



Direct digitization and ADC parameter trade-off for bunch-by-bunch signal processing

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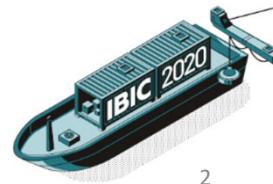
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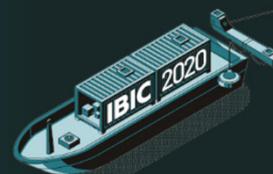
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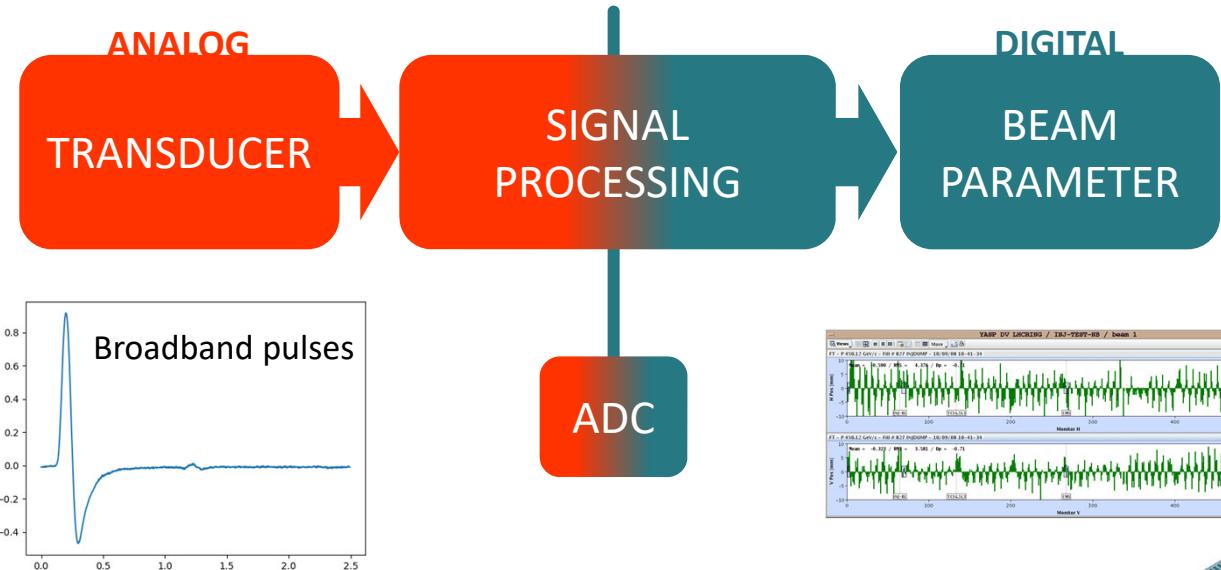


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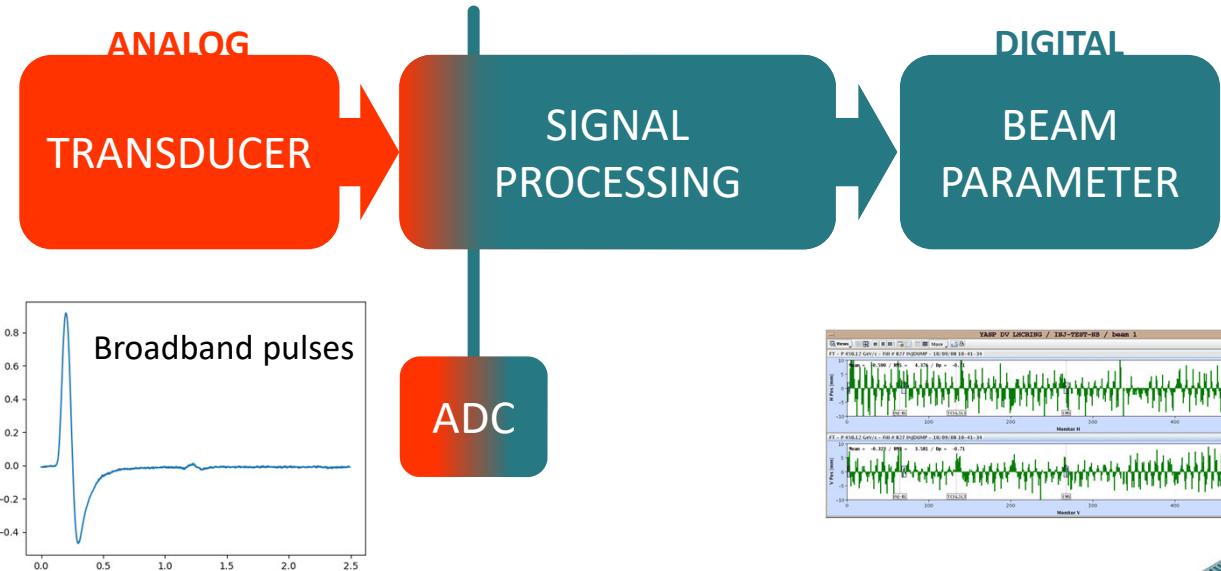
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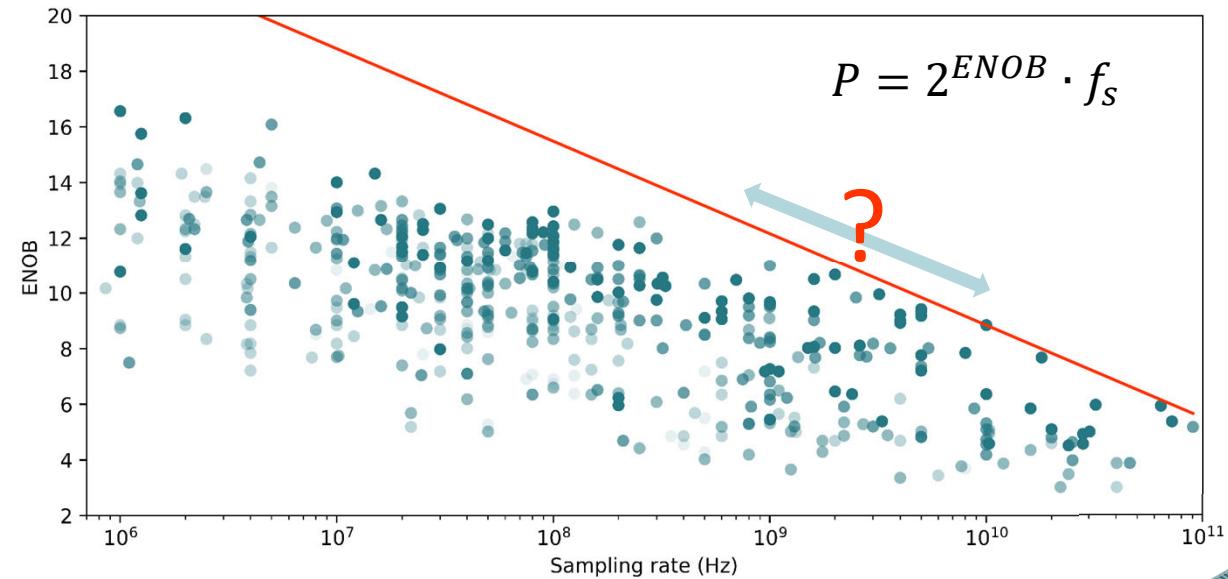
Direct digitization in Beam Instrumentation

- Less analogue components
 - Less parameter spread
 - Less parameter drifts effects
- Reprogrammable algorithms
- BUT demanding requirements in terms of resolution and sampling rate on the digitization stage



Introduction

Analog to Digital Converter trade-off



Data source: B. Murmann, "ADC Performance Survey 1997-2020," [Online].
Available: <http://web.stanford.edu/~murmarr/adcsurvey.html>



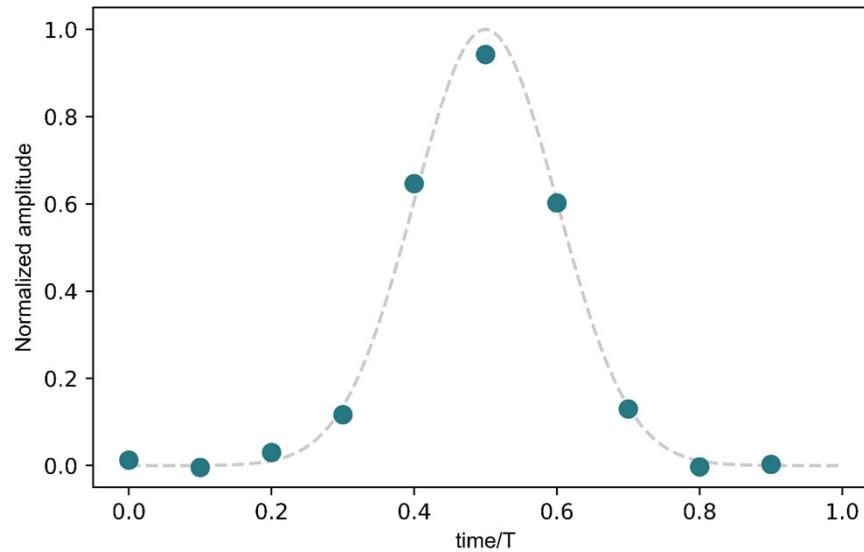


Analysis of the error in the power measurement of a direct digitally acquired pulse signal



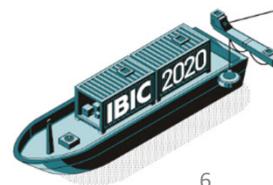
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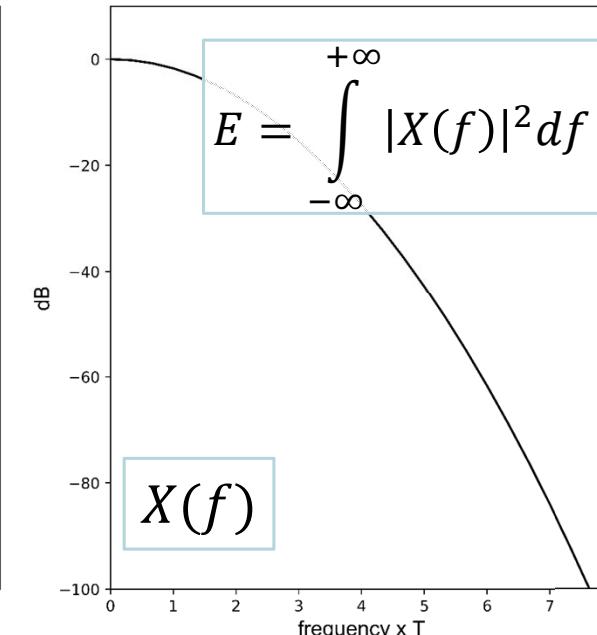
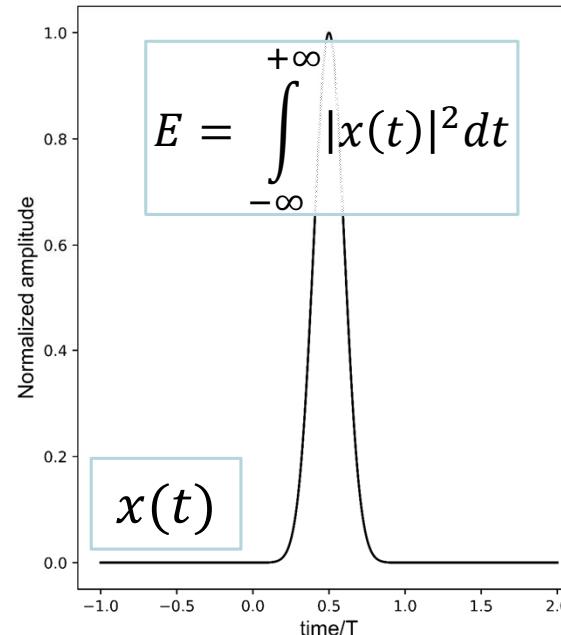
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- Is \overline{P}_T a good estimation of P_T ?
 - What is the effect of a limited unsynchronised sampling rate?
 - What is the effect of the finite resolution of the converter?



