ETSF15
Analog/Digital

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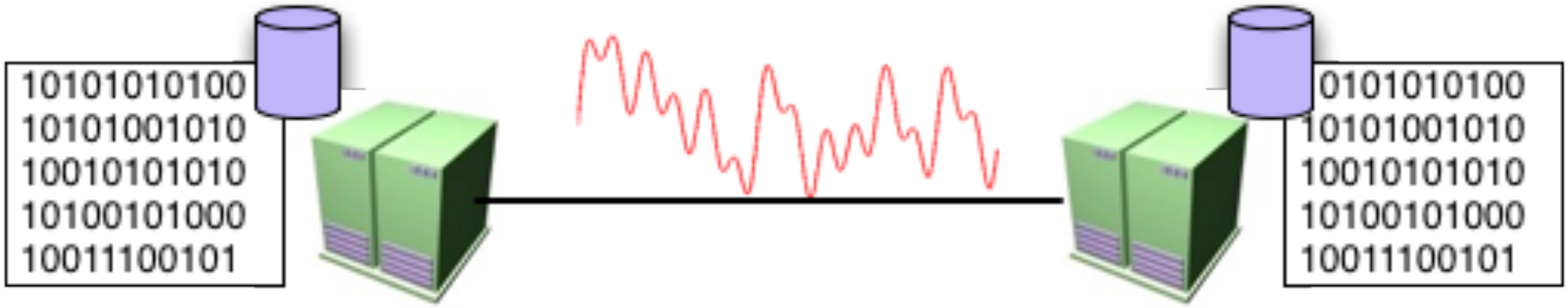
Physical layer

- Analog vs digital
  - Sampling, quantisation
- Modulation
  - Represent digital data in a continuous world
- Disturbances
  - Noise and distortion
- Digital data processing
  - Information

Data vs Signal vs Information

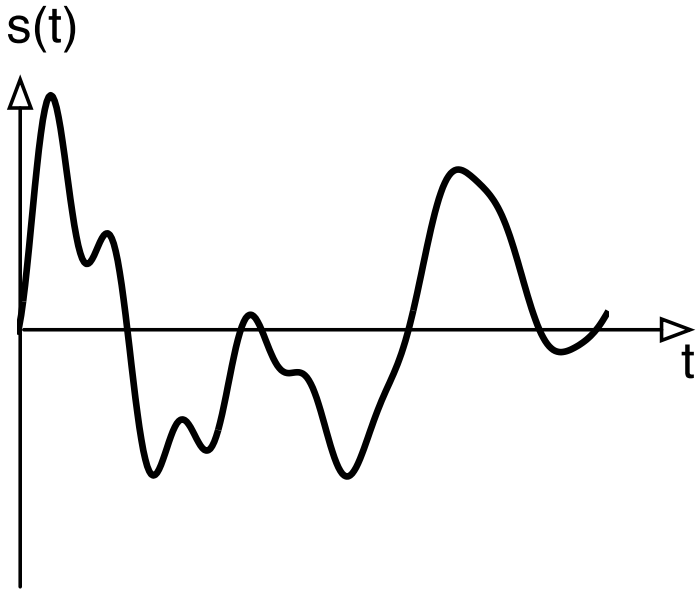
- **Data**: Static representation of information
- **Signal**: Dynamic representation of information
- **Information**: Information content in data or signal



Analog vs digital

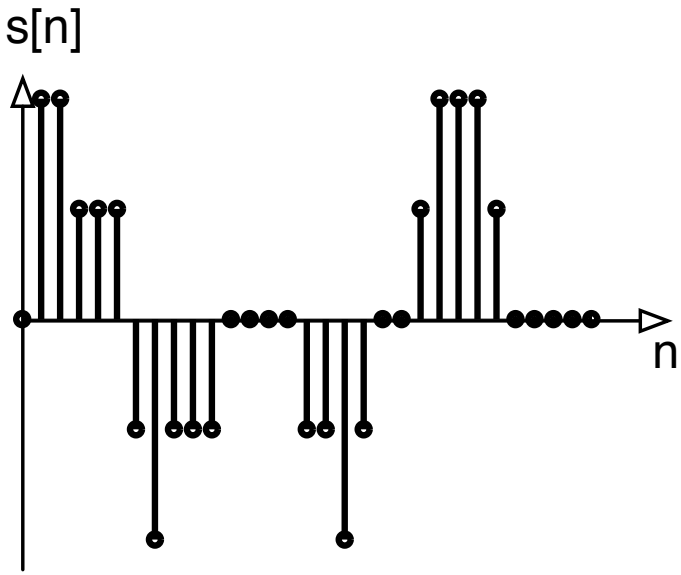
Analog

- Continuous time and amplitude signal
- Electrical/optical domain



Digital

- Discrete time and amplitude
- Binary representation



Digitalization of analog signals

Performed in three steps:

