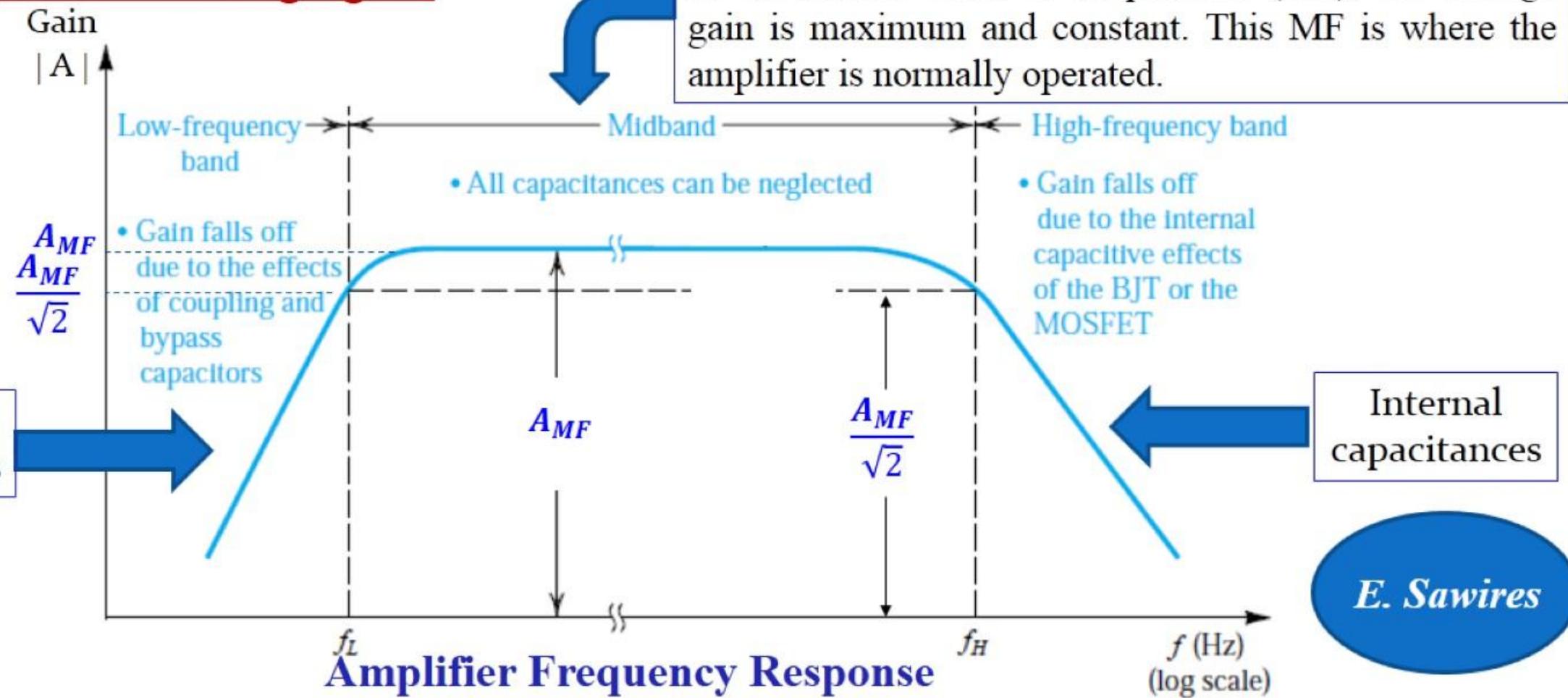


# Amplifier Frequency Response

# Objective

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## Objective

➤ For this study, we will consider that the frequency spectrum is divided into three bands.

1) Midband  $\rightarrow A_{MF}$

2) Low-Frequency Band  $\rightarrow f_L$

3) High Frequency Band  $\rightarrow f_H$

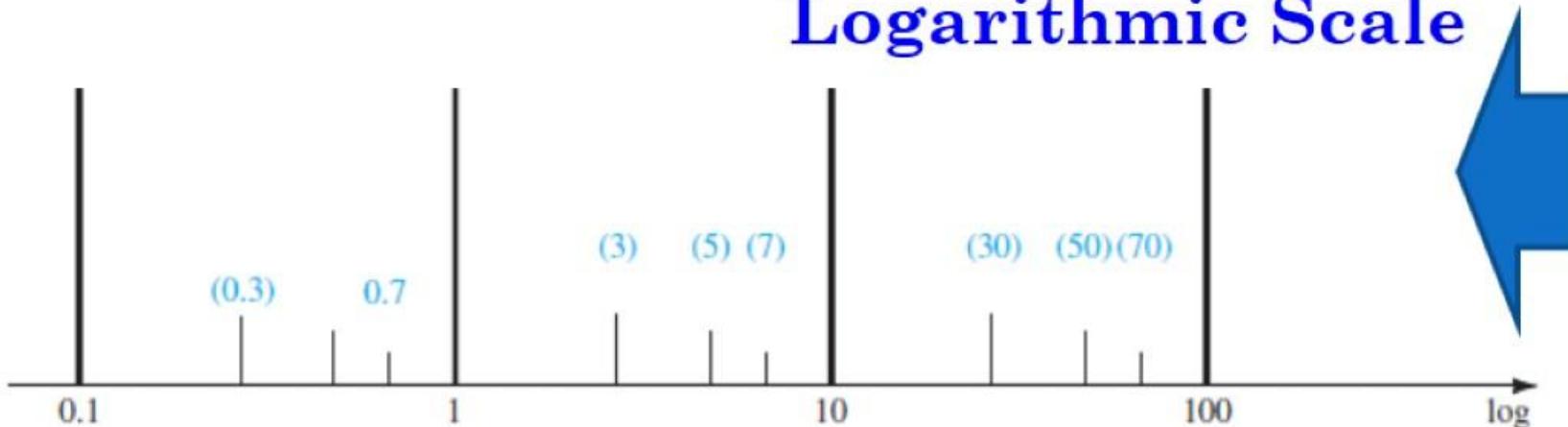
**Band width of Amplifier:** the difference between the higher and lower 3-dB cutoff Frequencies .

$$BW = f_H - f_L$$

# Introduction

## Important Tools

### Logarithmic Scale



**On the log axis the distance from 0.1 to 1 equals the distance from 1 to 10 equals the distance from 10 to 100, and so on.**

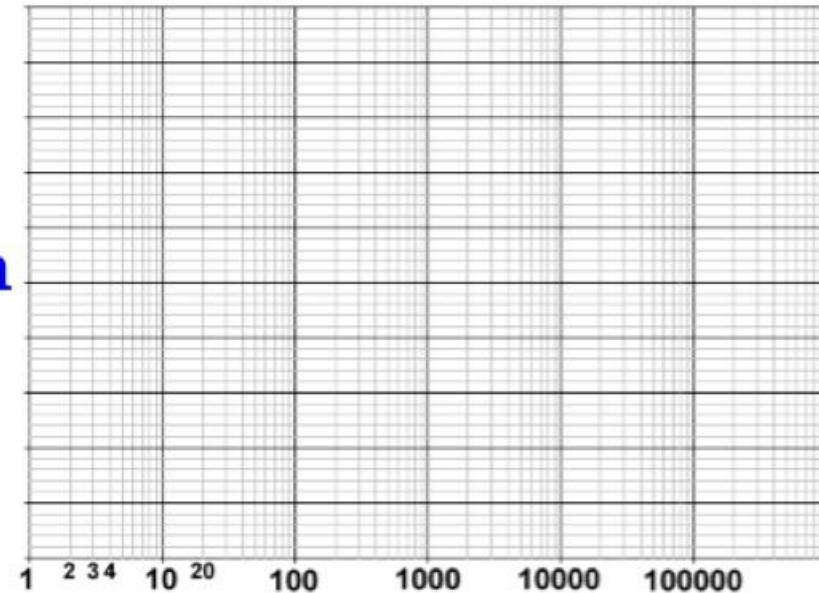
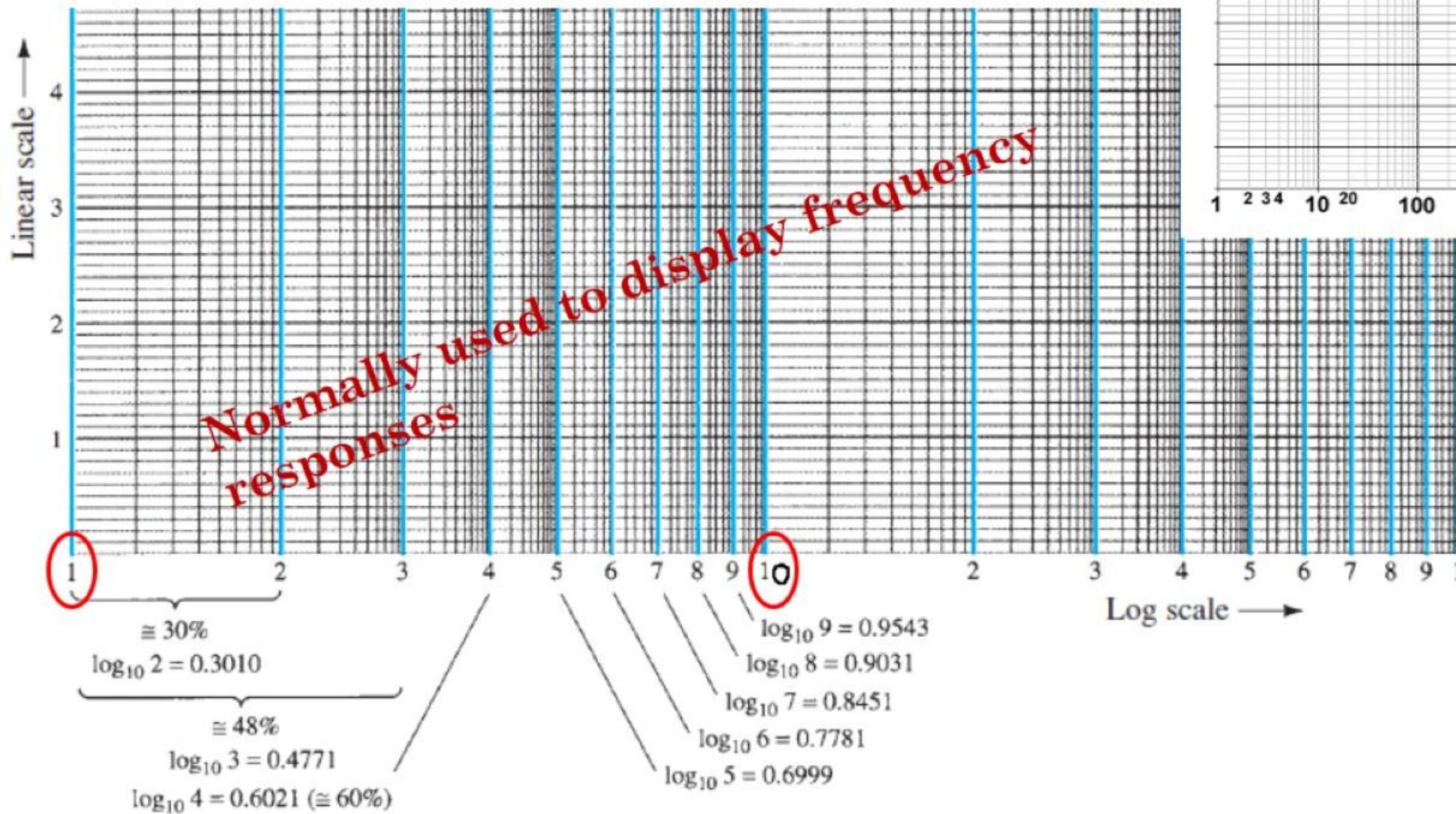
**This will be useful in displaying wide ranges of frequencies, which is always hard in case of using linear scale.**

$\log_{10} 10^0$	= 0
$\log_{10} 10$	= 1
$\log_{10} 100$	= 2
$\log_{10} 1,000$	= 3
$\log_{10} 10,000$	= 4
$\log_{10} 100,000$	= 5
$\log_{10} 1,000,000$	= 6
$\log_{10} 10,000,000$	= 7
$\log_{10} 100,000,000$	= 8
etc.	

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# Important Tools

## Semi logarithmic Graph



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## Important Tools

### Decibels

The term bel is derived from the name of Alexander Graham Bell. The relation between two power levels P<sub>1</sub>, and P<sub>2</sub> is given by:

$$G = 10 \log_{10} \frac{P_2}{P_1} \text{ dB}$$

Since Power=(V)<sup>2</sup>/R, then the last equation can be written as:

$$G = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{V_2}{V_1} \right)^2 \text{ dB} = 20 \log_{10} \frac{V_2}{V_1} \text{ dB}$$

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## Important Tools

### Decibels

One of the advantages of using dB is with the cascading stages:

$$|A_{VT}| = |A_{V1}| \times |A_{V2}| \times \dots \times |A_{Vn}|$$



Multiplication of  
individual gains

$$|A_{VT}|dB = |A_{V1}|dB + |A_{V2}|dB + \dots + |A_{Vn}|dB$$



Summation of individual  
gains

# Introduction

## Single Time Constant, STC, Circuits

Single-time-constant (STC) circuits are those circuits that are composed of or can be reduced to one reactive component (inductance or capacitance) and one resistance. An STC circuit formed of an inductance  $L$  and a resistance  $R$  has a time constant  $\tau=L/R$ . The time constant  $\tau$  of an STC circuit composed of a capacitance  $C$  and a resistance  $R$  is given by  $\tau = CR$ .

### Classification of STC Circuits

STC circuits can be classified into two categories, *low-pass* (LP) and *high-pass* (HP) types, with each category displaying distinctly different signal responses.

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## Frequency Response of LPF Circuits

The transfer function  $T(s)$  of an STC low-pass circuit can always be written in the form:

$$T(j\omega) = \frac{K}{1 + j(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0})}$$

$$T(S) = \frac{K}{1 + \frac{S}{\omega_0}}$$

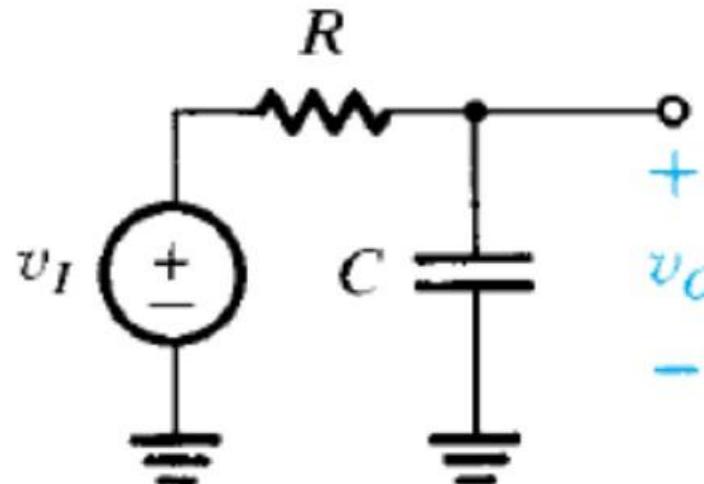
$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{RC}, \quad K = 1$$

And the magnitude response is:

$$|T(j\omega)| = \frac{K}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_0)^2}}$$

And the phase response is:

$$\phi(\omega) = -\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}\right)$$



$$\begin{aligned} Z_C &= \frac{1}{SC} \\ &= \frac{1}{j\omega C} \\ &= \frac{1}{j2\pi f C} \end{aligned}$$

$$V_o = Z_C \frac{V_I}{R + Z_C}$$

$$T(j\omega) = \frac{V_o}{V_I} = \frac{Z_C}{R + Z_C}$$

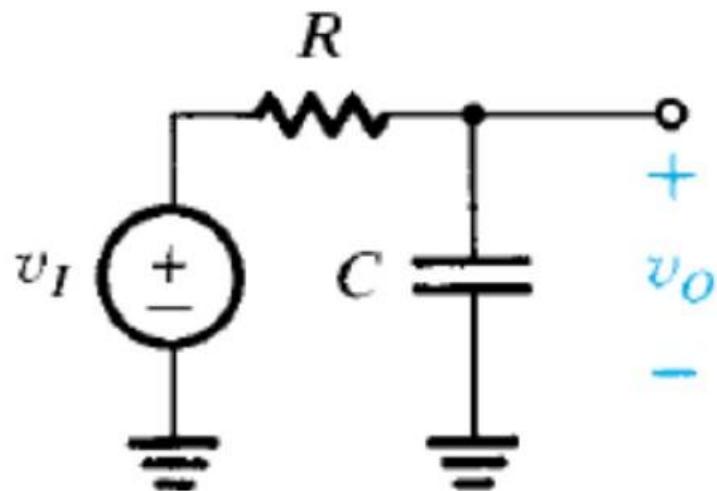
$$T = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega C R} = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega_0 R}$$

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## Frequency Response of LPF Circuits

Notice the magnitude is normalized to the gain constant K, and the frequency variable is normalized to  $\omega_o$ .

$$|T(j\omega)| = \frac{K}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_o)^2}}$$



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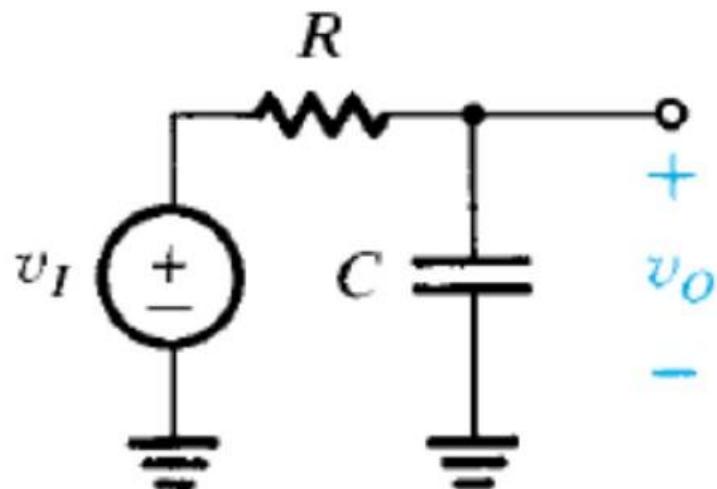
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$$|T(j\omega)|dB = 20 \log \frac{K}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_o)^2}}$$

$$|T(j\omega)|dB = 20 \log K - 20 \log \sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_o)^2}$$



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## Frequency Response of LPF Circuits

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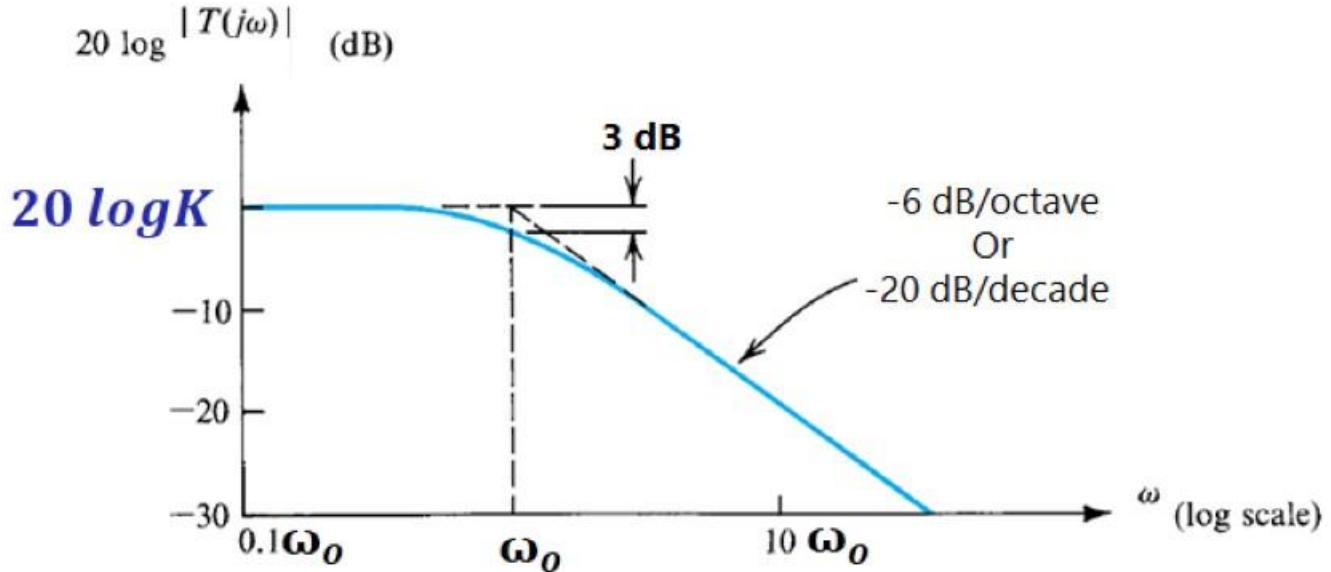
$$\begin{aligned} |T(j\omega)|dB &= 20 \log K - 20 \log \sqrt{2} \\ &= 20 \log K - 3 dB \end{aligned}$$

At  $\omega = 0.1 \omega_o$

$$|T(j\omega)|dB = 20 \log K$$

At  $\omega = 10 \omega_o$

$$|T(j\omega)|dB = 20 \log K - 20 dB$$



Magnitude response

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## Frequency Response of LPF Circuits

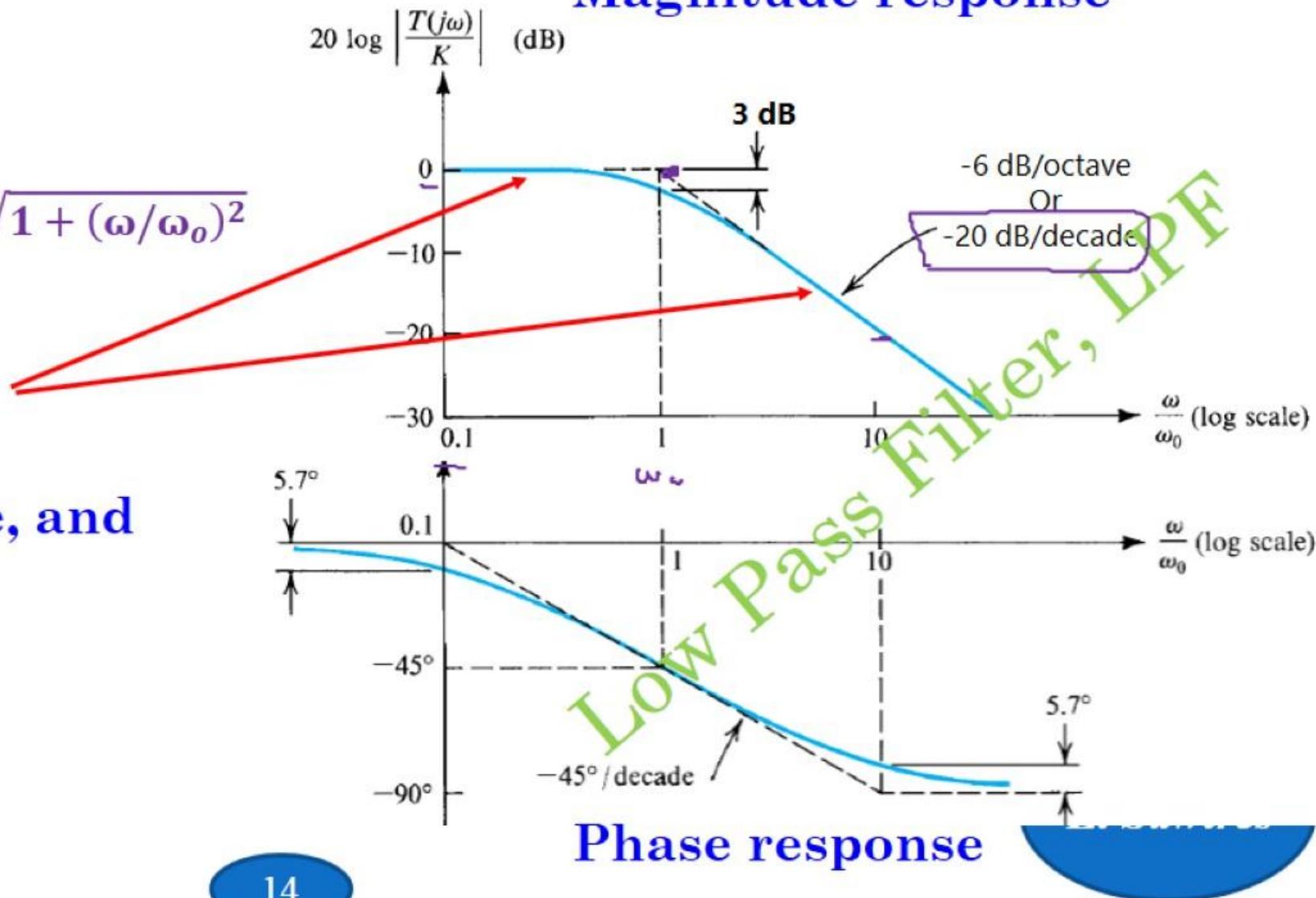
### Magnitude response

$$\left| \frac{T(j\omega)}{K} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_0)^2}}$$

$$\left| \frac{T(j\omega)}{K} \right| \text{ dB} = 20 \log 1 - 20 \log \sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_0)^2}$$

**Two straight lines asymptotes**

**0dB for the 1<sup>st</sup> asymptote, and  
-20dB/decade for the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
asymptote.**



## Frequency Response of HPF Circuits

$$T(s) = \frac{K}{1 + \frac{\omega_o}{s}} = \frac{KS}{s + \omega_o}$$

$$T(j\omega) = \frac{K}{1 - j \frac{\omega_o}{\omega}}$$

with  $\omega_o = \frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{RC}$ ,  $K = 1$

And the magnitude response is:

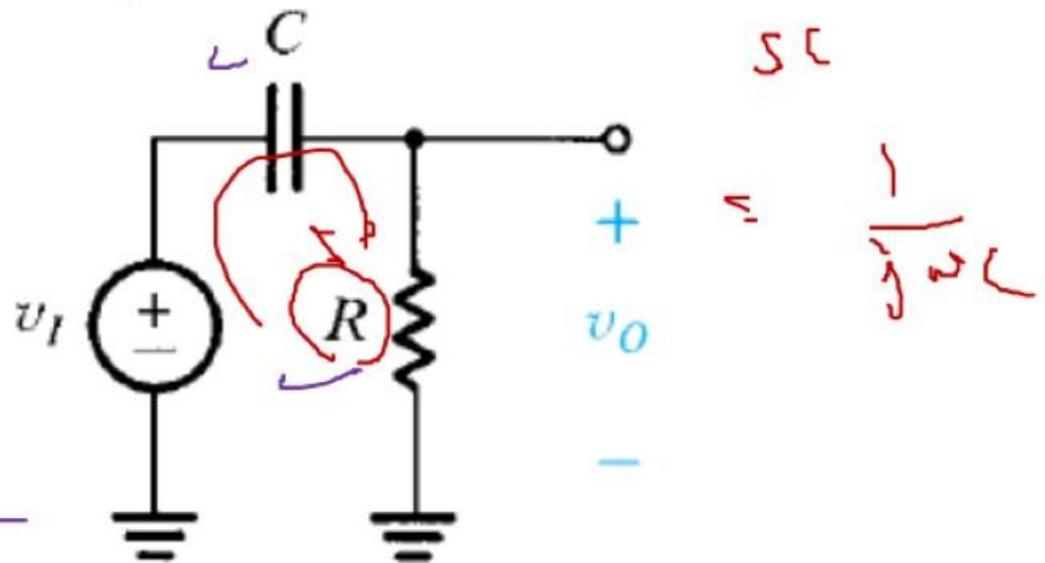
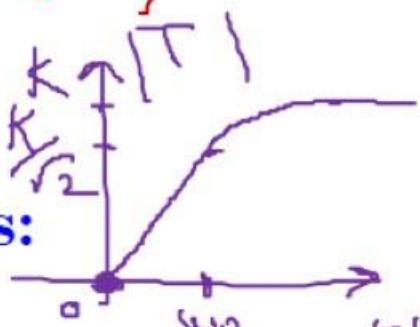
$$|T(j\omega)| = \frac{K}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega_o/\omega)^2}}$$