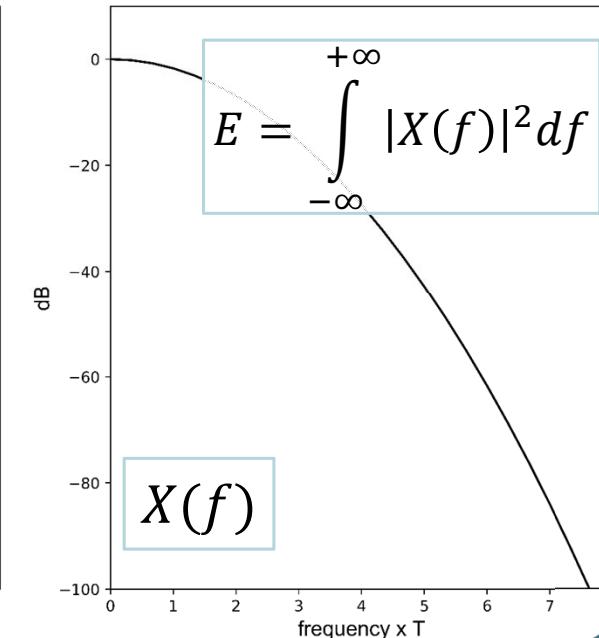
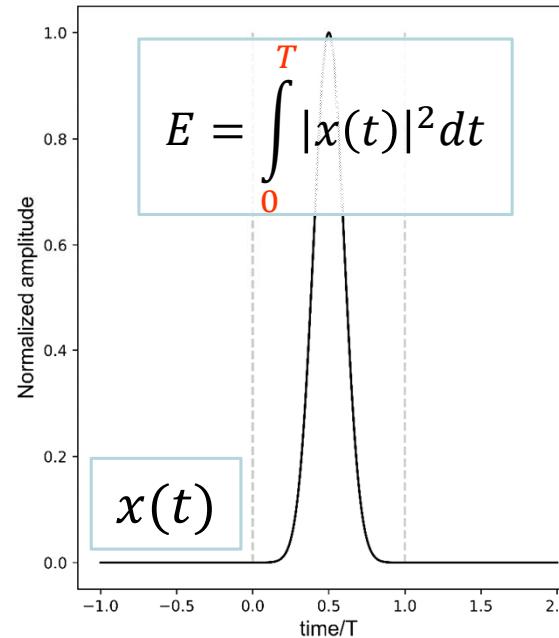
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Energy and power in time and frequency domain