1. Sampling: Discretization in time
2. Quantization: Discretization in amplitude
3. Encoding: Binary representation of amplitude levels

In practice:

- ADC: Analog to Digital Converter
- DAC: Digital to Analog Converter

Sampling

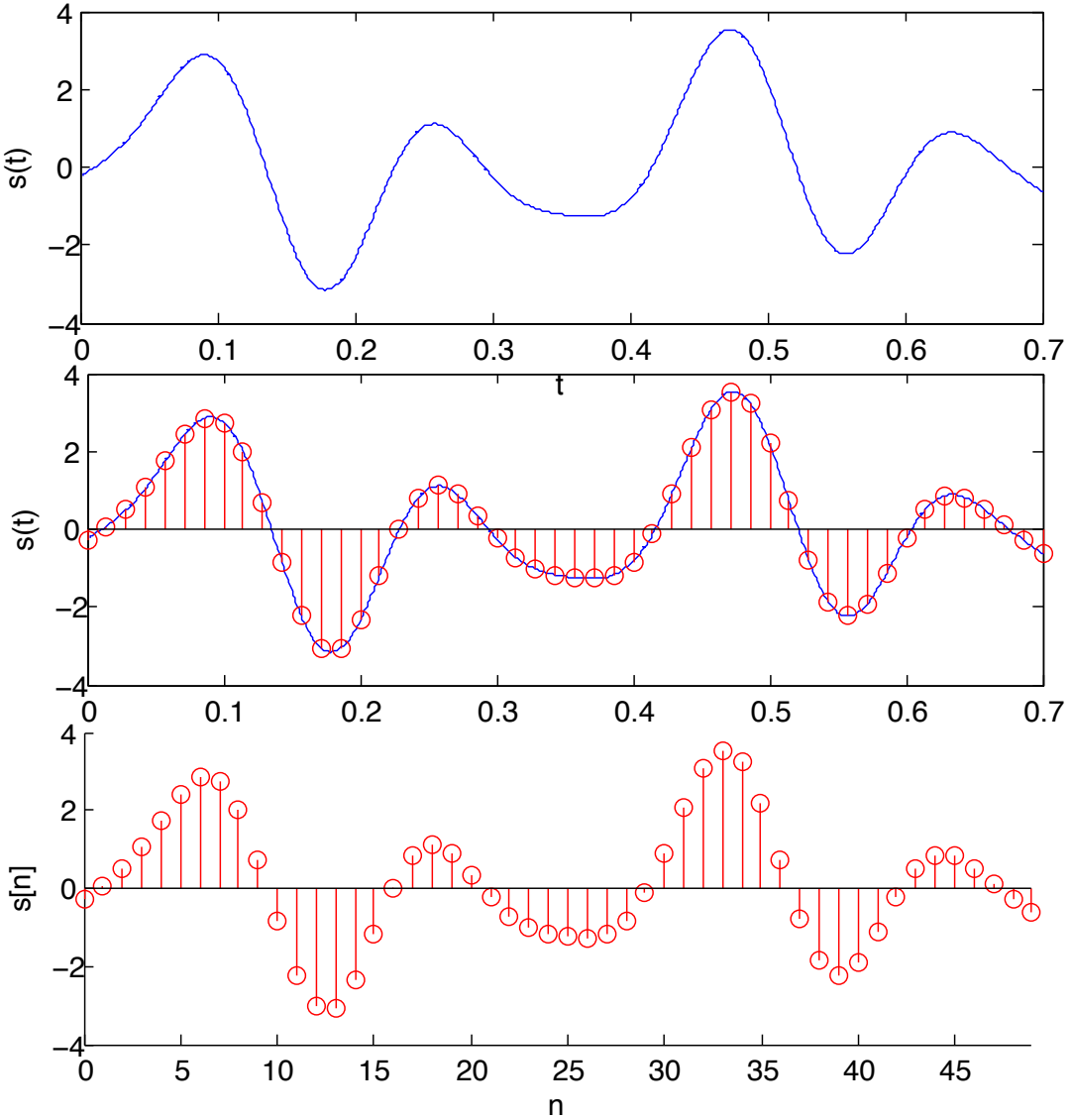
- The process of discretizing time of a continuous signal.

