

TUTORIAL: Oscillators

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Outline



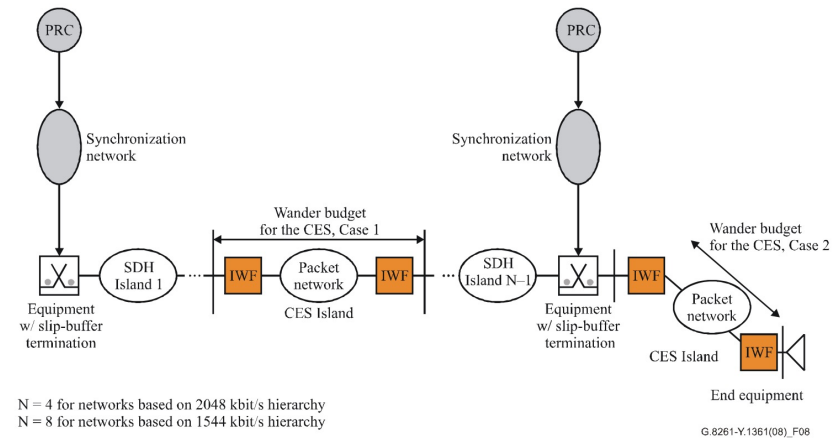
Oscillators

- Oscillator in synchronisation
- Oscillator fundamentals
- Oscillator selection for clocks

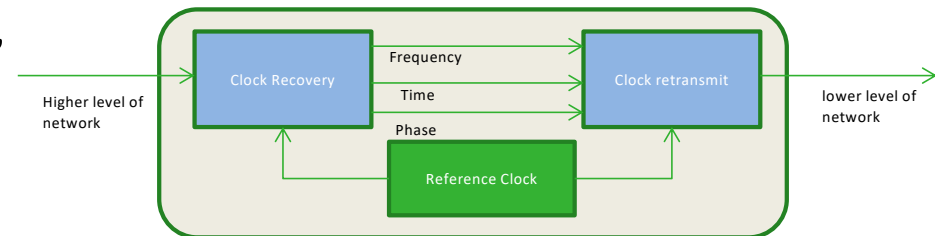


Oscillators in synchronisation

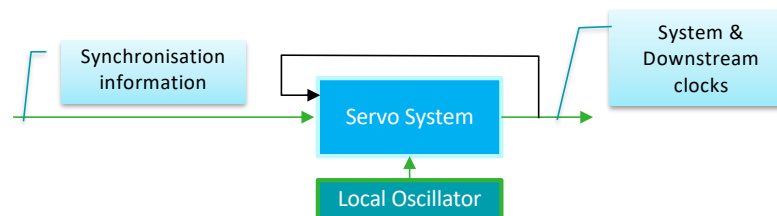
- Synchronization is hierarchical



- Equipment Clocks “recover & retransmit”