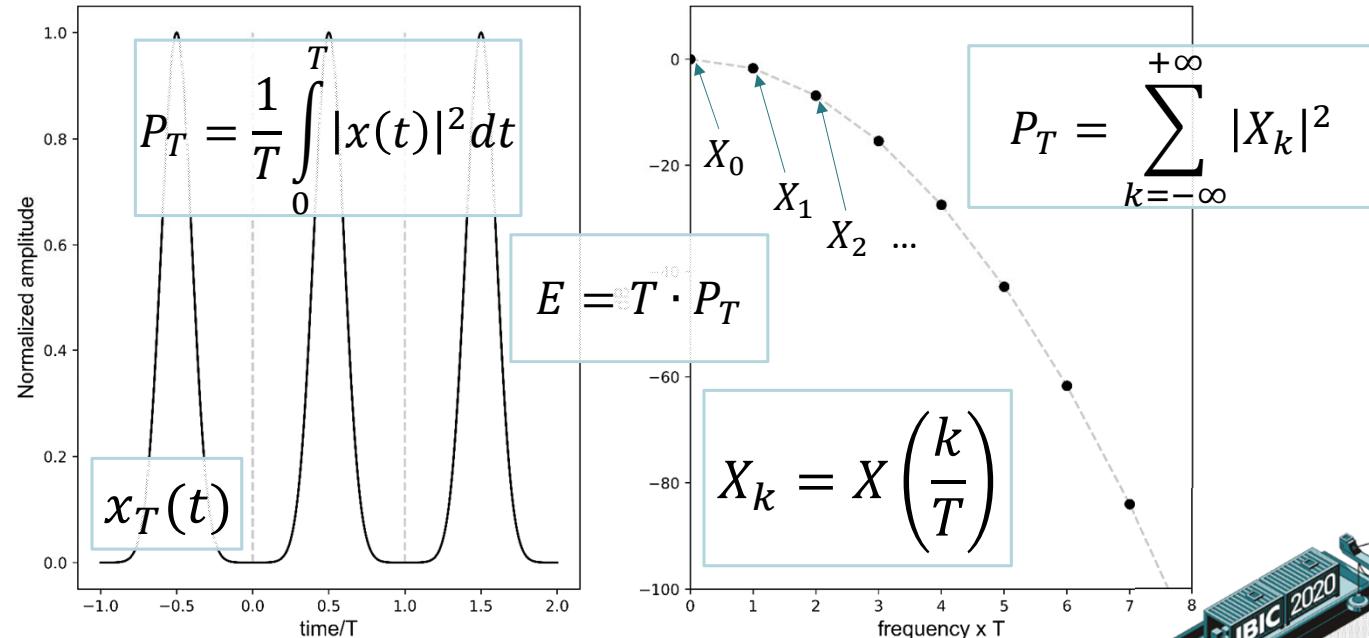
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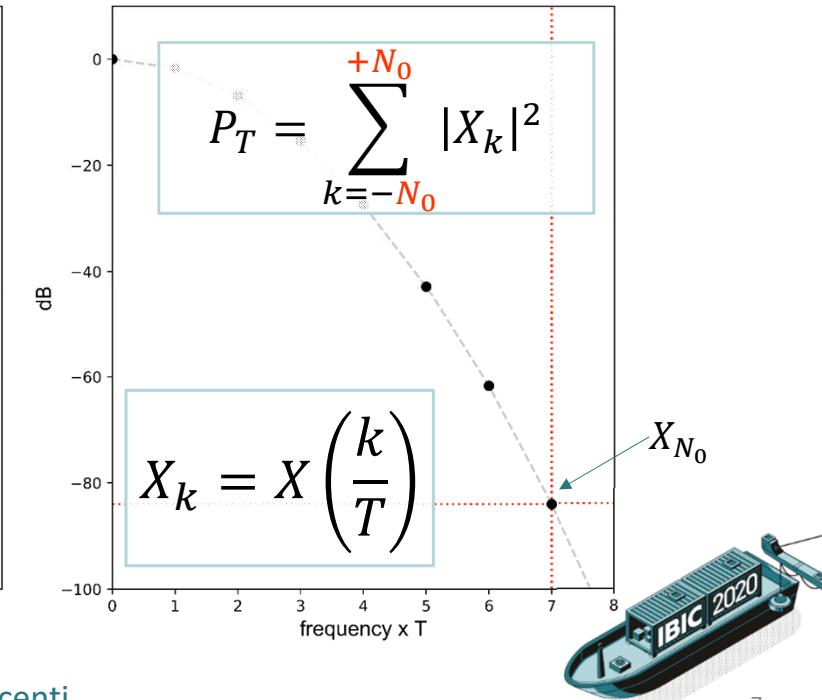
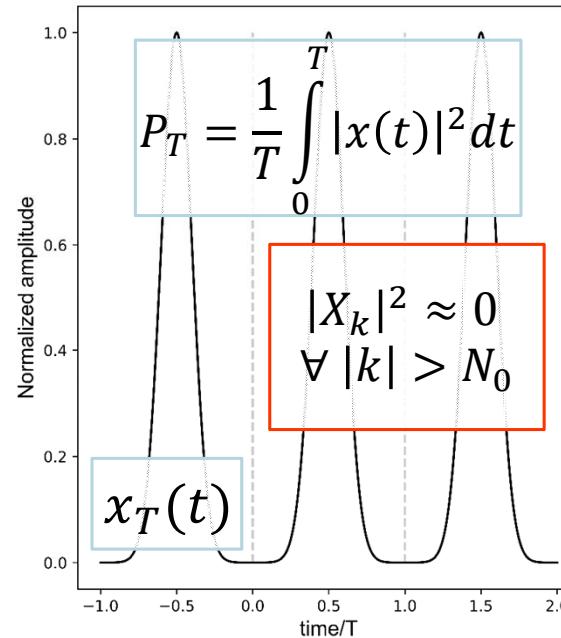
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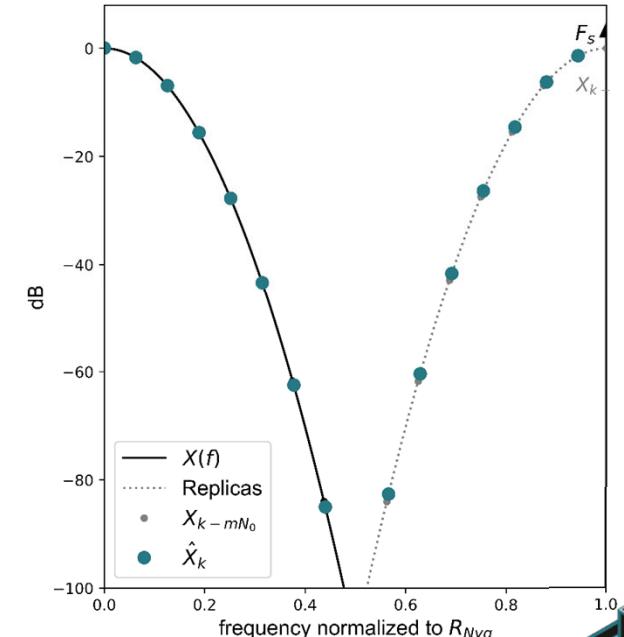
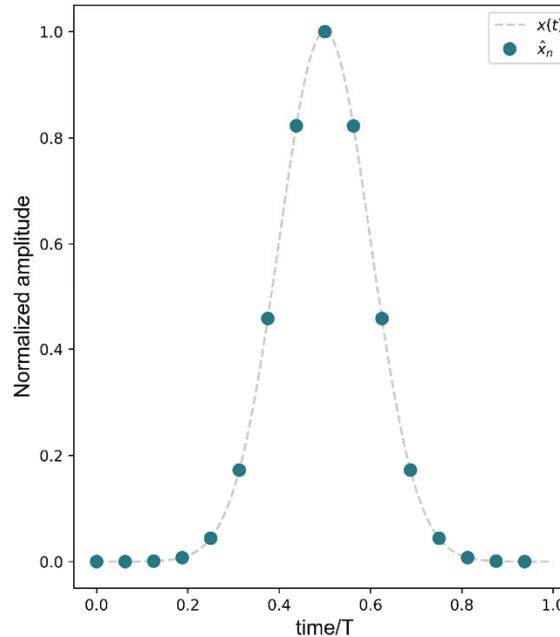
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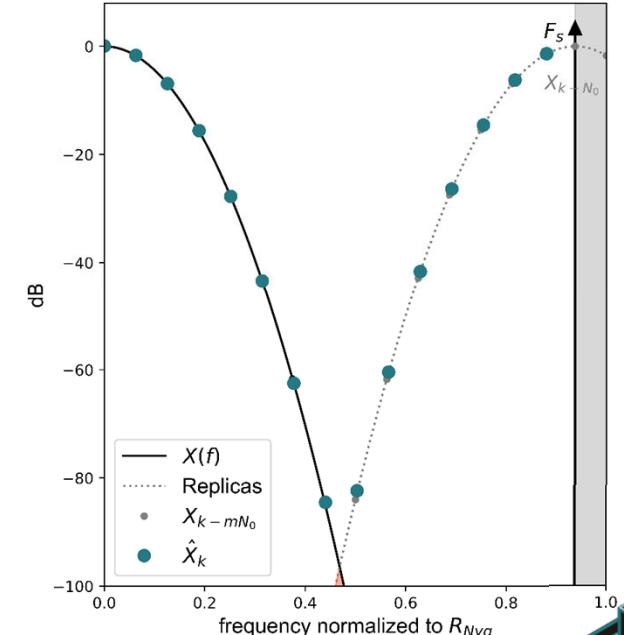
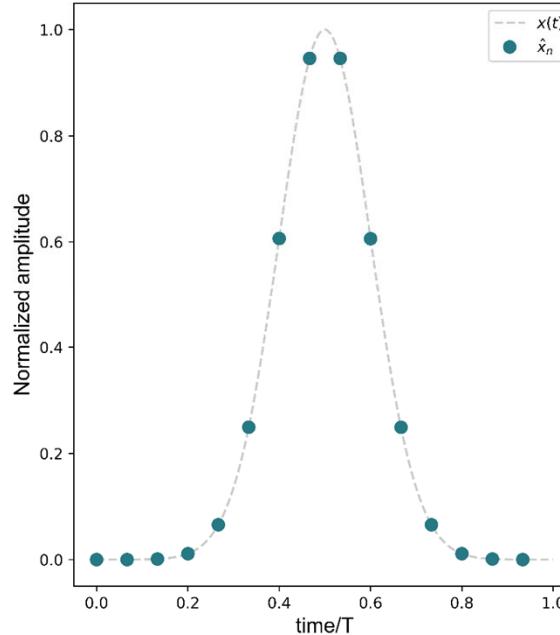
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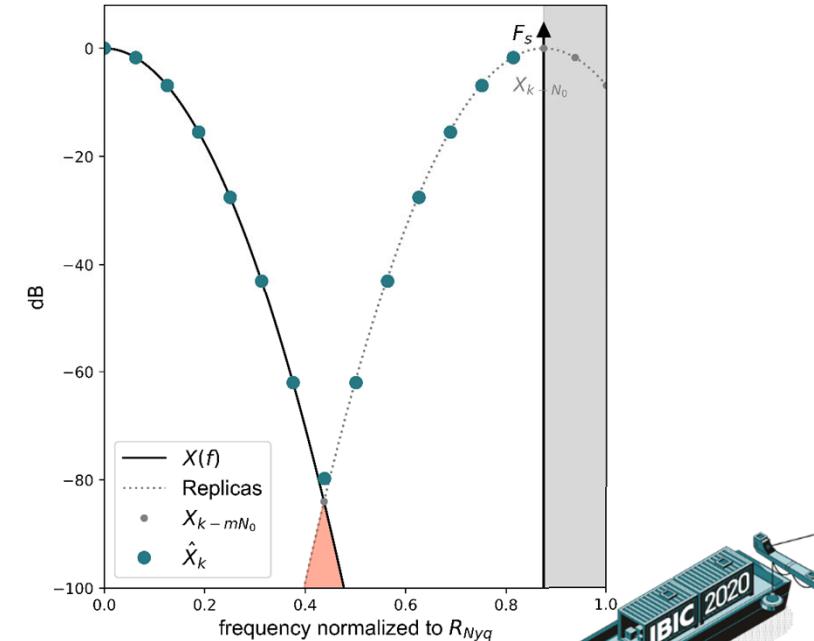
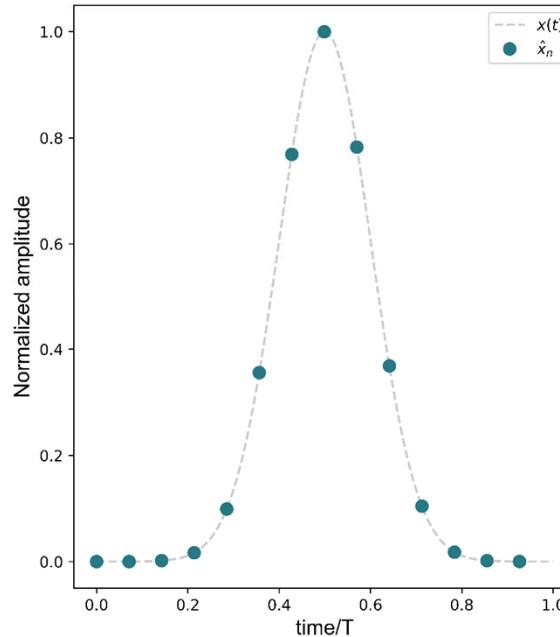
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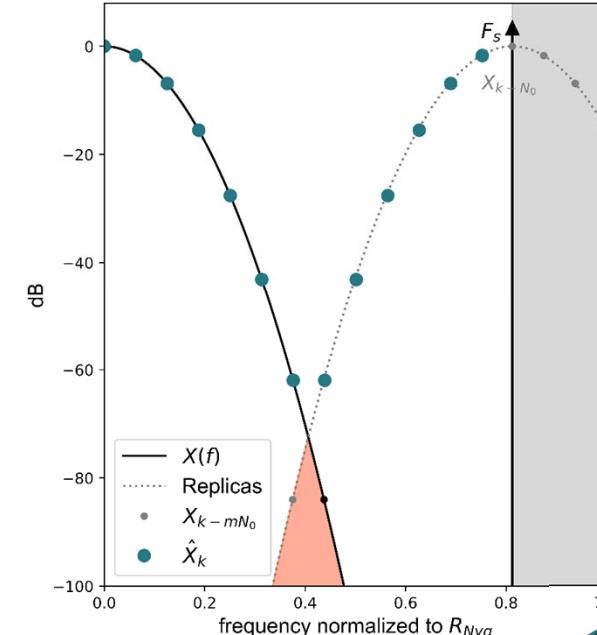
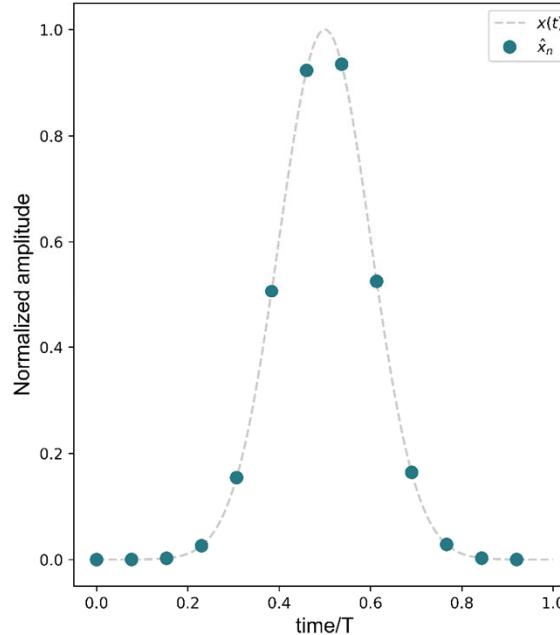
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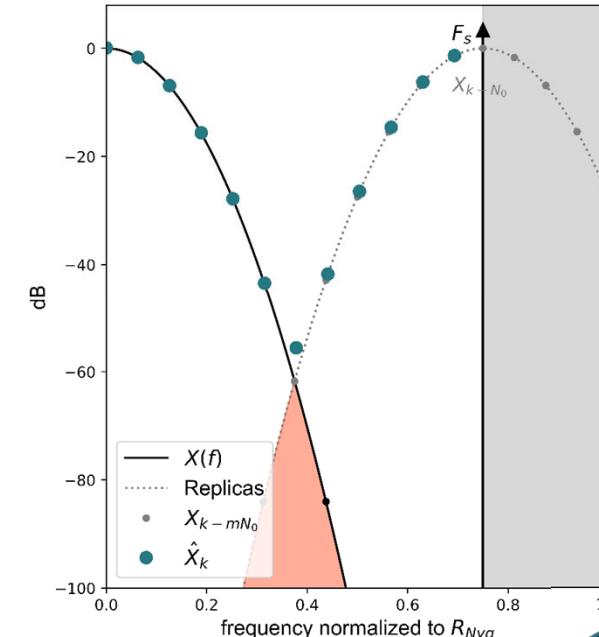
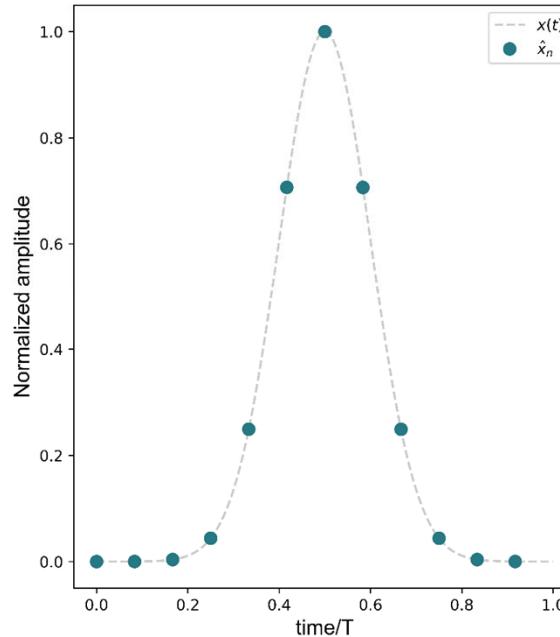
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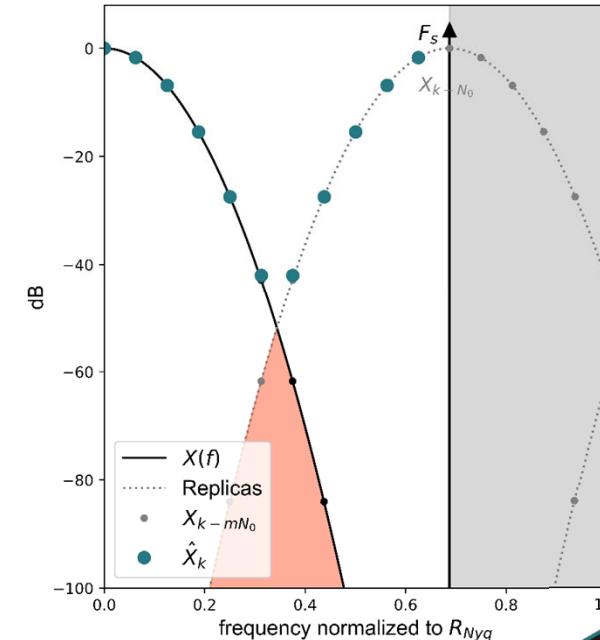
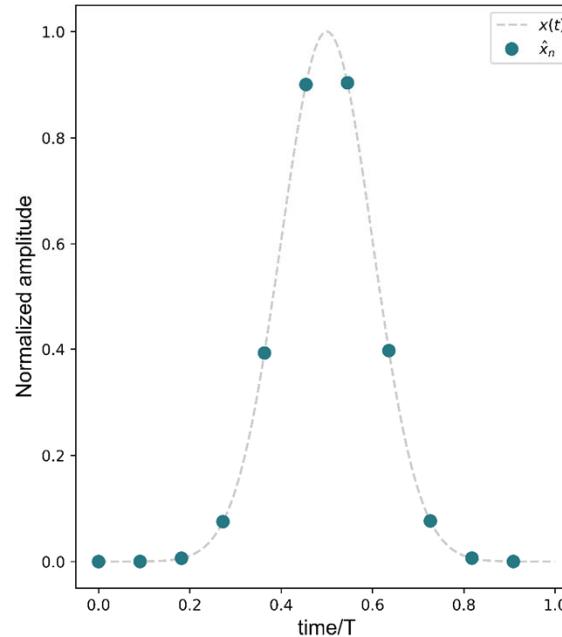
