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# Lab 8

# **Lead Compensation**

#### 0. Objectives

In this lab, the objective is to learn the frequency response design methods based on Bode plot. The main idea of frequency based design method is to use the Bode plot of the open-loop transfer function and estimate the closed-loop response. Adding a controller to the system changes the open-loop Bode plot, therefore changing the closed-loop response.

#### 1. Problem Statement

Consider the following open loop transfer function:

$$G_{\text{ol}}(s) = \frac{280(s+0.5)}{s(s+0.2)(s+5)(s+70)}$$

#### 1. Bode Plot, Gain Margin, and Phase Margin

In this section we plot the Bode of given transfer functions and find the values of Gain Margin and Phase Margin of these transfer functions.

#### Question 1 (1 mark)

Produce the Bode plot of G(s).

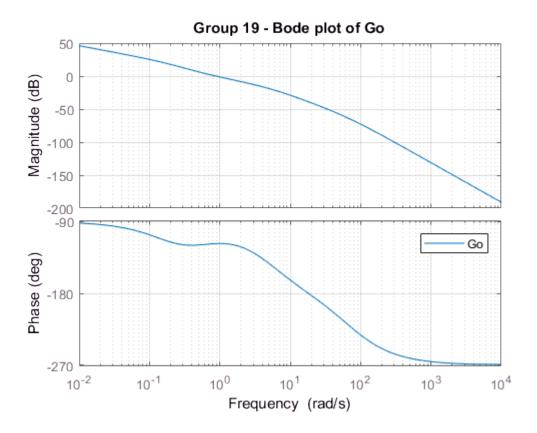
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% Write your code here

s = tf('s');

Go = (280*(s+0.5))/(s*(s+0.2)*(s+5)*(s+70))
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Go = 280 \text{ s} + 140
5^4 + 75.2 \text{ s}^3 + 365 \text{ s}^2 + 70 \text{ s}
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bode(Go)
legend('show')
title(sprintf('Group %d - Bode plot of Go', GroupeNum));
grid on
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In MATLAB, we use margin to calculate the minimum gain margin, Gm, phase margin, Pm, and associated frequencies Wgm and Wpm of SISO open-loop models. The gain and phase margin of a system sys indicates the relative stability of the closed-loop system formed by applying unit negative feedback to sys.

The gain margin is the amount of gain increase or decrease required to make the loop gain unity at the frequency  $\mathbf{w}_{\mathbf{g}\mathbf{m}}$  where the phase angle is  $-180^{\circ}$  (modulo  $360^{\circ}$ ). In other words, the gain margin is 1/g if g is the gain at the  $-180^{\circ}$  phase frequency. Similarly, the phase margin is the difference between the phase of the response and  $-180^{\circ}$  when the loop gain is 1.0. The frequency  $\mathbf{w}_{\mathbf{p}\mathbf{m}}$  at which the magnitude is 1.0 is called the *unity-gain frequency* or *gain crossover frequency*.

**Note:** It is generally found that gain margins of three or more combined with phase margins between 30 and 60 degrees result in reasonable trade-offs between bandwidth and stability.

We use this function as follows:

[Gm,Pm,Wgm,Wpm] = margin(sys) computes the gain margin Gm, the phase margin Pm, and the corresponding frequencies Wgm and Wpm, given the SISO open-loop dynamic system model sys. Wgm is the frequency where the gain margin is measured, which is a -180 degree phase crossing frequency. Wpm is the frequency where the phase margin is measured, which is a 0dB gain crossing frequency.

These frequencies are expressed in  $\frac{\text{rad}}{\text{time}}$ , where time is the unit specified in the property of sys. When

sys has several crossovers, margin returns the smallest gain and phase margins and corresponding frequencies. For more information about margin(sys), use the following code:

doc margin

### Question 2 (1 mark)

Find the Gain Margin, Phase Margin and the corresponsing frequencies for  $G_{ol}(s)$ .

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% Write your code here
[Gm,Pm,Wgm,Wpm] = margin(Go)
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Gm = 87.7059 Pm = 62.5034 Wgm = 18.0968 Wpm = 0.8829

### Question 3 (1 mark)

Based on the values of the GM and PM, determine whether the open loop system is stable or not? What can you say about the stability of the closed loop system? Justify your answer.

Since both GM and PM are positive, the system is stable.

# 2. Lead Compensator Design

Consider  $G_{\rm cl}(s)$  and  $G_{\rm cl}(s)$  where  $G_{\rm cl}(s)$  is the unity feedback closed loop transfer function of G(s) and could be found as follows:

$$G_{\rm cl}(s) = \frac{G(s)}{1 + G_{\rm ol}(s)}.$$

We want to design a lead compensator such that the following conditions satisfy for  $G_{cl}(s)$ .

- 1. Steady State error to a ramp input  $\leq 0.02$ .
- 2. Phase Margin  $\geq 45^{\circ}$ .

A first order phase-lead compensator has the form given below:

$$G_c(s) = K \frac{1 + Ts}{1 + \alpha Ts}$$

where  $K = K_c \alpha$ . The open loop transfer function of the compensated system is

$$G_{\text{olc}}(s) = K \frac{1 + \text{Ts}}{1 + \alpha \text{Ts}} G(s)$$

The first step is in the design is to provide the required static velocity error constant. Define  $G_{1(S)}$  as follows:

$$G_1(s) = KG(s).$$

#### Question 4 (1 mark)

Find the value of K such that the static velocity constant condition satisfies. You can use function dcgain evaluates frequency response at a given frequency.

