

Quadrature carrier oscillator

Passband communications systems such as in wireless systems use quadrature oscillators to produce multi-level (M -ary) passband signals. We are primarily interested here in the design of the digital quadrature oscillator itself. The purpose of the oscillator is to produce 2 outputs tones that are in phase quadrature (90°), i.e. a cosine and a sine signal.

$$x(n) = \cos n\theta_0, \quad y(n) = \sin n\theta_0$$

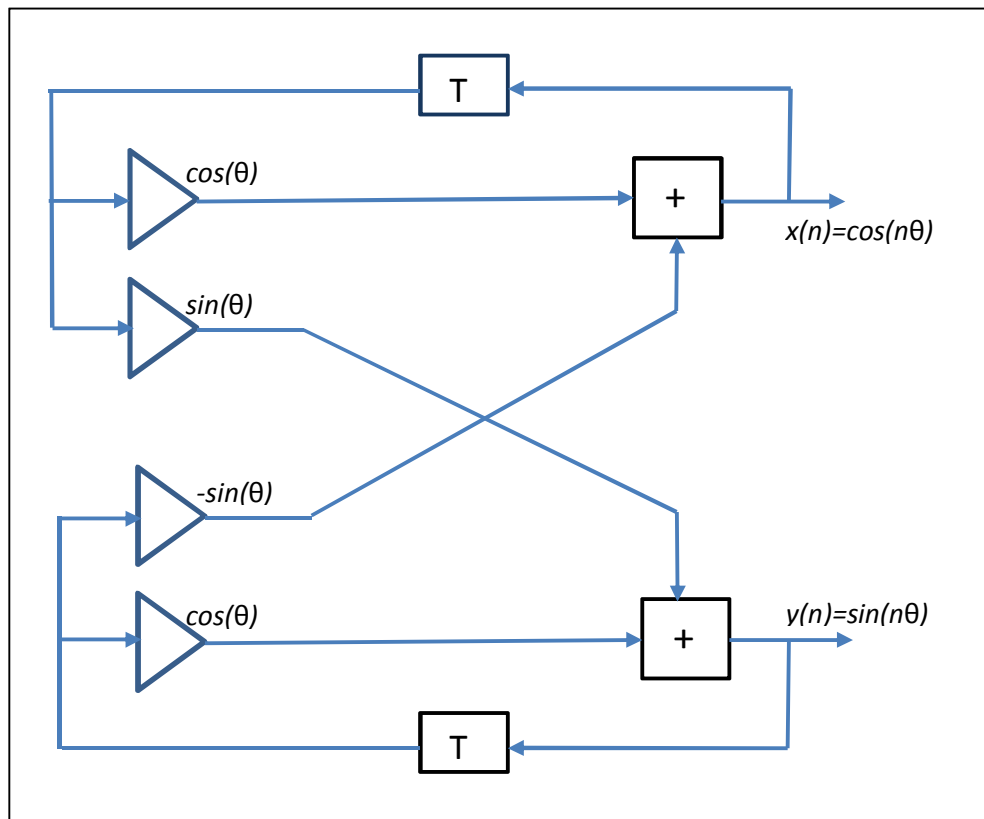
$$x(n+1) = \cos[(n+1)\theta_0] = \cos(n\theta_0 + \theta_0)$$

$$x(n+1) = \cos(n\theta_0)\cos\theta_0 - \sin(n\theta_0)\sin\theta_0$$

Substitute $n \rightarrow n-1$

$$x(n) = \cos n\theta_0 = \cos[(n-1)\theta_0]\cos\theta_0 - \sin[(n-1)\theta_0]\sin\theta_0$$

$$y(n) = \sin n\theta_0 = \sin[(n-1)\theta_0]\cos\theta_0 + \cos[(n-1)\theta_0]\sin\theta_0$$



Note that in comparison to the single oscillator, this is a 1st order system rather than the previous 2nd order.