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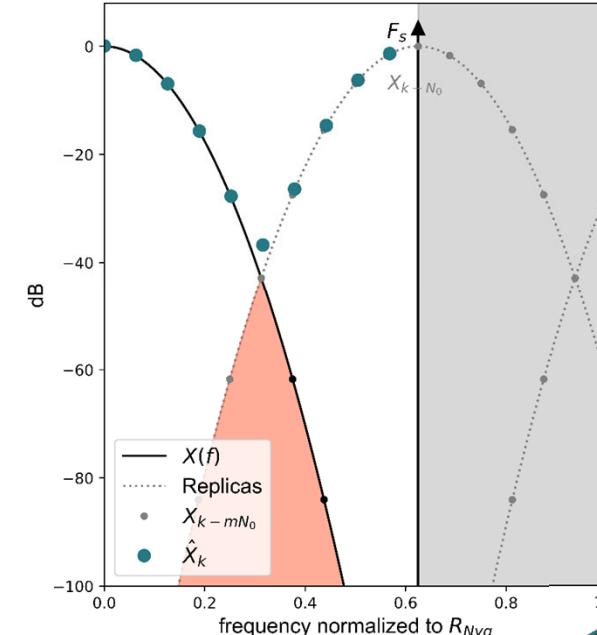
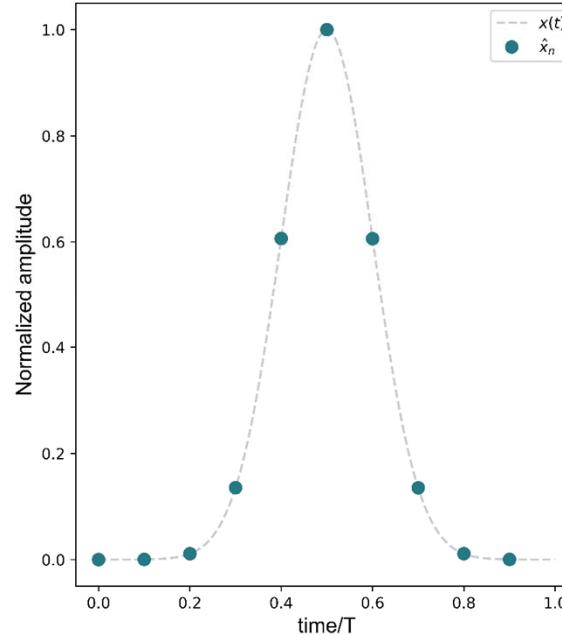
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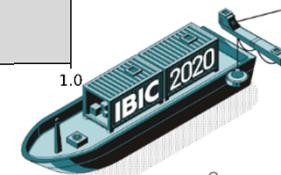
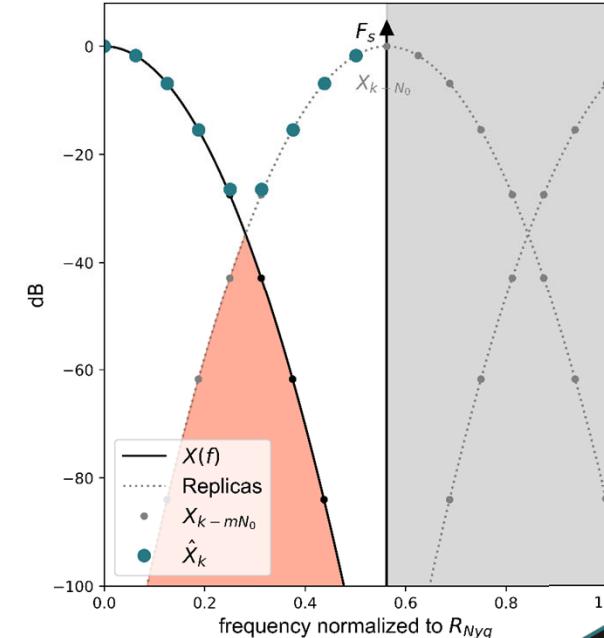
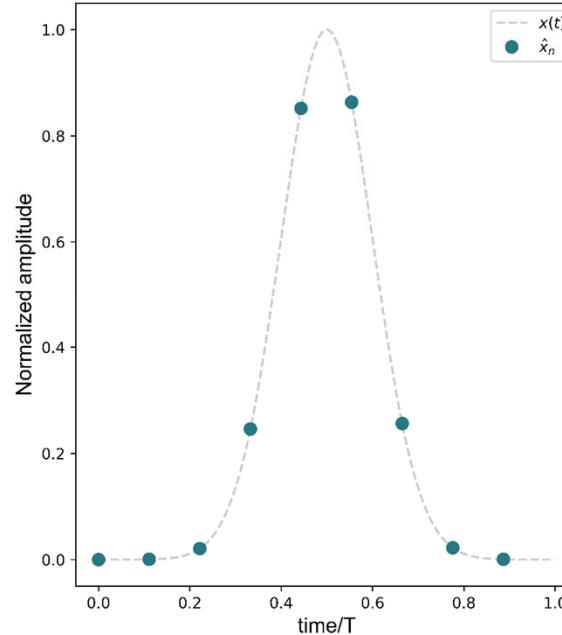
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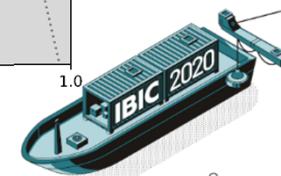
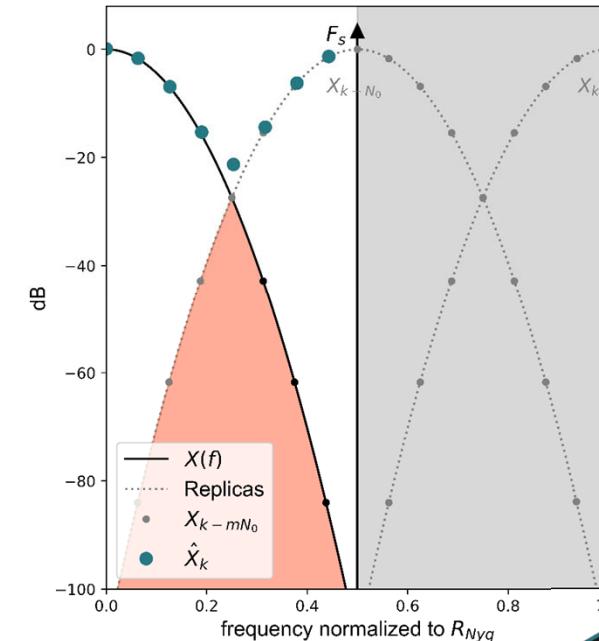
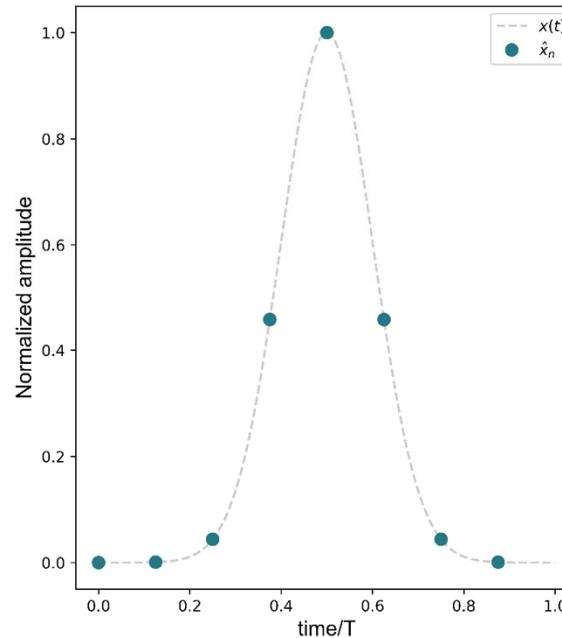
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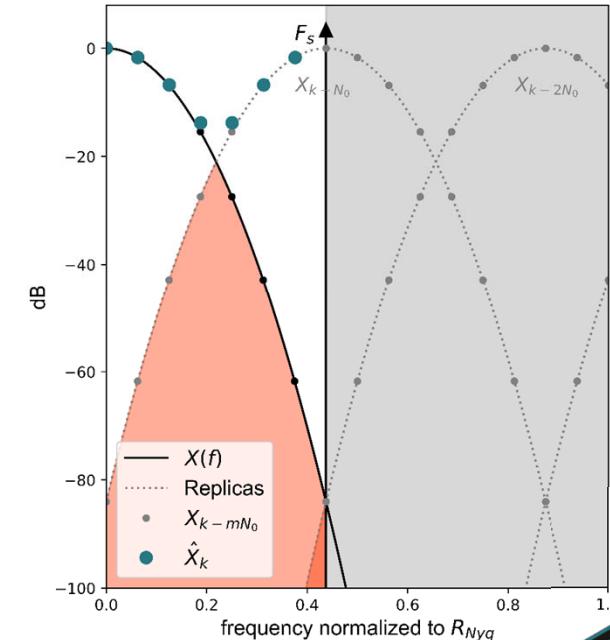
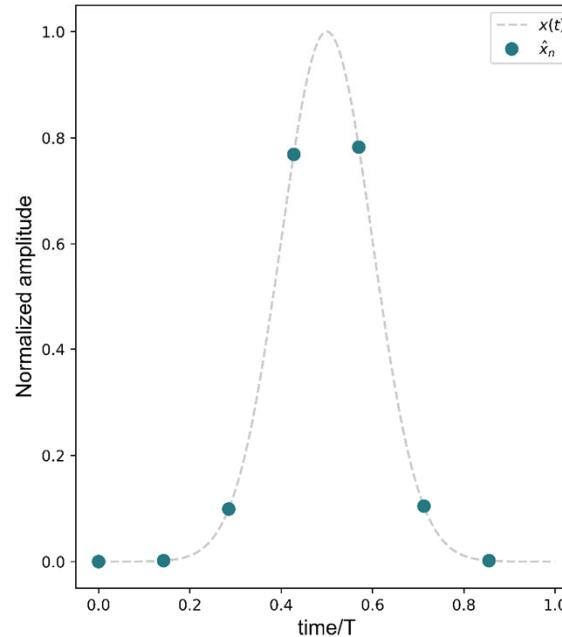
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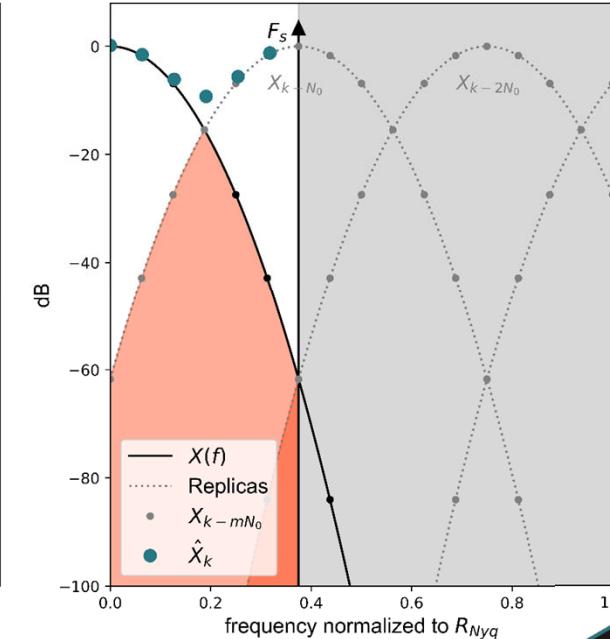
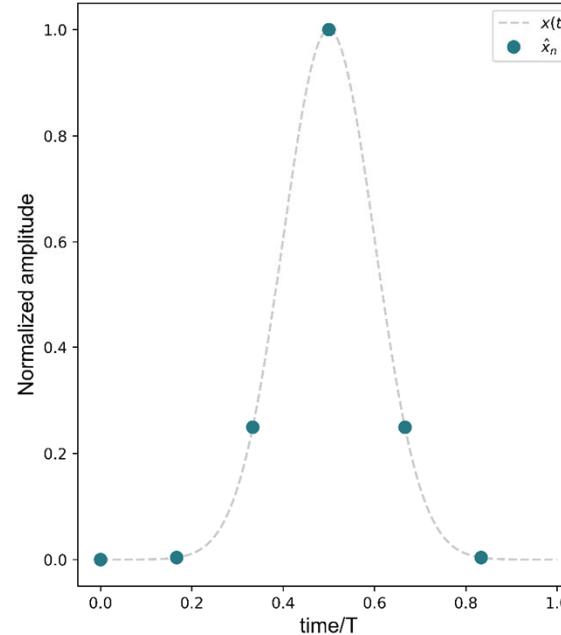
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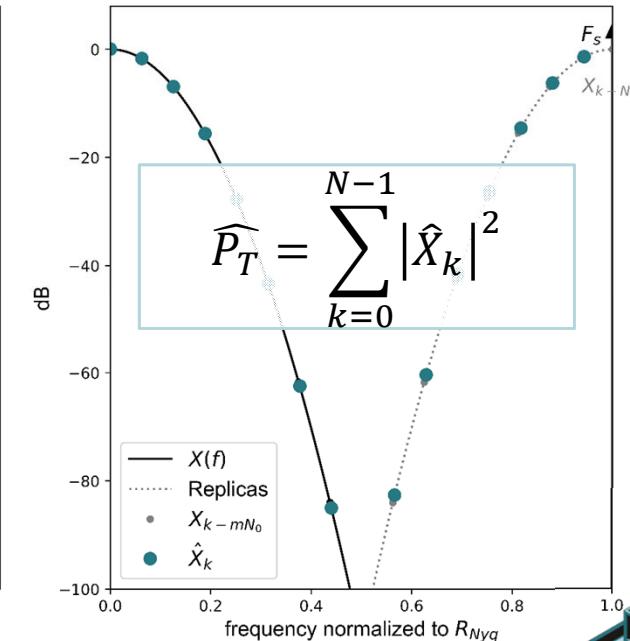
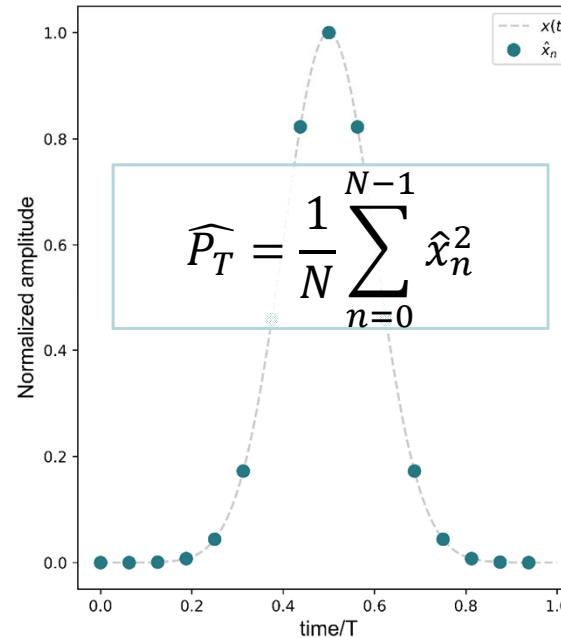
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- If the *Nyquist-Shannon* criterion is met ($F_s > R_{Nyq}$)