$$s[n] = s(nT_s)$$

- Sample time: T_s
- Sample frequnecy:

$$F_s = 1/T_s$$

- Loose information about time



Shannon-Nyquist Sampling Theorem

- If $s(t)$ is a band limited signal with highest frequency component F_{max}, then $s(t)$ is uniquely determined by the samples $s[n] = s(nT_s)$ if and only if

$$F_s = \frac{1}{T_s} \geq 2F_{max}$$

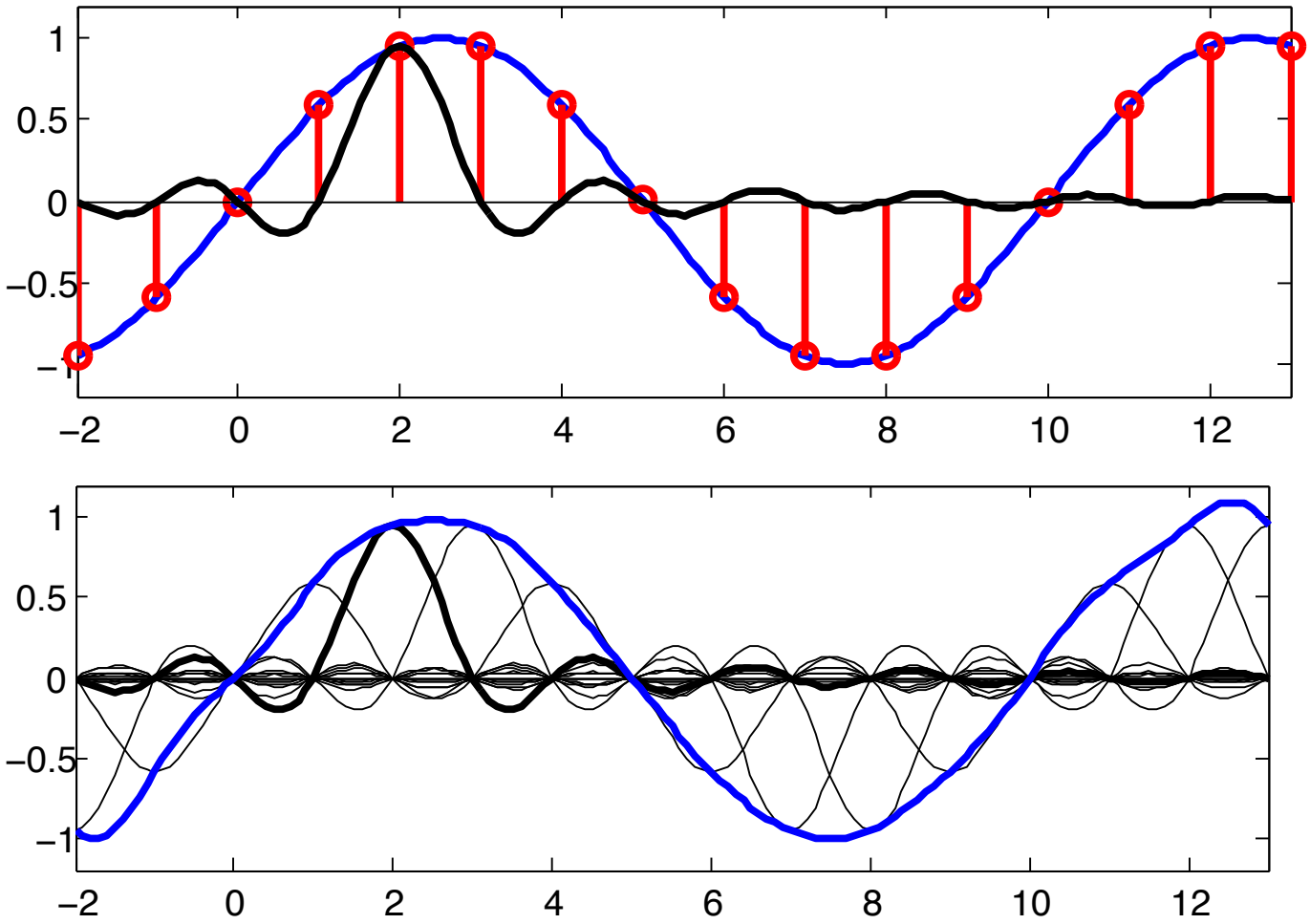
- The signal can be (perfectly) reconstructed with

$$s(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} s[n] sinc\left(\frac{t - nT_s}{T_s}\right)$$