And the phase response is:

$$\phi(\omega) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\omega_0}{\omega} \right)$$

$$T = \frac{V_o}{V_I}$$

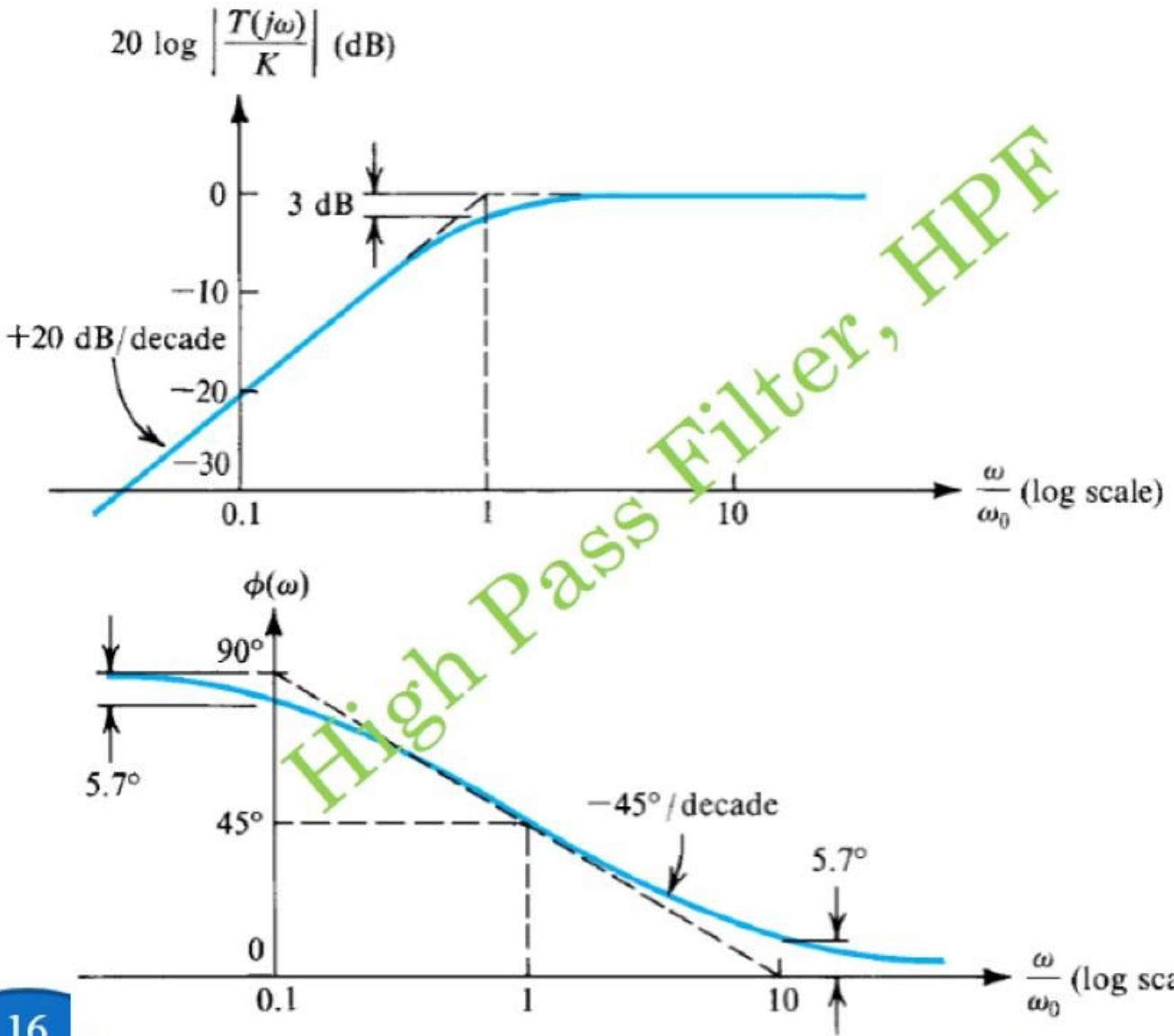
$$\frac{T(s)}{T(j\omega)}$$



$$T = \frac{V_o}{V_I} = \frac{R}{Z_C + R} = \frac{R}{\frac{1}{j\omega C} + R} = \frac{R}{\frac{1}{j\omega C R} + 1} = \frac{R}{1 + \frac{1}{j\omega CR}}$$



## Frequency Response of HPF Circuits

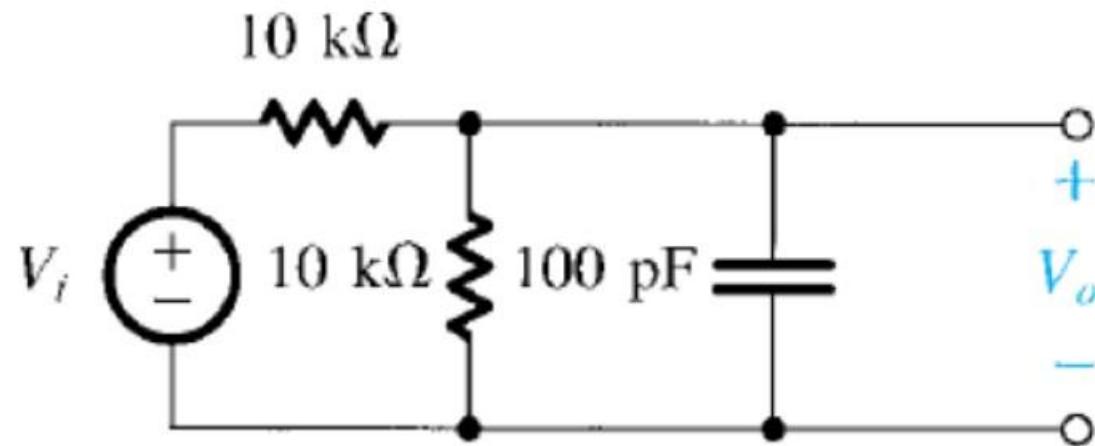


# Frequency Response of STC Networks

	Low-Pass (LP)	High-Pass (HP)
<b>Transfer Function <math>T(s)</math></b>	$\frac{K}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_o}}$	$\frac{K}{1 + \frac{\omega_o}{s}} = \frac{KS}{s + \omega_o}$
<b>Transfer Function (for physical frequencies) <math>T(j\omega)</math></b>	$\frac{K}{1 + j(\frac{\omega}{\omega_o})}$	$\frac{K}{1 - j \frac{\omega_o}{\omega}}$
<b>Magnitude Response <math> T(j\omega) </math></b>	$\frac{ K }{\sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_o)^2}}$	$\frac{ K }{\sqrt{1 + (\omega_o/\omega)^2}}$
<b>Phase Response <math>\angle T(j\omega)</math></b>	$-\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}\right)$	$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega_0}{\omega}\right)$
<b>Transmission at <math>\omega = 0</math> (dc)</b>		$K$
<b>Transmission at <math>\omega = \infty</math></b>	$0$	$0$
<b>3-dB Frequency</b>	$\omega_o = 1/\tau ; \quad \tau \equiv \text{time constant}$	$\tau = CR \text{ or } L/R$
<b>Bode Plots</b>	<b>in slide #15</b>	<b>in slide #17</b>

**Ex:-**

What kind of filter is the shown circuit. Find the dc transmission, the gain constant, the corner frequency  $f_0$ , and the transmission at  $f = 2 \text{ MHz}$ .



**Ans: -6 dB; -6 dB; 318 kHz; -22 dB**

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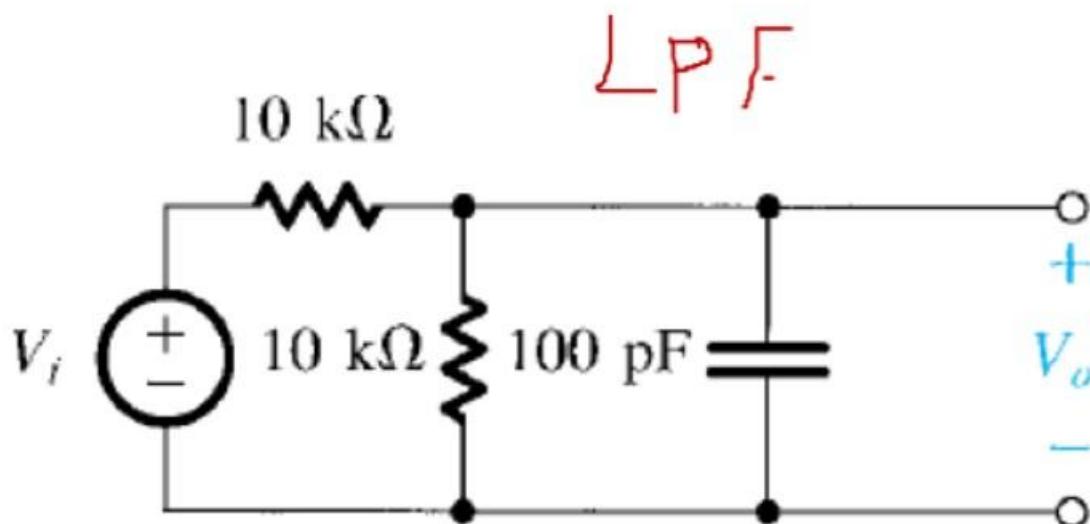
$$T = \frac{V_o}{V_i}$$

$$V_o = (Z_C // R) \frac{V_i}{R + (Z_C // R)}$$

$$Z_C = \frac{L}{sC}$$

$$T(s) = \frac{V_o}{V_i} =$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{2}}{1 + s \frac{R_C}{2}} = \frac{K}{1 + s \omega_0}$$



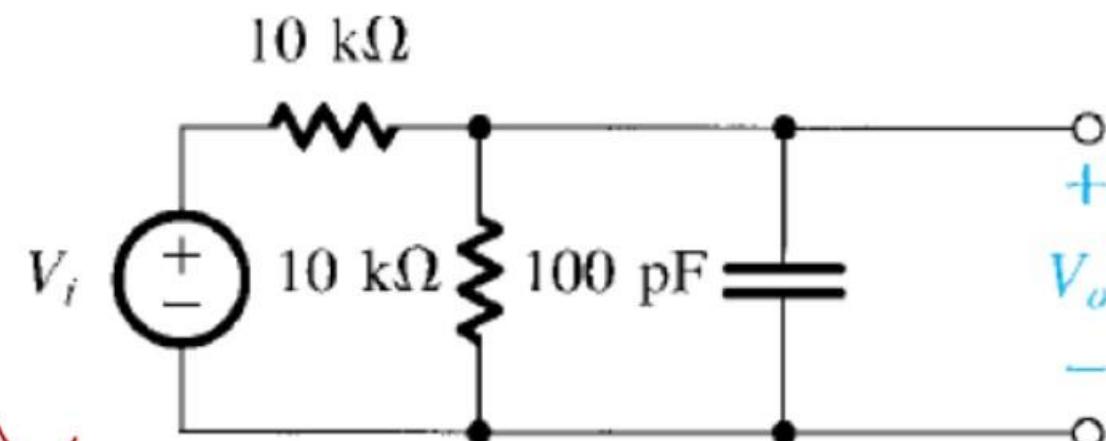
$$K = \frac{1}{2} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{L \times 10^{-3} \times 100 \times 10^{-12}}} = 2\pi \times 10^6$$

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$$F_0 = 318.309 \text{ kHz}$$

at  $\omega = 0$

$$|K|_{dB} = 20 \log K = 20 \log 2$$



$$\left| T(j\omega) \right| = \frac{Y_2}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}\right)^2}}$$

at  $f = 2 \text{ MHz}$

$$= -G_{dB}$$

$$= \frac{Y_2}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{F}{F_0}\right)^2}} = \frac{Y_2}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2 \times 10^6}{318.309}\right)^2}}$$

$$= 0.78 \text{ dB}$$

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$T$  at  $\omega = 0$



$$Z_C = \frac{1}{j\omega C} = \infty$$

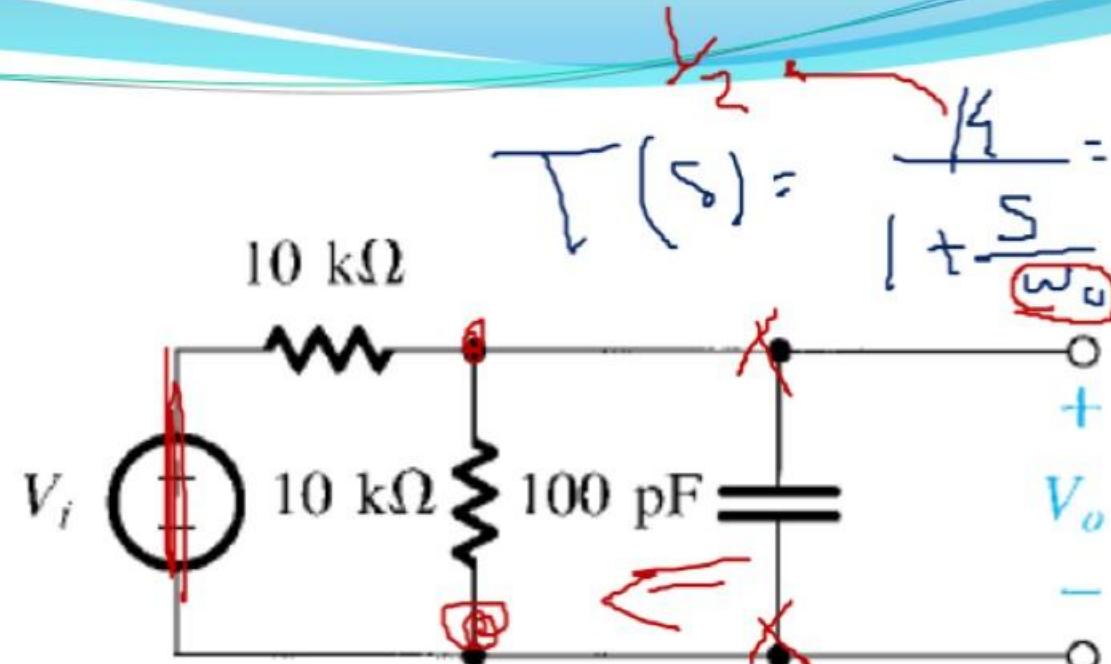
fact

$$T \Big|_{\text{at } \omega=0} = \frac{V_o}{V_i} = \boxed{Y_2 = k}$$

$$T \Big|_{\text{at } \omega=\infty} = \frac{0}{V_i} = 0$$

$$Z_C = 0$$

LPF



$$V_o = \frac{1}{2} V_i$$

$$V_i$$

$$\omega_0 = Y_2 = \frac{1}{RC}$$

$$t = R_{eq} \frac{C}{R_{Y_2} C}$$

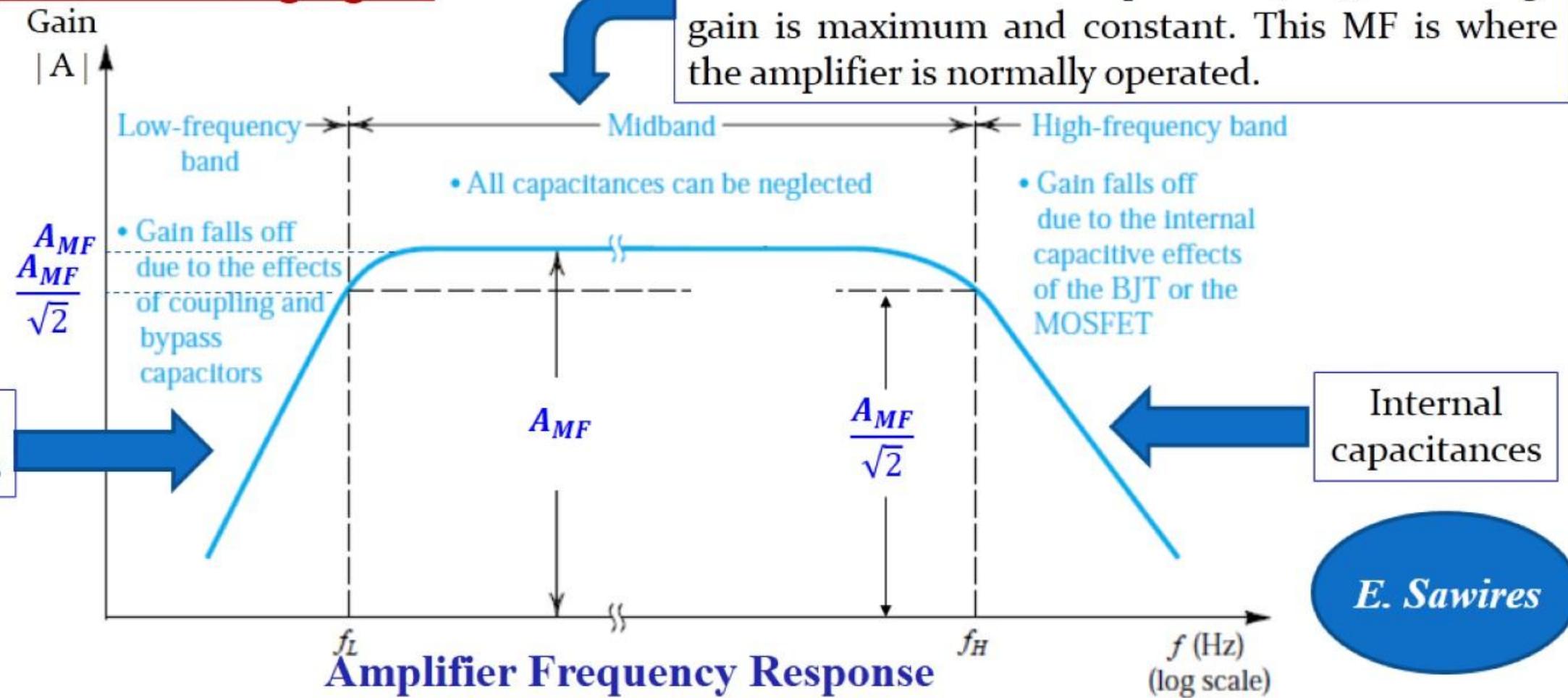


$$V_o = 0$$

# Amplifier Frequency Response

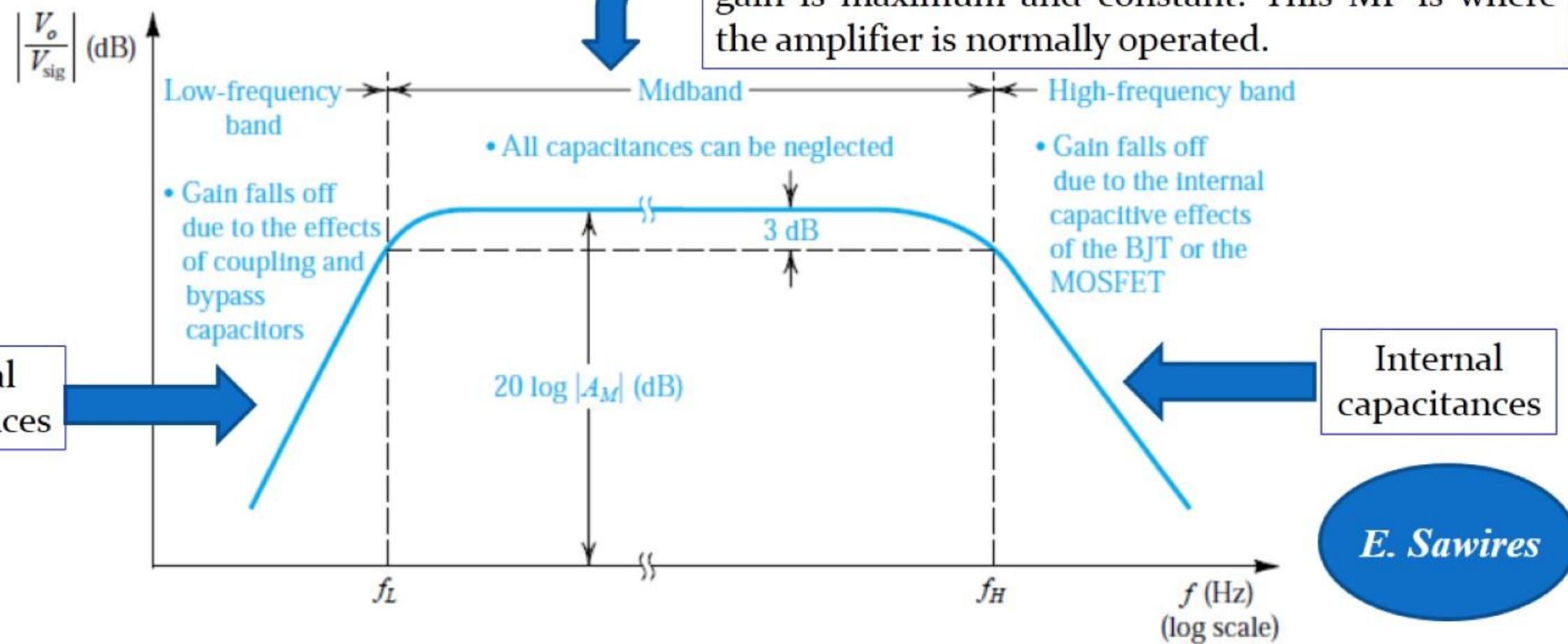
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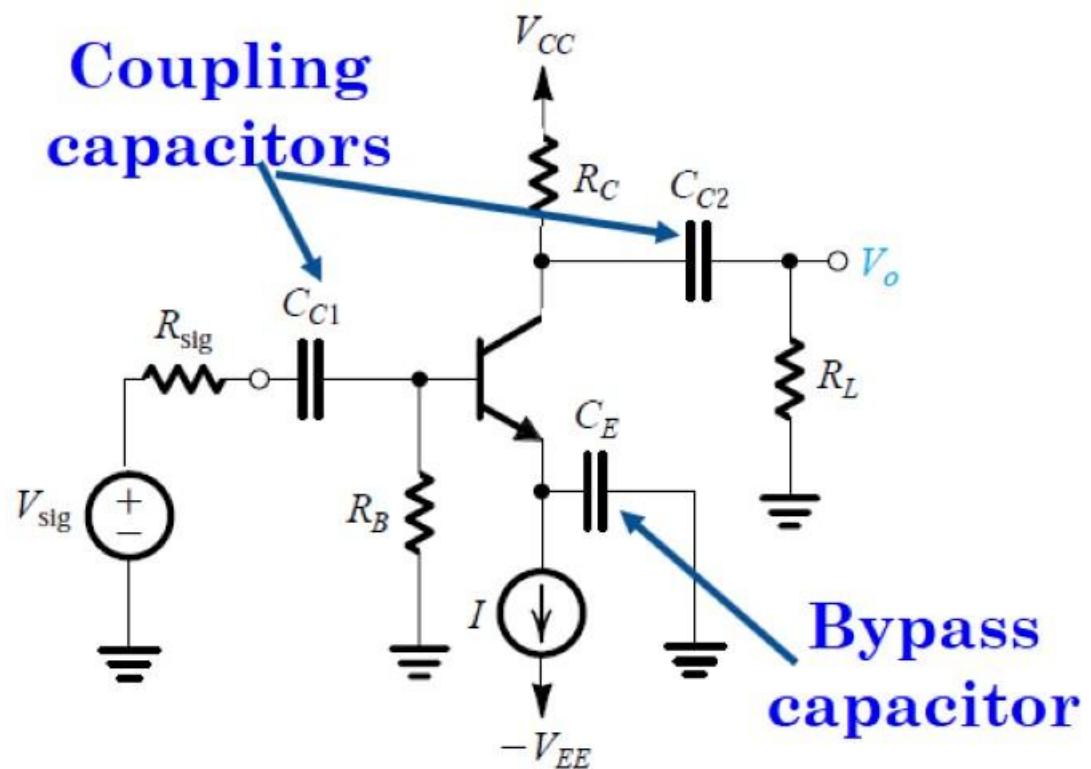
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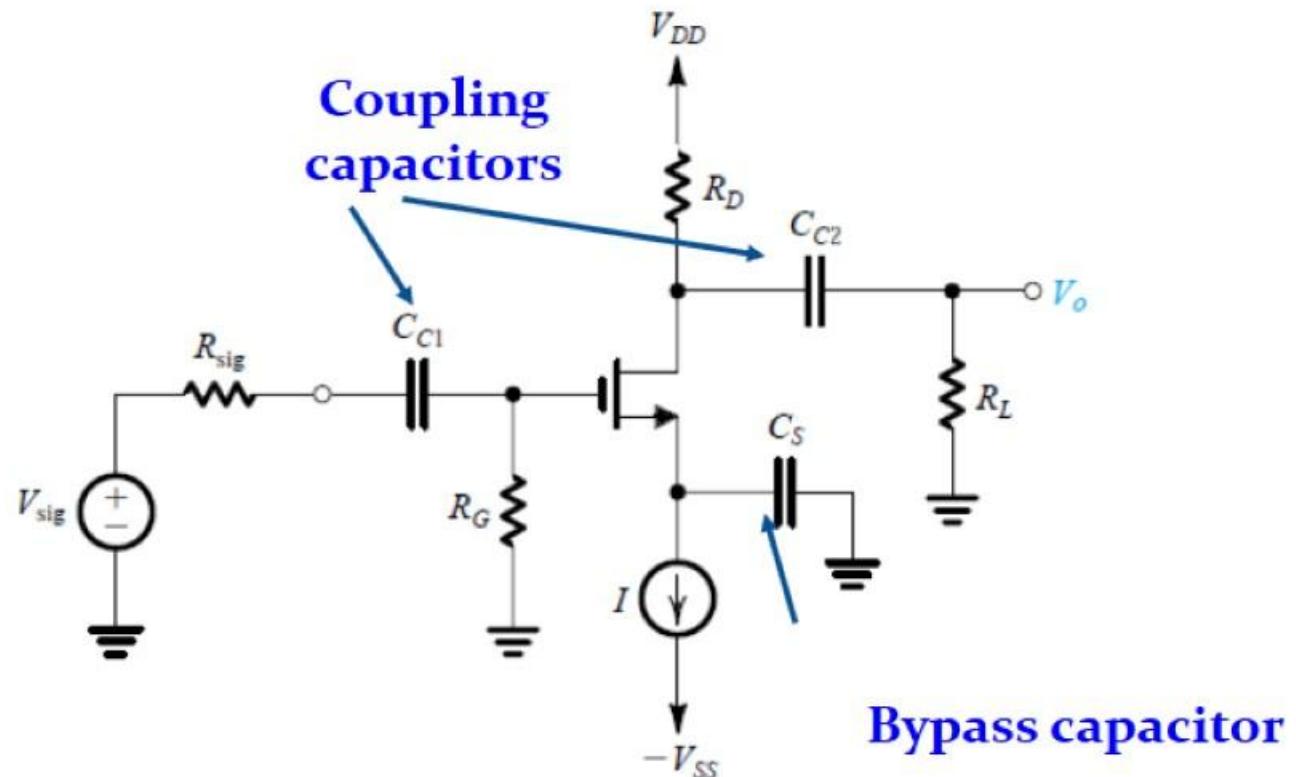
### External Capacitances ( $\mu\text{F}$ )



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## Introduction

### External Capacitances ( $\mu\text{F}$ )



## Introduction

- In the previous lectures we studied the voltage amplifiers, without taking in to account any capacitances in the circuit.
  - The voltage gain was calculated while all external capacitors were Short circuit
  - The Short circuit is based on the assumption that: the product of the input signal frequency with the capacitor value is infinity

$$Z_{Cext} = \frac{1}{sC_{external}} = \frac{1}{j2\pi f C_{external}} \cong 0$$

- However, this is not valid for low frequencies!

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- The physical structure and biasing of the transistors (MOS or BJT) result in Internal capacitances between its terminals.
- However, we have considered their impedances as Open Circuit

$$Z_{Cint} = \frac{1}{SC_{int}} = \frac{1}{j2\pi f C_{int}} \approx \infty$$

- However, this is not valid for High frequencies!

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## External Capacitances ( $\mu\text{F}$ )

Typically, the external capacitors are large ( in order of Micro Farad)

$$Z_C = \frac{1}{j2\pi f C_{external}}$$

In LF  
capacitors **are not** act  
like a (short circuit)

In MF  
capacitors act  
like a (short circuit)

In HF  
capacitors act  
like a (short circuit)

## Internal Capacitances (pF)

Typically, the internal capacitors are small ( in order of Pico Farad)

$$Z_C = \frac{1}{j2\pi f C_{internal}}$$

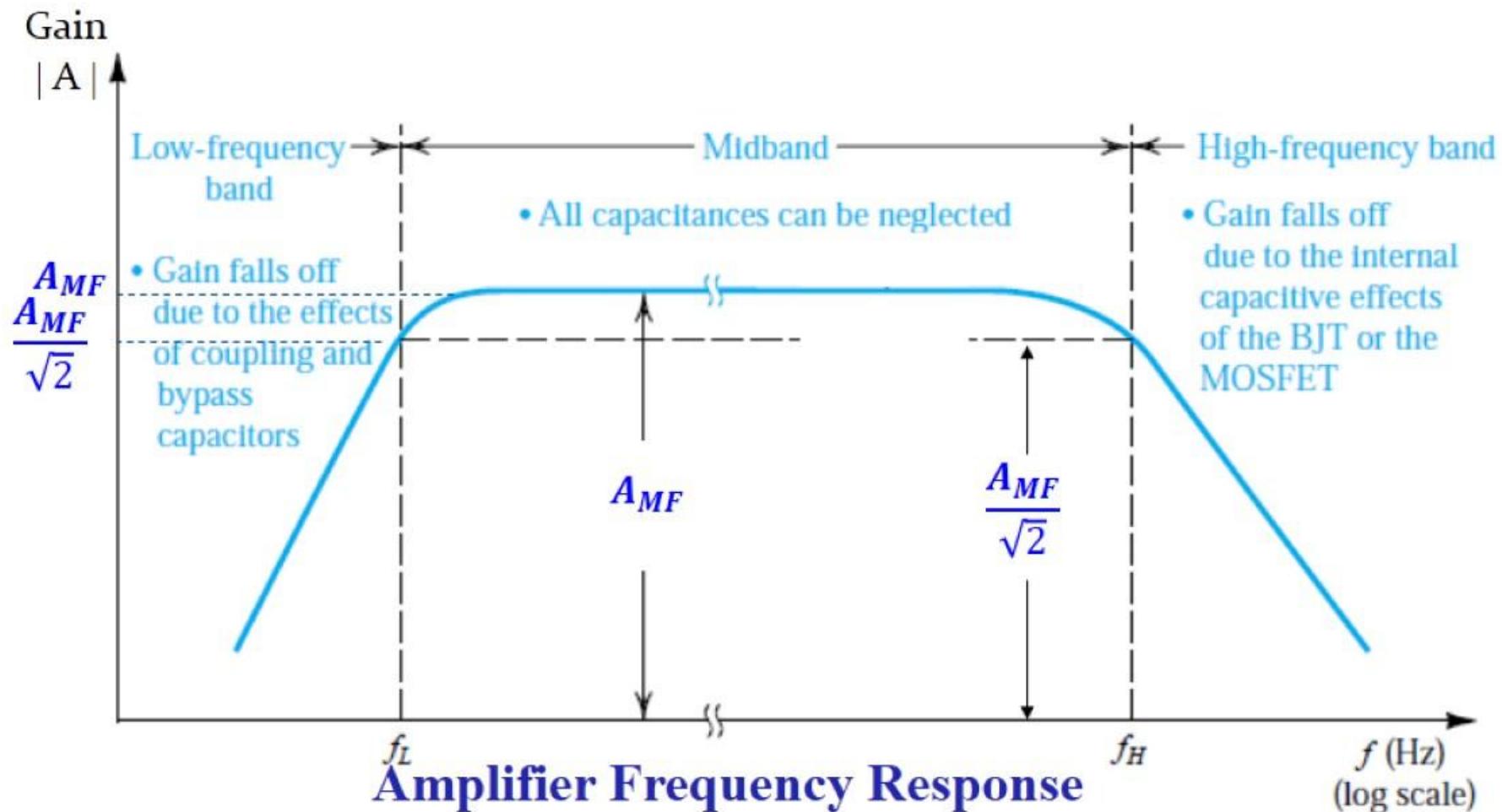
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# Low Frequency Response



# Low Frequency Response

The gain in the low frequency :  $A_{LF}(s)$ ;  $S = j \omega$

**(a) Assuming the amplifier has one external capacitor:**

$$A_{LF}(S) = A_{MF} \left( \frac{S}{S + \omega_{P1}} \right) = \frac{A_{MF}}{1 + \frac{\omega_{P1}}{S}} = \frac{A_{MF}}{1 + \frac{\omega_L}{j\omega}}$$

Where  $A_{MF}$  is the mid-band gain, and  $\omega_L = \omega_{P1} = 2\pi f_L$  is the lower cut-off radian frequency or the lower 3-dB radian frequency.