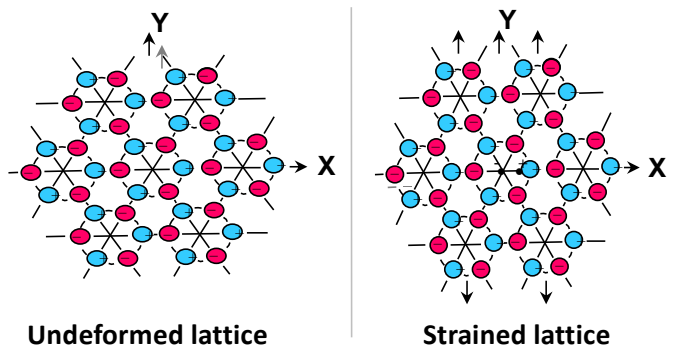


- Oscillators on the clocks

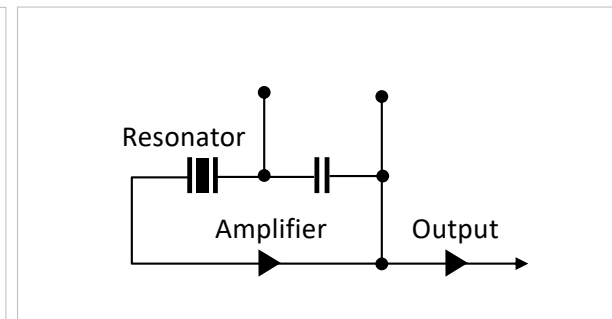
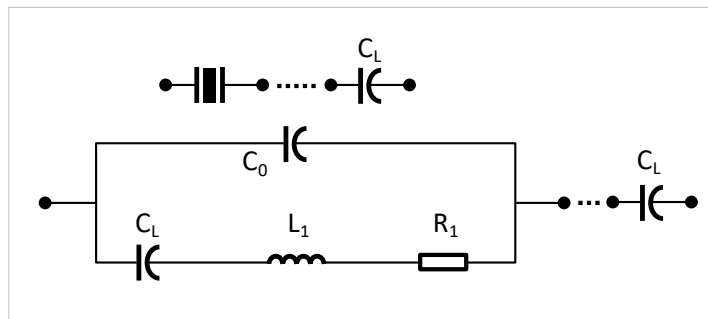
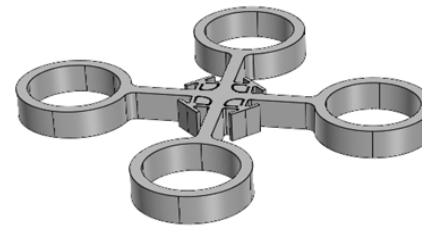


Oscillator technologies

- Piezo Electric effect in Quartz



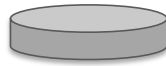
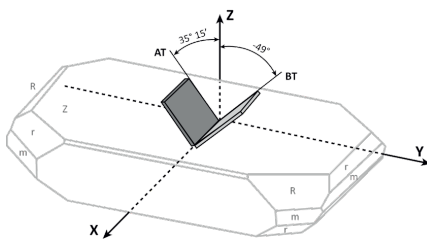
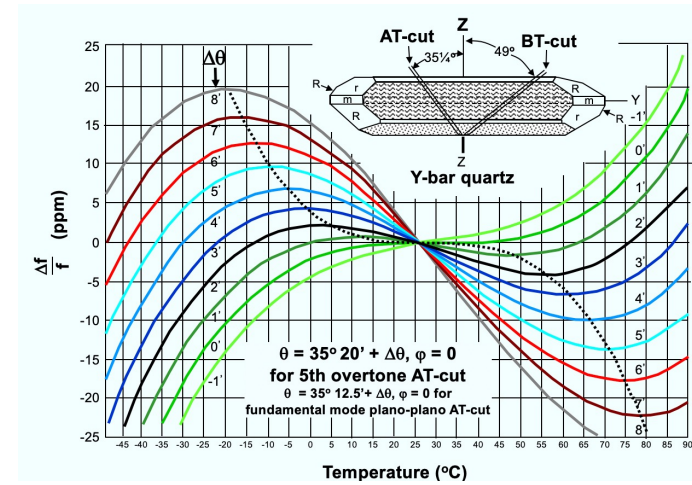
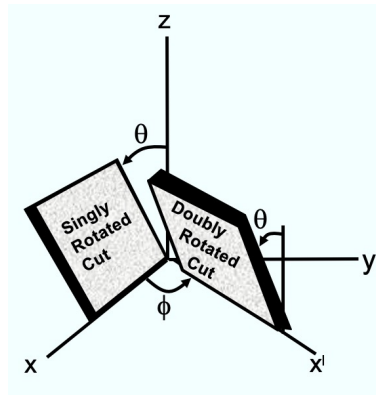
- MEMS



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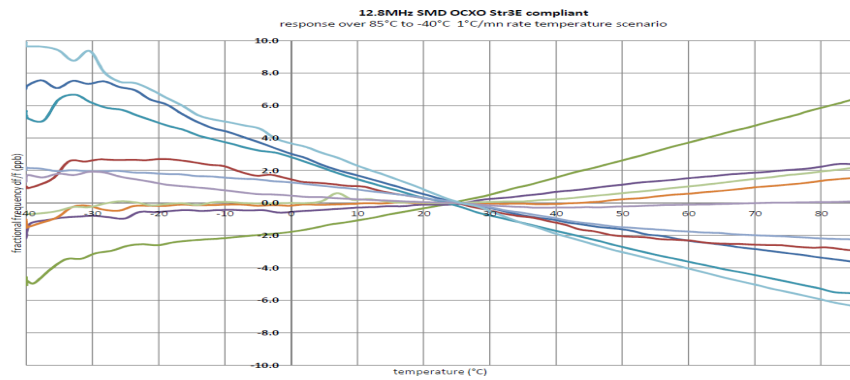