$$\rightarrow \widehat{P}_T = P_T = E/T$$

- BUT what if $F_s < R_{Nyq}$?



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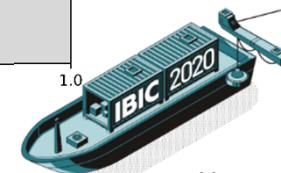
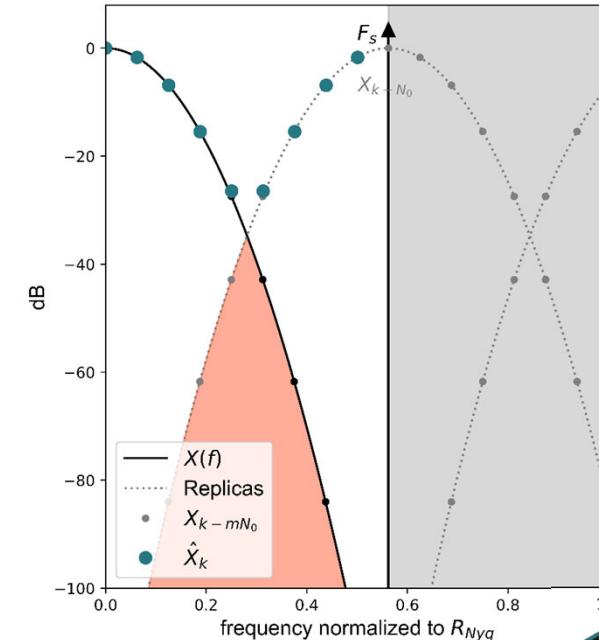
And the energy estimation?

$$\frac{R_{Nyq}}{2} < F_s < R_{Nyq}$$

$$\widehat{X}_k = X_{k-N} + X_k$$

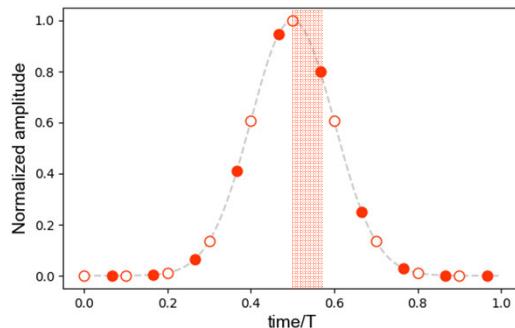


$$\widehat{P}_T = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |\widehat{X}_k|^2$$



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And the energy estimation?



Sampling rate

$$\text{Hyp: } \frac{R_{Nyq}}{2} < F_s < R_{Nyq} \leftrightarrow N_0 < N < 2N_0$$

Input signal spectrum

$$X_k = |X_k| e^{-i\phi_k}$$

Sampling delay

$$\tau$$

$$\widehat{P}_T = P_T + 2 \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |X_k| |X_{k-N}| \cdot \cos(\phi_k - \phi_{k-N} - 2\pi F_s \tau)$$



Quantity to estimate



Error term



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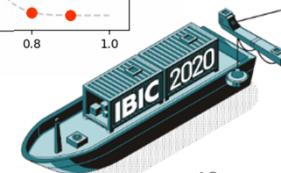
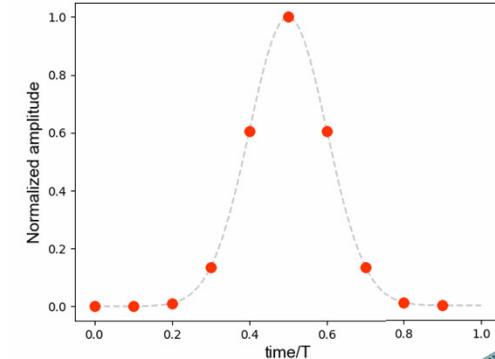
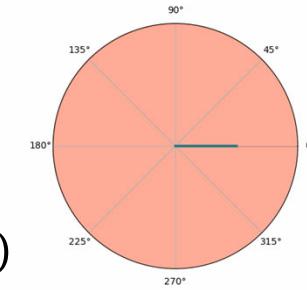
The estimation error

$$\epsilon(X_k, F_s, \tau) \triangleq \widehat{P}_T - P_T$$

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$$A_{X_k, N} \triangleq \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |X_k| |X_{k-N}| \cdot \cos(\varphi_k - \varphi_{k-N})$$

$$B_{X_k, N} \triangleq \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |X_k| |X_{k-N}| \cdot \sin(\varphi_k - \varphi_{k-N})$$



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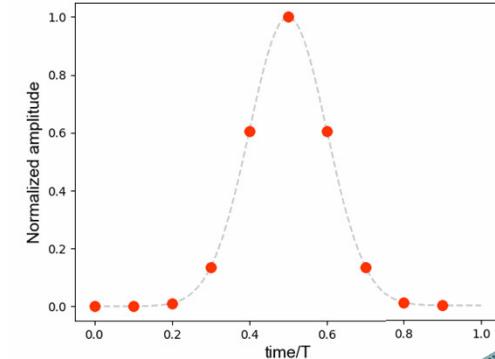
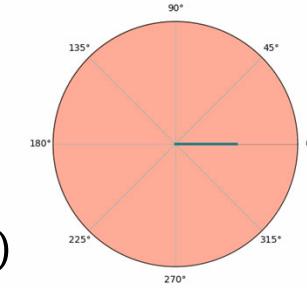
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Hyp: $\tau = U \left[0, \frac{1}{F_s} \right]$

- $\mu_\epsilon = 0$;
- $\sigma_\epsilon^2 = 2 \left((A_{X_k, N})^2 + (B_{X_k, N})^2 \right)$



Limited Sampling Resolution

The introduction of the converter noise v

- We now take into account the limited resolution of the ADC
- How does it propagate in the estimator?

$$\widehat{P}_T = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \hat{x}_n^2 \rightarrow \overline{P}_T = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (\hat{x}_n + v_n)^2$$

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$$\overline{P_T} = \widehat{P}_T + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \nu^2 + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} 2\widehat{x}_n \nu_n \rightarrow \eta \triangleq \overline{P_T} - \widehat{P}_T$$

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$$\mu_\eta = \sigma_\nu^2$$

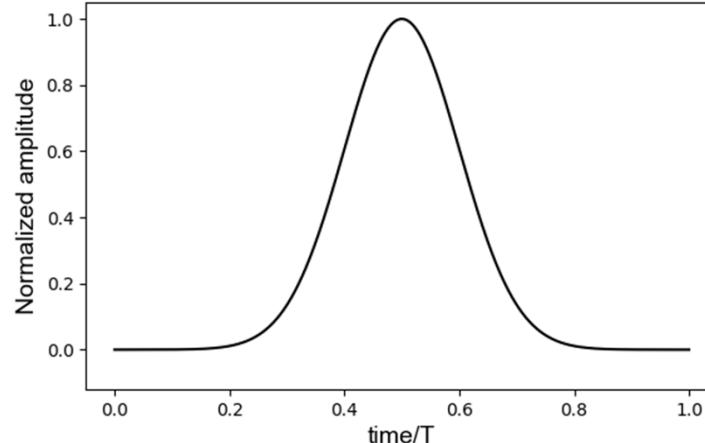
$$\sigma_\eta^2 = \frac{\sigma_\nu^4}{N} + 4P_T \frac{\sigma_\nu^2}{N}$$



A combined SNR expression

Total error

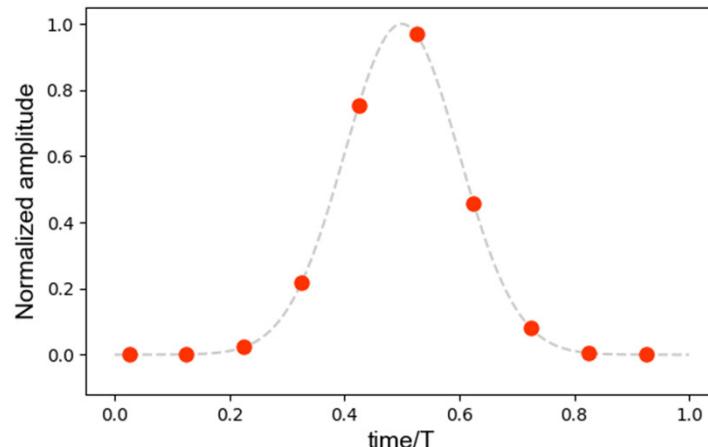
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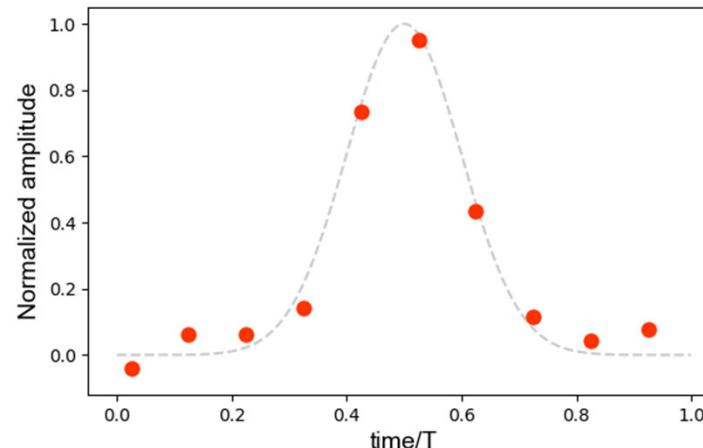
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- Mean value:

$$\sigma_v^2$$

- Variance:

$$2 \left((A_{X_k, N})^2 + (B_{X_k, N})^2 \right) + \frac{\sigma_v^4}{N} + 4P_T \frac{\sigma_v^2}{N}$$



