

Parameters related to SSW analysis

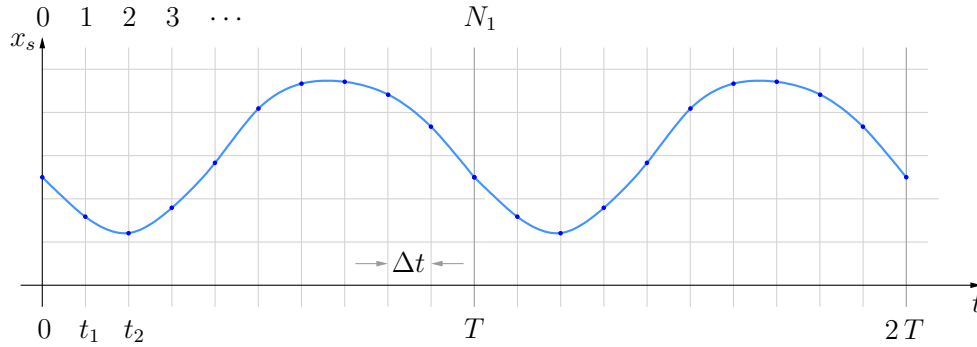


Figure 1: Illustration of parameters related to SSW analysis. A schematic plot of $x_s(t)$ is shown where x_s is a state variable.

SSW analysis is meant for computing the periodic steady-state solution (see Chapter 7 of Part-1). There are two sets of parameters related to SSW analysis: (a) waveform parameters, (b) NR parameters.

Waveform parameters:

- * `ssw_period`: (real number) waveform period (T in the figure).
 - * `ssw_frequency`: (real number) waveform frequency ($1/T$).
- Either `ssw_period` or `ssw_frequency` must be specified.
- * `ssw_ndiv`: (integer) number of divisions in one period (N_1 in the figure, default: 100). If `delt_const` (Δt in the figure) is specified, `ssw_ndiv` is ignored.
 - * `ssw_period_mult`: (integer) number of SSW periods to be simulated (default: 1). Only one period is really required to be simulated. However, the user may want to view a graph showing a few periods, and therefore this option is made available.

NR parameters: As shown in Fig. 7.3 in Part-1, the SSW state variable computation involves a Newton-Raphson (NR) loop (the *outer* NR loop in the figure). Parameters related to this loop are specific to SSW analysis and are described below¹.

- * `ssw_itmax_newton`: (integer) maximum number of outer NR iterations allowed (default: 20).
- * `ssw_dmp`: (yes/no) decides whether damping (see Eq. 3.19 in Part-1) should be used for the outer NR loop (default: no)
- * `ssw_dmp_k`: (real number) damping factor k ($0 < k < 1$) for the outer NR loop (see Eq. 3.19 in Part-1, default: 0.8). Not relevant when `ssw_dmp` is set to no.

¹If the circuit is nonlinear, there is *another* NR loop – the *inner* NR loop. Parameters for that loop (e.g., `itmax_newton`, `dmp`, etc.) are identical to those described elsewhere and are not repeated here.

- * **ssw_dmp_newt_max**: (integer) number of NR iterations for which damping is to be applied in the outer NR loop (default: 10). Not relevant when **ssw_dmp** is set to **no**.
- * **ssw_chk_rhs2**: (**yes/no**) specifies whether the 2-norm should be used to check for convergence of the outer NR iterations (default: **no** if there are electrical elements in the system being simulated; else, **yes**).
- * **ssw_norm**: (real number) specifies the tolerance to check convergence of the outer NR iterations. It applies if **ssw_chk_rhs2** is **yes**, and in that case, the 2-norm,
$$\left[\frac{1}{N'} \sum_{i=1}^{N'} f_i \right]^{1/2}$$
, is compared with **ssw_norm** to test for convergence, where N' is the number of state variables.
- * **ssw_chk_spice**: (**yes/no**) specifies whether the SPICE convergence criteria should be used to check for convergence of the outer NR iterations (default: **yes** if there are electrical elements in the system being simulated; else, **no**).