

Digital Signal Processing for Music

Part 10: Discretization 1—Sampling

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introduction

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- time discretization:
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- amplitude discretization:
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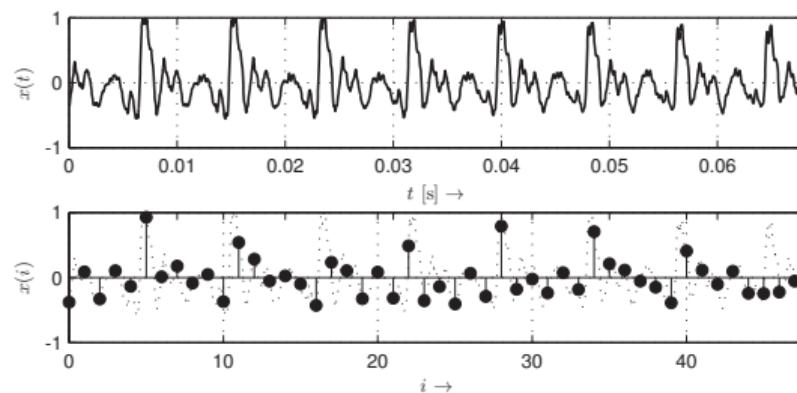
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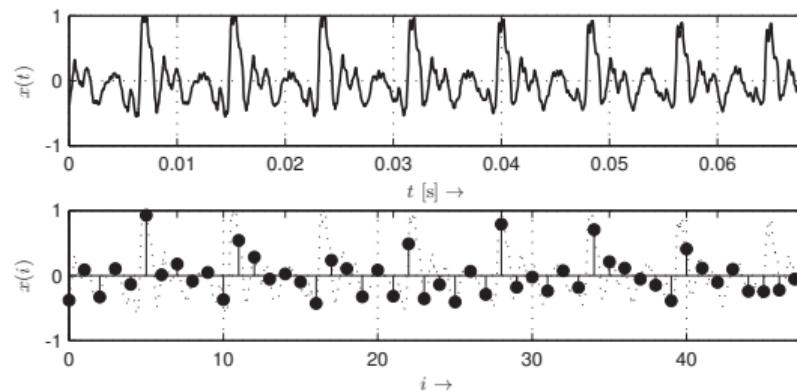
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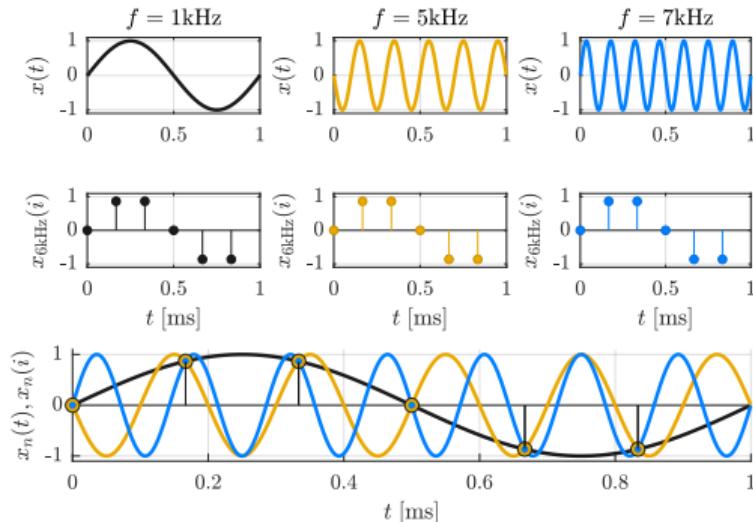
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$$\begin{aligned}f_0 &= [1, 5, 7 \text{ kHz}] \\f_S &= 6 \text{ kHz}\end{aligned}$$



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wagon wheel effect



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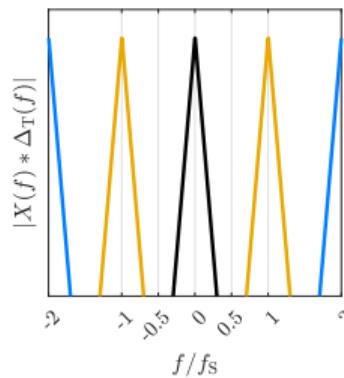
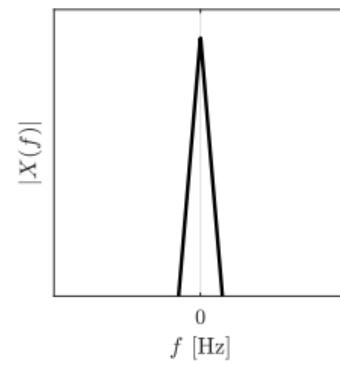
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$$x(t) \cdot \delta_T \mapsto X(j\omega) * \delta_{\omega_T}$$