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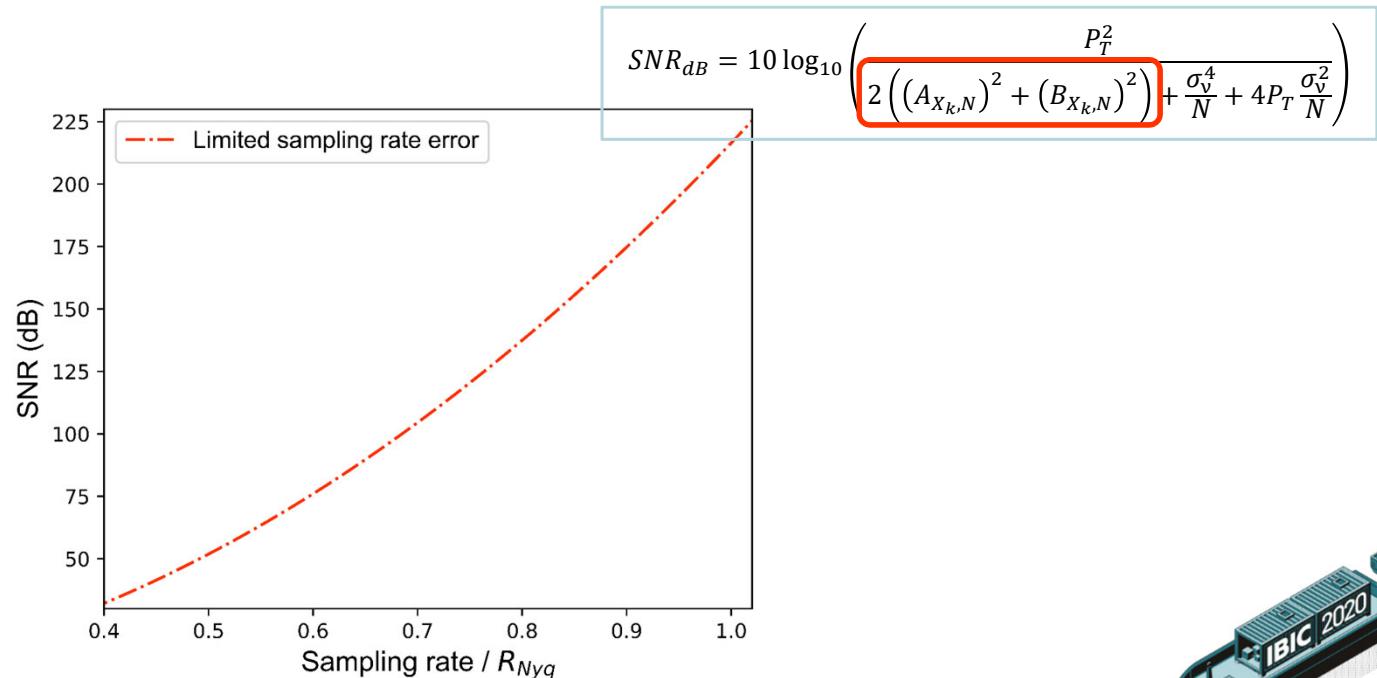
SNR expression of the averaged power measurement

$$SNR_{dB} = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{P_T^2}{2 \left((A_{X_k,N})^2 + (B_{X_k,N})^2 \right) + \frac{\sigma_v^4}{N} + 4P_T \frac{\sigma_v^2}{N}} \right)$$



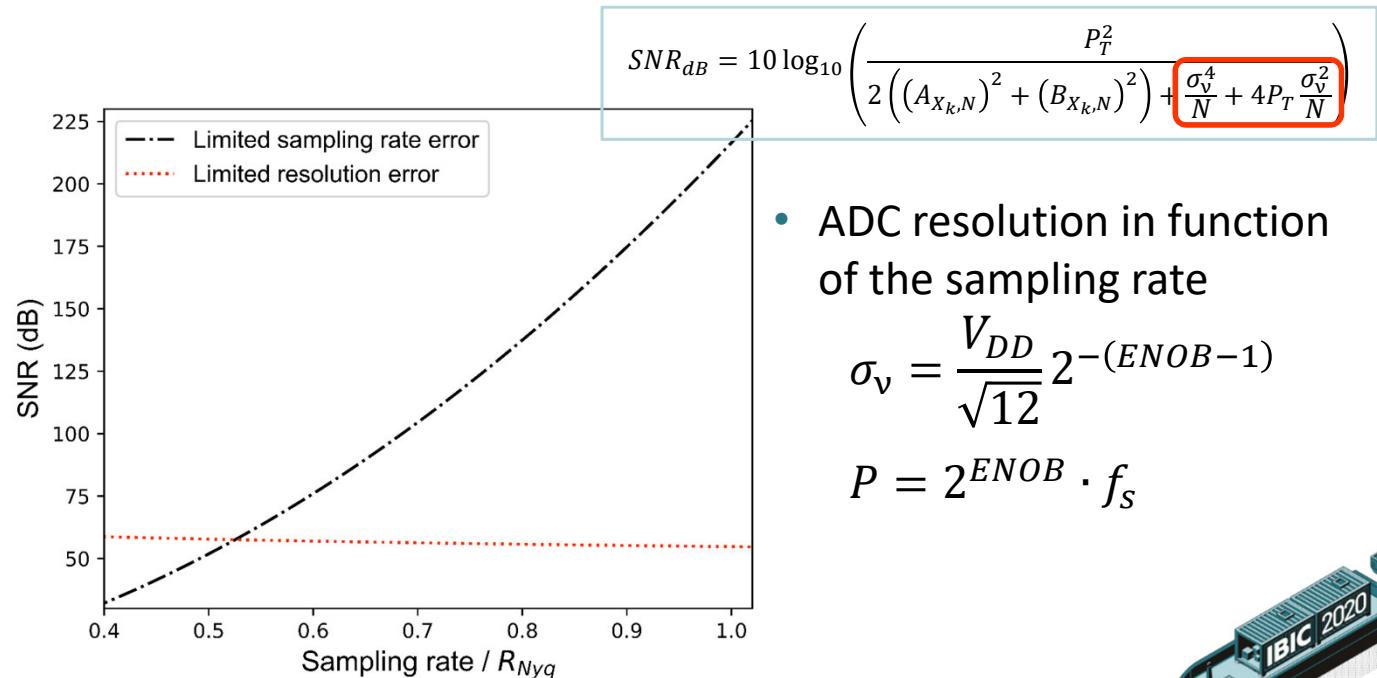
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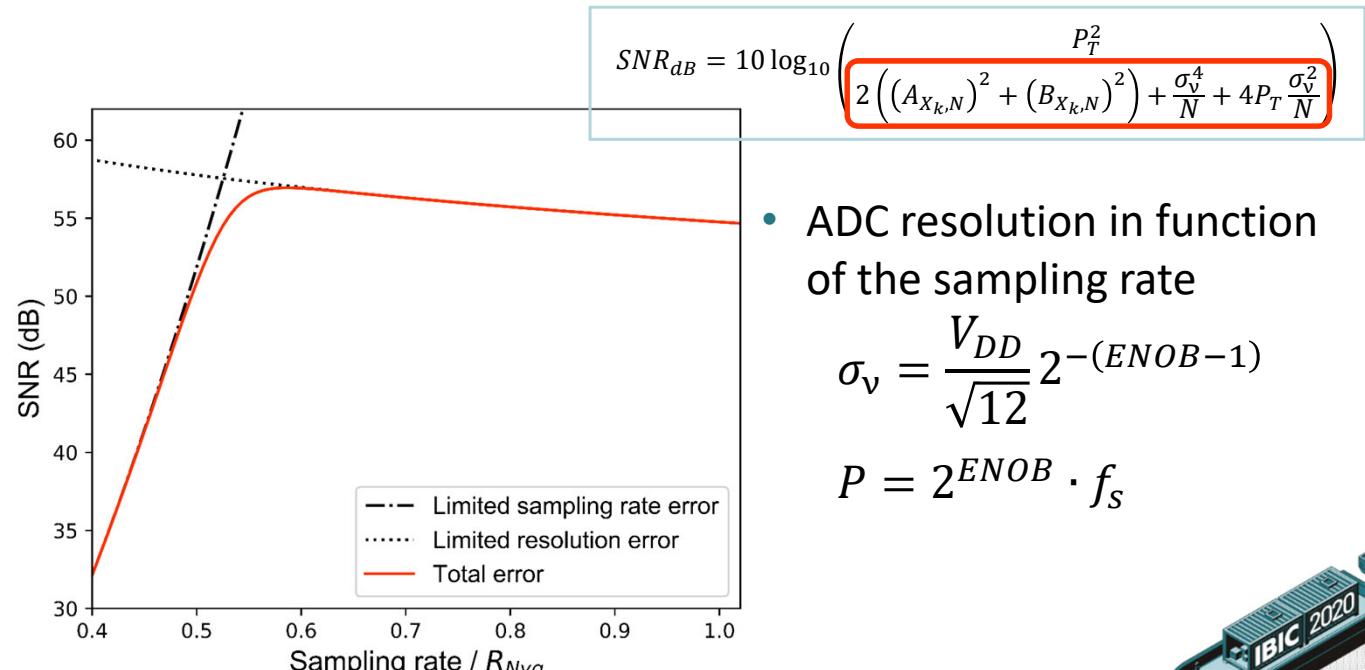
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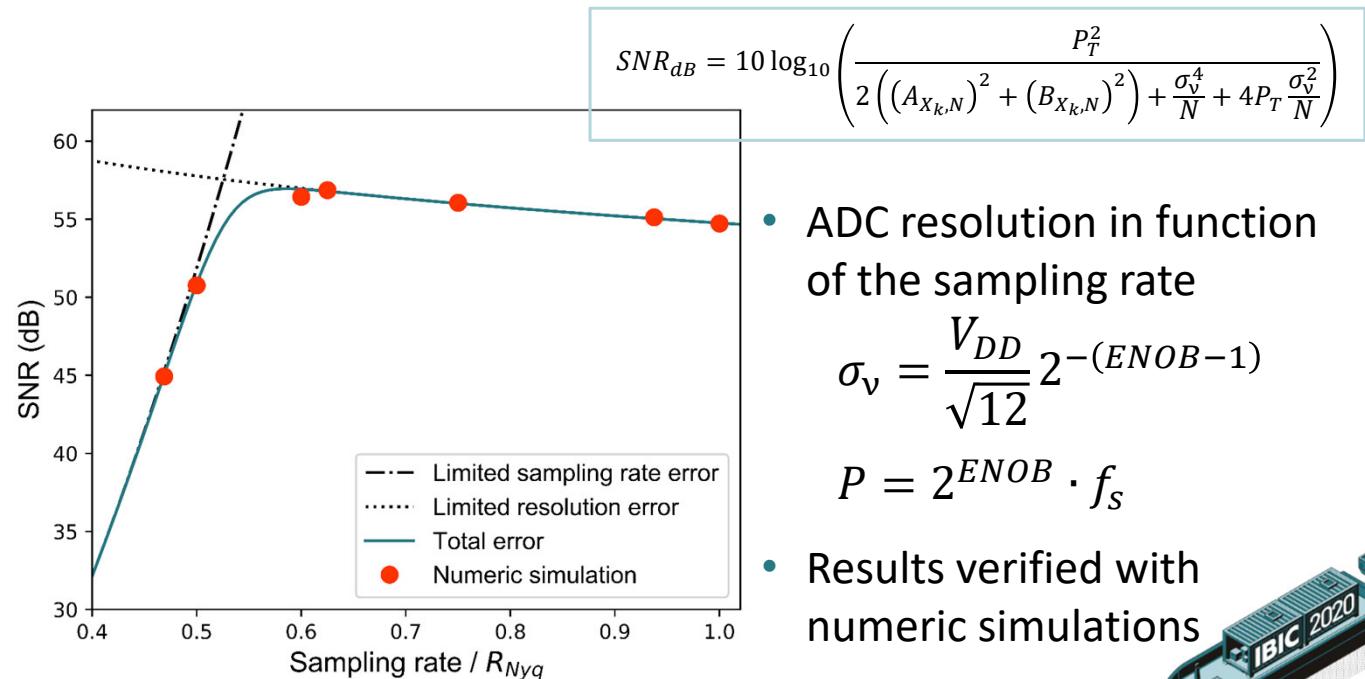
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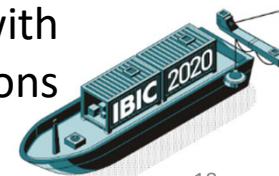


