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# Synchronization Phenomena of Coupled van der Pol Oscillators Containing Two Rings

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## 1 Introduction

In this study, we propose a novel coupled oscillatory system such as two rings of van der Pol oscillators coupled by resistors. We investigate synchronization phenomena observed in the proposed circuit system by changing the coupling strength.

## 2 System Model

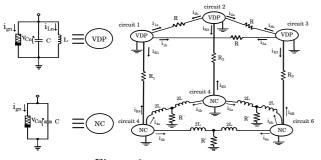


Figure 1 Circuit model.

Figure 1 shows the circuit model which is used in our research. We use two ring circuits of six oscillators. Three VDP of the first ring are connected by resistors and three NC of the second ring are connected by inductors and resistors. The first and the second rings are connected by resistors  $(R_1, R_2, R_3)$ . We investigate how to change synchronization phenomena of adjacent oscillators by changing the values of  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ .

Nonlinear resistor is defined as follows:

$$i_{gn} = -g_1 v_n + g_3 v_n^3. (1)$$

The normalized circuit equations of the first ring are given as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_{n} = \varepsilon(x_{n} - x_{n}^{3}) - y_{n} - \gamma_{n}(x_{n} - x_{n+3}) \\ +\alpha(-x_{n} + x_{i} + x_{j}) \end{cases}$$

$$\dot{y}_{n} = x_{n}.$$
(2)
$$(n = 1, 2, 3)$$

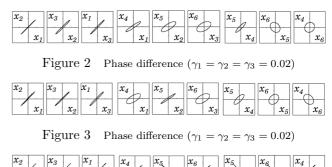
The normalized circuit equations of the second ring are given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{x}_{n} &= \varepsilon(x_{n} - x_{n}^{3}) - y_{an} \\
&- y_{bn} + \gamma_{n-3}(x_{n} - x_{n-3}) \\
\dot{y}_{an} &= x_{n} - \beta(y_{an} + y_{b(i)}) \\
\dot{y}_{bn} &= x_{n} - \beta(y_{bn} + y_{a(j)}) \\
&(n = 4, 5, 6)
\end{aligned}$$
(3)

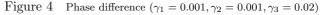
where n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. The parameters  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma_n$  denote the coupling strength of the inductor, resistor R, resistor R', and resistor  $R_n$ , respectively.

## 3 Simulation Results

The simulation results of the system model are shown in Figs. 2-5. The values of the parameters are set to  $\varepsilon = 0.05$ ,  $\alpha = 0.05$ ,  $\beta = 0.05$ . In the case of  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_2 =$  $\gamma_3 = 0.02$ , in the second ring, synchronization phenomena change by initial value as Figs. 2 and 3. By chaging  $\gamma_1$ ,  $\gamma_2$  and  $\gamma_3$ , we can control synchronization phenomena regardless of initial value. In the case of  $\gamma_1 = 0.02$ ,  $\gamma_2 = 0.005$  and  $\gamma_3 = 0.02$ , the circuit 4 and the circuit 6 become synchronized without reference to initial value. In the case of  $\gamma_1 = 0.001$ ,  $\gamma_2 = 0.0001$ and  $\gamma_3 = 0.02$ , the oscillators of the first ring become synchronized, the oscillators of the second ring become 3-phase synchronization. We observe various synchronization phenomena by changing the coupling strengths.







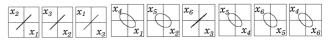


Figure 5 Phase difference  $(\gamma_1 = 0.02, \gamma_2 = 0.005, \gamma_3 = 0.02)$ 

#### 4 Conclusions

We have proposed a system model using two rings of three van der Pol oscillators coupled by resistors or inductors. We can control the synchronization phenomena by varying the coupling strengths. In the future, we will investigate synchronization phenomena using other parameters and analyze the proposed circuit model.