Fundamentals

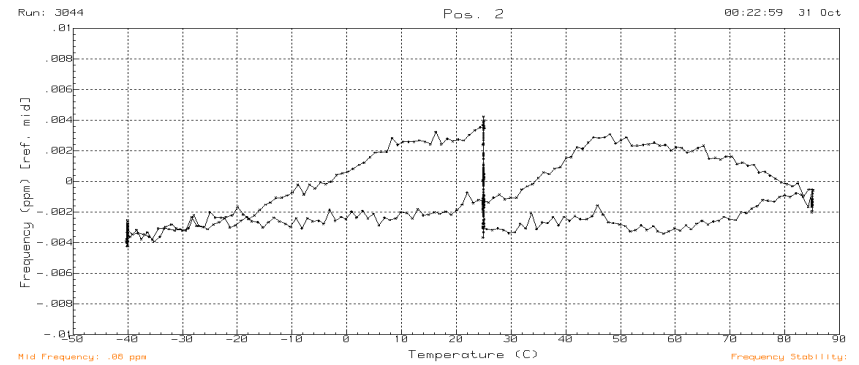


Influences on oscillators

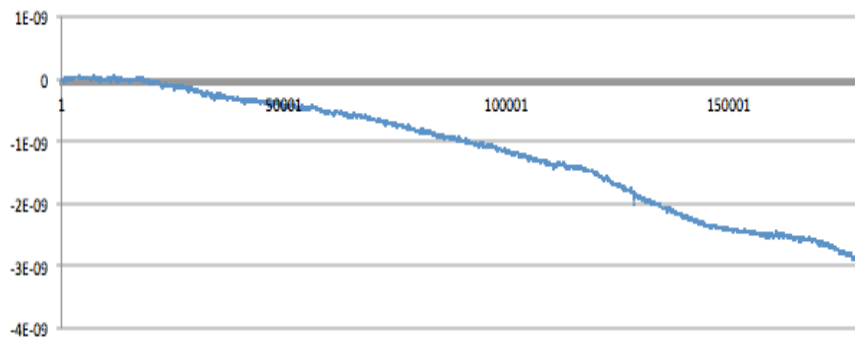
Temperature Effect



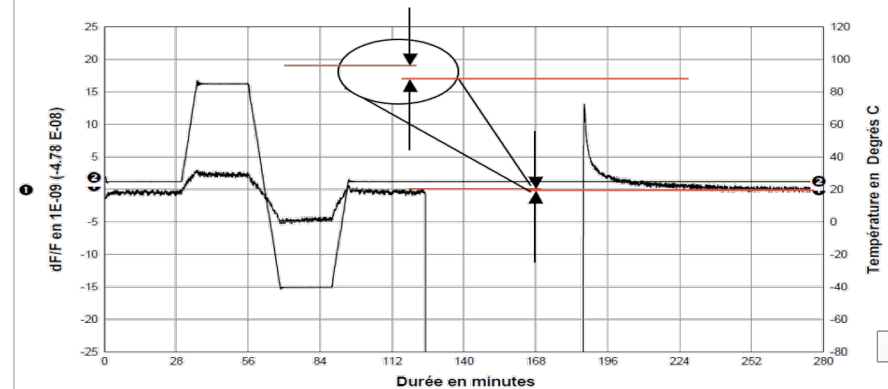
Hysteresis effect



Aging effect



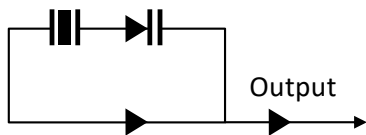
Retrace effect