The magnitude of the gain in dB is given by:  $|A_{LF}|_{dB} = 20 \log|A_{LF}(j\omega)|$

**Note :** at  $\omega = \omega_L$

$$|A_{LF}| = \frac{A_{MF}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|A_{LF}|_{dB} = (20 \log A_{MF}) - 3$$

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**(b) Assuming the amplifier has two independent external capacitors:**

$$A_{LF}(S) = A_{MF} \left( \frac{s}{s+\omega_{P1}} \right) \left( \frac{s}{s+\omega_{P2}} \right)$$

$$A_{LF}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{\left(1 + \frac{\omega_{P1}}{S}\right)\left(1 + \frac{\omega_{P2}}{S}\right)}$$

The lower 3-dB frequency is given by :

$$f_L = \sqrt{f_{p1}^2 + f_{p2}^2}$$

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# Low Frequency Response

**(c) Assuming the amplifier has n independent external capacitors:**

Each capacitor will generate a pole and a transmission Zero.

$$A_{LF}(S) = A_{MF} \left( \frac{s}{s+\omega_{P_1}} \right) \left( \frac{s}{s+\omega_{P_2}} \right) \dots \left( \frac{s}{s+\omega_{P_n}} \right)$$

$$A_{LF}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{\left( 1 + \frac{\omega_{P1}}{S} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{\omega_{P2}}{S} \right) \dots \left( 1 + \frac{\omega_{Pn}}{S} \right)}$$

$$f_L = \sqrt{f_{p1}^2 + f_{p2}^2 + \dots f_{pn}^2}$$

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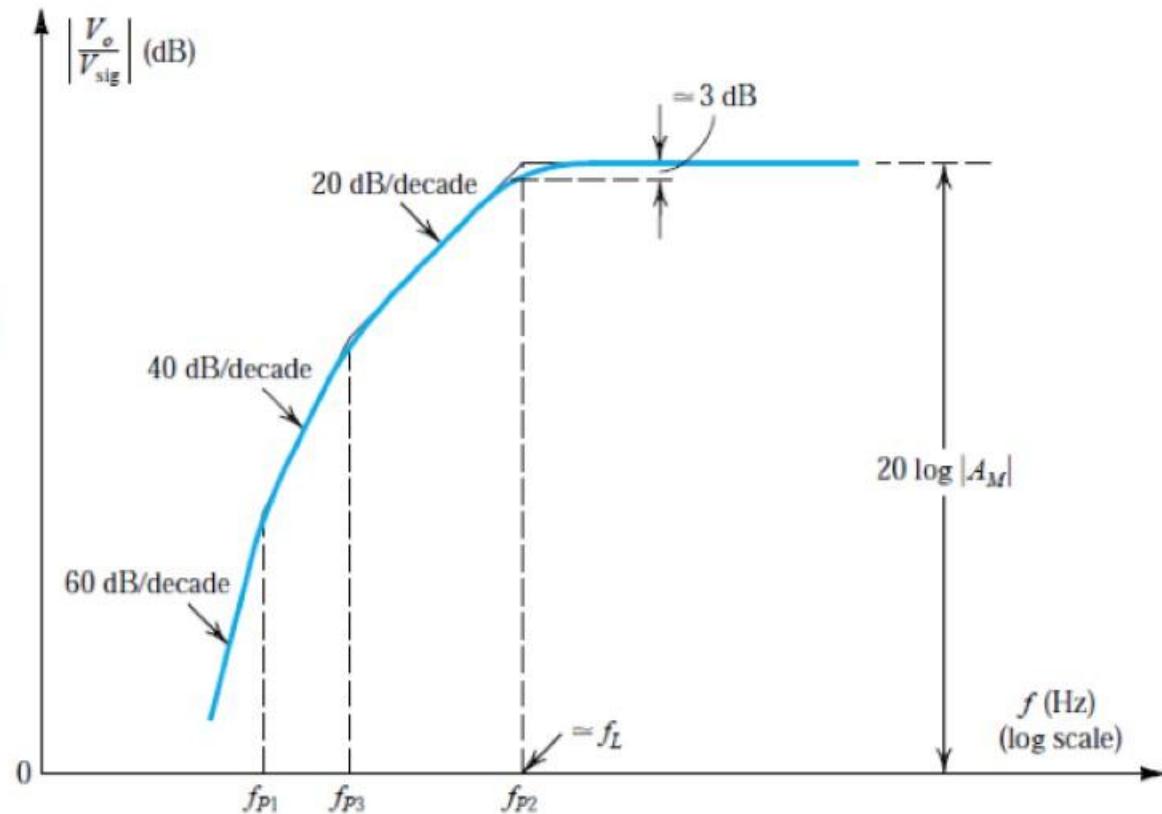
# Low Frequency Response

Assuming that the three capacitors are not interacting, we can write the following overall equation:

$$A_{LF}(S) = \frac{V_o}{V_{sig}} = A_M \left( \frac{s}{s+w_{p1}} \right) \left( \frac{s}{s+w_{p2}} \right) \left( \frac{s}{s+w_{p3}} \right)$$

$$A_{LF}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{\left( 1 + \frac{\omega_{P1}}{S} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{\omega_{P2}}{S} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{\omega_{P3}}{S} \right)}$$

from which we see that it acquires three poles with frequencies  $f_{P1}$ ,  $f_{P2}$ , and  $f_{P3}$ , all in the low frequency band. If the three frequencies are widely separated, their effects will be distinct, as indicated in the figure.



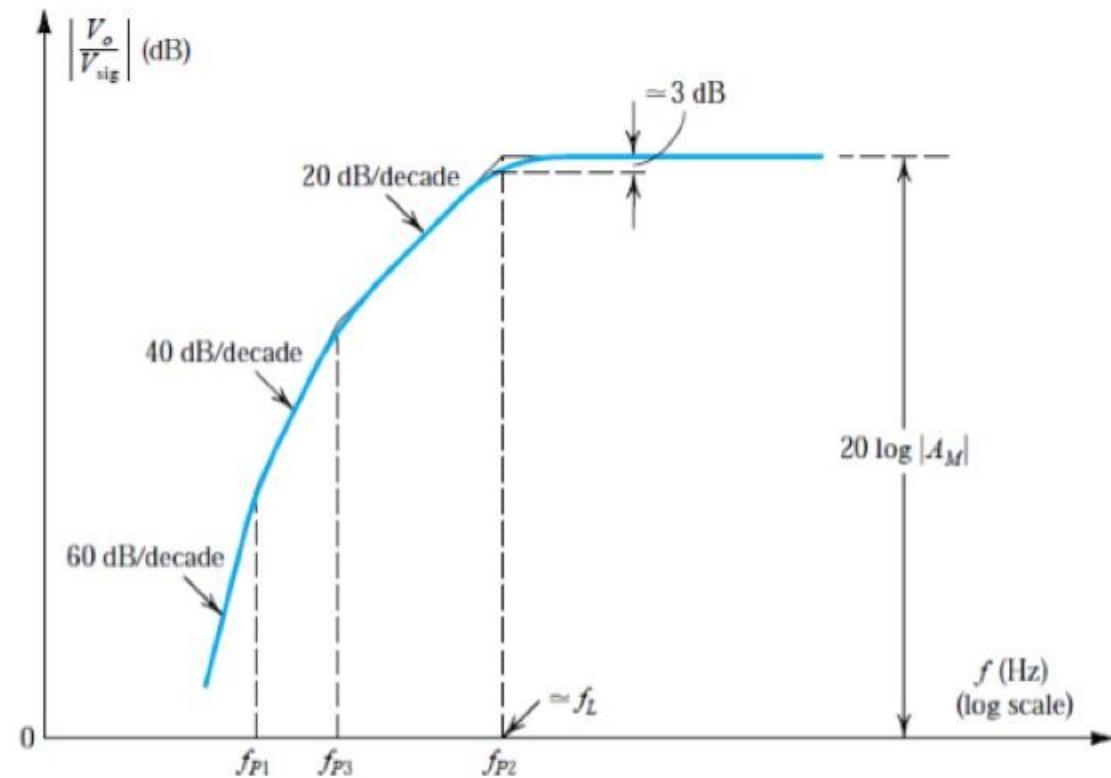
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# Low Frequency Response

$$f_L = \sqrt{f_{p1}^2 + f_{p2}^2 + f_{p3}^2}$$

**OR**

The important point to note here is that the lower 3-dB frequency,  $f_L$  is determined by the highest of the three pole frequencies (dominant pole) if  $f_{p2}/f_{p3} \geq 10$ .



**Example: Bode Plot for Amplifier with Three External Capacitors**

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# **Calculating the Lower 3-dB frequency**

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# Calculating $f_L$

- The lower 3-dB frequency is calculated by NOT considering the impedances of the **external capacitances Short Circuit.**
- The external capacitors poles should be calculated by deriving the voltage gain
- However, deriving the small signal model with ‘n’ external capacitors is complicated
  - We will consider each external capacitor at a time while the other external capacitors will be considered Short Circuit
  - Repeat for every capacitor and all the poles will be evaluated
- The internal capacitors while calculating the lower 3-dB frequency are neglected (considered open circuit)

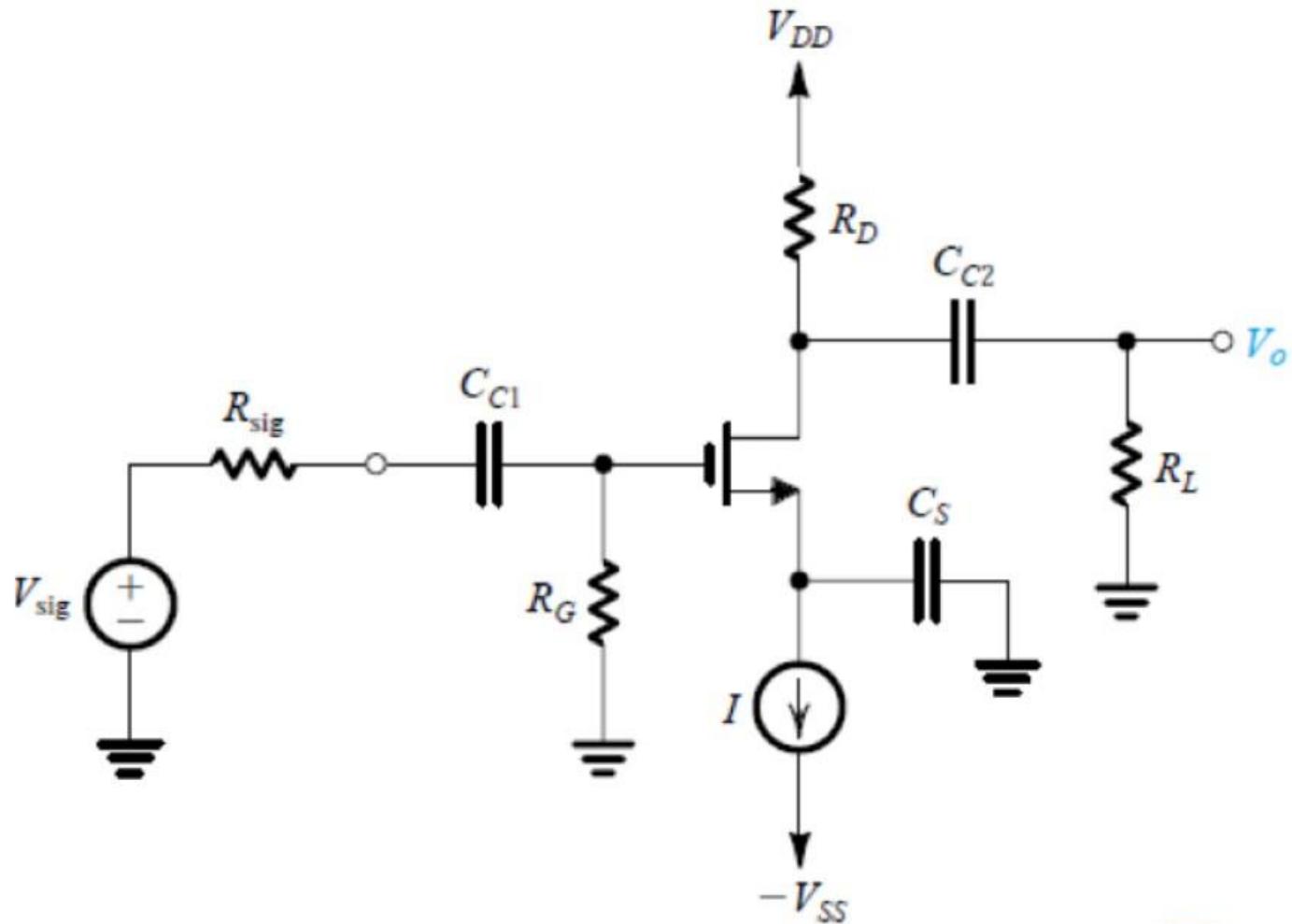
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## Example

For the shown amplifier :

(a) Find the mid-band voltage gain, and the three break frequencies due to:  $C_{C1}$ ,  $C_{C2}$ , and  $C_S$  .

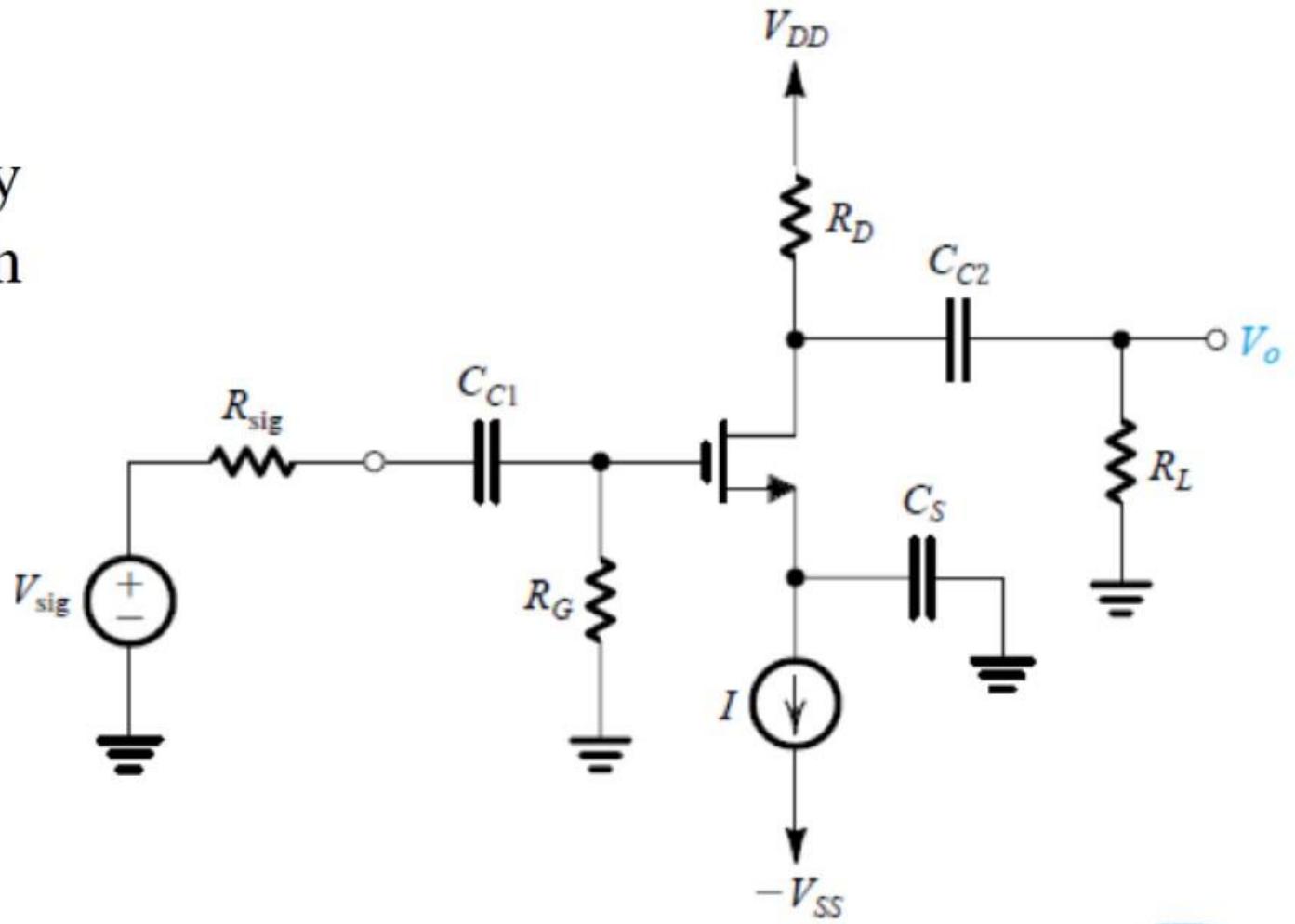
(b) Find the lower 3-dB frequency.



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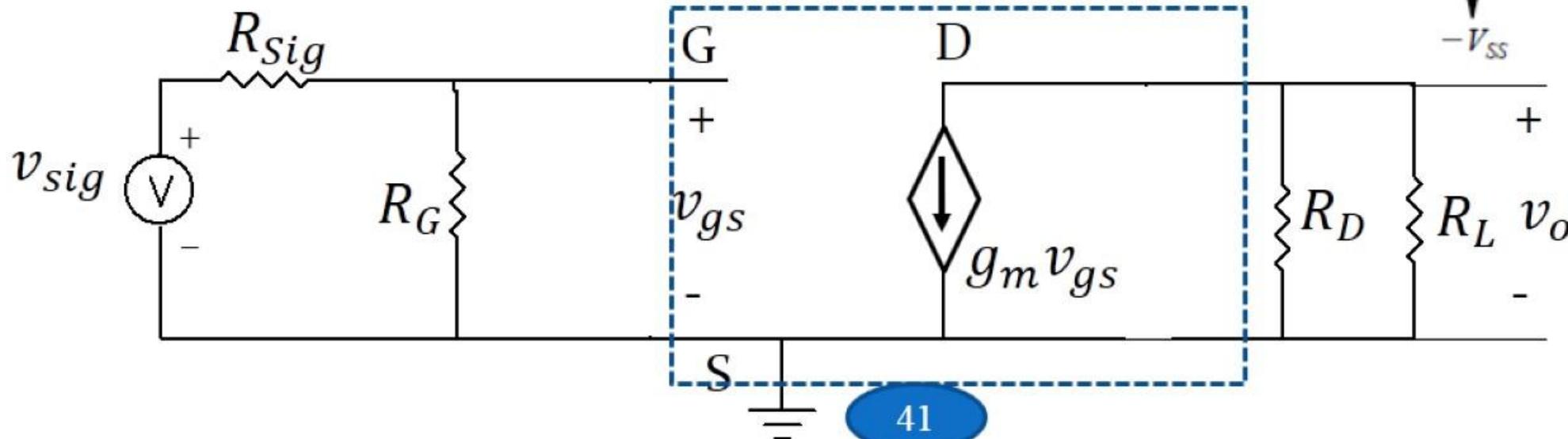
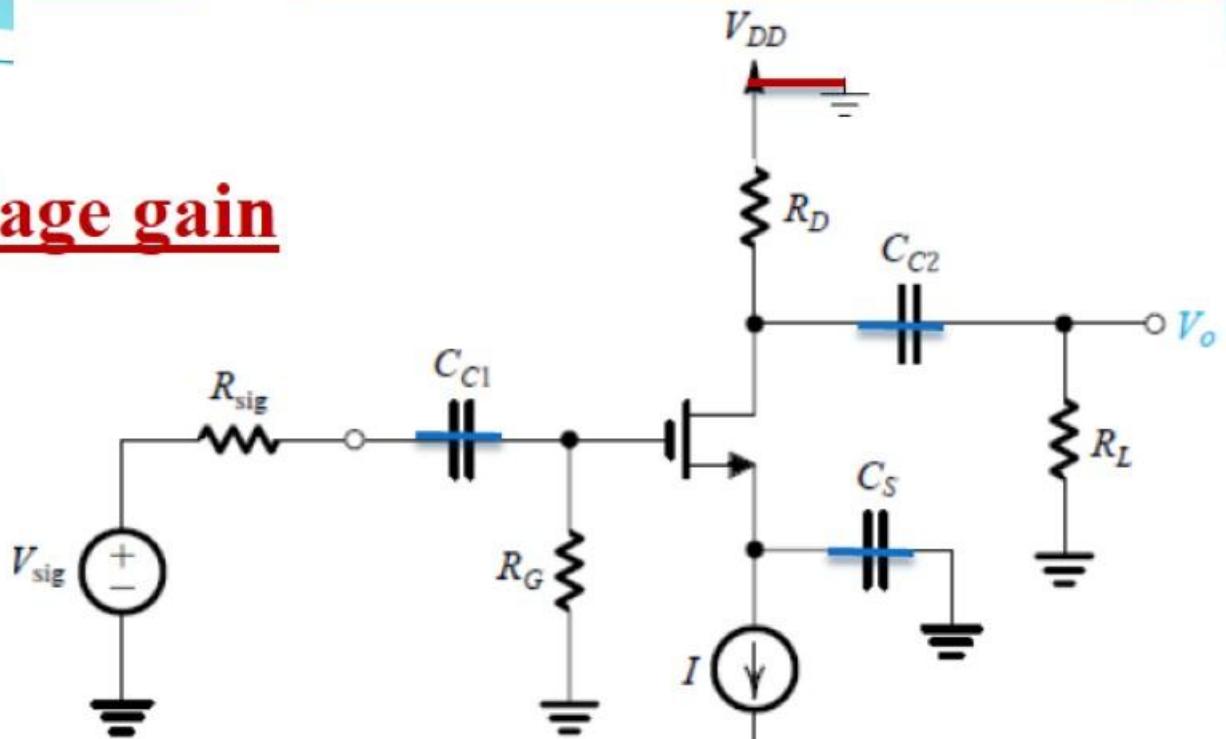
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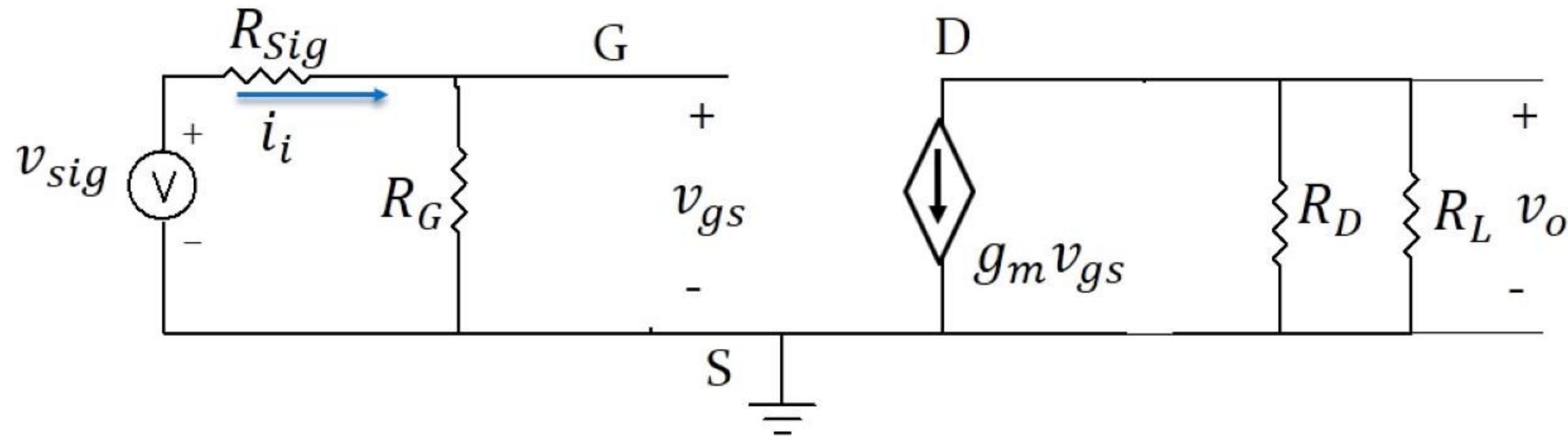
Calculate the Low-frequency band gain for the Common Source Amplifier.



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## (a) Calculate the mid-band voltage gain





$$v_o = -g_m v_{gs} (R_L // R_D)$$

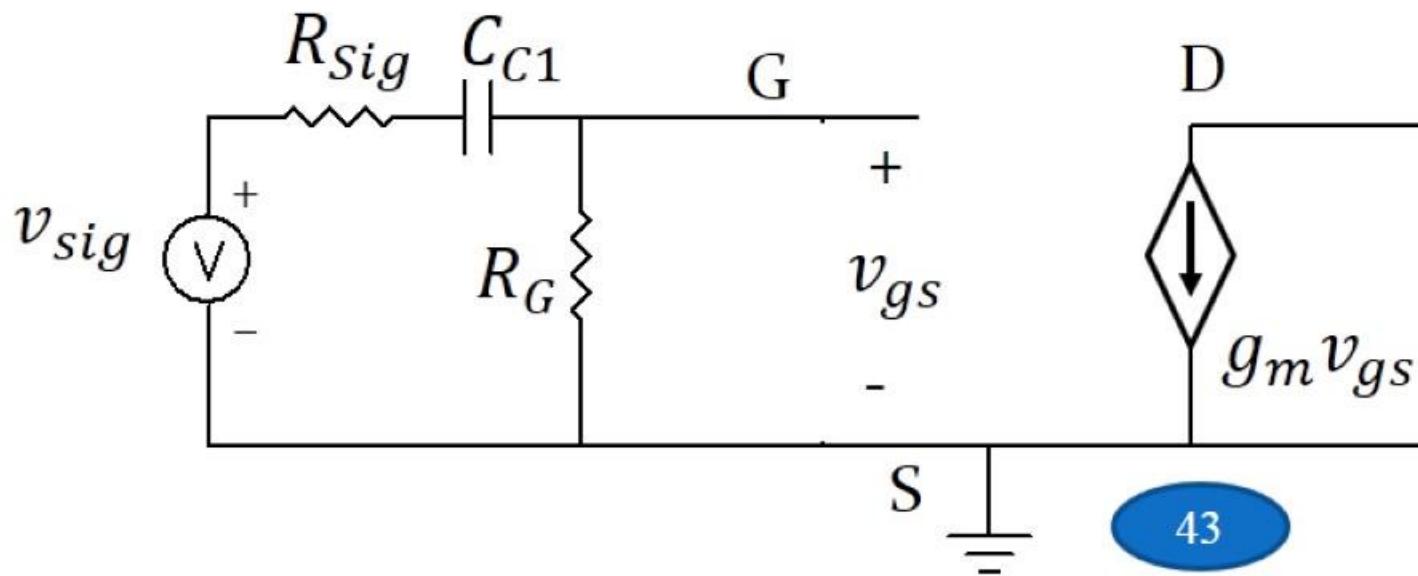
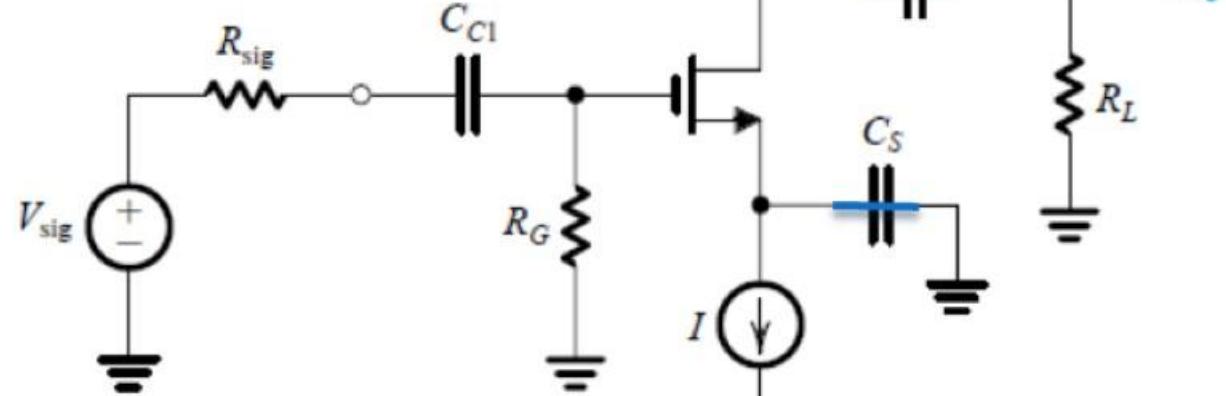
$$v_{gs} = i_i R_G$$

