

## Lead Compensator Design to Meet Steady-State (or Response Speed) and Phase Margin Specs

Plant:  $H(s)$

Lead compensator:  $D(s) = K(Ts + 1)/(\alpha Ts + 1)$ ,  $\alpha < 1$

OLTF of the UFS:  $D(s)H(s)$

1. Choose  $K$  to satisfy the steady-state error requirement. (Compensator pole and zero have no effect on the steady-state response.)

Alternatively, you could choose  $K$  to satisfy a speed-of-response requirement. Such a requirement is that the closed-loop system have a bandwidth (a -3dB magnitude response of the closed-loop system) of a chosen  $\omega_{BW}$ . To get this, choose  $K$  to give a crossover frequency for the OLTF of about  $(1/2) \omega_{BW}$ .

2. Evaluate the phase margin (PM) of the system  $KH(s)$ .
3. Calculate the amount of phase to add,  $\phi_{max} = (PM_{desired} - PM) + \text{fudge factor}$  (5-20 deg).
4. Calculate  $\alpha = (1 - \sin \phi_{max}) / (1 + \sin \phi_{max})$ . The *lead ratio* is  $1/\alpha$ .
5. The maximum phase contribution occurs at  $\omega_{max} = 1/(\alpha^{1/2} T)$ . Choose  $T$  so the maximum phase contribution occurs near the crossover frequency  $\omega_c$  of  $KH(s)$ , or at a somewhat larger value (since the crossover frequency will increase).
6. Draw the new frequency response of  $D(s)H(s)$ , check the new phase margin at the new crossover frequency, and iterate on the design until the specs are met.