GATE 23 EE Q38

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Question: Consider a lead compensator of the form

$$K(s) = \frac{1 + \frac{s}{a}}{1 + \frac{s}{\beta a}}, \quad \beta > 1, \quad a > 0$$

The frequency at which this compensator produces maximum phase lead is 4 rad/s. At this frequency, the gain amplification provided by the controller, assuming an asymptotic Bode-magnitude plot of K(s), is 6 dB. The values of a and β , respectively, are

Solution:

Parameter	Value
Transfer Function	$K(s) = \frac{1 + \frac{s}{a}}{1 + \frac{s}{\beta a}}$
Maximum Phase Lead Frequency	$\omega_m = 4 \text{rad/s}$
Gain Amplification at ω_m	$20\log_{10} K(j\omega_m) = 6\mathrm{dB}$
Conditions	$\beta > 1, a > 0$

TABLE I GIVEN PARAMETERS

$$K(s) = \frac{1 + \frac{s}{a}}{1 + \frac{s}{a\beta}}$$

$$K(s) = \frac{s+a}{a} \cdot \frac{a\beta}{s+a\beta}$$

$$= \beta \frac{s+a}{s+a\beta}$$
(2)

$$=\beta \frac{s+a}{s+a\beta} \tag{2}$$

1. If $G(s) = \frac{k(s+z)}{s(s+p)}$ is the transfer function of a lead compensator, then the frequency at which this compensator provides maximum phase lead is $\omega_m =$ $\sqrt{p\cdot z}$ rad/sec.

2. If $G(s) = \frac{k(s+z)}{s(s+p)}$ has to act as a lead compensator, then p must be greater than z, i.e., p > z.

3.
$$a + j\omega_m = j\omega_m$$

4.
$$\frac{\omega_m}{a\beta} = 0$$

Using the above properties we have:

$$\omega_m = \sqrt{a \cdot a\beta} = 4 \tag{3}$$

$$\beta > 1$$
 (4)

Using gain amplification:

$$K(j\omega_m) = \frac{1 + \frac{j\omega_m}{a}}{1 + \frac{j\omega_m}{a\beta}}$$
 (5)

$$=\frac{j\omega_m}{a}\tag{6}$$

Using gain amplification in dB:

$$20\log_{10}|K(j\omega_m)| = 20\log_{10}\left(\frac{\omega_m}{a}\right) = 6$$
 (7)

Solving for *a*:

$$\log_{10}\left(\frac{\omega_m}{a}\right) = 0.3\tag{8}$$

$$\frac{\omega_m}{a} = 10^{0.3} \tag{9}$$

$$a \approx \frac{\omega_m}{10^{0.3}} \tag{10}$$

$$a \approx \frac{4}{2} \tag{11}$$

$$a \approx 2$$
 (12)

Since $a \approx 2$, and $\beta = 4$,

Therefore, the correct answer is (B) 2, 4.