- $Fs/2$ is the Nyquist frequency and $2F_{max}$ the Nyquist rate

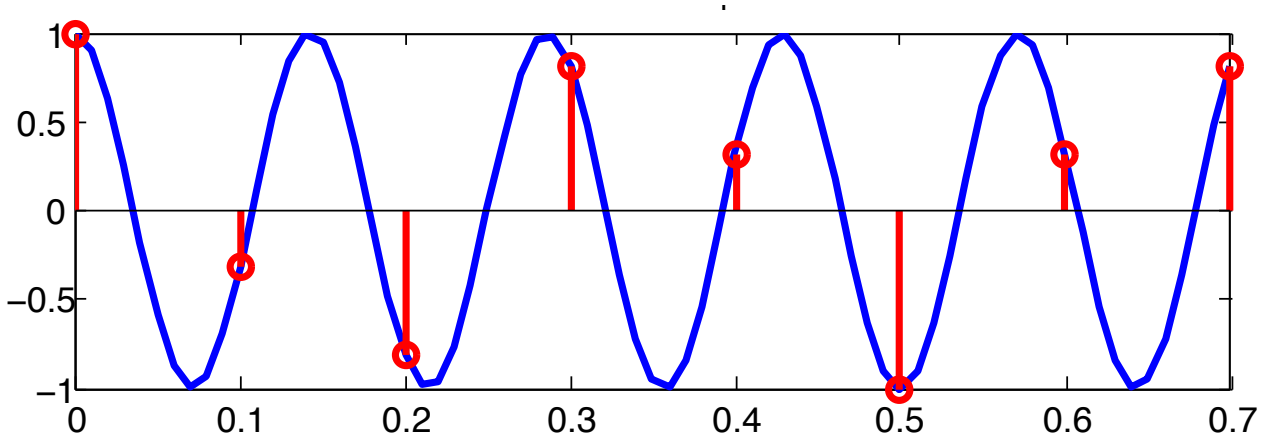
Reconstruction Example

$y(t) = \sin(2/7\pi t),$
$Fs = 1Hz$



Aliasing

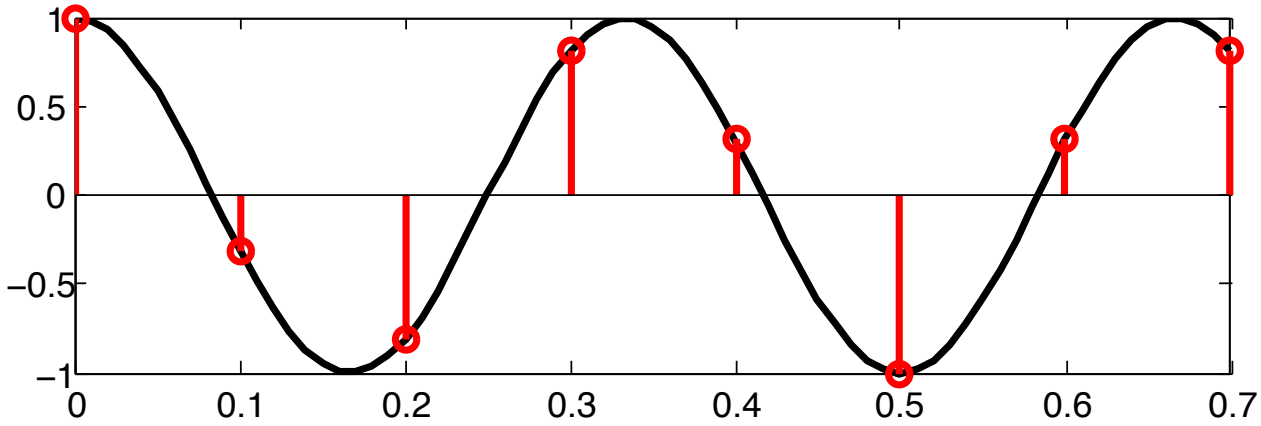
$y(t) = \cos(2\pi 7t)$
$F_s = 10\ Hz$



Reconstruction to lowest possible frequency

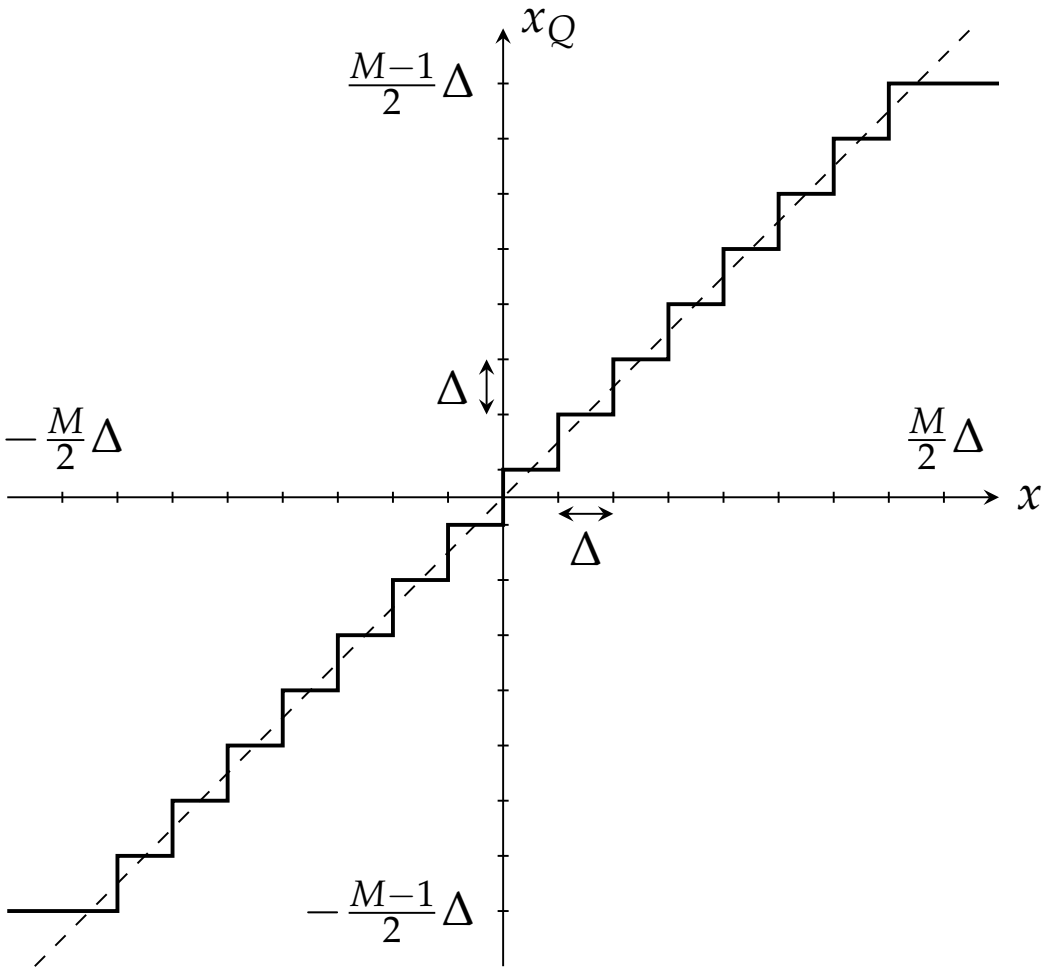
Reconstruct freq: $f_{rec} = f + kF_s$ s.t. $-F_s/2 \leq f_{rec} \leq F_s/2$