- ADC resolution in function of the sampling rate

$$\sigma_v = \frac{V_{DD}}{\sqrt{12}} 2^{-(ENOB-1)}$$

$$P = 2^{ENOB} \cdot f_s$$

- Results verified with numeric simulations





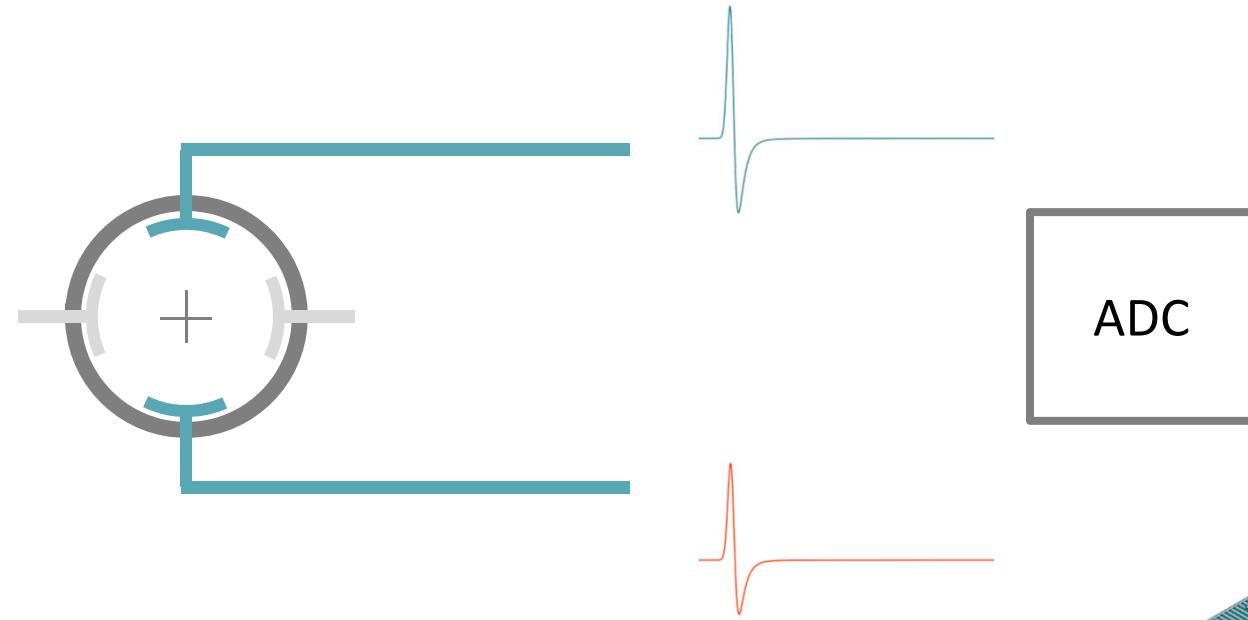
Application example

*A proposed new bunch-by-bunch
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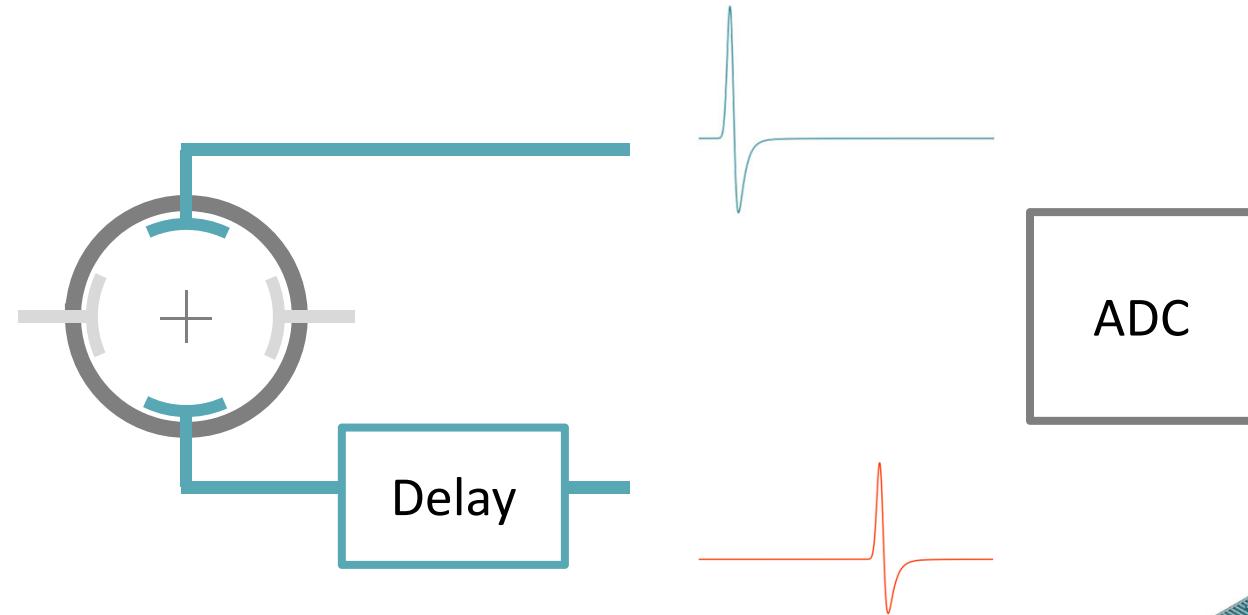
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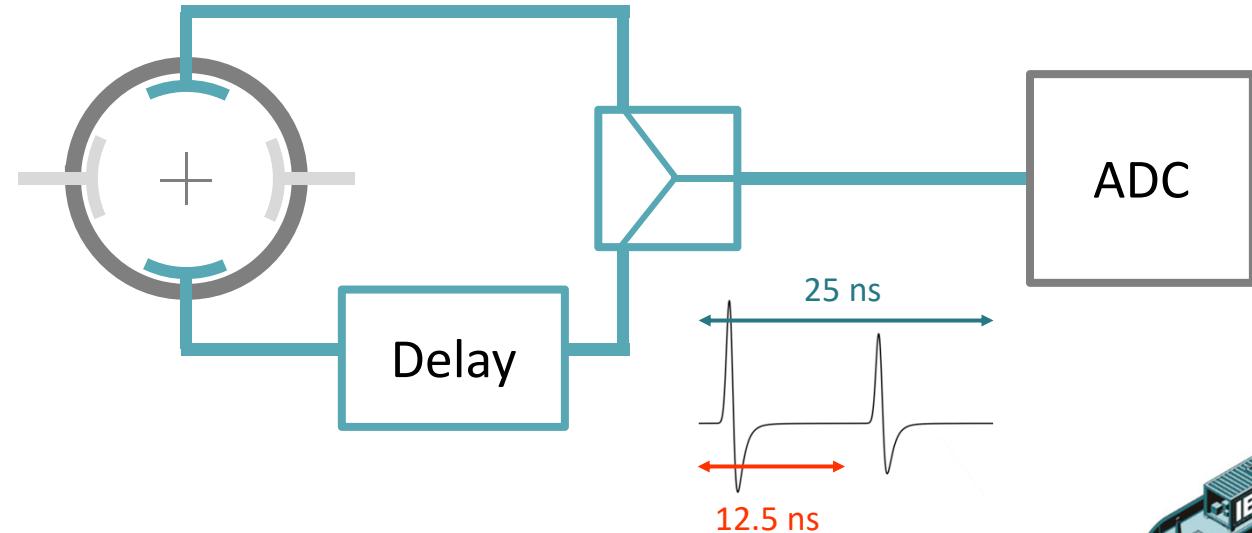
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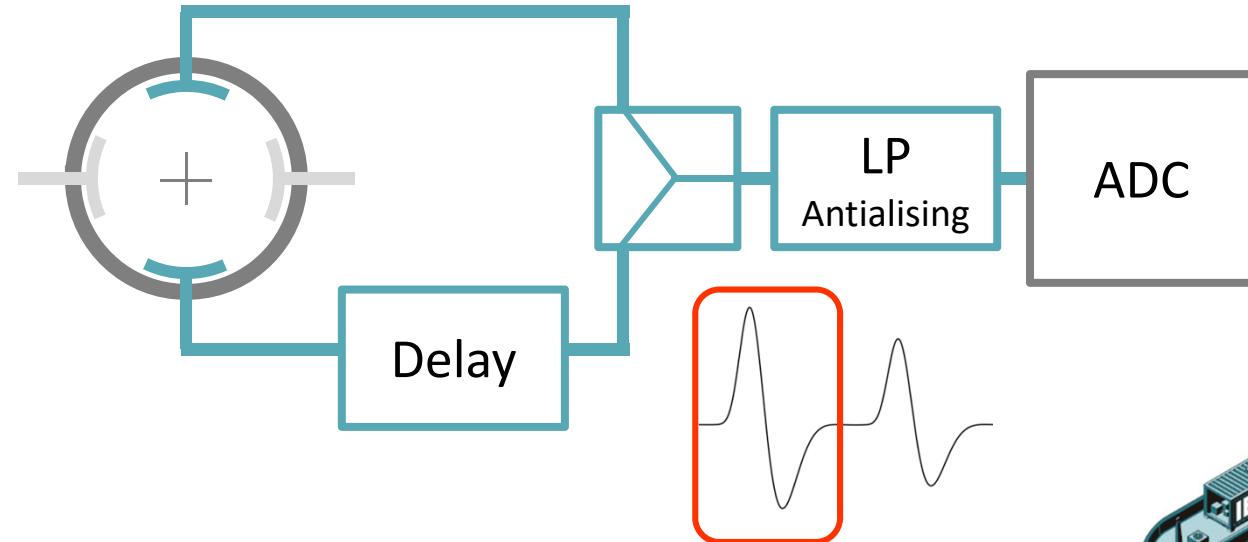
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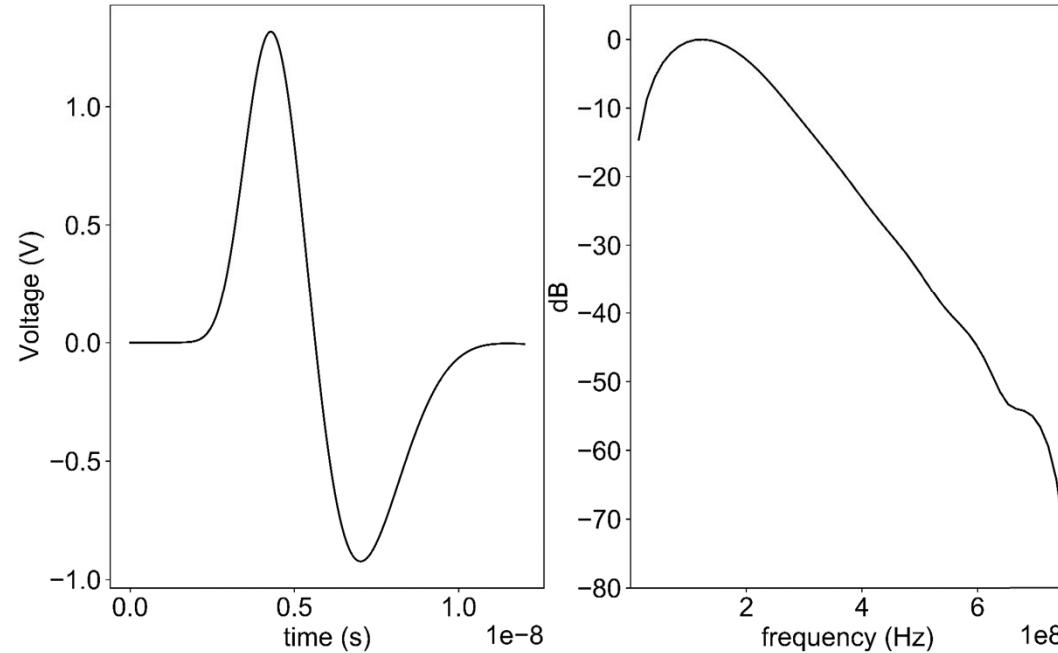
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Before the ADC: signal “stretching” with LP filter



