

Sampling Example

Consider the signal

$$x(t) = 25 \cos(2\pi(1000)t + \theta) + 10 \cos(6000\pi t + \phi)$$

which is sampled at $f_s = 2500$ Hz to obtain $x[n] = x(n/f_s)$.

- Is there any aliasing present?

- Note that the frequencies present in $x(t)$ are 1000 Hz and 3000 Hz, and since $f_s = 2500$ Hz, we see that 2500 is not greater than 3000
- The 3000 Hz sinusoid will be aliased down to $3000 - 2500 = 500$ Hz

- What are the principle alias frequencies, in Hz, present in $x(t)$ relative to the given sampling frequency?

- The principle alias band, in terms of positive frequencies, lies on the interval $[0, f_s/2)$ or $[0, 1250)$ Hz
- We have $f_1 = 1000 < 1250$ so this is a principle alias already
- We have $f_2 = 3000 > 1250$, to find the principle alias we seek $f_{p2} = lf_s - f_2$ or $f_{p2} = f_2 - lf_s$ for l and integer such that $f_{p2} \in [0, 1250]$
- The result is that for $l = 1$ $f_{p2} = 3000 - 2500 = 500$ Hz

- Find the corresponding $\hat{\omega}$ for each of the principle alias frequencies of $x(t)$

- We convert from f in Hz to $\hat{\omega}$ in rad/sample using $\hat{\omega} = 2\pi f/f_s$
- The frequencies of interest are

$$\hat{\omega}_1 = 2\pi \frac{1000}{2500} = 0.8\pi \quad \hat{\omega}_{2p} = 2\pi \frac{500}{2500} = 0.4\pi$$

- Sketch the amplitude line spectra plot of $x(t)$ along with the principle alias spectral lines, to make it clear where aliasing is present