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% the dc gain of the compensator is K. The dc gain of the whole system should be 1 then K is Kv = dcgain(s*Go)

Kv = 2

K = 50/Kv % where 50 is 1/0.02

K = 25
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With this value of K, the compensated system will satisfy the steady state requirement. Now we shall plot the Bode plot of  $G_1(S)$ .

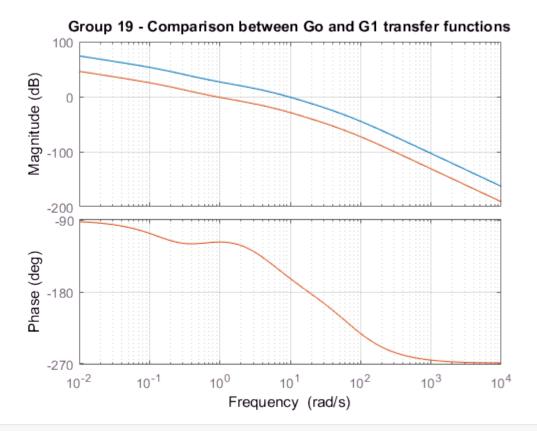
#### Question 5 (1 mark)

Draw the Bode plot of  $G_1(s)$  and  $G_{ol}(s)$  and find the GM, PM, and corresponding frequencies. Compare the two plots to see the effect of multiplying a constant gain K to the transfer function.

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% Write your code here
G1 = K*Go;
bode(G1,Go)
[Gm2,Pm2,Wgm2,Wpm2] = margin(G1) % This is the Gain and Phase margin of K*Go.

Gm2 = 3.5082
Pm2 = 18.6757
Wgm2 = 18.0968
Wpm2 = 9.3553

title(sprintf('Group %d - Comparison between Go and G1 transfer functions', GroupeNum));
grid on
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The phase-lead compensator will add positive phase to our system over the frequency range  $\frac{1}{\alpha T}$  and  $\frac{1}{T}$ , which are called the corner frequencies.

## Question 6 (2 marks)

Based on the values of the GM and PM and the corresponsiding frequencies you found in Question 5, design the lead compensator that satisfies the cinditions given in this part. Write the final lead compensator as a transfer function.

Hint: sin() in MATLAB uses radian as the input argument. For input arguments in degree use sind().

```
% Write your code here
% doc sind

Pm_offset = 45 - Pm2 + 15

Pm offset = 41.3243
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Alpha = (1 - sind(Pm_offset))/(1+ sind(Pm_offset))
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Alpha = 0.2046

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x = -20*log10(1/sqrt(Alpha))
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x = -6.8912

wm = 1/sqrt(Alpha)

wm = 2.2109

wm = 13.22 % This value is found using the graph above.

wm = 13.2200

T = 1/(sqrt(Alpha)*wm)

T = 0.1672

Gc = K*(1+T*s)/(1+T*s*Alpha)

Gc =

4.181 s + 25

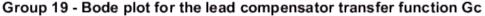
0.03421 s + 1

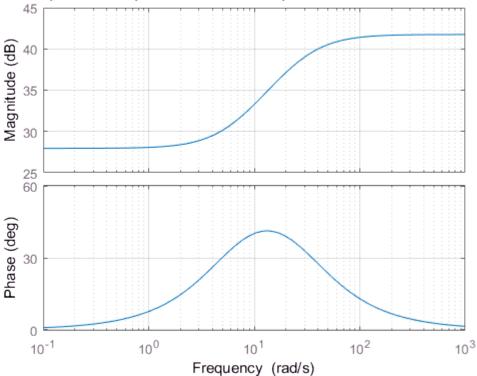
Continuous-time transfer function.
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## Question 7 (3 mark)

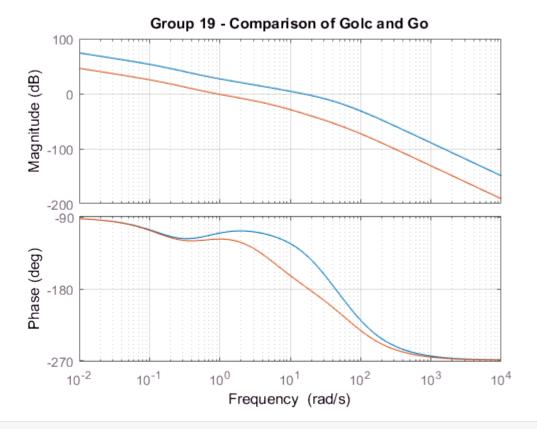
1. Produce the Bode diagram of the lead compensator you found in Question 6.

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% Write your code here bode(Gc) title(sprintf('Group %d - Bode plot for the lead compensator transfer function Gc', GroupeNum) grid on
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2. Write the compensated open loop transfer function  $G_{\rm olc}(s)$  and produce the Bode diagram of this transfer function. Check whether the specifications are satisfied or not (use margin to check the GM and PM). (Produce the Bode of the uncompensated transfer function as well)



3. Plot the output of both the compensated and uncompemsated closed loop control systems to ramp input and check whether the specifications for the steady state error is satisfied or not?

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% Write your answer here

Gc_loop = feedback(G_olc,1)

Gc_loop =

1171 s^2 + 7585 s + 3500

0.03421 s^5 + 3.573 s^4 + 87.69 s^3 + 1538 s^2 + 7655 s + 3500

Continuous-time transfer function.

Go_loop = feedback (Go,1)

Go_loop =

280 s + 140

s^4 + 75.2 s^3 + 365 s^2 + 350 s + 140

Continuous-time transfer function.

step(Gc_loop/s) % ramp of G_olc Feedback hold on;
step(Go_loop/s) % ramp of G_o Feedback title(sprintf('Group %d - Comparison between Golc and Go Feedback ', GroupeNum));
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legend('Golc Feedback','Go Feedback')