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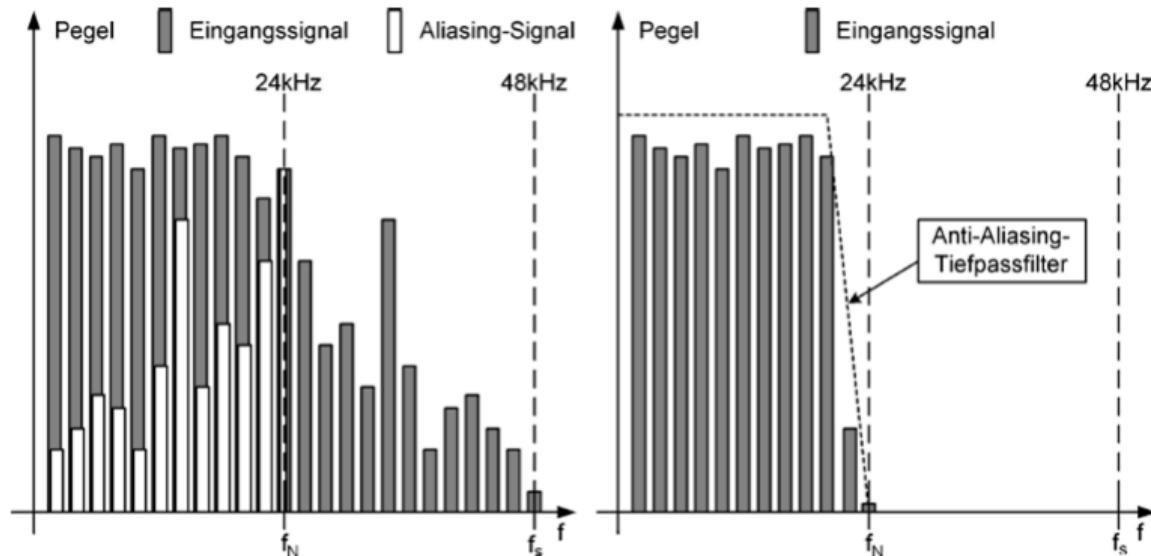
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$$f_S > 2 \cdot f_{\max}$$



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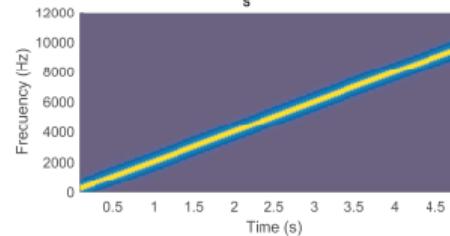


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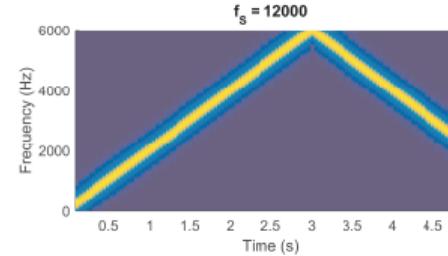
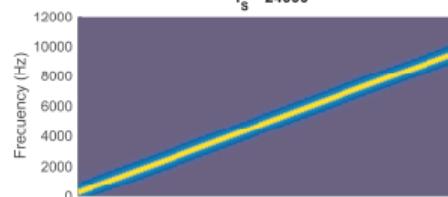
$$f_s = 24000$$



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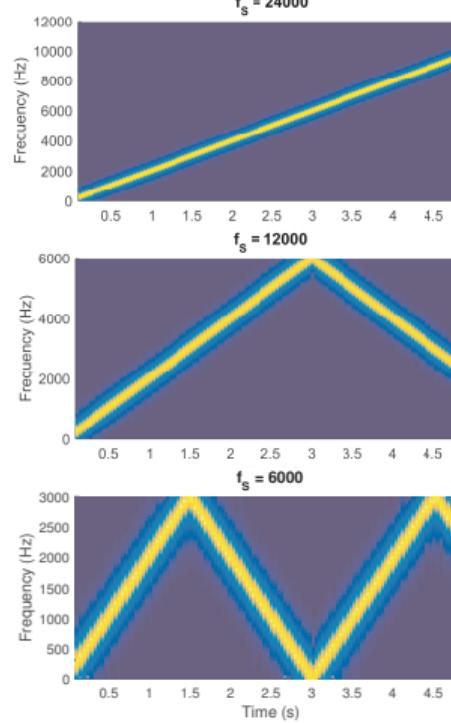
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