$y(t) = \cos(2\pi 3t)$



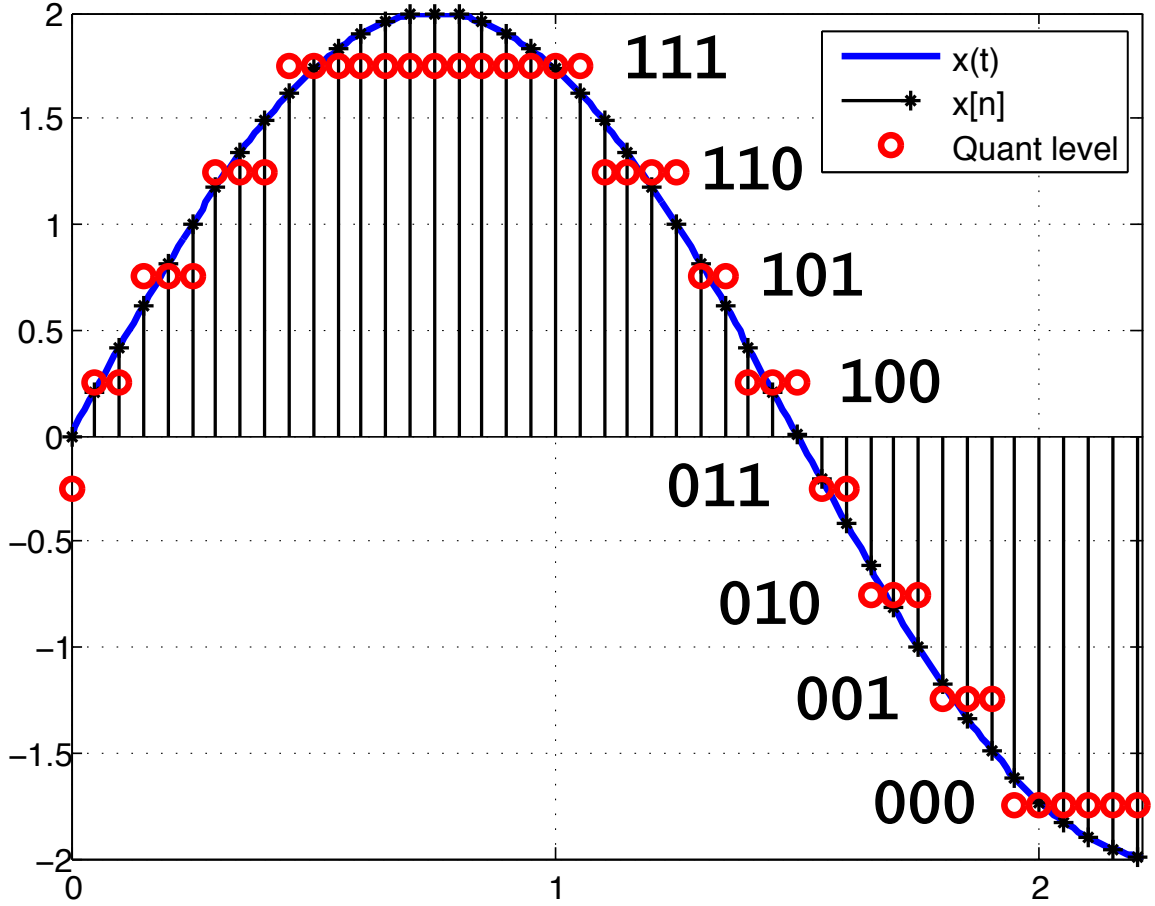
Quantization

- Uniform quantization for *k* bits
- $M=2^k$ equidistant levels
- Represent sample with *k* bits