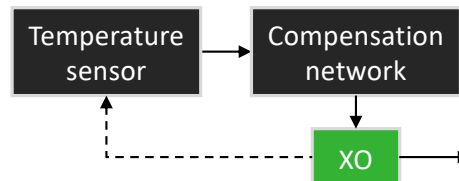
Improving oscillator stability

Oscillators are susceptible to temperature variations

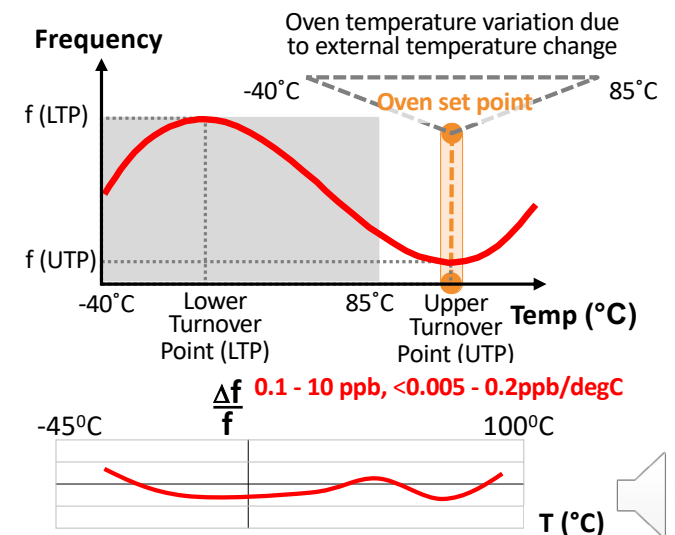
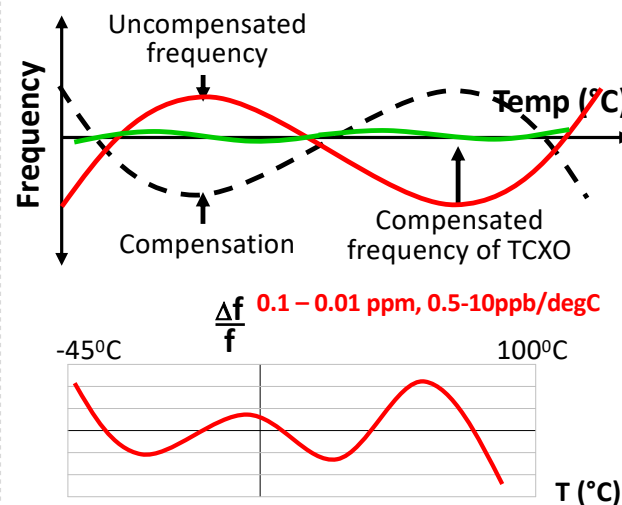
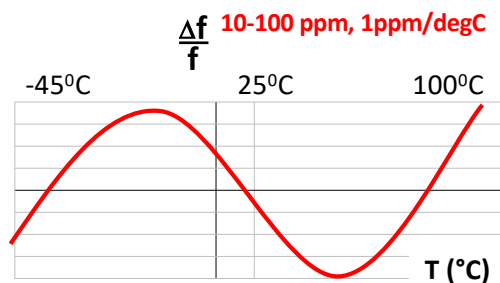
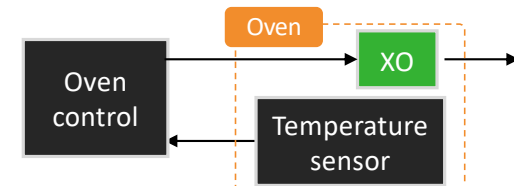
XOs