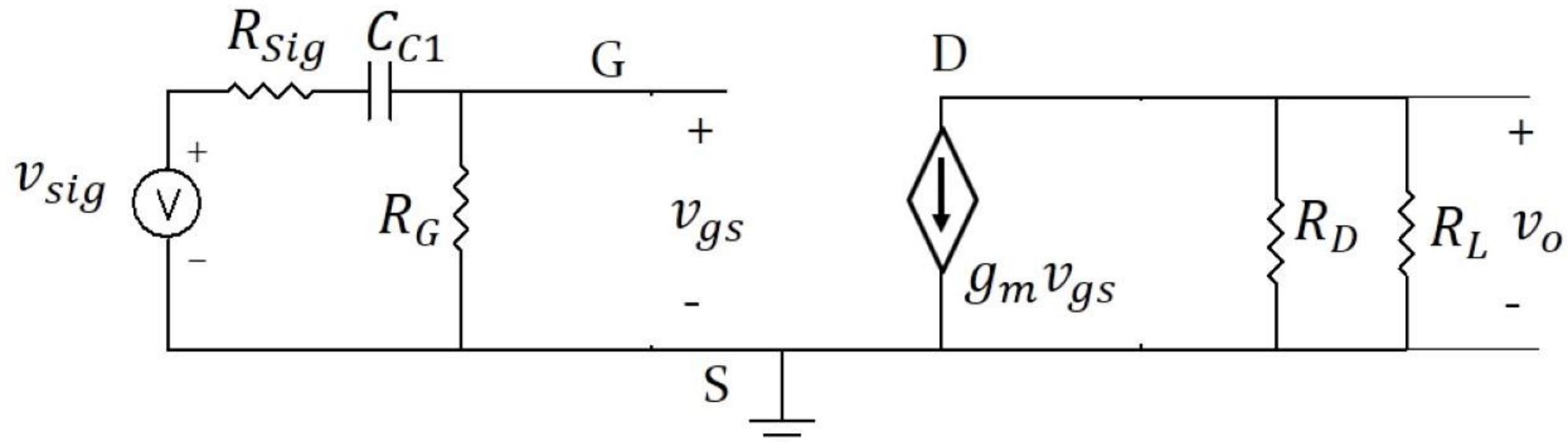
$$i_i = \frac{v_{sig}}{R_{sig} + R_G}$$

$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = A_{MF} = \frac{-g_m (R_L // R_D) R_G}{[R_{sig} + R_G]}$$

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Calculate the pole due to  $C_{C1}$  by deriving the gain  
( $C_{C2}$ ,  $C_S$  are neglected)

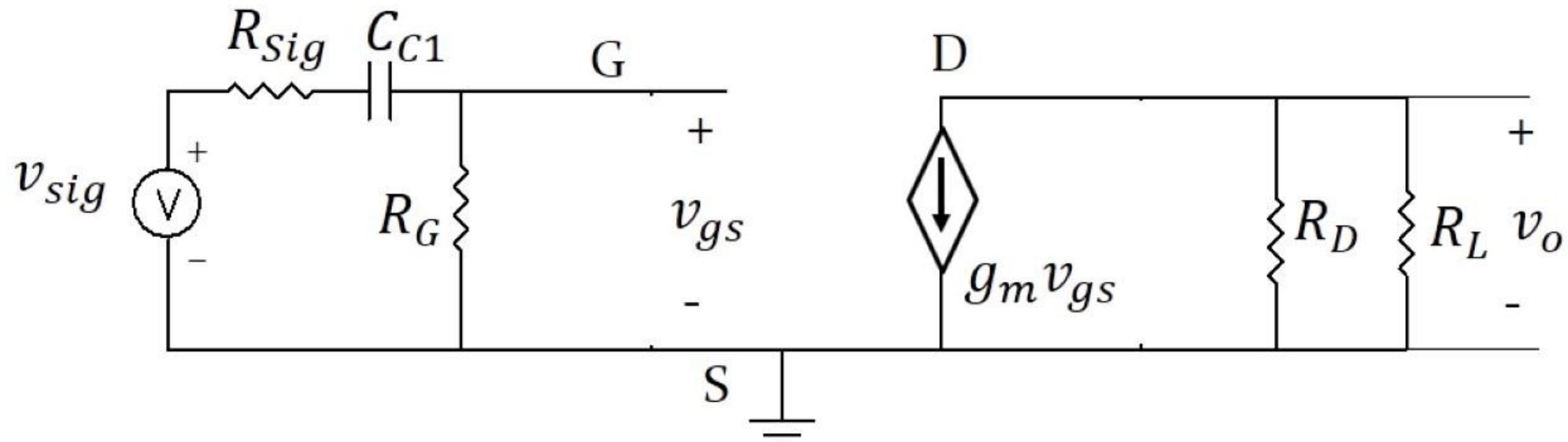




$$v_o = -g_m v_{gs} (R_L // R_D)$$

$$v_{gs} = i_i R_G$$

$$i_i = \frac{v_{sig}}{R_{sig} + \frac{1}{SC_{C1}} + R_G}$$



$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_L // R_D) R_G}{[R_{sig} + \frac{1}{s C_{C1}} + R_G]}$$

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$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_L//R_D) R_G}{[R_{sig} + \frac{1}{sC_{C1}} + R_G]}$$

Note that: The gain of the amplifier in the low frequency can be written as:

$$A_{LF,C1}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{1 + \frac{\omega_{P1}}{S}}$$

$$\frac{v_{out}}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_L//R_D) R_G}{[R_{sig} + R_G] \left( 1 + \frac{1}{sC_{C1}[R_{sig} + R_G]} \right)}$$

$$\frac{v_{out}}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_L//R_D) R_G}{[R_{sig} + R_G]} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{SC_1 [R_{sig} + R_G]}\right)}$$

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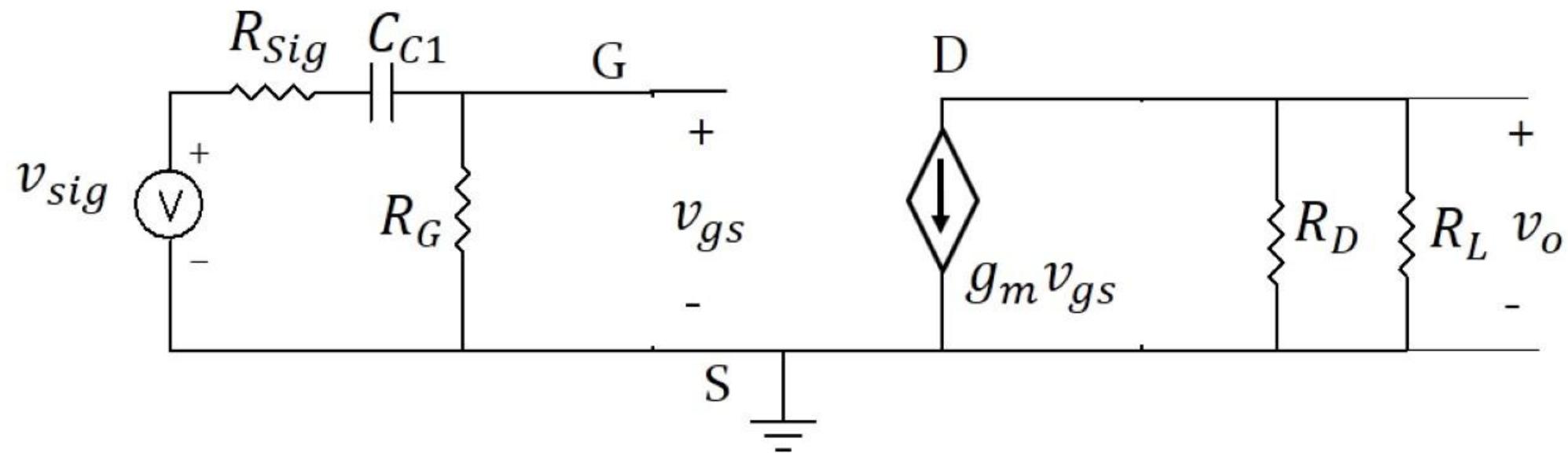
Therefore, the break frequency due to  $C_{C1}$  is given by:

$$\omega_{P1} = 2\pi f_{P1} = \frac{1}{C_{C1}[R_{sig} + R_G]} = \frac{1}{\tau}$$

$$\tau = C_{C1} R_{eq}$$

$$f_{P1} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_{C1}[R_{sig} + R_G]} \longrightarrow \boxed{1}$$

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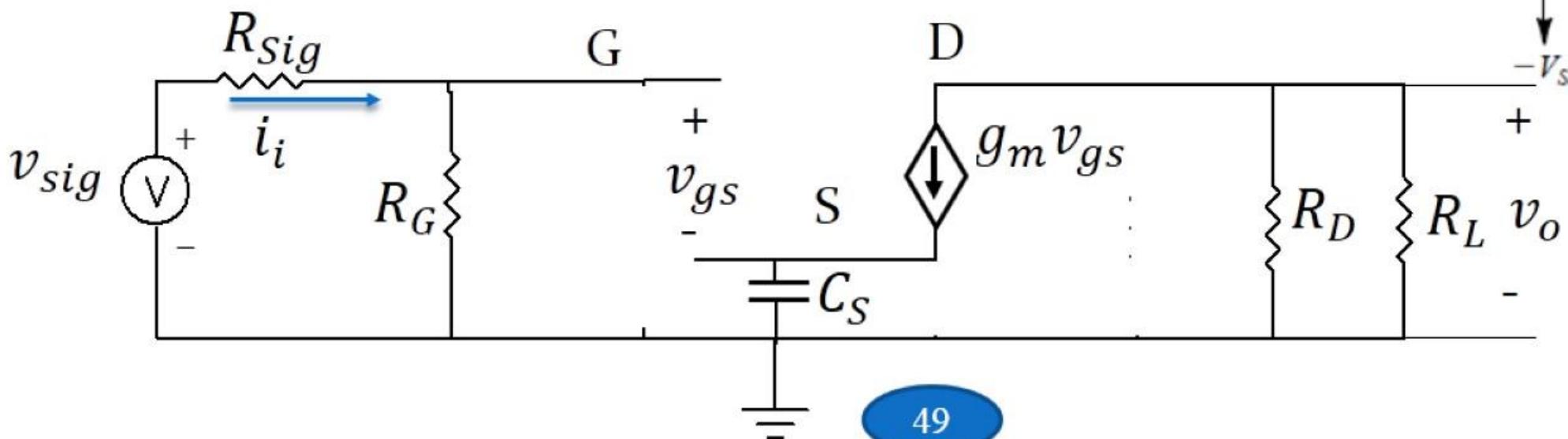
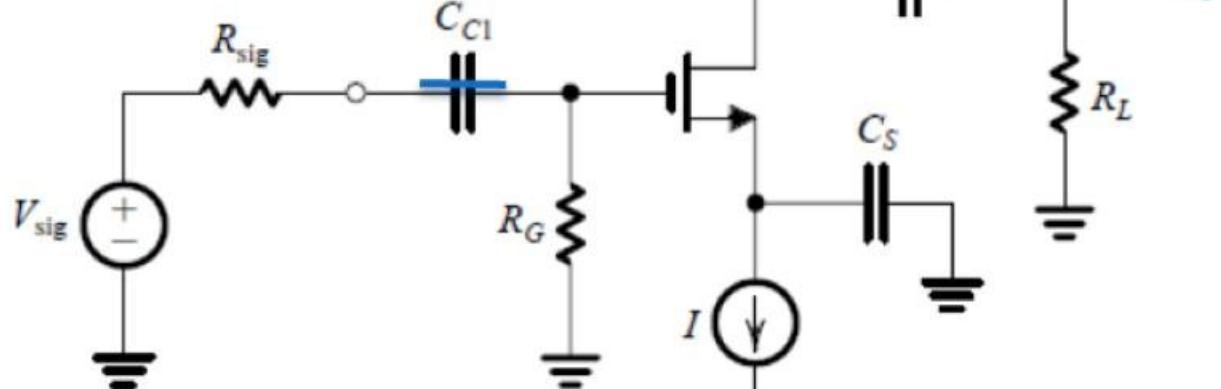
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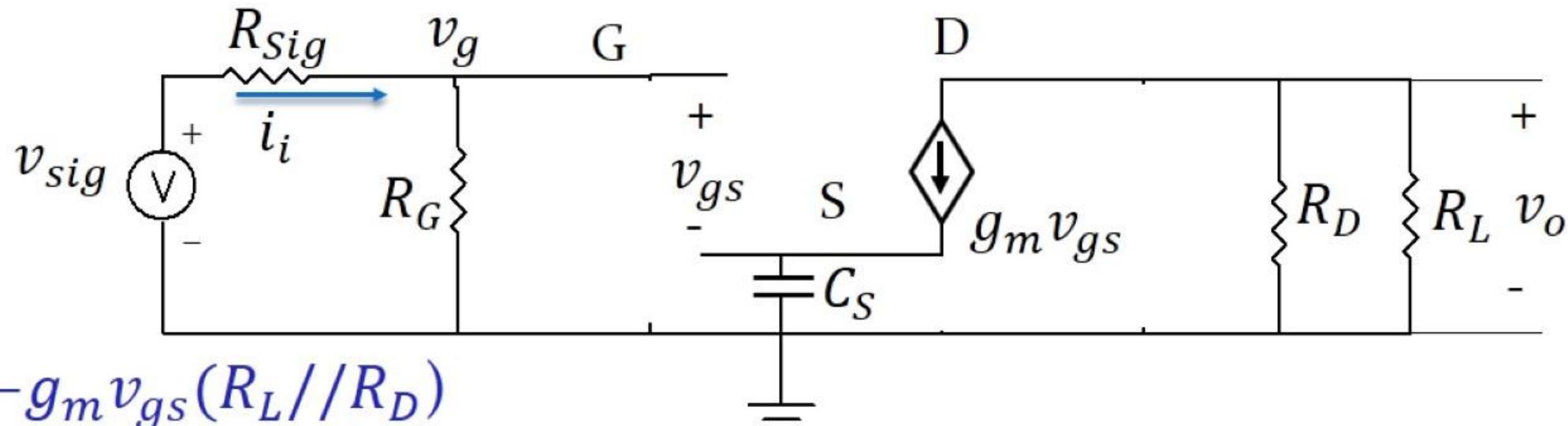
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$$\tau = C_{C1} R_{eq}$$

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Calculate the pole due to  $C_S$  by deriving the gain  
( $C_{C1}$ ,  $C_{C2}$  are neglected)





$$v_o = -g_m v_{gs} (R_L // R_D)$$

$$v_g = v_{gs} + g_m v_{gs} \frac{1}{S C_S}$$

$$R_G i_i = v_{gs} \left(1 + g_m \frac{1}{S C_S}\right)$$

$$i_i = \frac{v_{sig}}{R_{sig} + R_G}$$

$$v_o = -g_m (R_L // R_D) R_G \frac{v_{sig}}{R_{sig} + R_G} \frac{1}{\left(1 + g_m \frac{1}{S C_S}\right)}$$

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$$v_o = -g_m(R_L//R_D) R_G \frac{v_{sig}}{R_{sig}+R_G} \frac{1}{(1+g_m \frac{1}{SC_S})}$$

$$\frac{v_{out}}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_L//R_D) R_G}{[R_{sig}+R_G] \left( 1 + \frac{g_m}{SC_S} \right)}$$

$$\frac{v_{out}}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_L//R_D) R_G}{[R_{sig}+R_G]} \frac{1}{\left( 1 + \frac{g_m}{SC_S} \right)}$$

$$A_{LF,CS}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{1 + \frac{\omega_{P2}}{S}}$$

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Therefore, the break frequency due to  $C_S$  is given by:

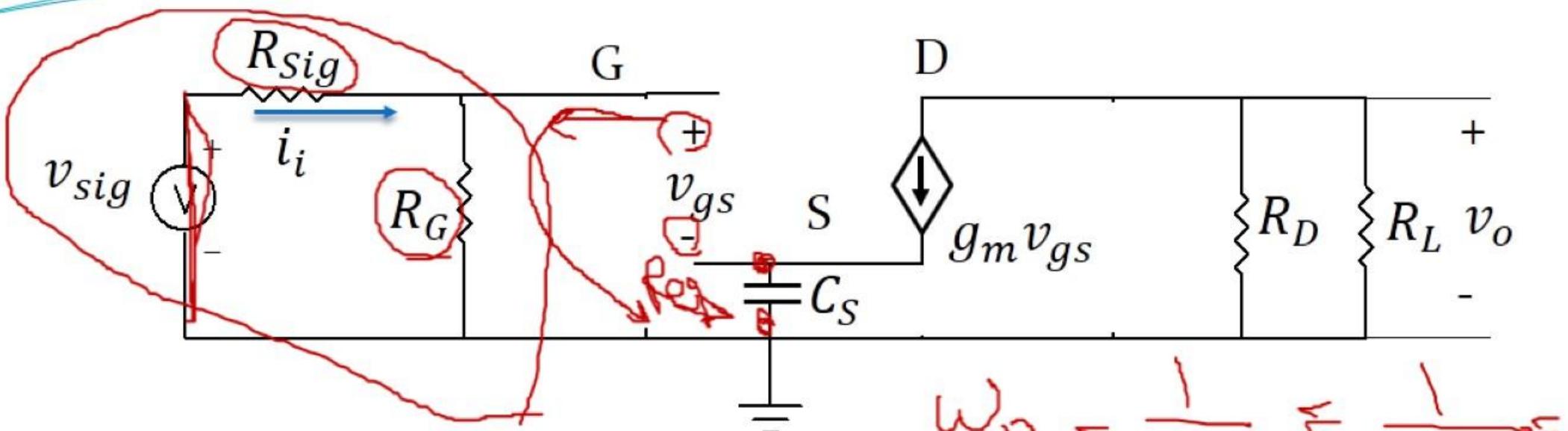
$$\omega_{P2} = 2\pi f_{P2} = \frac{g_m}{C_S} = \frac{1}{\tau}$$

$$f_{P2} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_S \left( \frac{1}{g_m} \right)}$$

$$\tau = C_S \frac{1}{g_m}$$

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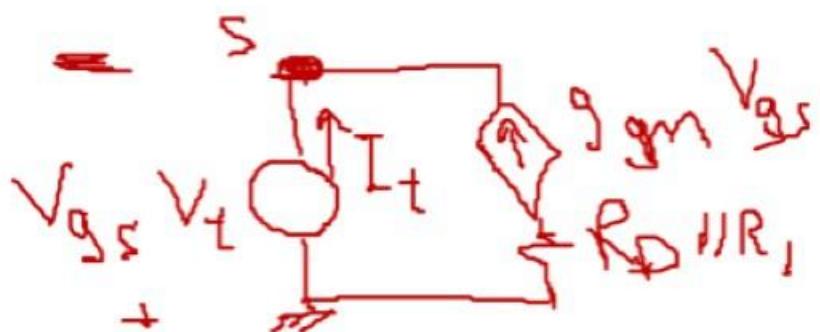
$$\omega_{PS} = \frac{1}{C_S} \approx \frac{1}{C_S g_m} = \frac{g_m}{C_S}$$

$$R_{eq} = \frac{V_t}{I_t} = g_m$$

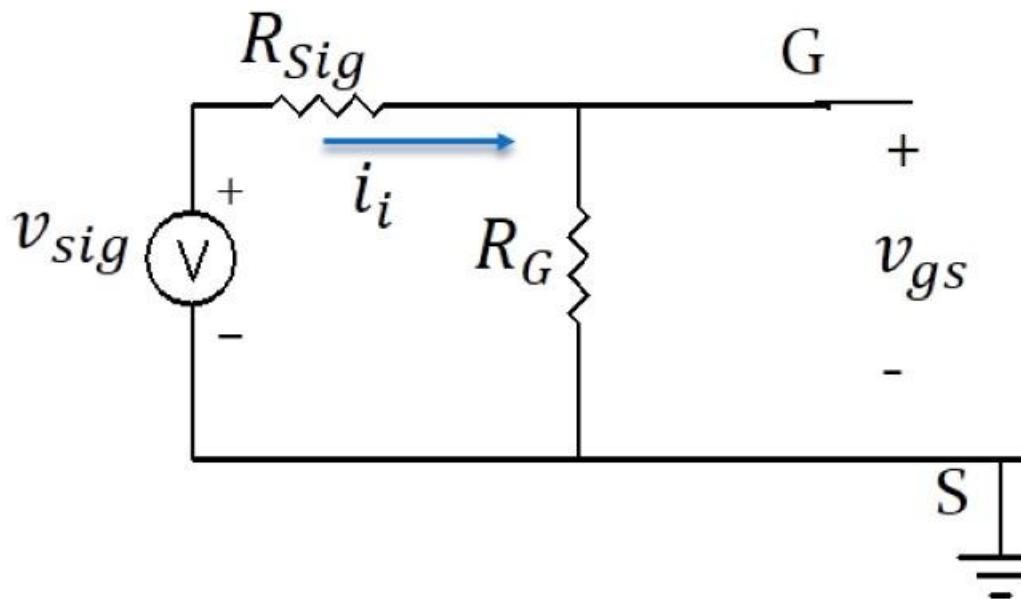
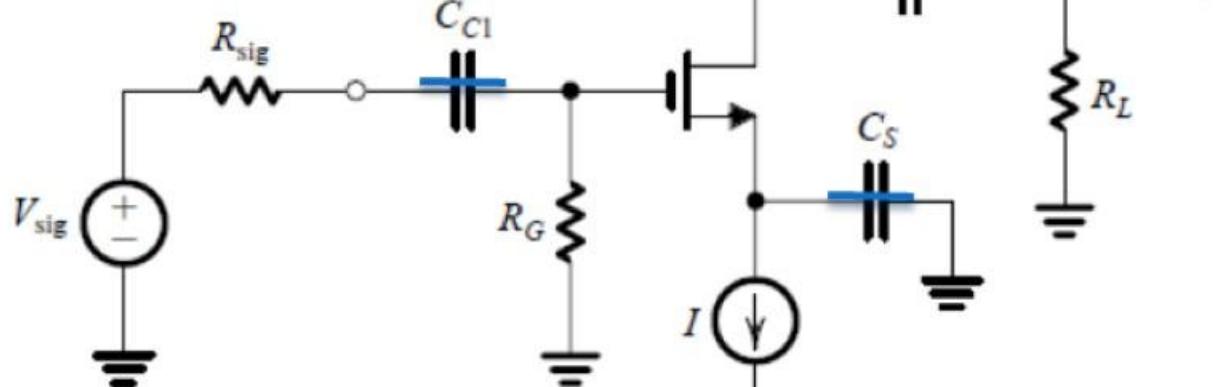
$$I_t + g_m V_{GS} = 0$$

$$\bar{I}_t - g_m V_t = 0$$

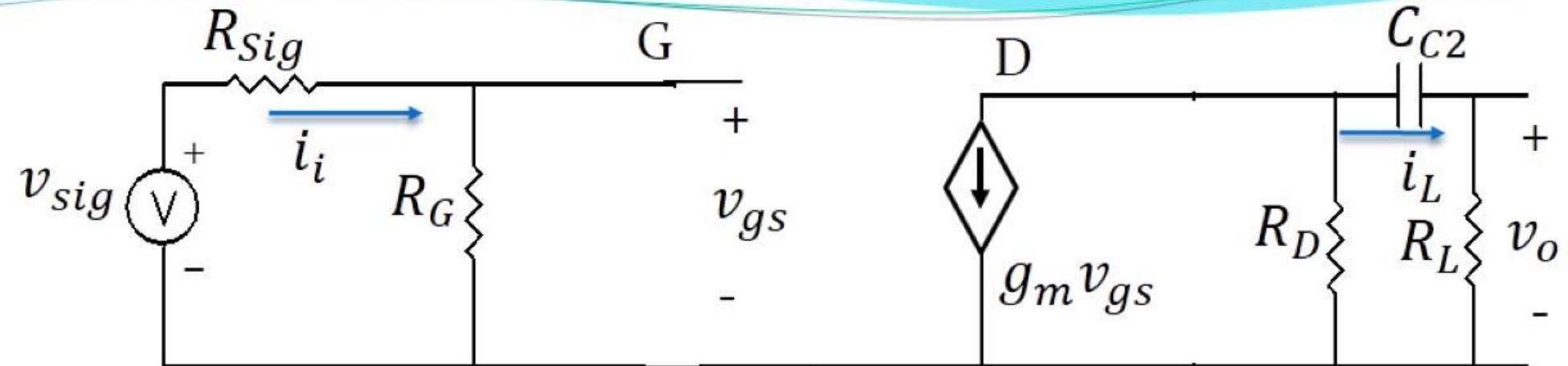
$$R_{eq} = \frac{V_t}{\bar{I}_t} = g_m$$



Calculate the pole due to  $C_{C2}$  by deriving the gain  
( $C_{C1}, C_{CS}$  are neglected)



$$v_o = i_L R_L$$



$$i_L = \frac{-g_m v_{gs} R_D}{R_D + \frac{1}{SC_{C2}} + R_L}$$

$$v_{gs} = i_i R_G$$

$$i_i = \frac{V_{sig}}{R_{sig} + R_G}$$

$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m R_D R_L R_G}{\left[ R_D + \frac{1}{SC_{C2}} + R_L \right] [R_{sig} + R_G]} = \frac{-g_m R_D R_L R_G}{(R_D + R_L) [R_{sig} + R_G] \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{SC_{C2}(R_D + R_L)} \right]}$$

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$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m R_D R_L R_G}{(R_D + R_L) [R_{sig} + R_G] \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{S C_{C2} (R_D + R_L)} \right]}$$

$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_D // R_L) R_G}{[R_{sig} + R_G] \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{S C_{C2} (R_D + R_L)} \right]}$$

$$A_{LF,C2}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{1 + \frac{\omega_{P3}}{S}}$$

Therefore, the break frequency due to  $C_{C2}$  is given by:

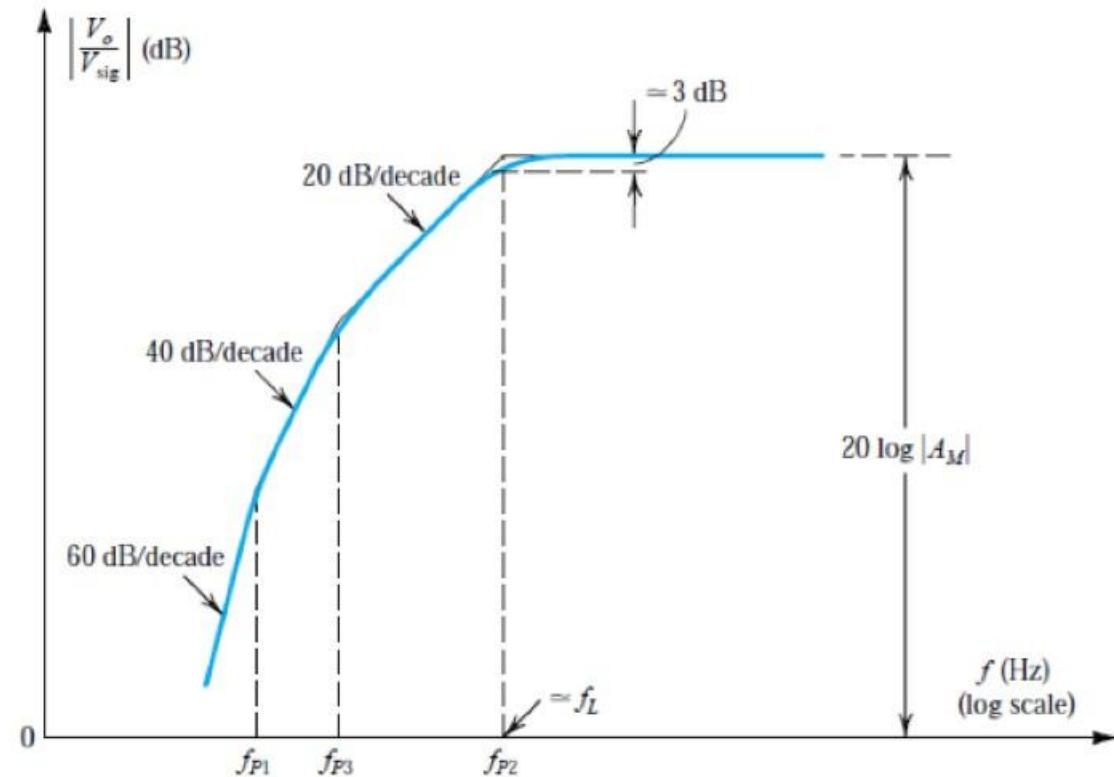
$$f_{P3} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_{C2} (R_D + R_L)} \longrightarrow \boxed{3}$$

$$\tau = C_{C2} (R_D + R_L)$$

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(b) Calculate the lower 3-dB frequency

$$f_L = \sqrt{f_{p1}^2 + f_{p2}^2 + f_{p3}^2}$$



$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{sig}} = A_{LF}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{(1 + \frac{\omega_{P1}}{S})(1 + \frac{\omega_{P2}}{S})(1 + \frac{\omega_{P3}}{S})}$$

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**Example:**

A CS amplifier has  $C_{C1} = C_S = C_{C2} = 1 \mu\text{F}$ ,  $R_G = 10 \text{ M}\Omega$ ,  $R_{\text{sig}} = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $g_m = 2 \text{ mA/V}$ ,  $R_D = R_L = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ . Find  $A_M$ ,  $f_{P1}$ ,  $f_{P2}$ ,  $f_{P3}$ , and  $f_L$ .