Encoding

- Representation of quantized samples in bits

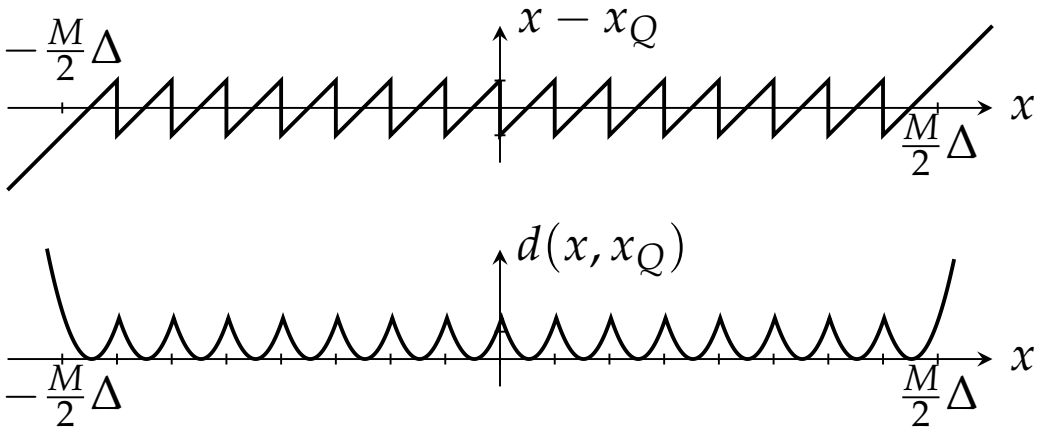


x=01110010010110110111111111…

Quantisation distortion

- Distortion (noise):

$$d(x, x_Q) = (x - x_Q)^2$$



- Average distortion for uniform input:

$$E\left[\left(X - X_Q\right)^2\right] = \int_{-\Delta/2}^{\Delta/2} x^2 \frac{1}{\Delta} dx = \frac{\Delta^2}{12}$$