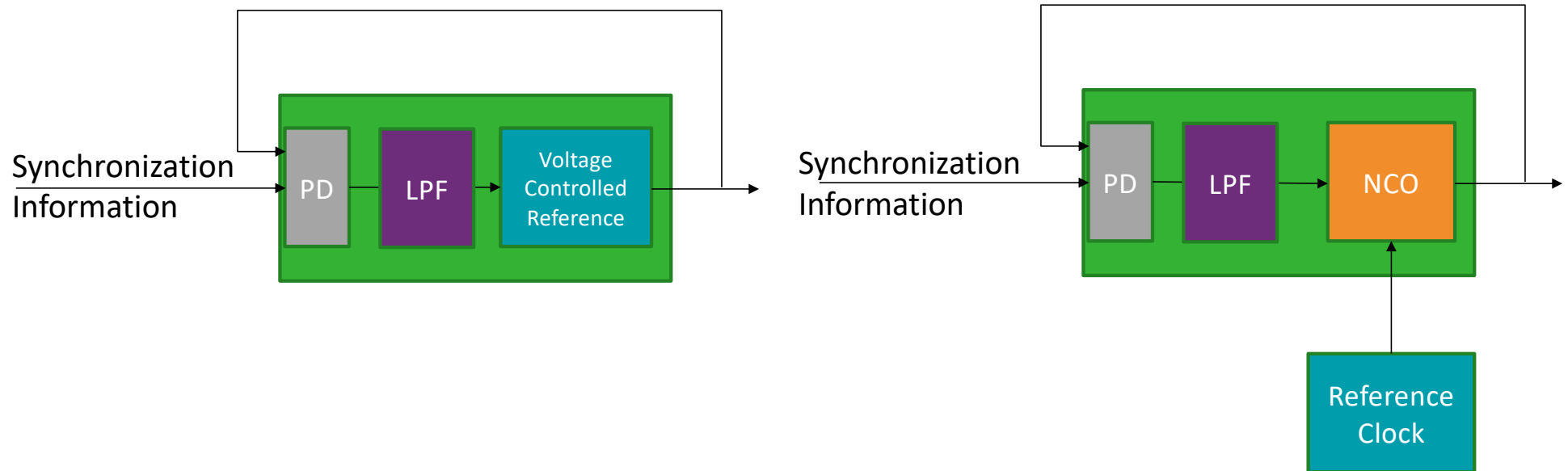
TCXOs – temperature compensation



OCXOs – oven control



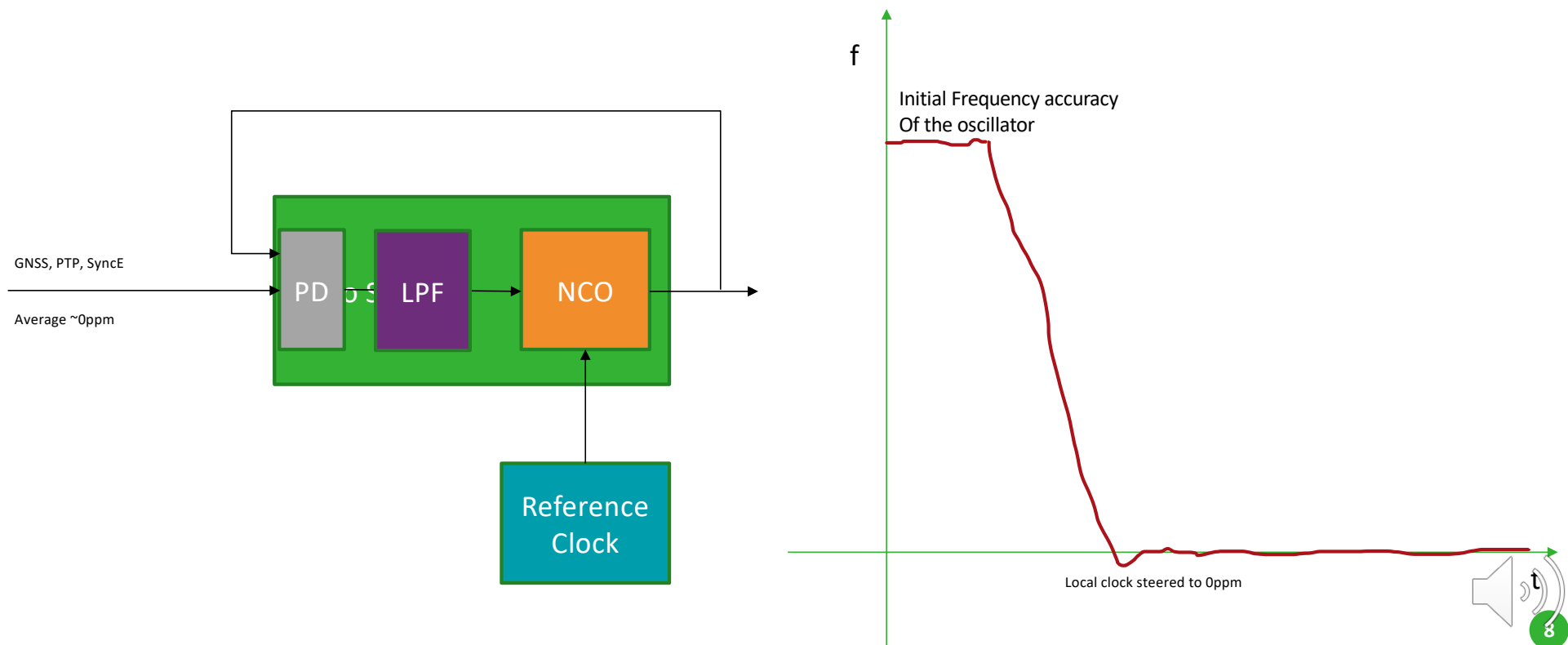
Implementation of servos



How does clocks work!