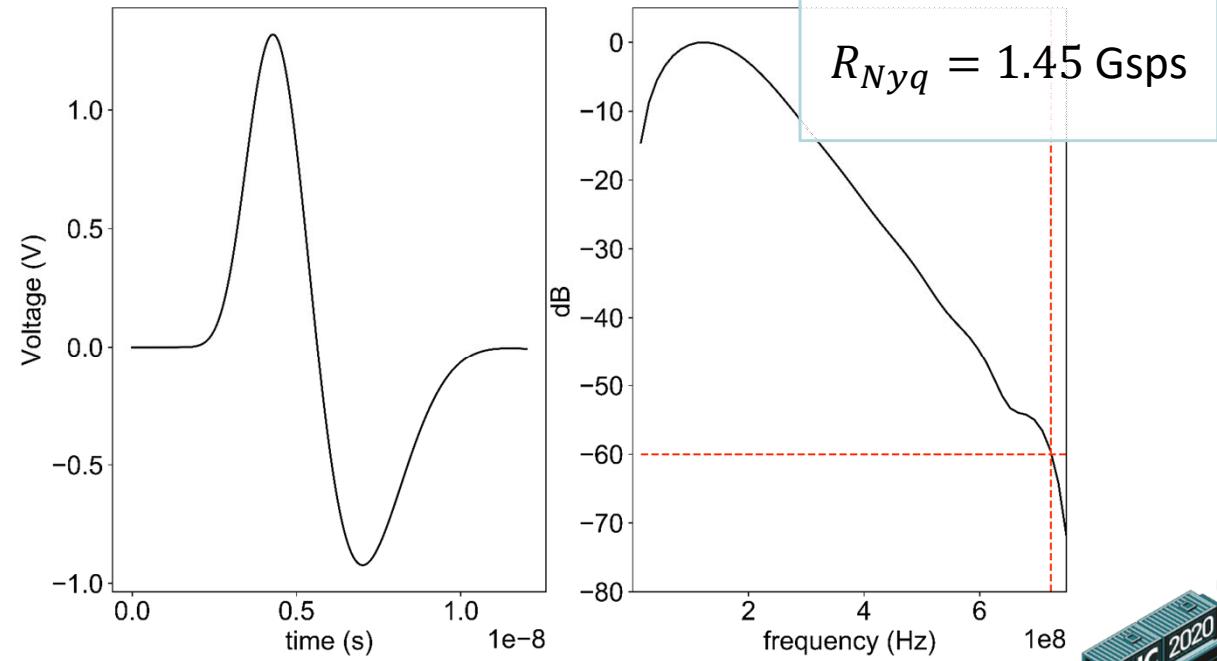
Single bunch pulse signal

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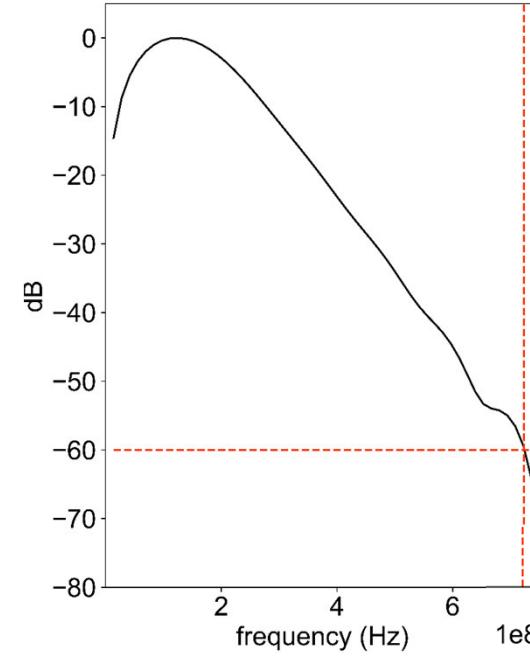
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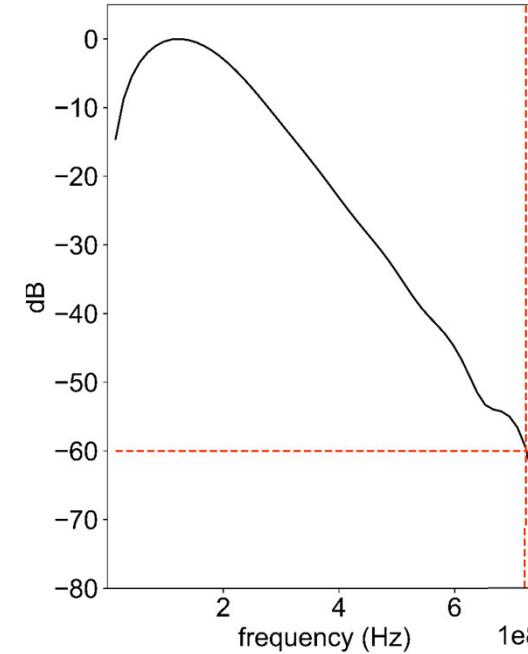


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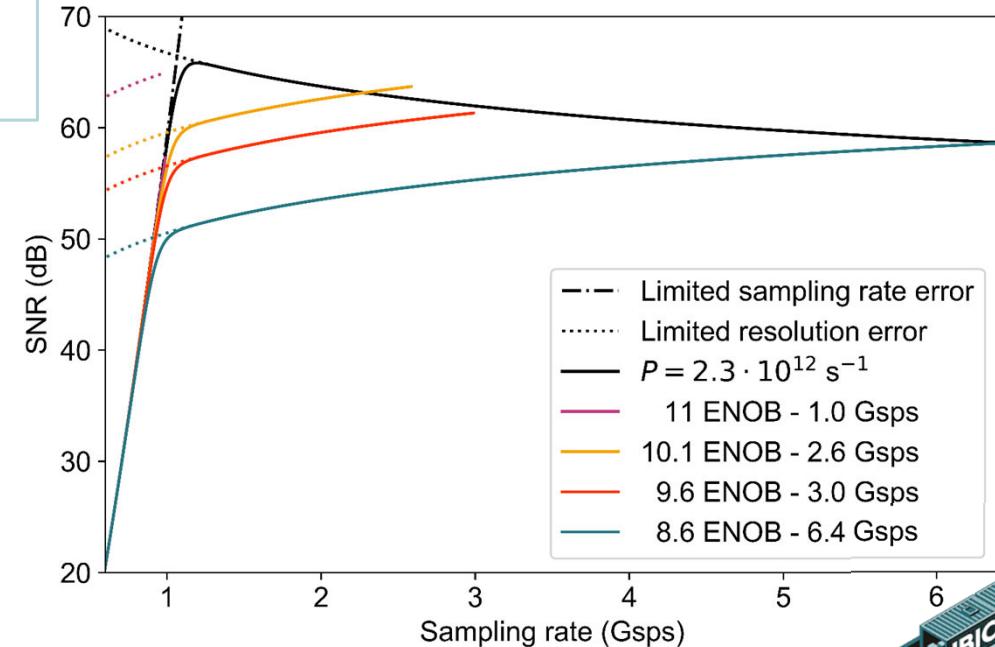


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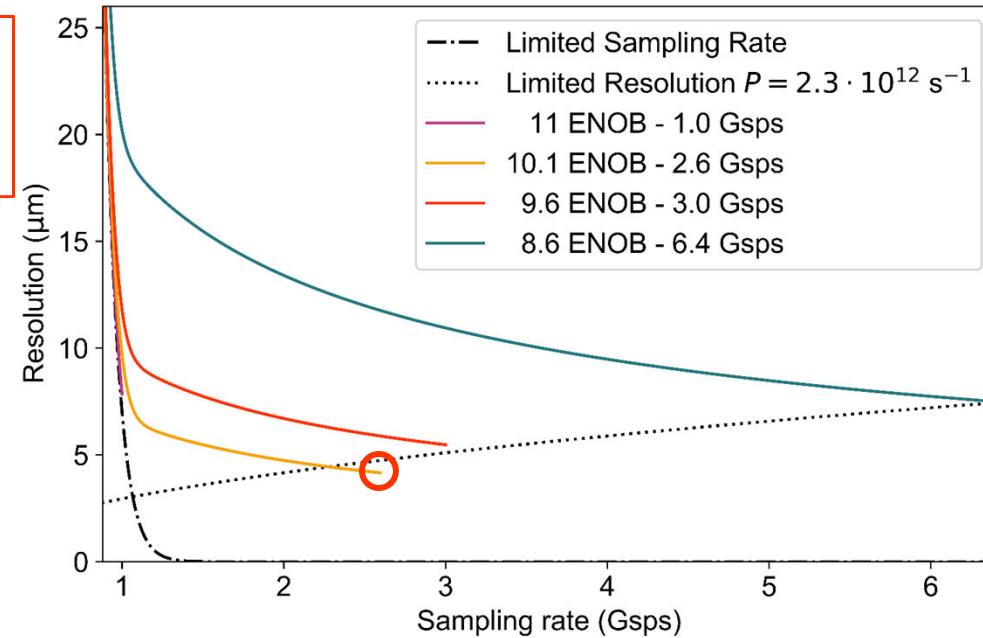
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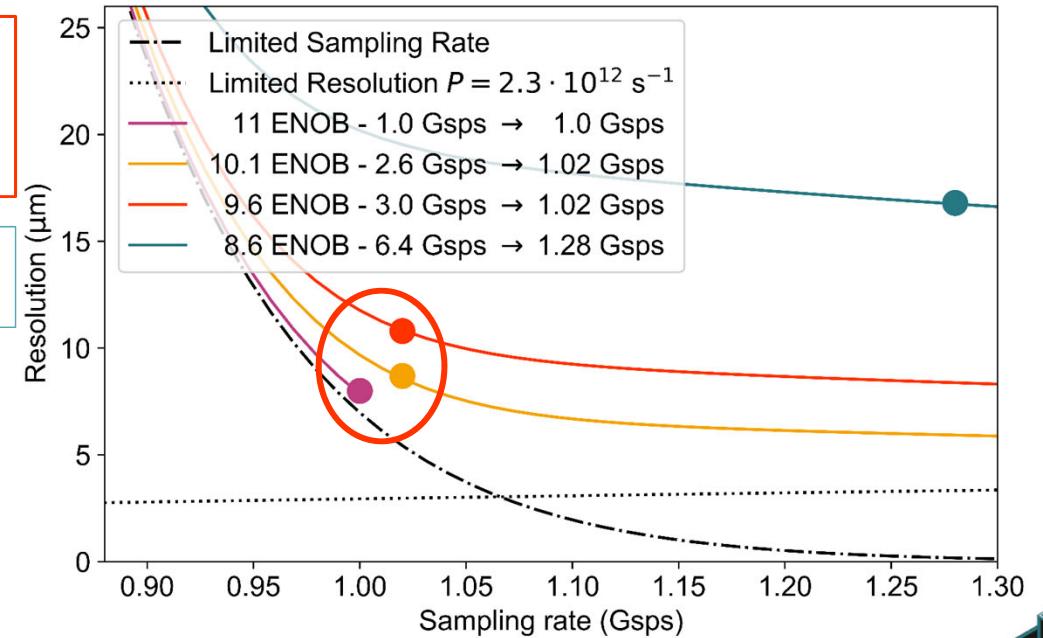


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2 serial links x 10.24 Gbps





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- **Direct digitization** based systems are of growing interest for Beam Instrumentation applications.
- ADC state-of-the-art imposes a **trade-off** between sampling rate and resolution.
- It is possible to **estimate the error** introduced in the energy estimation of a digitized pulse as a function of the sampling rate and resolution.
- This analytic tool can facilitate the **analysis** of the performance of a system, but also assist in the **design** of a new system, especially in the selection of the ADC.

