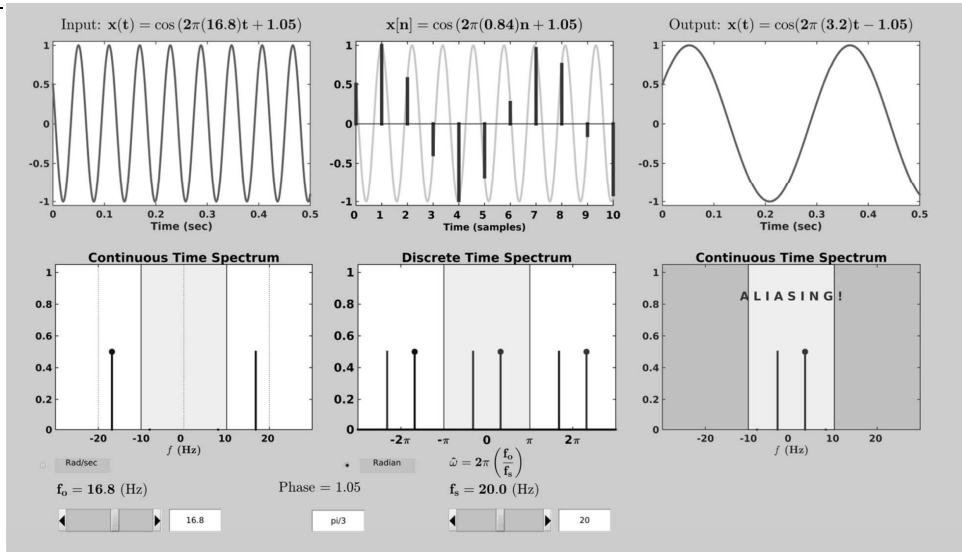
SPECTRUM (MORE LINES)



SPECTRUM (ALIASING CASE)



SAMPLING GUI (con2dis)

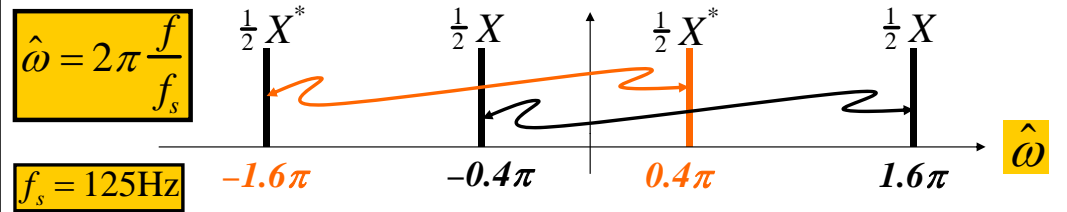


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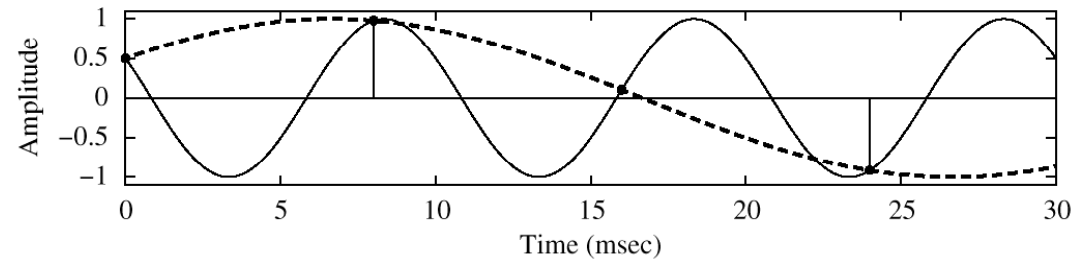
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SPECTRUM (FOLDING CASE)



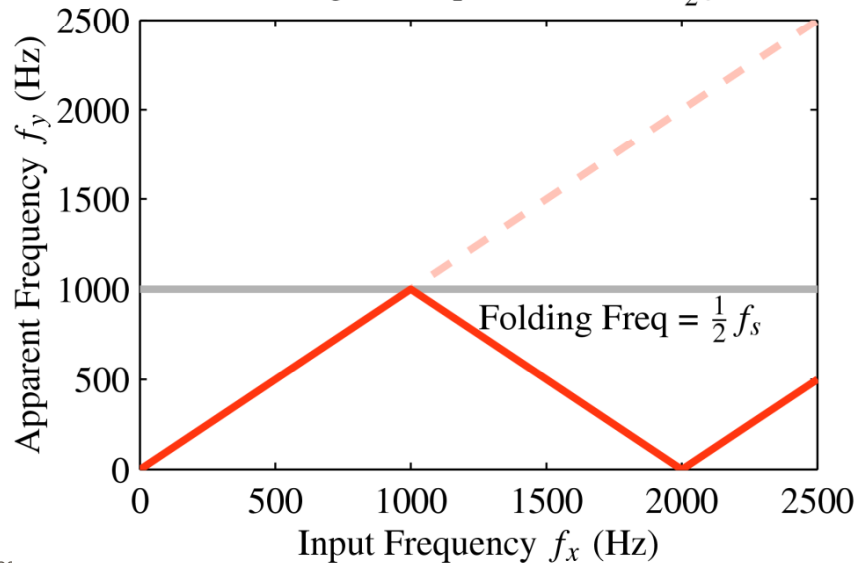
$$x[n] = A \cos(2\pi(100)(n/125) + \varphi)$$

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



FOLDING DIAGRAM

Folding of Frequencies About $\frac{1}{2} f_s$

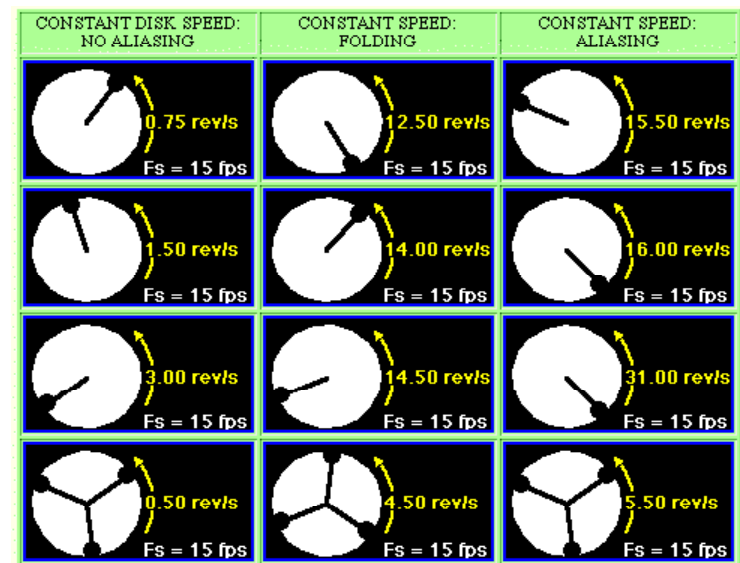


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STROBE DEMO (Synthetic)



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