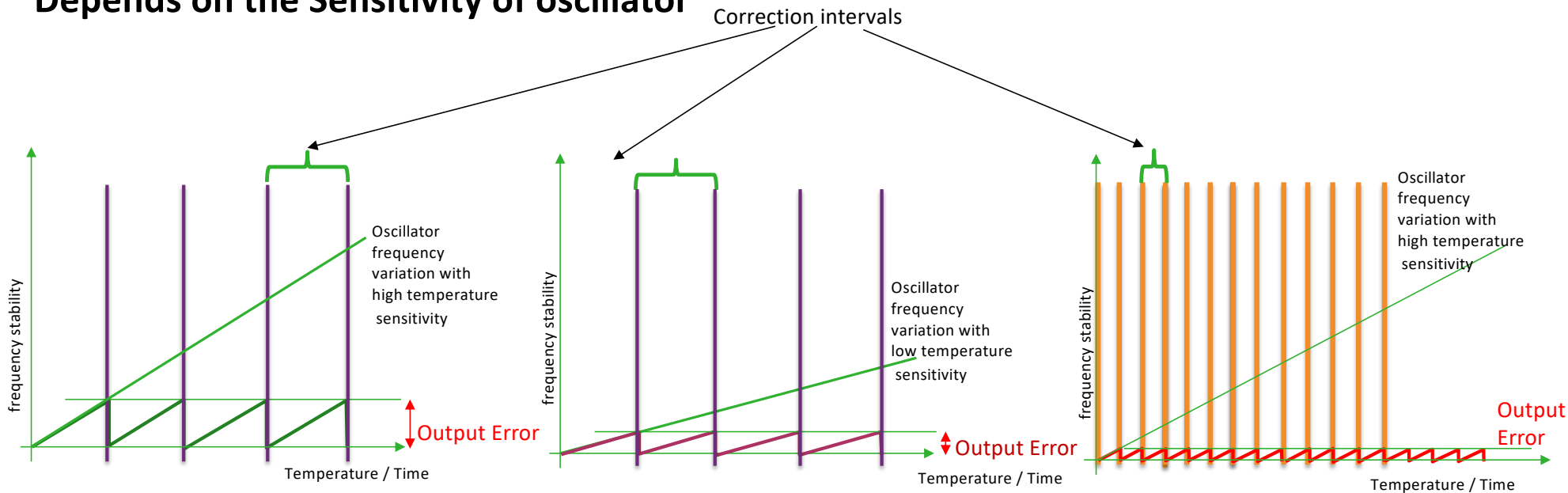
Local clocks are steered with information from higher layers



Noise generation of the system



Depends on the Sensitivity of oscillator



Loop bandwidth	10 – 100 Hz	1 – 10 Hz	0.1 – 1 Hz	10 – 100 mHz	1 mHz	<1 mHz
Recommended temperature stability	0.5 – 1 ppm	0.1 – 0.3 ppm	0.05 – 0.1 ppm	20 – 50 ppb	5 – 10 ppb	1 – 5 ppb
Temperature Sensitivity	10-20ppb/degC	5-10ppb/degC	1-5ppb/degC	0.2-0.5ppb/degC	0.1-0.2ppb/degC	<1ppb/degC



Oscillator selection



Oscillator requirements are based on

- **Free Run →**
 - Overall oscillator stability for 10/15/20 years, all causes included
- **Noise Generation →**
 - FvT & sensitivity
- **Holdover →**
 - Ability to hold the frequency/phase of the clock
 - Depends primarily on sensitivity & ageing
- **Other effects impacting application performance →**
 - Phase noise, shock & vibration



Summary



- Oscillators are fundamental building blocks of clocks
- Temperature compensation and oven control and methods used to improve stability of clocks
- As the loop bandwidth of the systems decrease, higher stability oscillators to be used to have a certain level of output stability
- Freerun, wander generation and holdover and key aspects of oscillator selection in systems