**Sol**

$$\frac{v_o}{v_{\text{sig}}} = A_{MF} = \frac{-g_m (R_L//R_D) R_G}{[R_{\text{sig}} + R_G]} = -9.9 \text{ V/V}$$

$$f_{P1} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_{C1}[R_{\text{sig}} + R_G]} = 0.016 \text{ Hz}$$

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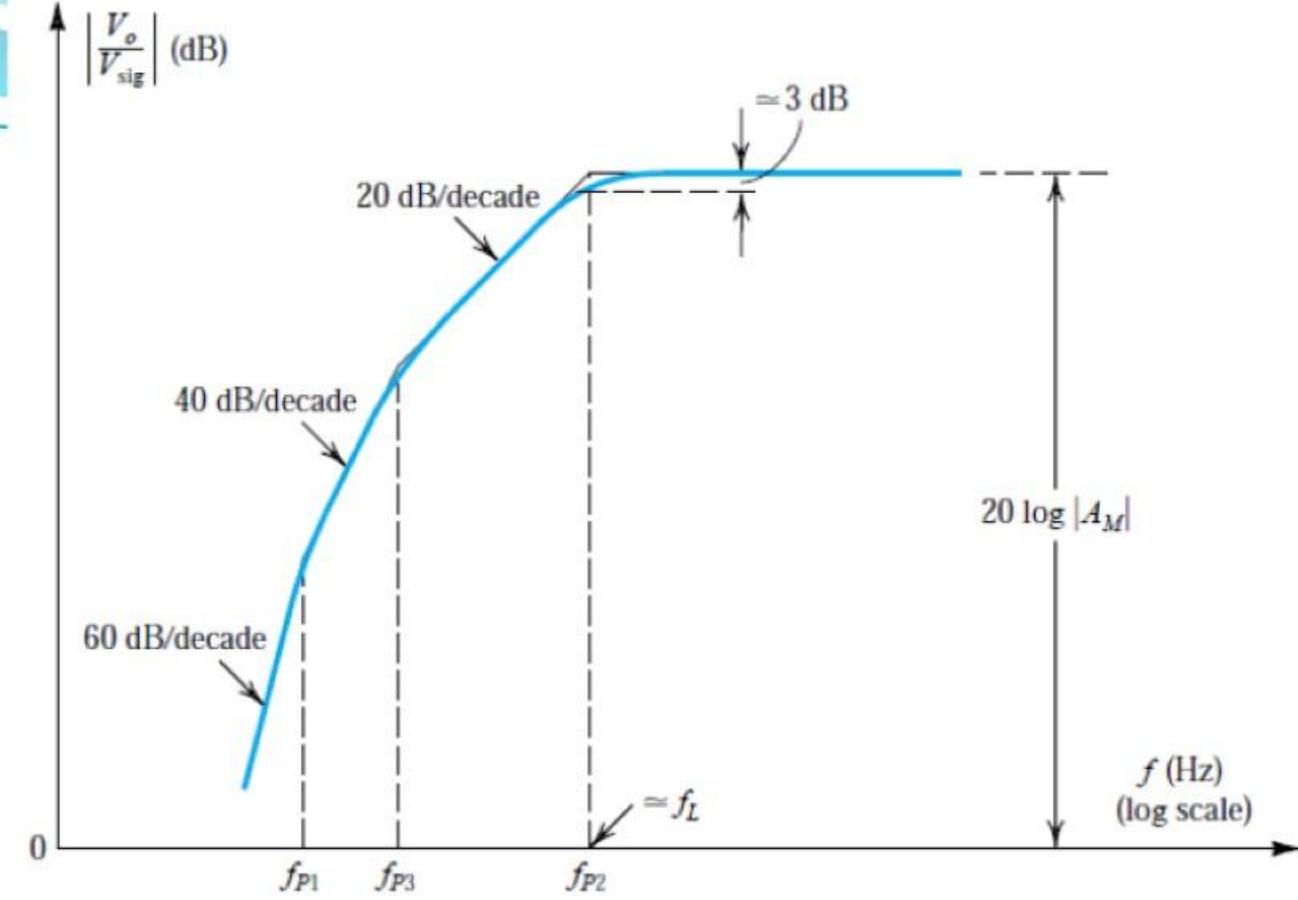
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$$f_{P2} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_S \frac{1}{g_m}} = 318 \text{ Hz}$$

$$f_{P3} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_{C2} (R_D + R_L)} = 8 \text{ Hz}$$

$$f_L = \sqrt{f_{p1}^2 + f_{p2}^2 + f_{p3}^2} = 318.1 \text{ Hz}$$

$$f_L = f_{P2} \approx 318 \text{ Hz}$$



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## Example:

We wish to select appropriate values for the coupling capacitors  $C_{C1}$  and  $C_{C2}$  and the bypass capacitor  $C_S$  for a CS amplifier for which  $R_G = 4.7 \text{ M}\Omega$ ,  $R_D = R_L = 15 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_{\text{sig}} = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$ , and  $g_m = 1 \text{ mA/V}$ . It is required to have  $f_L$  at 100 Hz and that the nearest break frequency be at least a decade lower.

We select  $C_S$  so that:  $f_{P2} = \frac{1}{2\pi(C_S/g_m)} = f_L = 100 \text{ Hz}$    $C_S = 1.6 \mu\text{F}$

For  $f_{P1} = f_{P3} = 10 \text{ Hz}$ , (decade lower), we obtain:

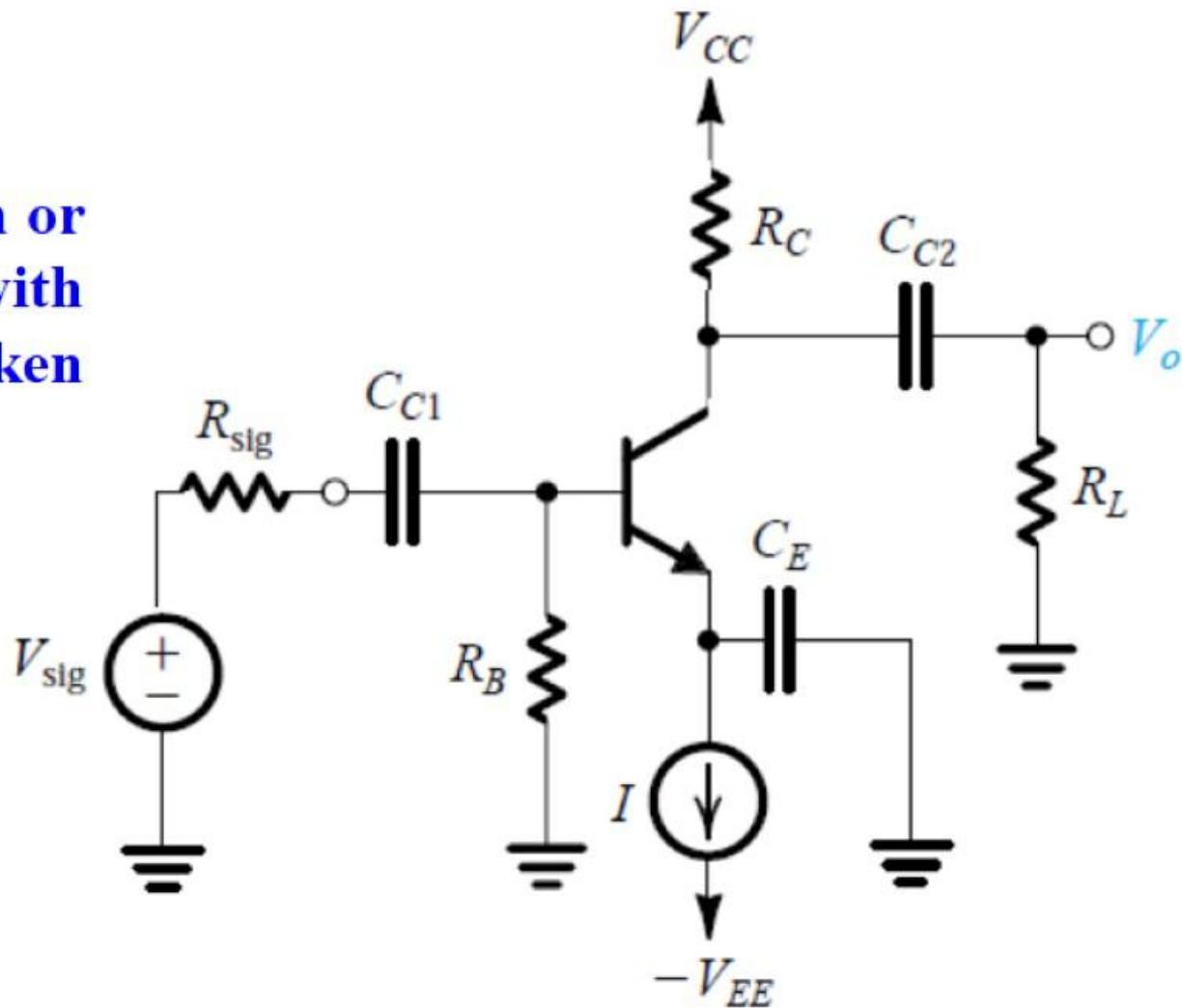
$$10 = \frac{1}{2\pi C_{C1}(0.1 + 4.7) \times 10^6} \rightarrow C_{C1} = 3.3 \text{ nF}$$

$$10 = \frac{1}{2\pi C_{C2}(15 + 15) \times 10^3} \rightarrow C_{C2} = 0.53 \mu\text{F}$$

# Assignment

Determine the amplifier gain or transfer function  $V_o/V_{sig}$  with these three capacitances taken into account.

Find  $A_M$ ,  $f_{P1}$ ,  $f_{P2}$ ,  $f_{P3}$ , and  $f_L$ .



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## Sol

$$w_{p1} = \frac{1}{C_{c1}[(R_B || r_\pi) + R_{sig}]}$$

$$w_{p2} = C_E \left( r_e + \frac{R_B || R_{sig}}{\beta + 1} \right)$$

$$w_{p3} = \frac{1}{C_{c2}(R_C + R_L)}$$

$$\frac{V_o}{V_{sig}} = A_M \left( \frac{s}{s + w_{p1}} \right) \left( \frac{s}{s + w_{p2}} \right) \left( \frac{s}{s + w_{p2}} \right)$$

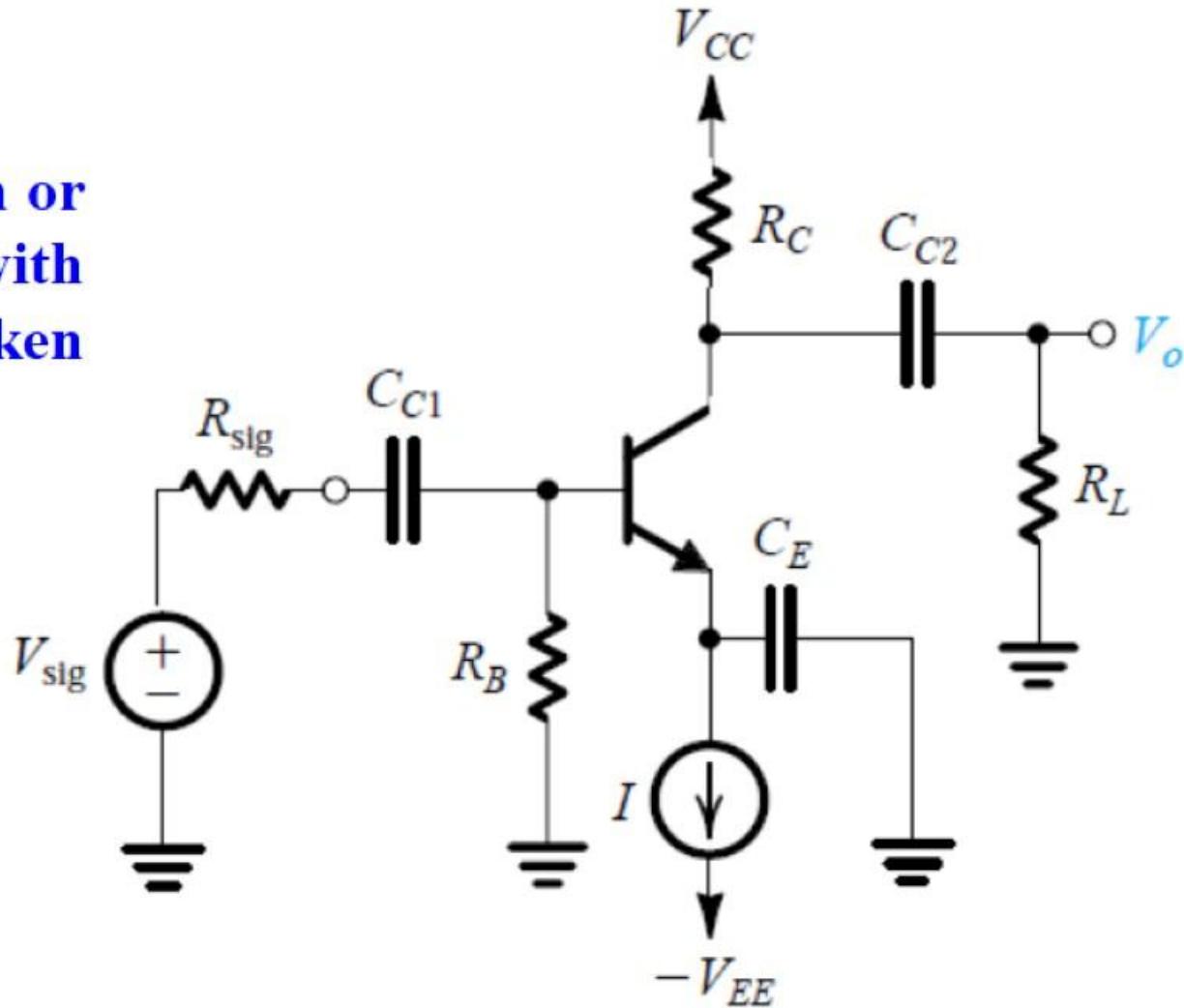
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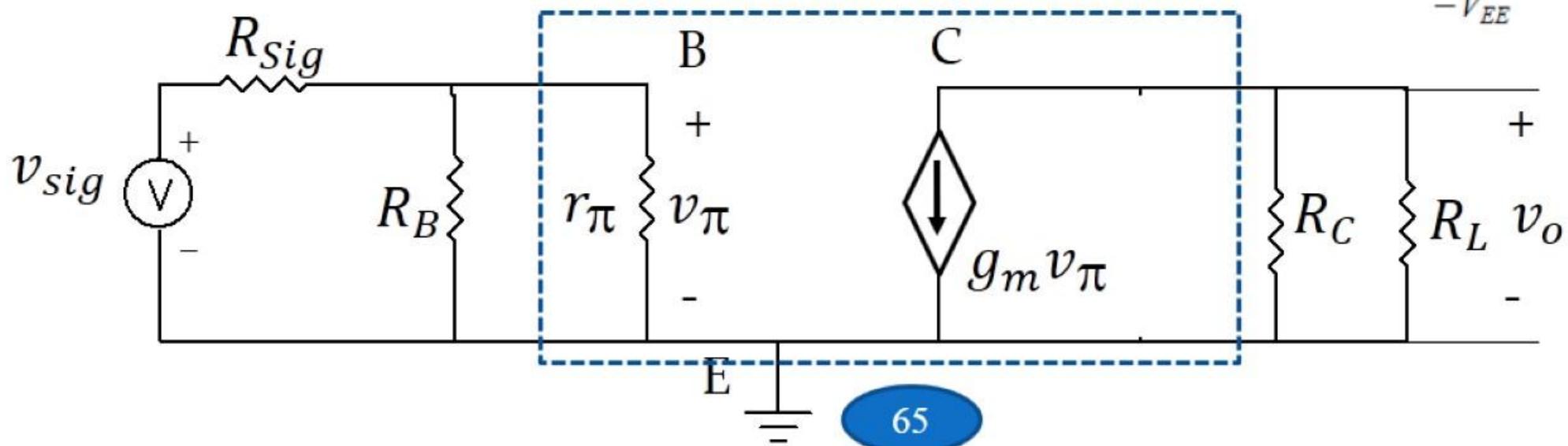
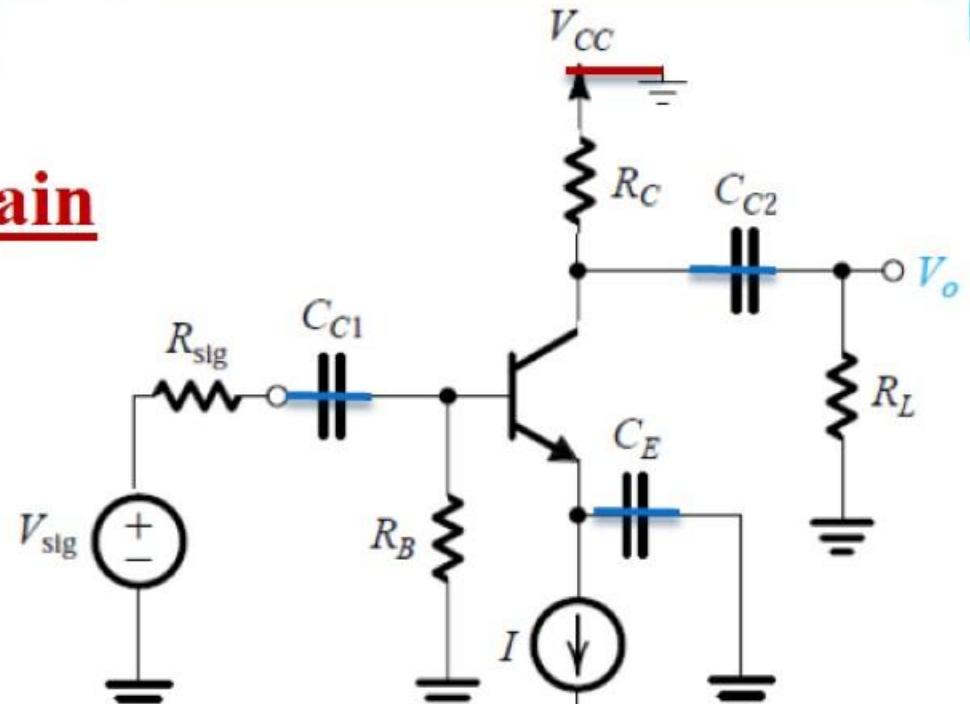
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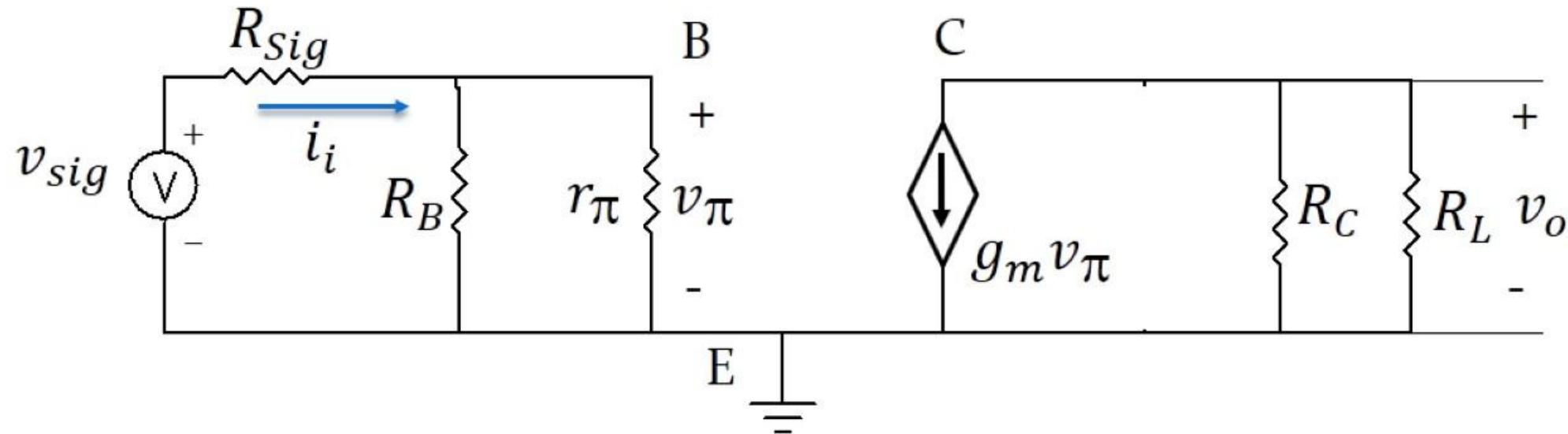
Or: Find  $A_M$ ,  $f_{P1}$ ,  $f_{P2}$ ,  $f_{P3}$ , and  $f_L$ .



## (a) Calculate the mid-band voltage gain



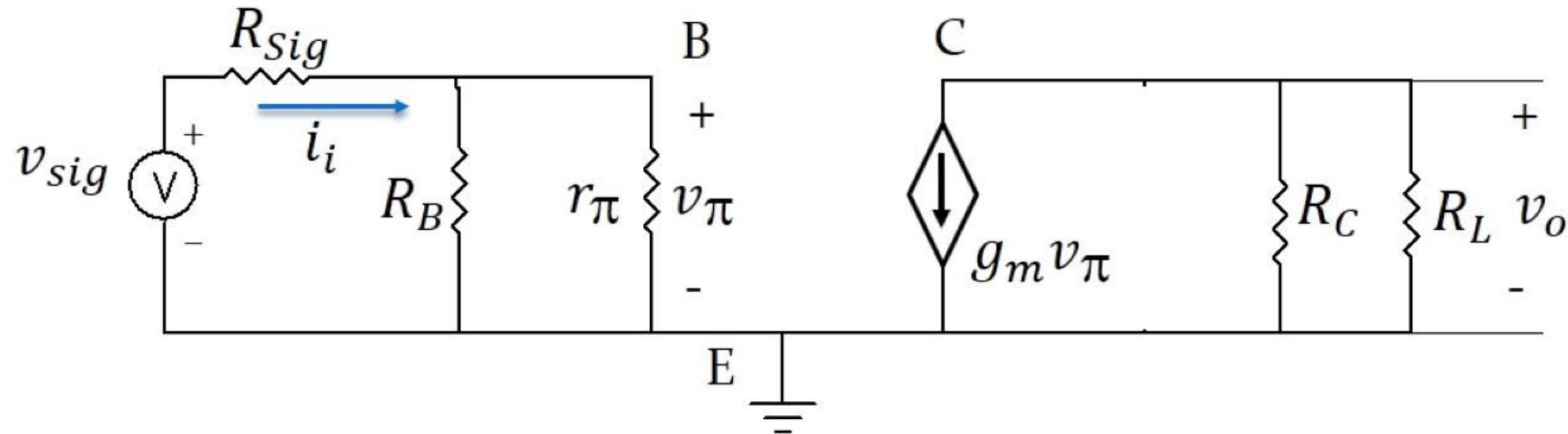
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$$v_o = -g_m v_\pi (R_L // R_C)$$

$$v_\pi = i_i (R_B // r_\pi)$$

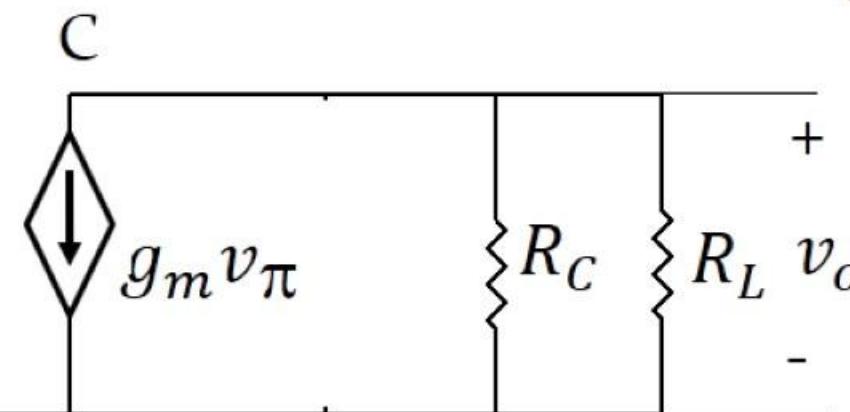
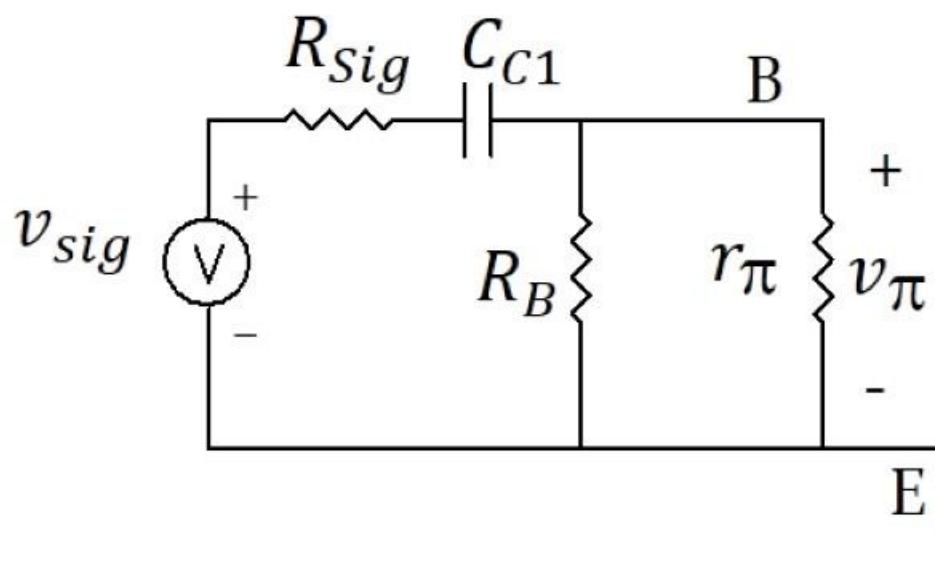
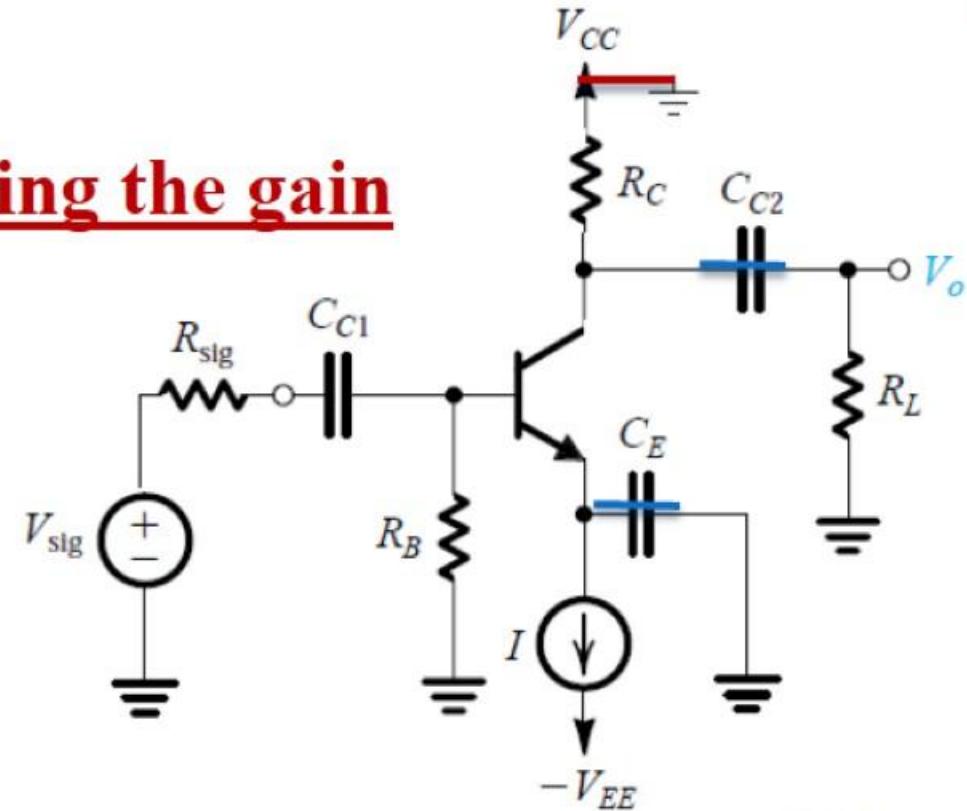
$$i_i = \frac{v_{sig}}{R_{sig} + (R_B // r_\pi)}$$



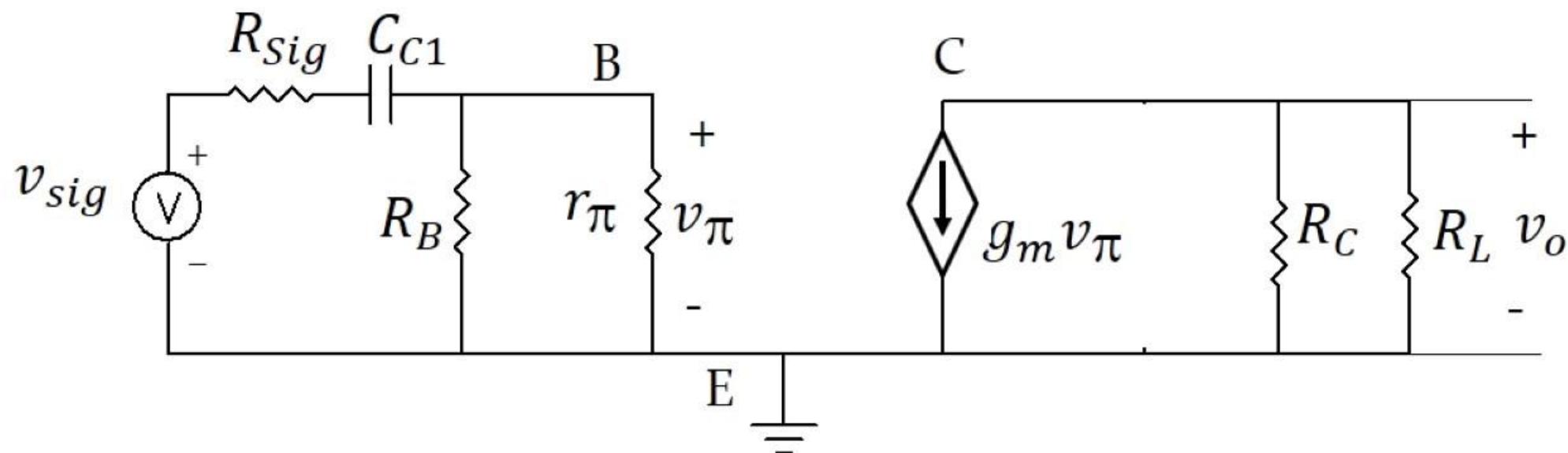
$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = A_{MF} = \frac{-g_m (R_L // R_C)(R_B // r_\pi)}{[R_{sig} + (R_B // r_\pi)]}$$

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Calculate the pole due to  $C_{C1}$  by deriving the gain  
( $C_{C2}$ ,  $C_E$  are neglected)