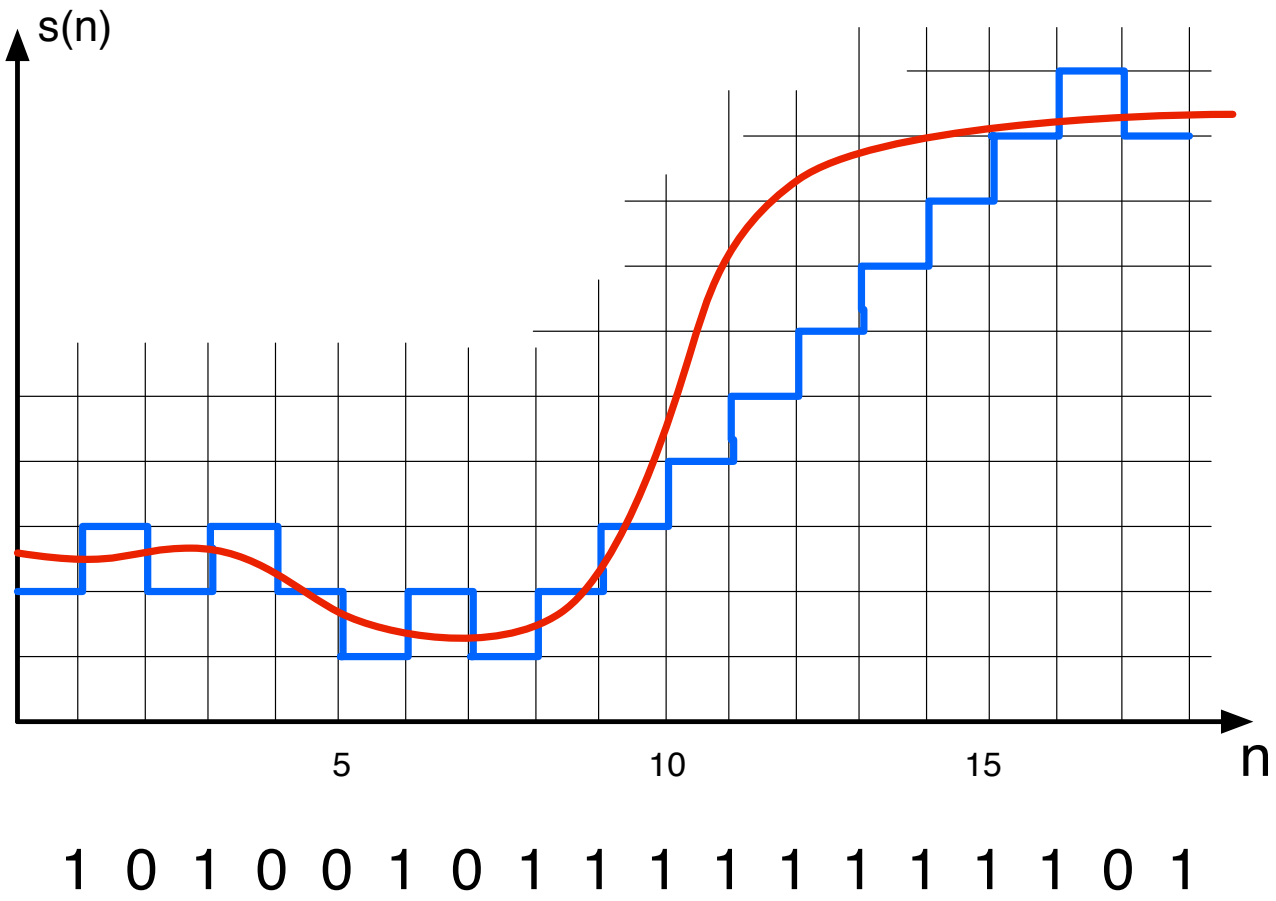
- Signal to quantisation noise ratio

$$SQNR = \frac{E\left[X^2\right]}{E\left[\left(X - X_Q\right)^2\right]} = \frac{(M\Delta)^2 / 12}{\Delta^2 / 12} = M^2 = 2^{2k}$$

$$SQNR_{dB} = 10 \log 2^{2k} = k \cdot 6dB$$

Delta modulation

- Represent change in amplitude with 1 bit
  - 1: +1
  - 0: –1
- Must use higher sampling rate



Examples

Telephony

F_{max}= 4 kHz

F_s= 8 kHz (samples per sec)

8 bit/sample => 64 kb/s

CD

F_{max}= 20 kHz

F_s= 44.1 kHz (samples per sec)

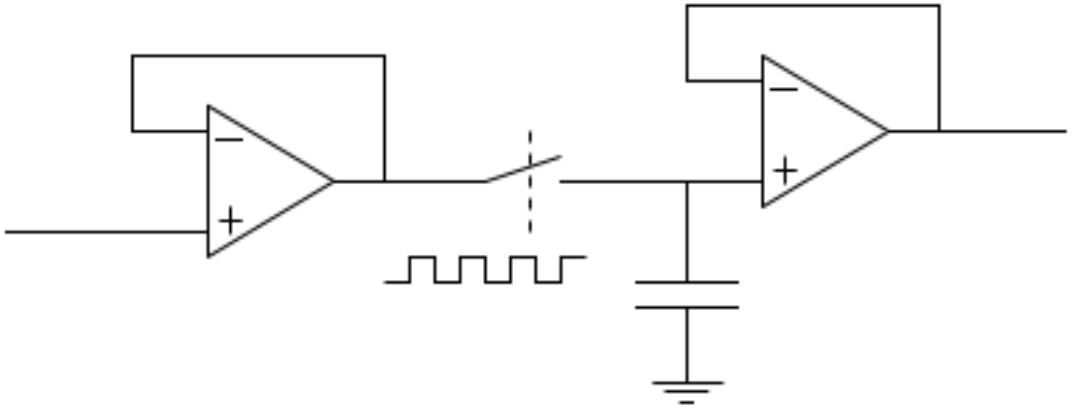
16 bit/sample => 705.6 kb/s

2 channels (stereo)
=> 1.4 Mb/s

Principles of circuits

- Sample and hold (sampling)
- ADC (quantisation)
- DAC (reconstruction)

Sample and hold

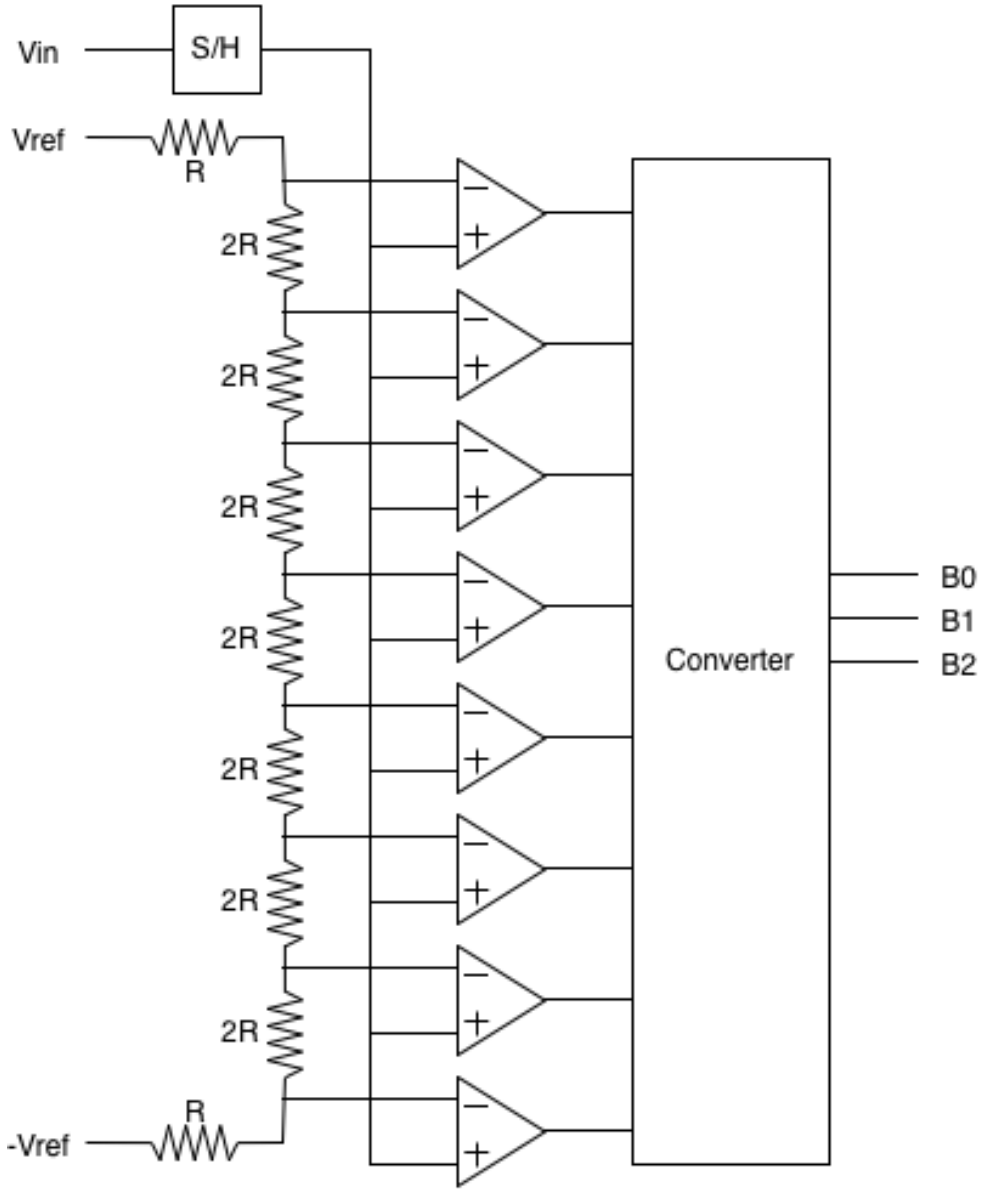


ADC
Analog to Digital Converter

- Sample and hold circuit freeze the analog value during conversion
- ADC methods
  - Direct conversion (flash ADC)
  - Integrating
  - Wilkinson
  - Sigma-delta
  - Etc (see e.g.

    https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Analog-to-digital_converter)

ADC Direct conversion example (3 bit)



DAC
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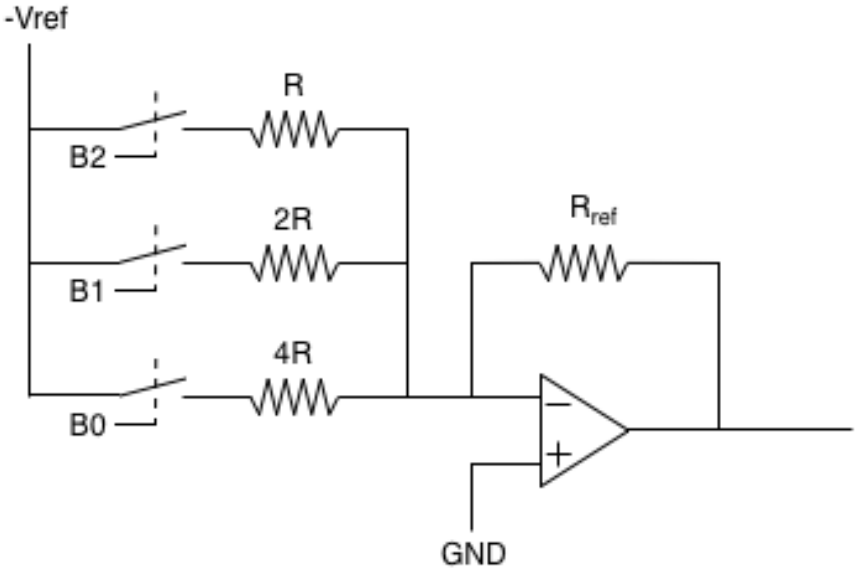
- Pulse width modulator
- R-2R ladder
- Interpolating
- Binary weighting

See more on https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Digital-to-analog_converter

DAC Example

Weighted resistor



R-2R ladder