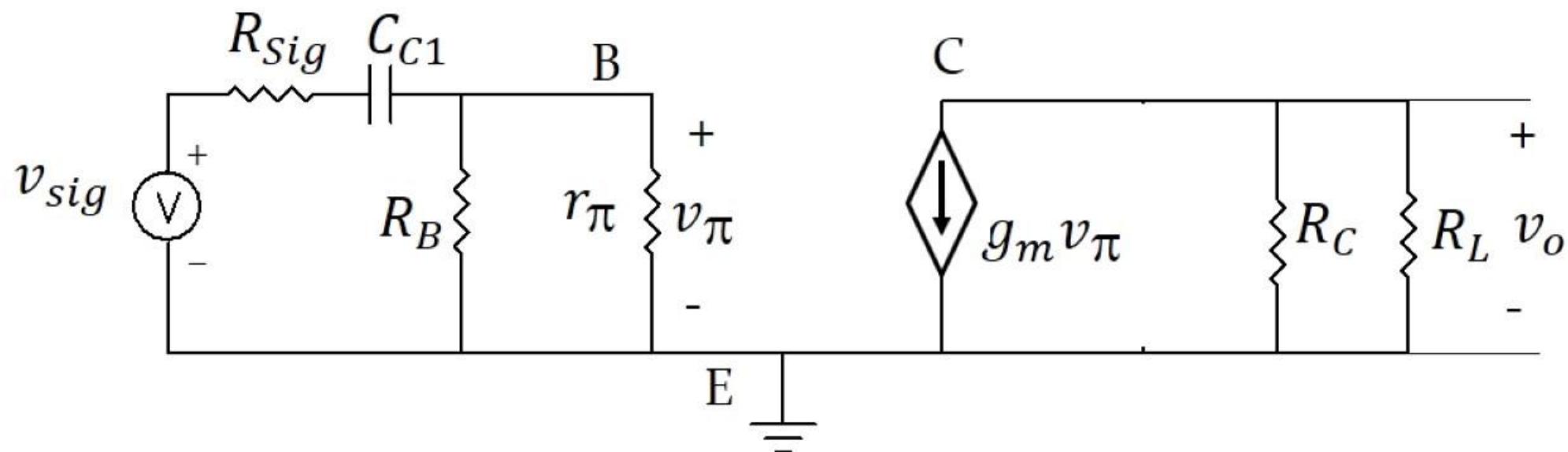
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$$v_o = -g_m v_\pi (R_C // R_L)$$

$$v_\pi = i_i (R_B // r_\pi)$$

$$i_i = \frac{v_{sig}}{R_{sig} + \frac{1}{SC_{C1}} + (R_B // r_\pi)}$$



$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_L//R_C)(R_B//r_\pi)}{\left[ R_{sig} + \frac{1}{sC_{C1}} + (R_B//r_\pi) \right]}$$

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$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_L//R_C)(R_B//r\pi)}{[R_{sig} + \frac{1}{SC_{C1}} + (R_B//r\pi)]}$$

Note that: The gain of the amplifier in the low frequency can be written as:

$$A_{LF,C1}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{1 + \frac{\omega_{P1}}{S}}$$

$$\frac{v_{out}}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_C//R_L) R_B // r\pi}{[R_{sig} + R_B // r\pi] \left( 1 + \frac{1}{SC_{C1}[R_{sig} + R_B // r\pi]} \right)}$$

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$$\frac{v_{out}}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_C//R_L) R_B // r\pi}{[R_{sig} + R_B // r\pi]} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{sC_{C1}[R_{sig} + R_B // r\pi]}}$$

$$A_{LF,C1}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{1 + \frac{\omega_{P1}}{S}}$$

Therefore, the break frequency due to  $C_{C1}$  is given by:

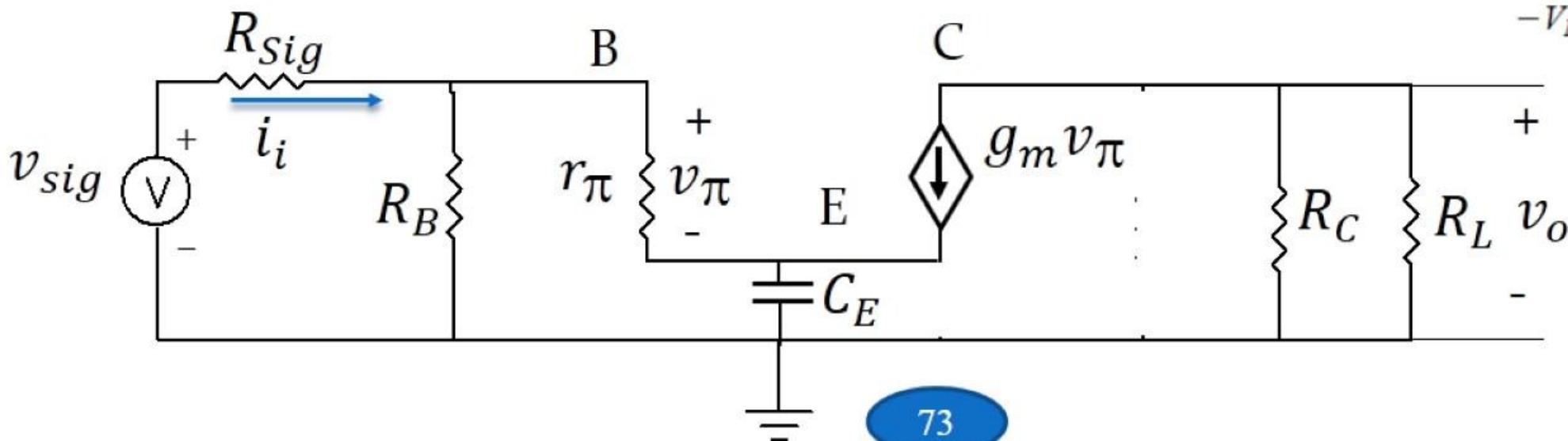
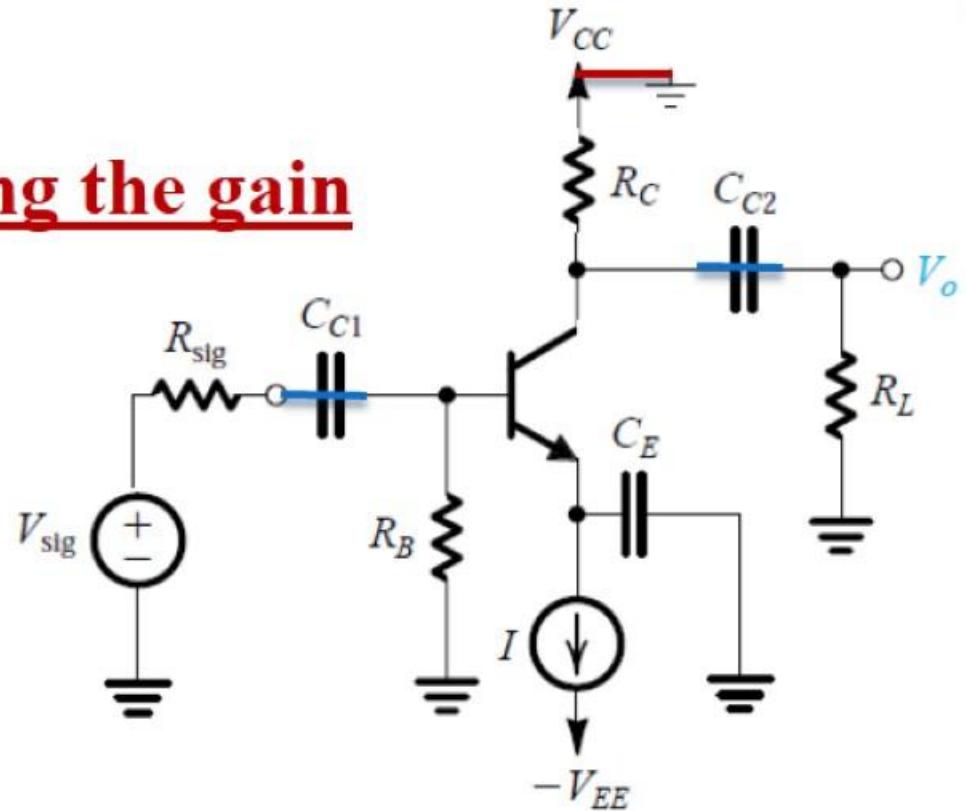
$$\omega_{P1} = 2\pi f_{P1} = \frac{1}{C_{C1}[R_{sig} + (R_B || r\pi)]} = \frac{1}{\tau}$$

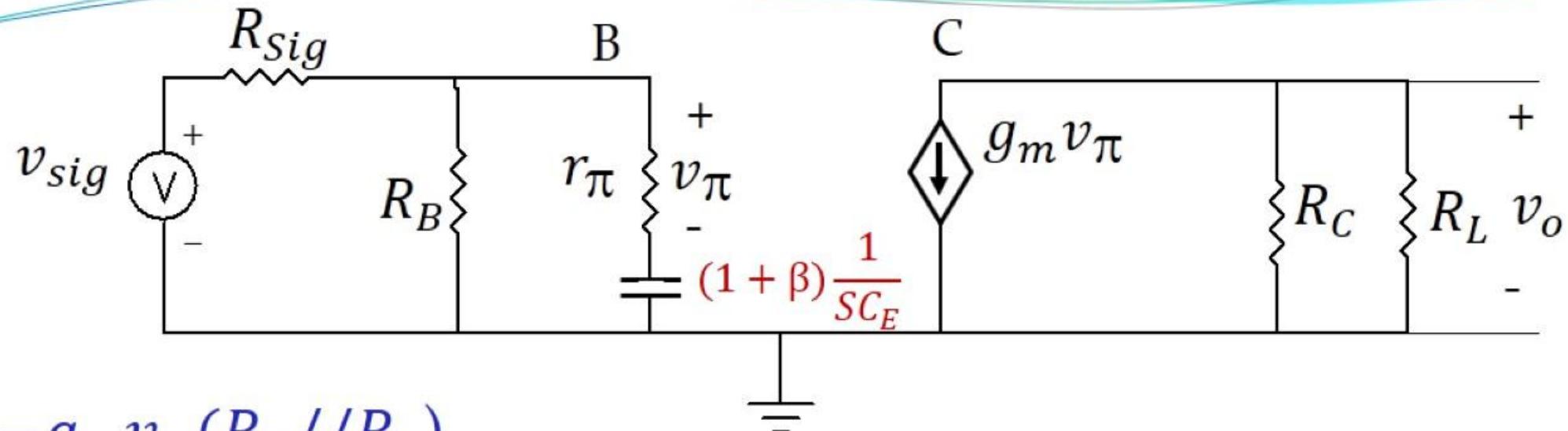
$$\tau = C_{C1} R_{eq}$$

$$f_{P1} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_{C1}[R_{sig} + (R_B || r\pi)]} \rightarrow 1$$

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Calculate the pole due to  $C_E$  by deriving the gain  
( $C_{C1}$ ,  $C_{C2}$  are neglected)





$$v_o = -g_m v_{\pi} (R_C // R_L)$$

$$v_{\pi} = \frac{v_{sig} R_B}{R_{sig} + R_B} \frac{r_{\pi}}{(R_{sig} // R_B) + r_{\pi} + (1 + \beta) \frac{1}{SC_E}}$$

$$\frac{v_{out}}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_C // R_L) R_B r_{\pi}}{(R_{sig} + R_B)[(R_{sig} || R_B) + r_{\pi}]} \frac{1}{[1 + \frac{(1 + \beta)}{SC_E[(R_{sig} || R_B) + r_{\pi}]}]}$$

$$\frac{v_{out}}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_C//R_L) R_B r_\pi}{(R_{sig} + R_B)[(R_{Sig}||R_B) + r_\pi]} \cdot \frac{1}{[1 + \frac{(1 + \beta)}{SC_E[(R_{Sig}||R_B) + r_\pi]}]}$$

$$A_{LF,CE}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{1 + \frac{\omega_{P2}}{S}}$$

**Note**

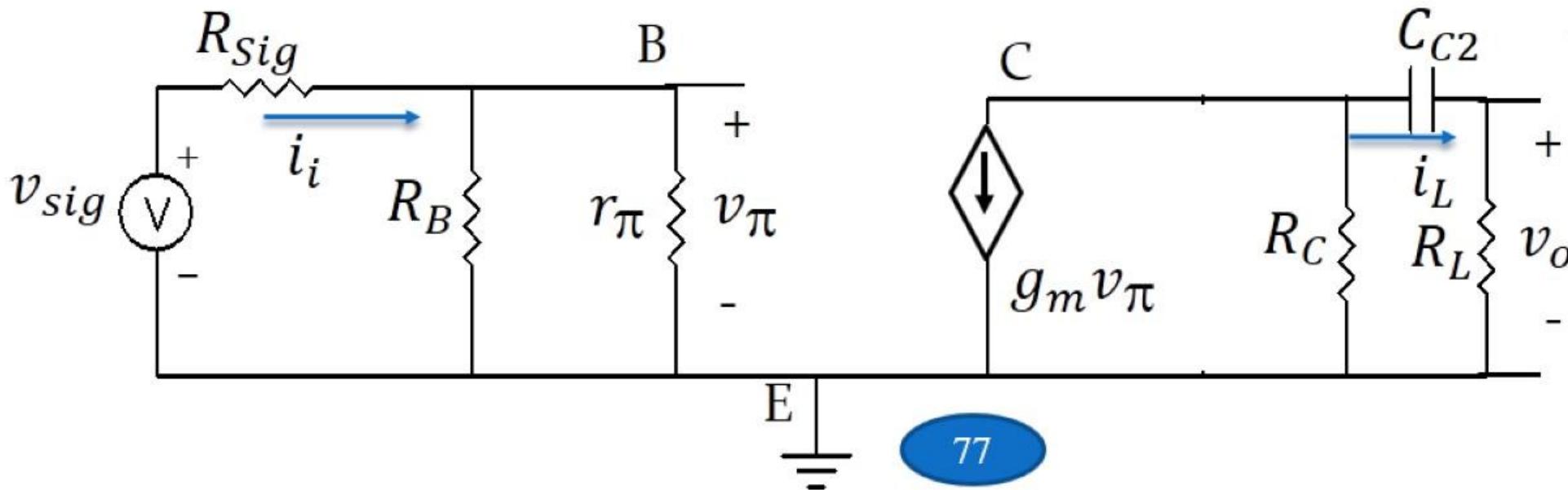
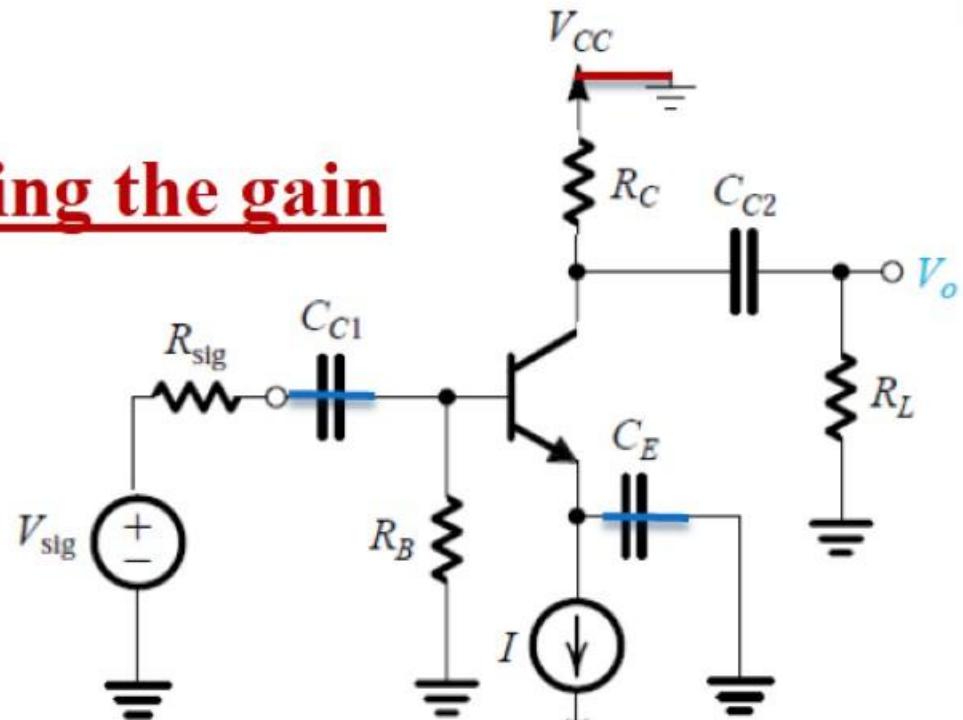
$$\frac{g_m (R_C//R_L) R_B // r_\pi}{[R_{sig} + R_B // r_\pi]} = \frac{g_m (R_C//R_L) R_B r_\pi}{(R_{sig} + R_B)[(R_{Sig}||R_B) + r_\pi]}$$

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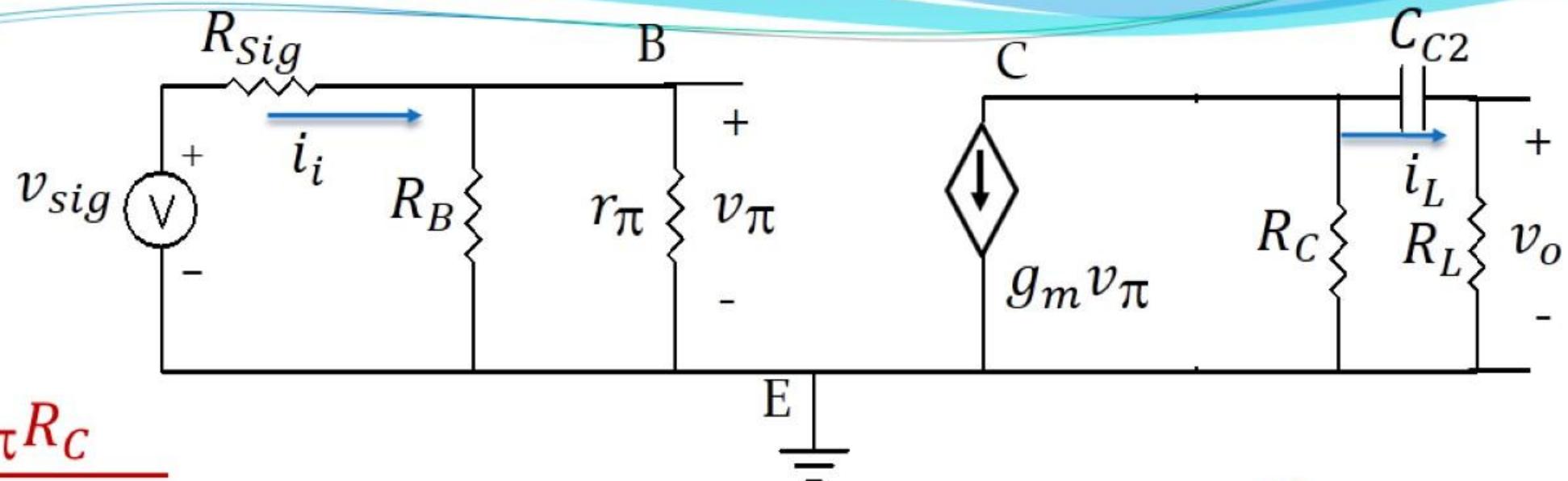
Therefore, the break frequency due to  $C_E$  is given by:

$$w_{p2} = 2\pi f_{P2} = \frac{(1+\beta)}{C_E[(R_{Sig}||R_B+r\pi)]} = \frac{1}{C_E\left(r_e + \frac{R_B||R_{sig}}{\beta+1}\right)} = \frac{1}{\tau}$$

Calculate the pole due to  $C_{C2}$  by deriving the gain  
( $C_{C1}$ ,  $C_{CE}$  are neglected)



$$v_o = i_L R_L$$



$$i_L = \frac{-g_m v_\pi R_C}{R_C + \frac{1}{S C_{C2}} + R_L}$$

$$v_\pi = i_i (R_B \| r_\pi)$$

$$i_i = \frac{V_{sig}}{R_{sig} + (R_B \| r_\pi)}$$

$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m R_C R_L (R_B \| r_\pi)}{\left[ R_C + \frac{1}{S C_{C2}} + R_L \right] [R_{sig} + (R_B \| r_\pi)]}$$

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$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m R_C R_L (R_B || r_\pi)}{(R_C + R_L) [R_{sig} + (R_B || r_\pi)] \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{SC_{C2}(R_C + R_L)} \right]}$$

$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = \frac{-g_m (R_C // R_L) (R_B || r_\pi)}{[R_{sig} + (R_B || r_\pi)] \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{SC_{C2}(R_C + R_L)} \right]}$$

$$A_{LF,C2}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{1 + \frac{\omega_{P3}}{S}}$$

Therefore, the break frequency due to  $C_{C2}$  is given by:

$$f_{P3} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_{C2} (R_C + R_L)} \longrightarrow \boxed{3}$$

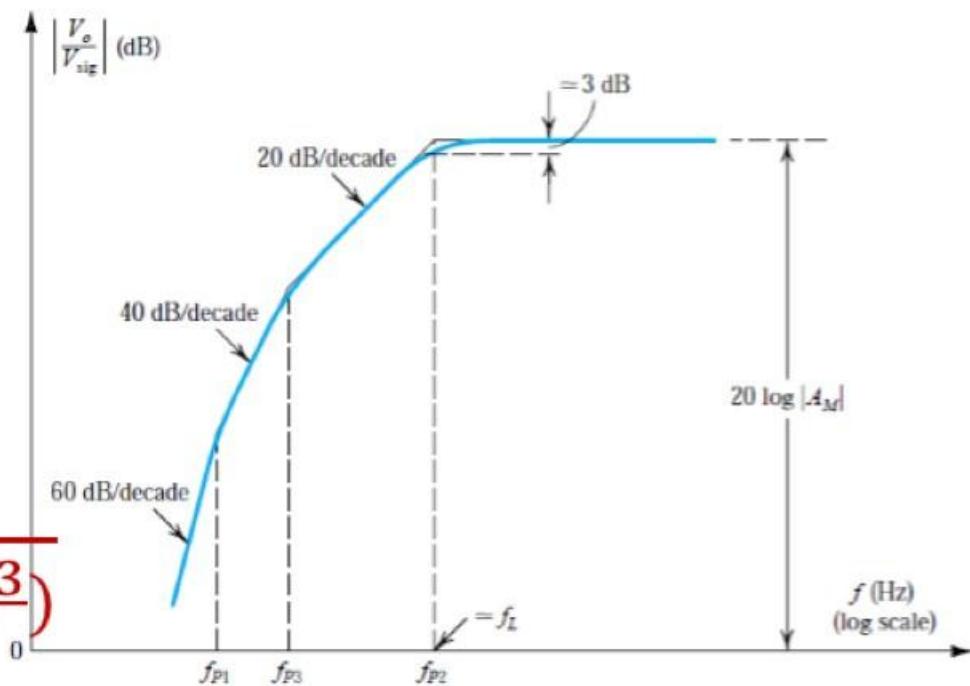
$$\tau = C_{C2} (R_C + R_L)$$

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(b) Calculate the lower 3-dB frequency

$$f_L = \sqrt{f_{p1}^2 + f_{p2}^2 + f_{p3}^2}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{sig}} = A_{LF}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{(1 + \frac{\omega_{P1}}{S})(1 + \frac{\omega_{P2}}{S})(1 + \frac{\omega_{P3}}{S})}$$



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$$w_{p1} = \frac{1}{C_{c1}[(R_B||r_\pi) + R_{sig}]}$$

$$w_{p2} = \frac{1}{C_E \left( r_e + \frac{R_B || R_{sig}}{\beta + 1} \right)}$$

$$w_{p3} = \frac{1}{C_{c2}(R_C + R_L)}$$

$$\frac{V_o}{V_{sig}} = A_M \left( \frac{s}{s + w_{p1}} \right) \left( \frac{s}{s + w_{p2}} \right) \left( \frac{s}{s + w_{p3}} \right)$$

The important point to note here is that the 3-dB frequency  $f_L$  is determined by the highest of the three pole frequencies. This is usually the pole caused by the bypass capacitor  $C_E$ , simply because the resistance that it sees is usually quite small. Thus, even if one uses a large value for  $C_E$ ,  $f_{p2}$  is usually the highest of the three pole frequencies.

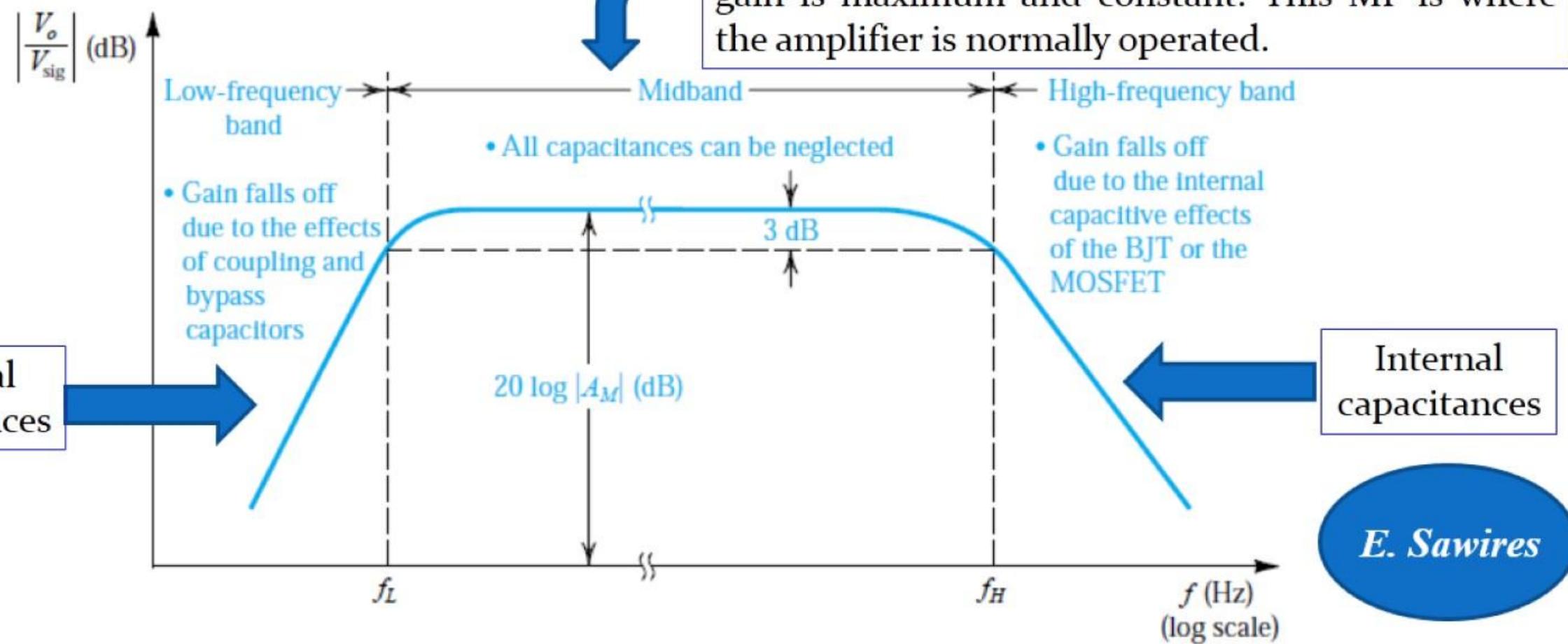
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# High Frequency Response

# Introduction

# Objective

- We want to study the effect that these capacitances have on the amplifier's voltage gain



## External Capacitances ( $\mu\text{F}$ )

Typically, the external capacitors are large ( in order of Micro Farad)

$$Z_C = \frac{1}{j2\pi f C_{external}}$$

In LF  
capacitors **are not** act  
like a (short circuit)

In MF  
capacitors act  
like a (short circuit)

In HF  
capacitors act  
like a (short circuit)

## Internal Capacitances (pF)

Typically, the internal capacitors are small ( in order of Pico Farad)

$$Z_C = \frac{1}{j2\pi f C_{internal}}$$

In LF  
capacitors act  
like a (open circuit)

In MF  
capacitors act like  
a (open circuit)

In HF  
capacitors **are not** act  
like a (open circuit)

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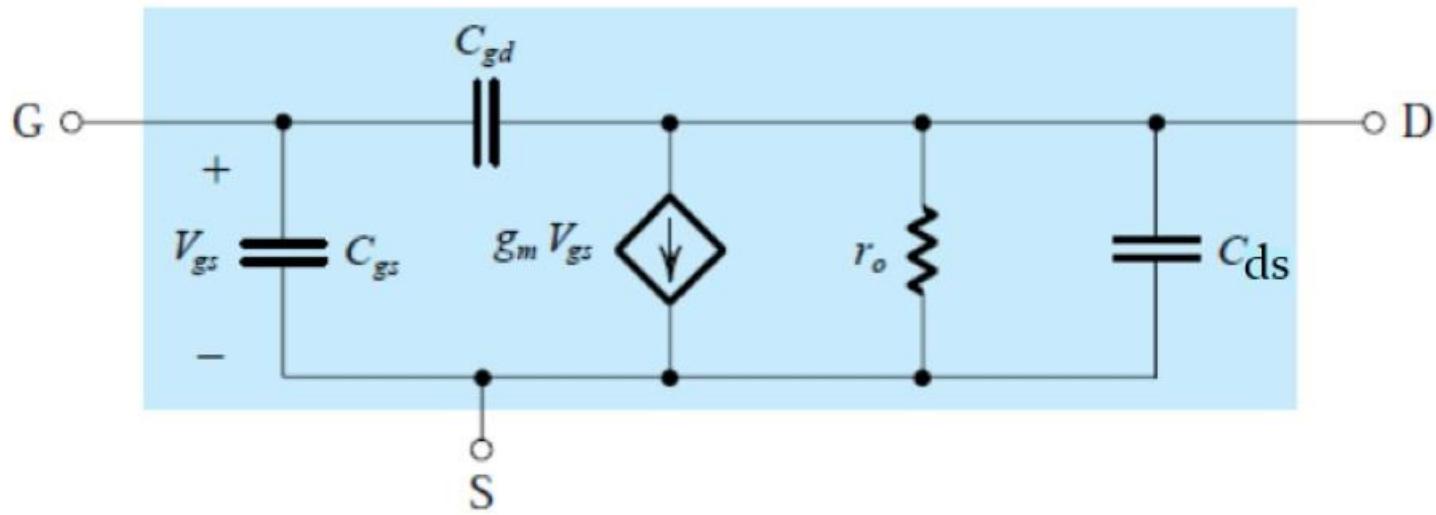
- **The physical structure and biasing of the transistors (MOS or BJT) result in Internal capacitances between its terminals.**
- However, we have considered their impedances as **Open Circuit**

$$Z_{Cint} = \frac{1}{SC_{int}} = \frac{1}{j2\pi f C_{int}} \approx \infty$$

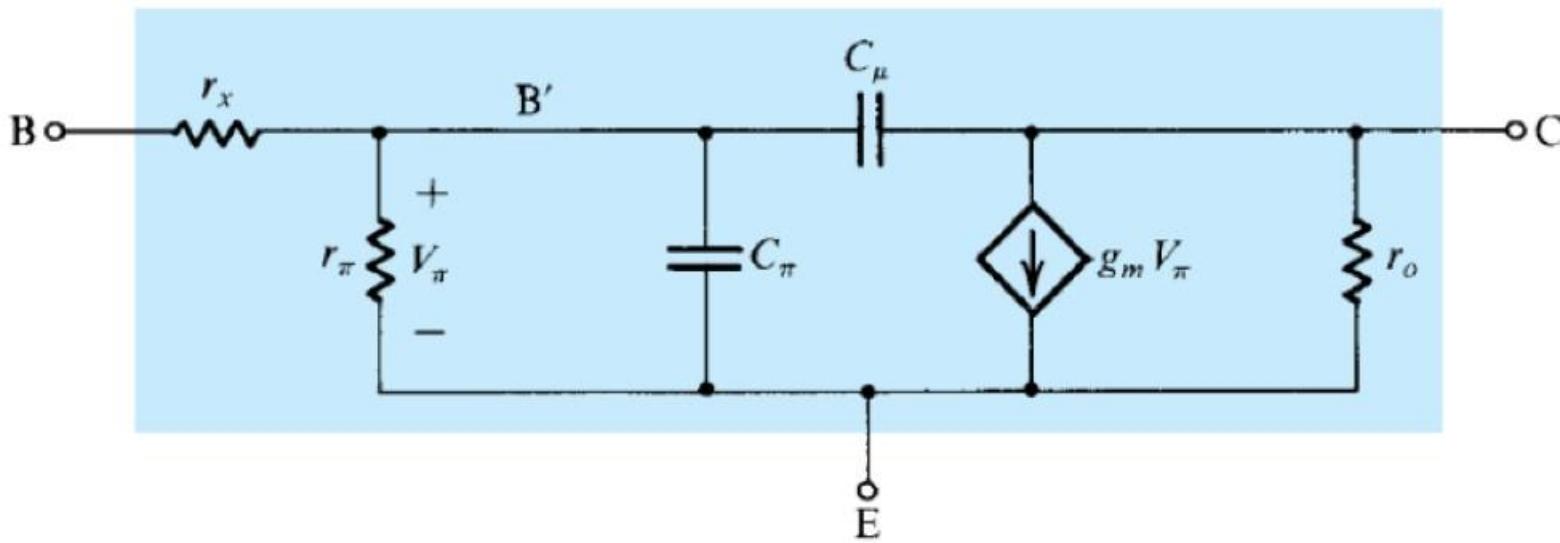
- However, **this is not valid for High frequencies!**

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# High-Frequency Model of the MOSFET and the BJT



## The High-Frequency Model of MOSFET



## The high Frequency Hybrid $\pi$ Model Of The BJT

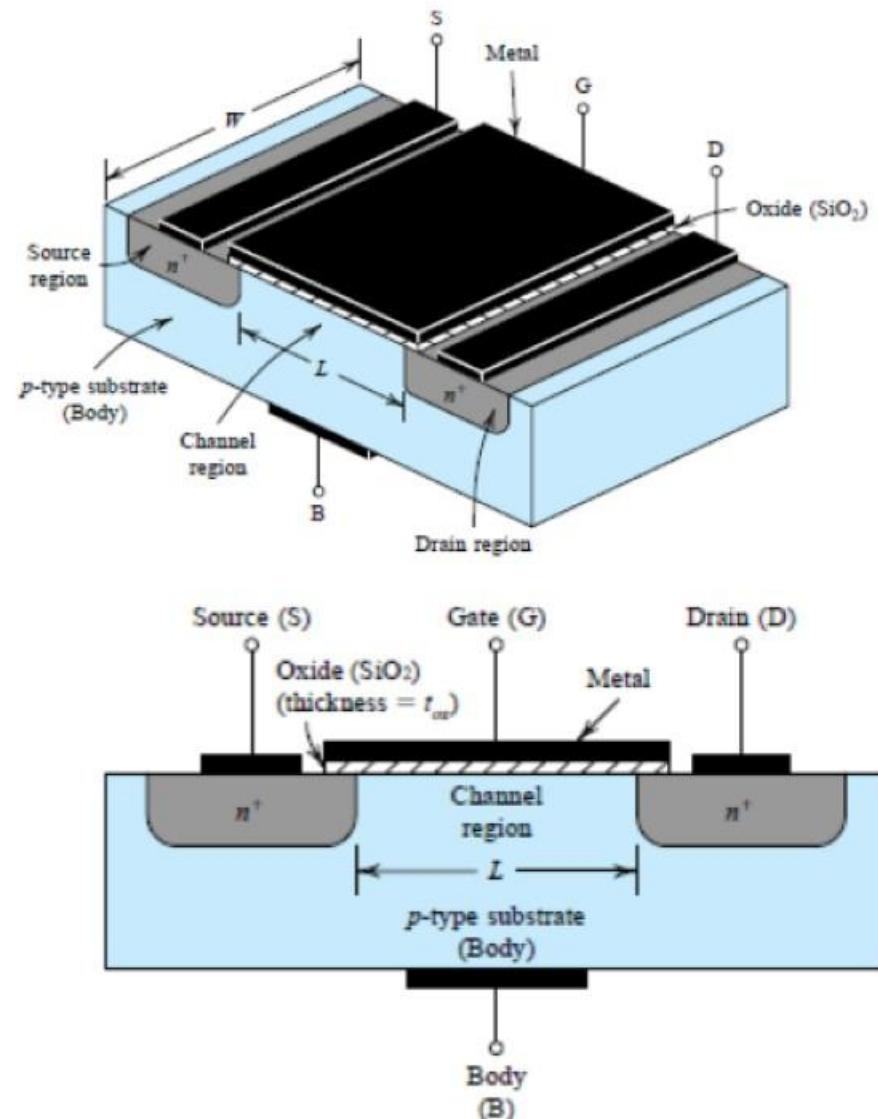
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# The High-Frequency Model of MOSFET

- There are basically two types of internal capacitance in the MOSFET.

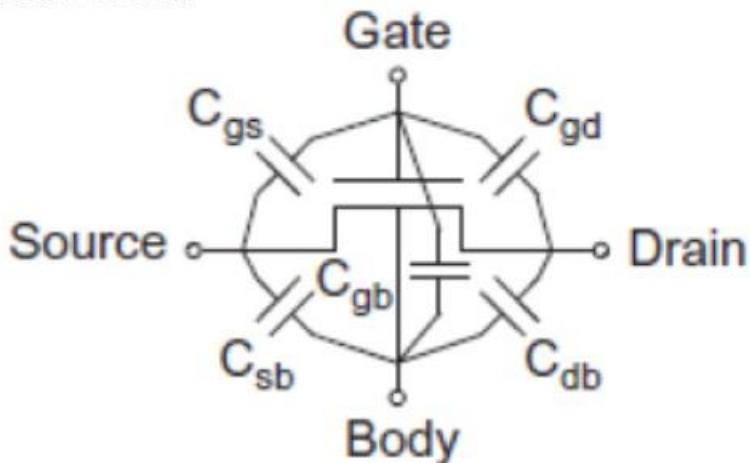
*1-The gate capacitive effect:* The gate electrode (polysilicon) forms a parallel-plate capacitor with the channel, with the oxide layer serving as the capacitor dielectric.

*2-The source-substrate and drain-substrate depletion-layer capacitances:* These are the capacitances of the reverse-biased  $pn$  junctions formed by the  $n^+$  source region (also called the source diffusion) and the  $p$ -type substrate and by the  $n^+$  drain region (the drain diffusion) and the substrate.



# The High-Frequency Model of MOSFET

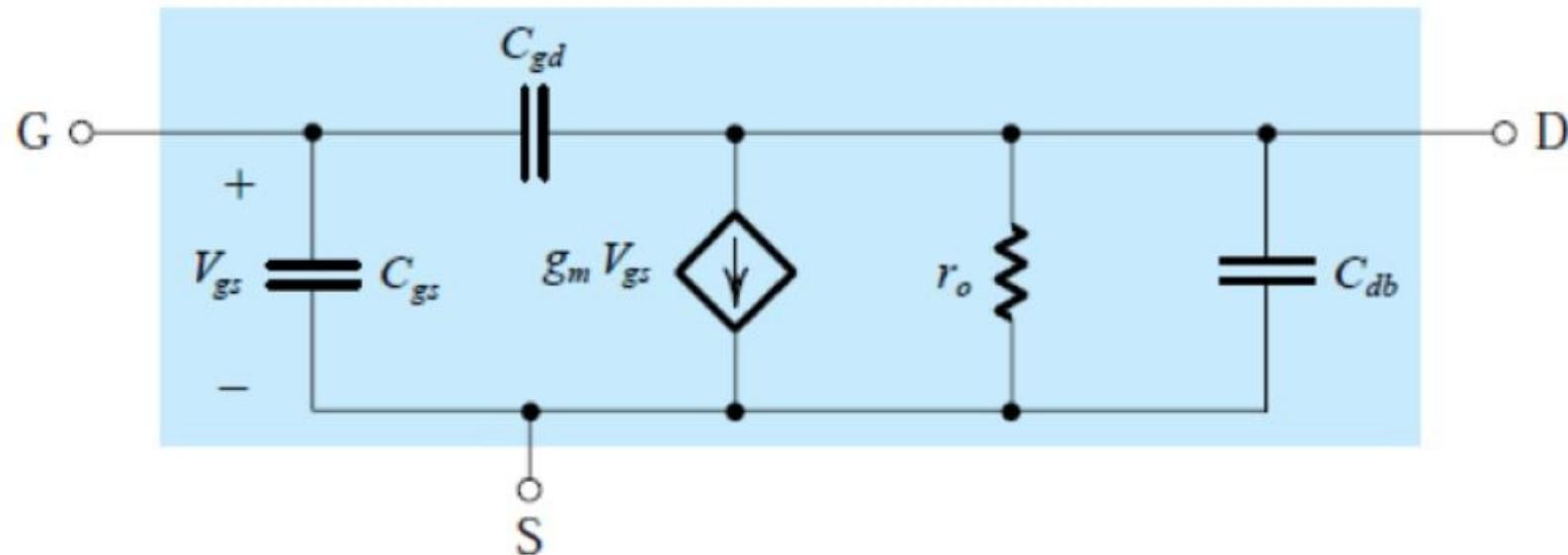
- The gate capacitive effect can be modeled by the three capacitances  $C_{gs}$ ,  $C_{gd}$ , and  $C_{gb}$ .
- These two capacitive effects can be modeled by including capacitances in the MOSFET model between its four terminals, G, D, S, and B. There will be five capacitances in total:  $C_{gs}$ ,  $C_{gd}$ ,  $C_{gb}$ ,  $C_{sb}$ , and  $C_{db}$ , where the subscripts indicate the location of the capacitances in the model.



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# The High-Frequency Model of MOSFET

- When the source is connected to the body, the model simplifies considerably, as shown in Fig.

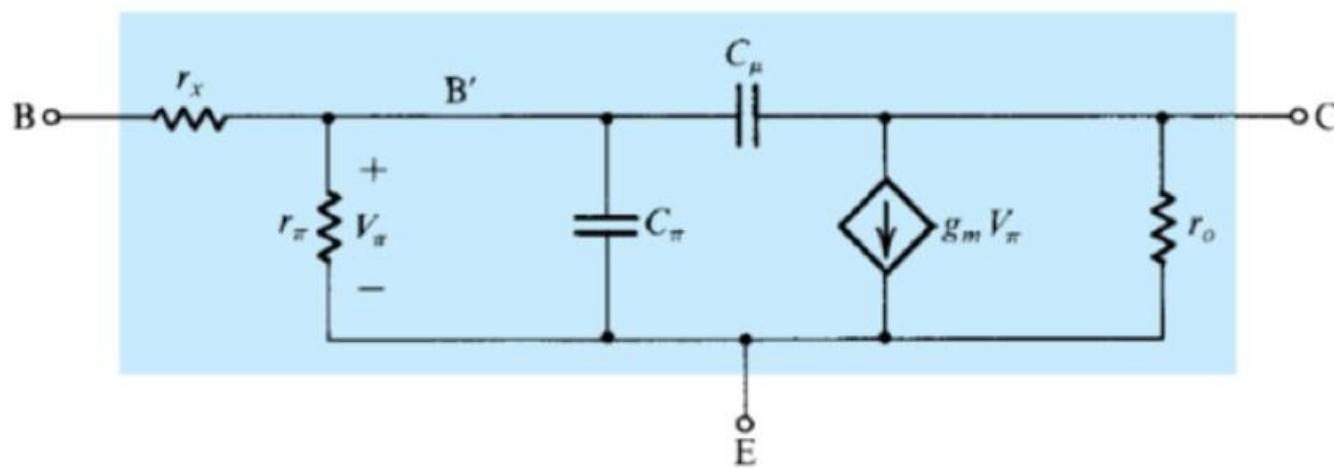


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# High Frequency Hybrid $\pi$ Model Of The BJT

- Specifically, there are two main capacitances added:

1-The collector base reverse biased depletion capacitance  $C_\mu$ , Typically,  $C_\mu$  is in the range of a fraction of a picofarad to a few picofarads. It depends on the junction voltage  $V_{CB}$  and always given in the transistor datasheet.

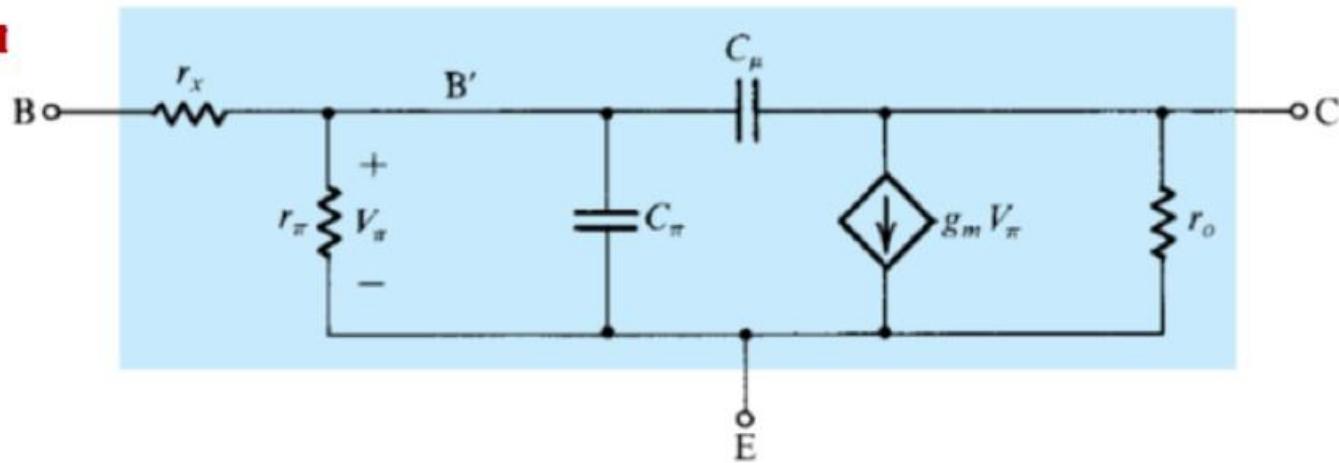


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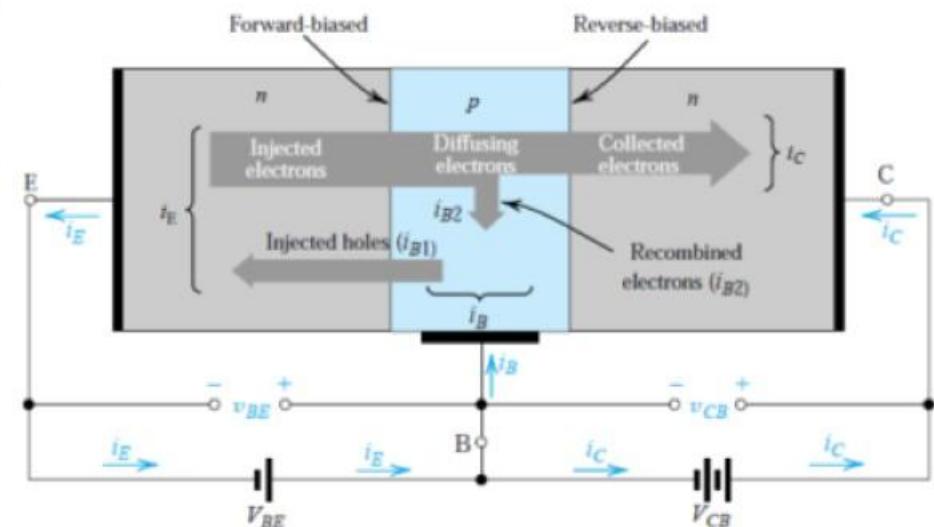
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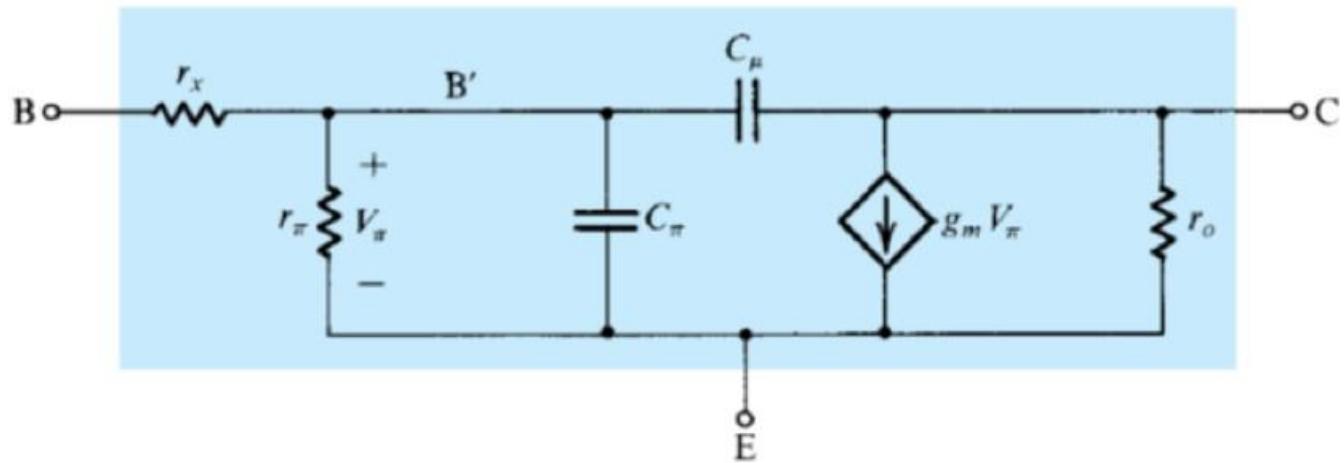
2- The emitter-base capacitance  $C\pi = C_{de} + C_{je}$ , it is in the range of a few picofarads to a few tens of picofarads.



- The Base-Charging or Diffusion Capacitance  $C_{de}$ , is the small signal diffusion capacitance, it is due to accumulation of the diffused electrons in the base region.
- The Base-Emitter Junction Capacitance  $C_{je}$  is the forward base depletion capacitance. It is given in the transistor datasheet.



# High Frequency Hybrid $\pi$ Model Of The BJT



3-  **$r_x$  is the resistance of the silicon material of the base region.**  $r_x$  is a few tens of ohms, and its value depends on the current level in a rather complicated manner.  $r_x \ll r_\pi$ , its effect is negligible at low frequencies. Its presence is felt, however, at high frequencies.

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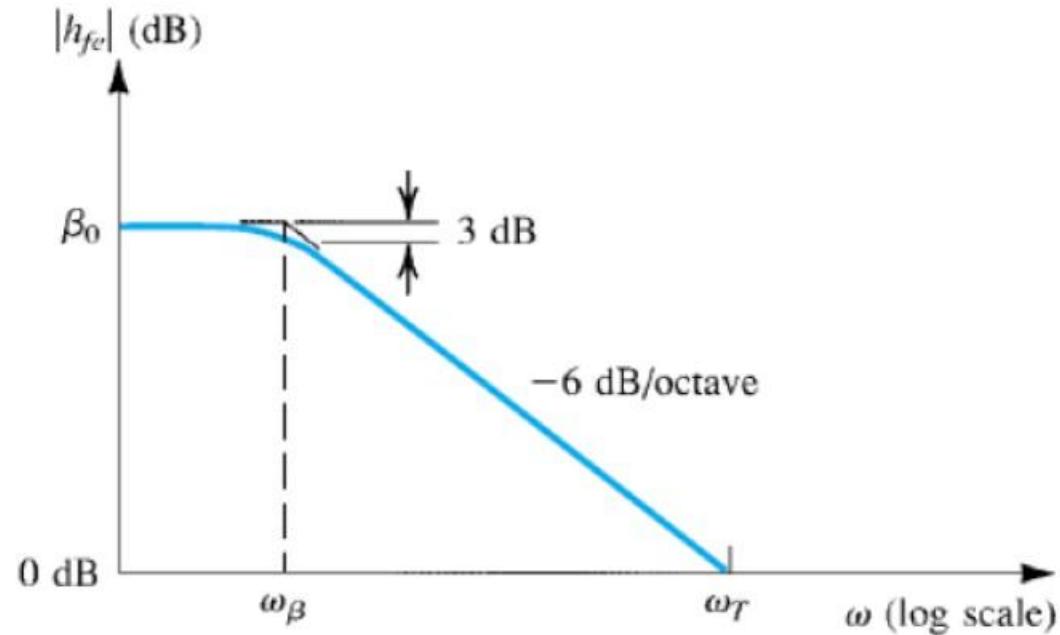
# High Frequency Hybrid $\pi$ Model Of The BJT

- The transistor data sheets do not usually specify the value of  $C\pi$ , rather, the behavior of  $\beta$  (or  $h_{fe}$ ) versus frequency is normally given by:

$$h_{fe} = \frac{\beta_0}{1 + S(C_\pi + C_\mu)r_\pi}$$

- Where  $\beta_0 = g_m r_\pi$  is the low-frequency value of  $\beta$ . Thus  $h_{fe}$  has a single-pole (or STC) response with a 3-dB frequency at  $\omega = \omega_\beta$ , given by:

$$w_\beta = \frac{1}{(C_\pi + C_\mu)r_\pi}$$



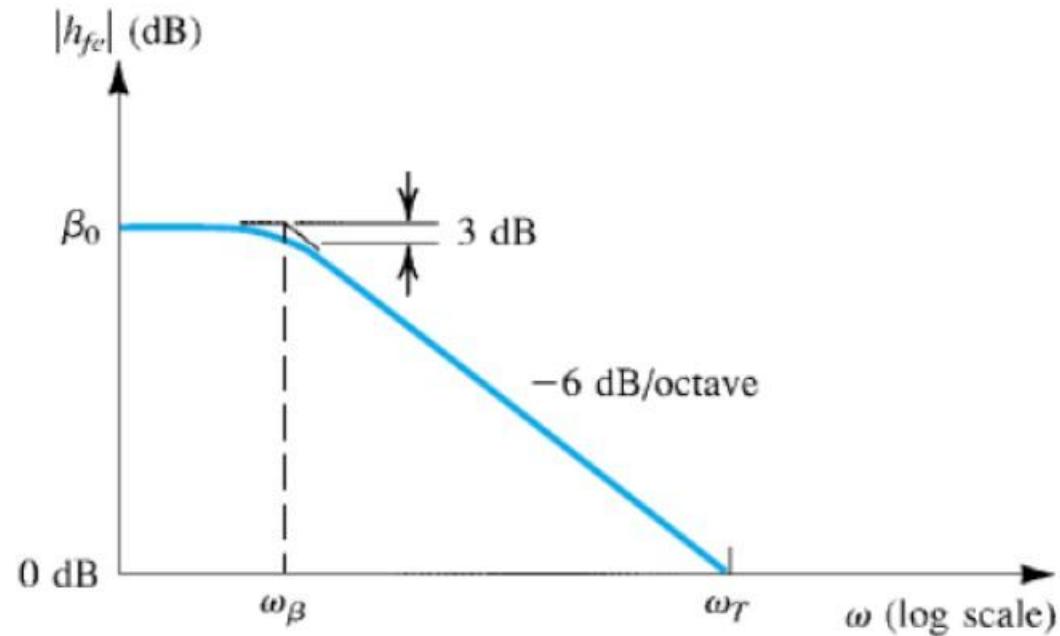
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# High Frequency Hybrid $\pi$ Model Of The BJT

The **unity-gain bandwidth**  $\omega_T$ , is given by

$$w_T = \beta_0 w_\beta = \frac{g_m}{(C_\pi + C_\mu)}$$

$$f_T = \frac{g_m}{2\pi(C_\pi + C_\mu)}$$



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# High Frequency Response

# High Frequency Response

The gain in the high frequency :  $A_{HF}(s)$ ;  $S = j \omega$

**(a) Assuming the amplifier has one internal capacitor:**

$$A_{HF}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{1 + \frac{S}{\omega_{p1}}} = \frac{A_{MF}}{1 + \frac{S}{\omega_H}}$$

Where  $A_{MF}$  is the mid-band gain, and  $\omega_H = 2\pi f_H = \omega_{p1}$  is the higher cut-off radian frequency or the higher 3-dB radian frequency.

The magnitude of the gain in dB is given by:

$$|A_{HF}(j\omega)| \text{dB} = 20 \log |A_{HF}(j\omega)| = 20 \log \frac{A_{MF}}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_H}\right)^2}}$$

at  $\omega = \omega_H$

$$|A_{HF}| \text{dB} = 20 \log A_{MF} - 3 \text{ dB}$$

**(b) Assuming the amplifier has two independent internal capacitors:**

$$A_{HF}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{(1 + \frac{S}{\omega_{P1}})(1 + \frac{S}{\omega_{P2}})}$$

$$\omega_H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{\omega_{P1}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{\omega_{P2}}\right)^2}}$$

The higher 3-dB frequency is given by :

$$f_H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{f_{P1}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{f_{P2}}\right)^2}}$$

**(c) Assuming the amplifier has n independent internal capacitors:**

$$A_{HF}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{\left(1 + \frac{S}{\omega_{P1}}\right)\left(1 + \frac{S}{\omega_{P2}}\right) \dots \left(1 + \frac{S}{\omega_{Pn}}\right)}$$

The higher 3-dB frequency is given by :

$$f_H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{f_{P1}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{f_{P2}}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{f_{Pn}}\right)^2}}$$

If one of the poles is much smaller than the others, then it will be the dominant pole and other poles can be neglected.

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# Calculating the Higher 3-dB frequency

## Calculating $f_H$

- The higher cutoff 3-dB frequency is calculated by NOT considering the impedances of the internal capacitances Open Circuit.
- The internal capacitors poles can be calculated by deriving the voltage gain
- The external capacitors while calculating the higher 3-dB cutoff frequency are neglected (considered short circuit)

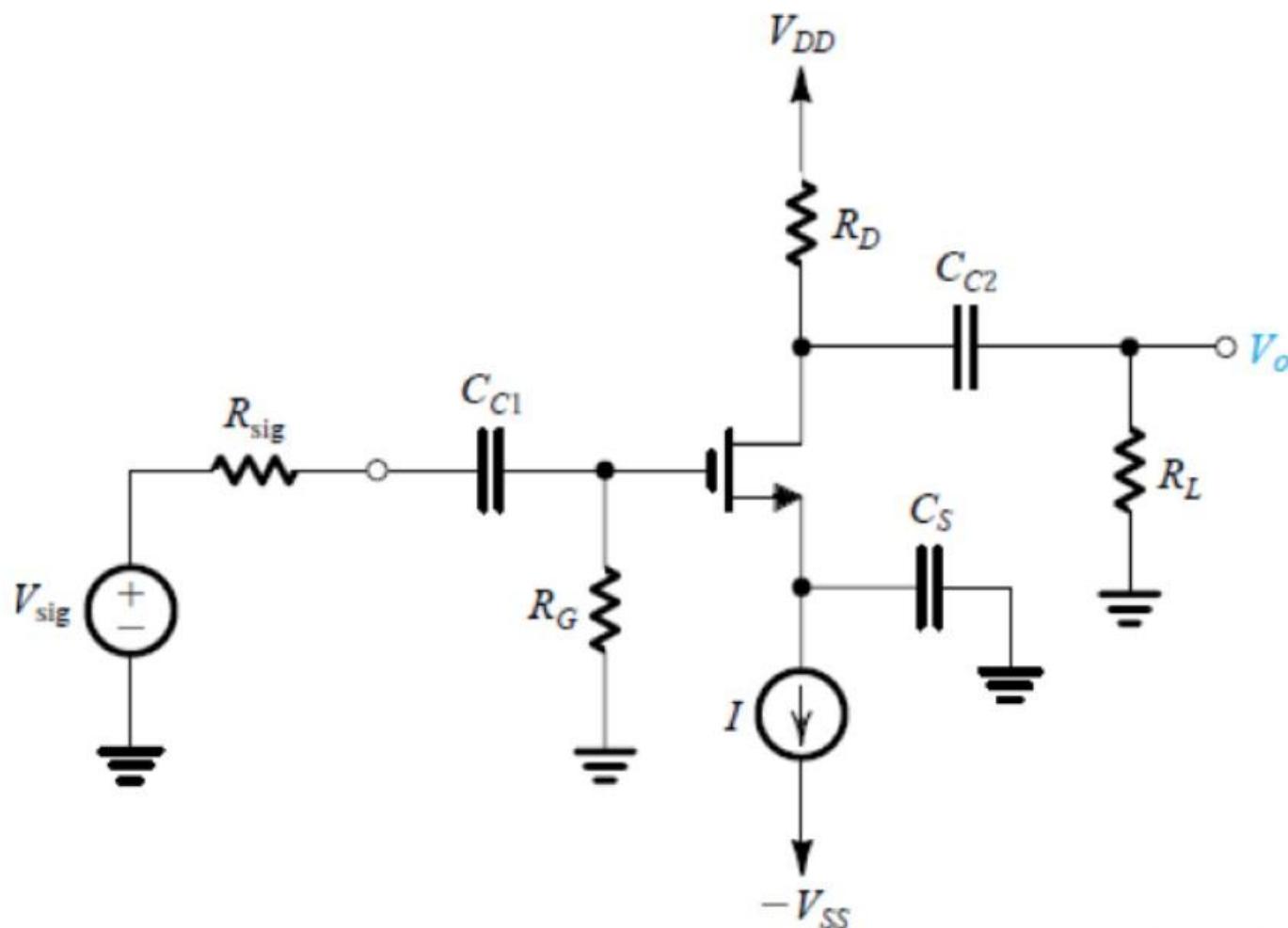
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# High Frequency Response of CS

## Amplifier

## Example

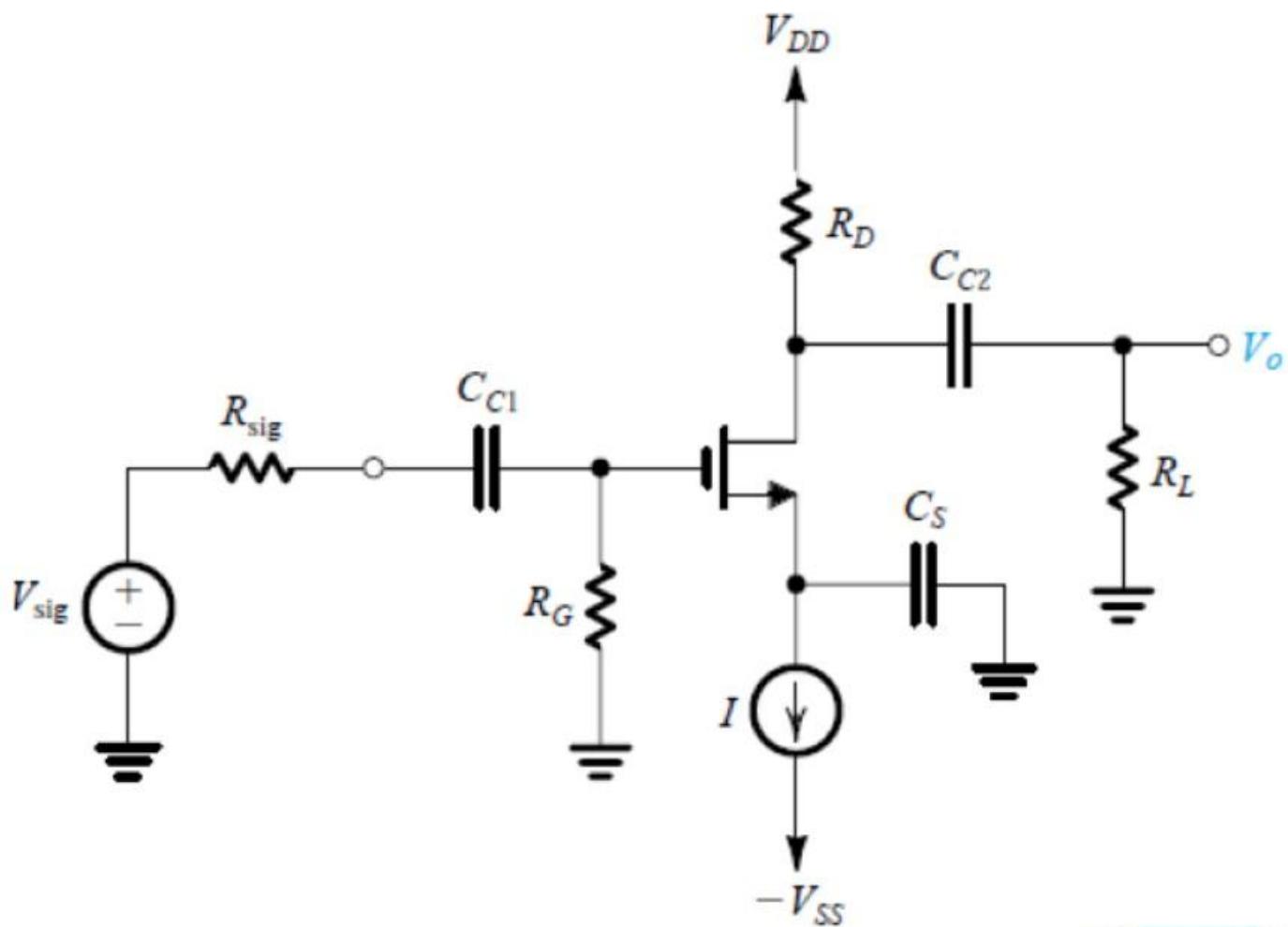
For the shown amplifier :  
find the midband voltage  
gain and the higher 3-dB  
frequency,  $f_H$ .



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# Example

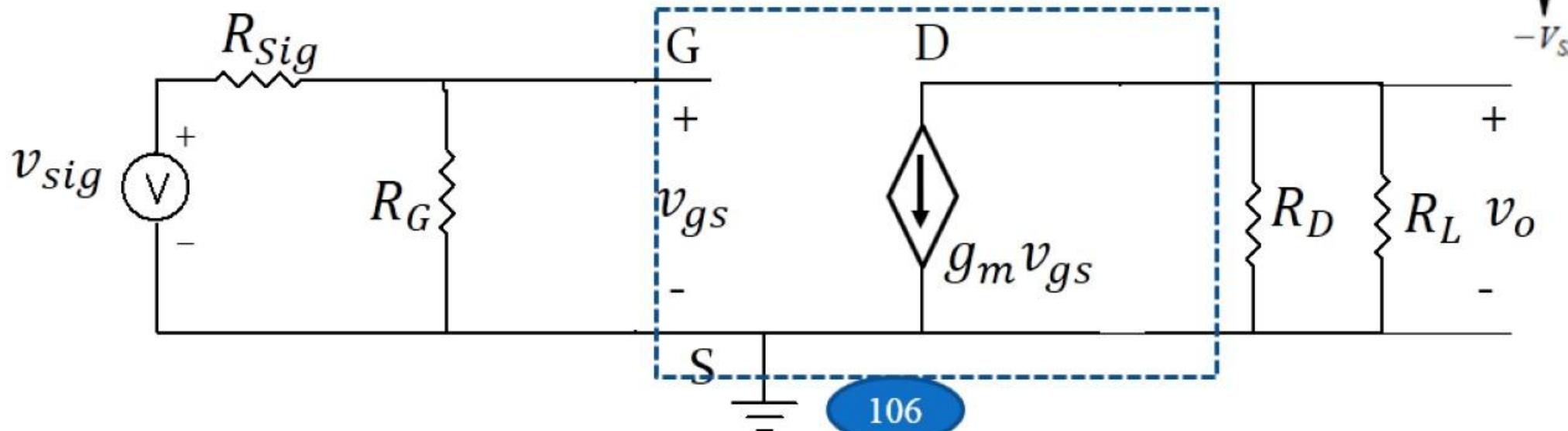
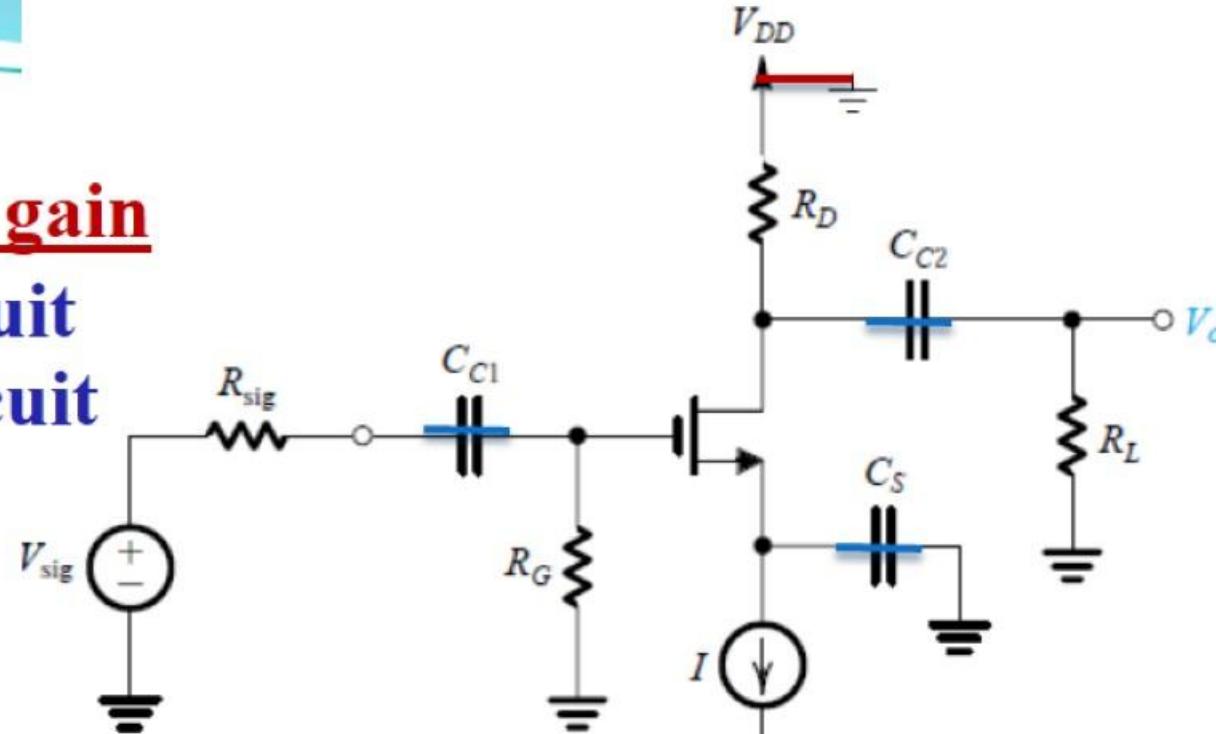
Calculate the high-frequency band gain for the Common Source Amplifier.

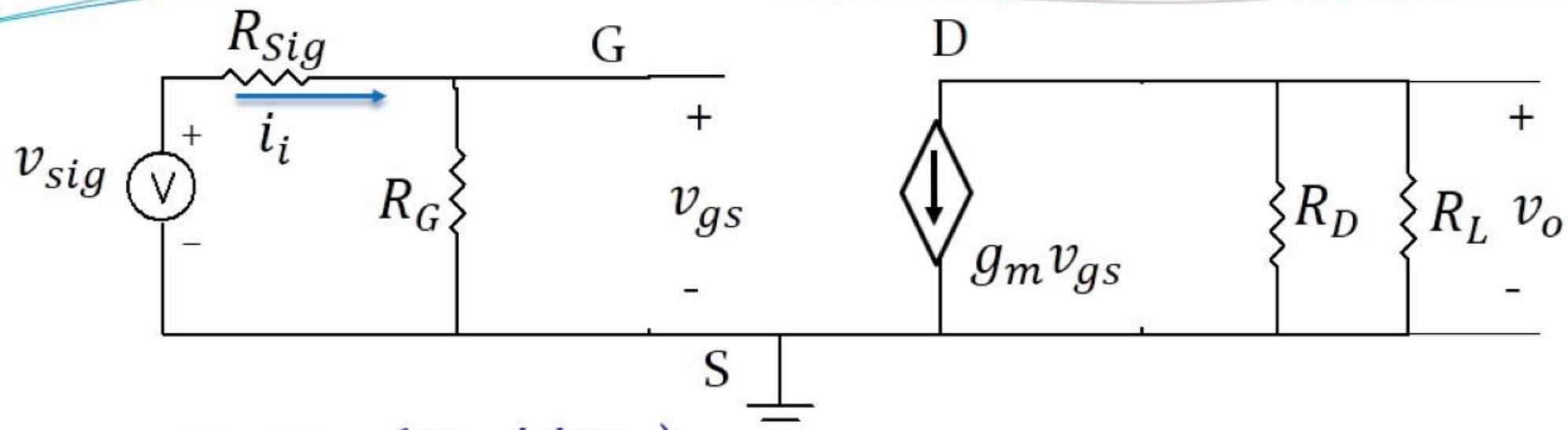


## (a) Calculate the mid-band voltage gain

internal capacitors  $\Rightarrow$  open circuit

external capacitors  $\Rightarrow$  short circuit





$$v_o = -g_m v_{gs} (R_L // R_D)$$

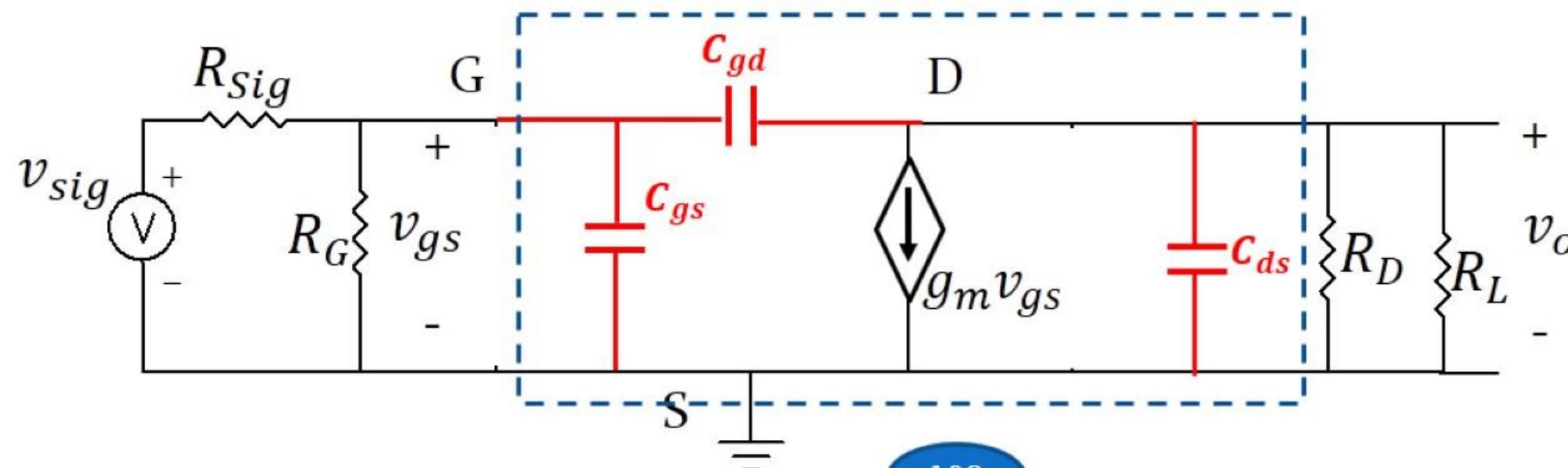
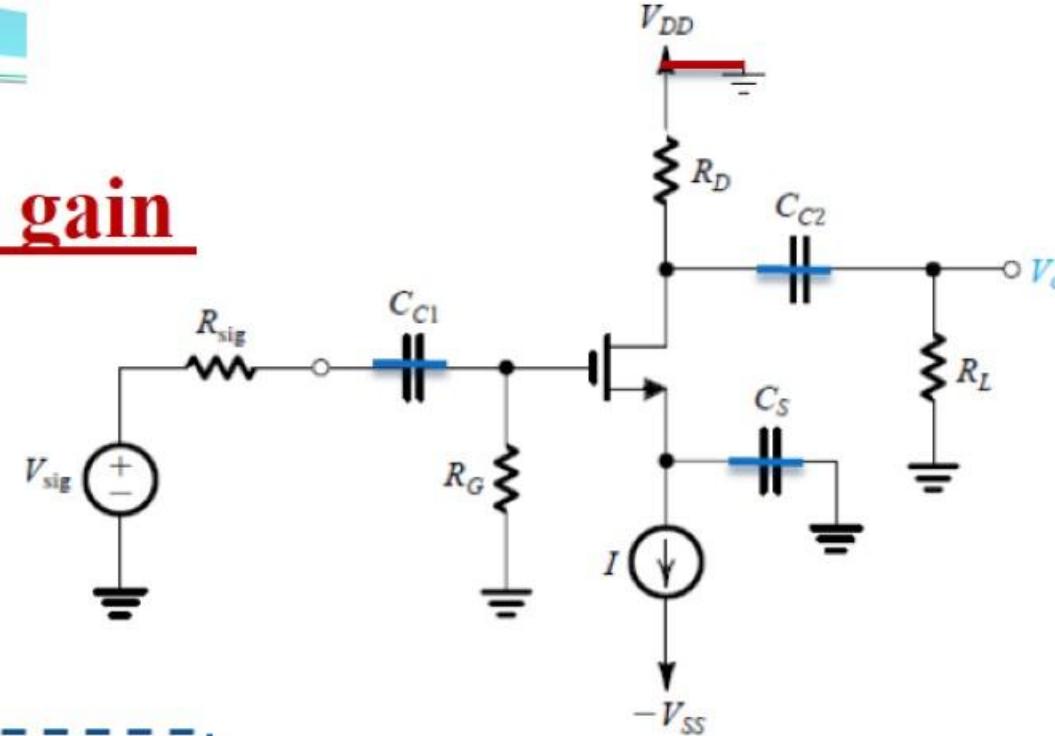
$$v_{gs} = i_i R_G$$

$$i_i = \frac{v_{sig}}{R_{sig} + R_G}$$

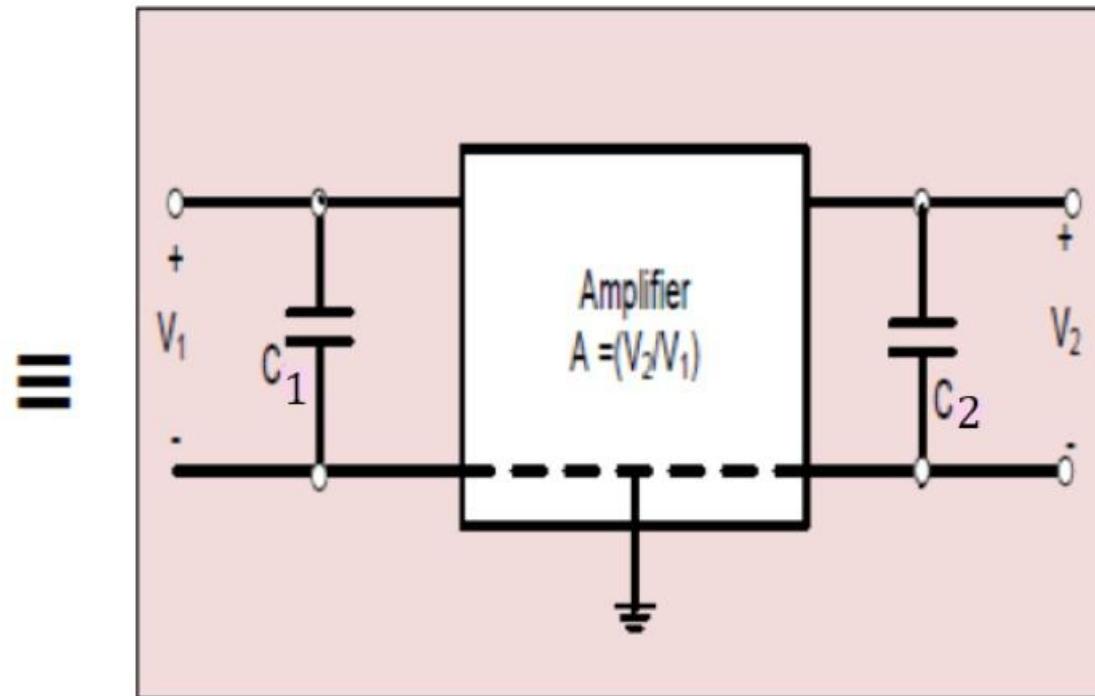
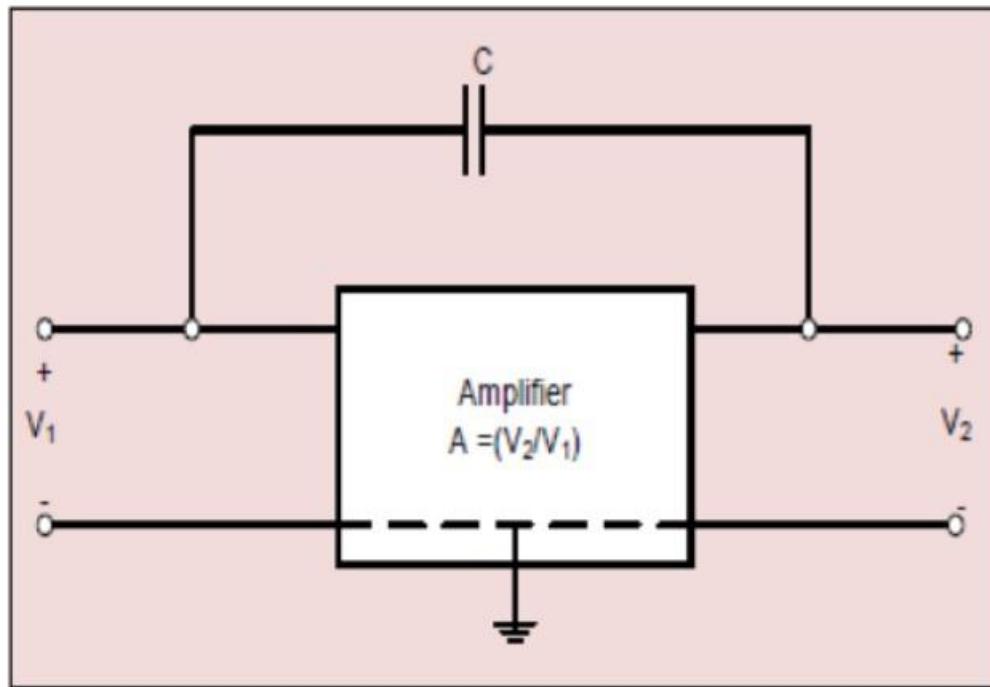
$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = A_{MF} = \frac{-g_m (R_L // R_D) R_G}{[R_{sig} + R_G]}$$

**(b) Calculate the high-frequency band gain**

**external capacitors**  **short circuit**



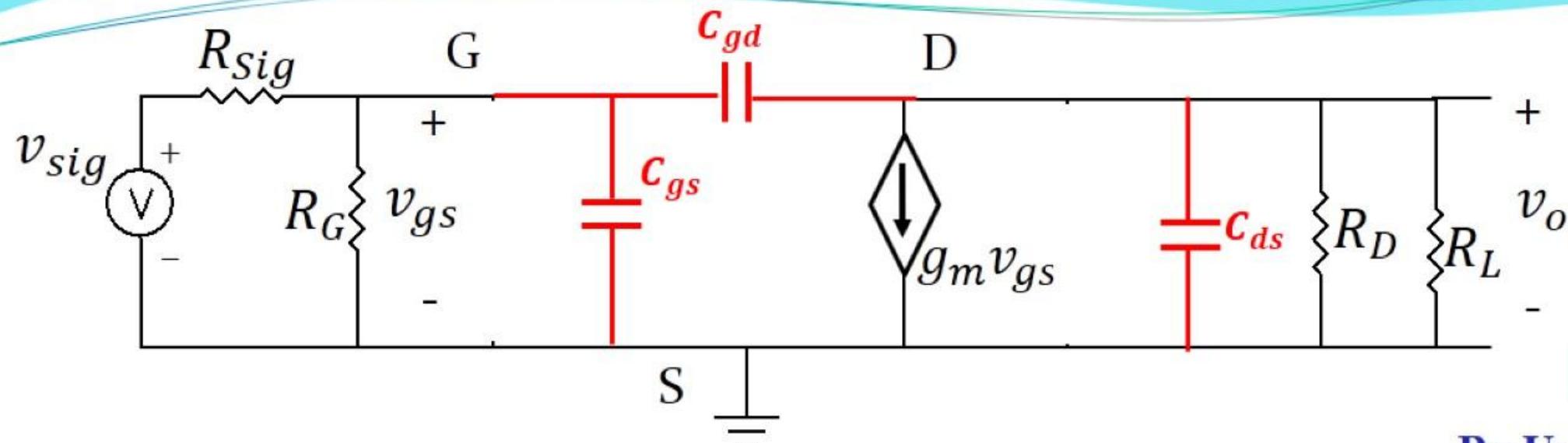
## Miller's Theory:



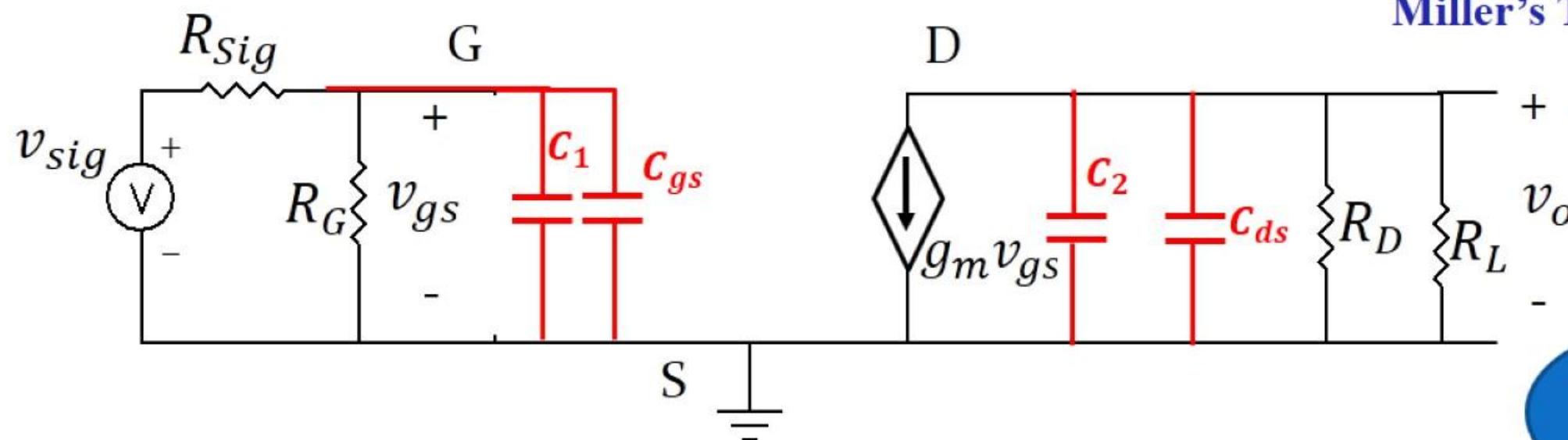
$$C_1 = C(1 - A)$$

$$C_2 = C\left(1 - \frac{1}{A}\right)$$

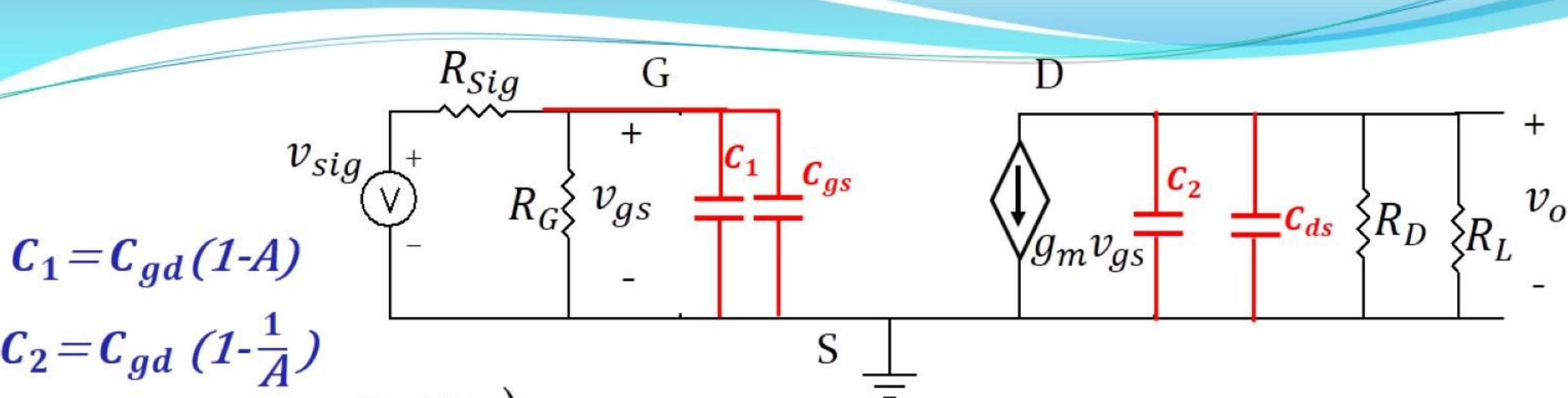
Where:  
A is calculated at  $f=0$ .



By Using  
Miller's Theory



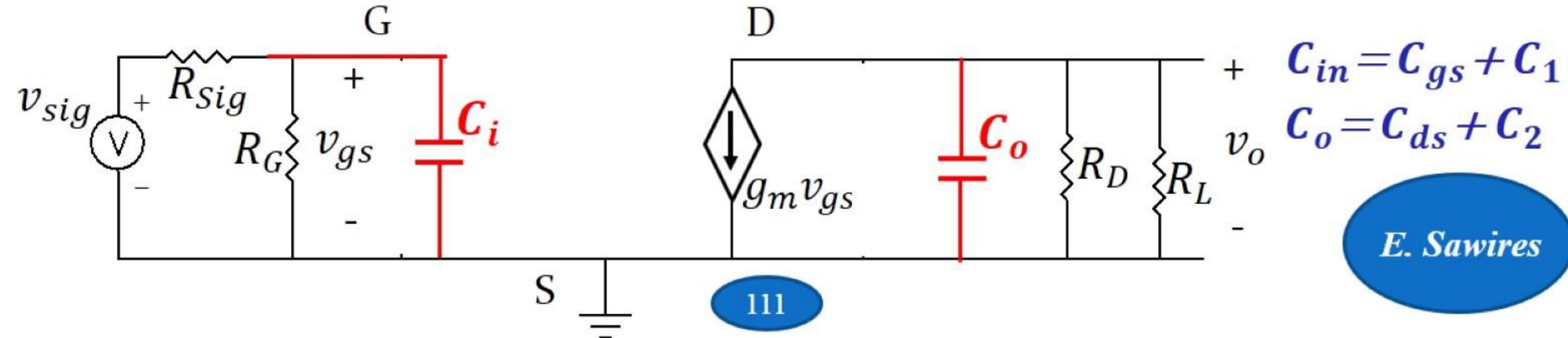
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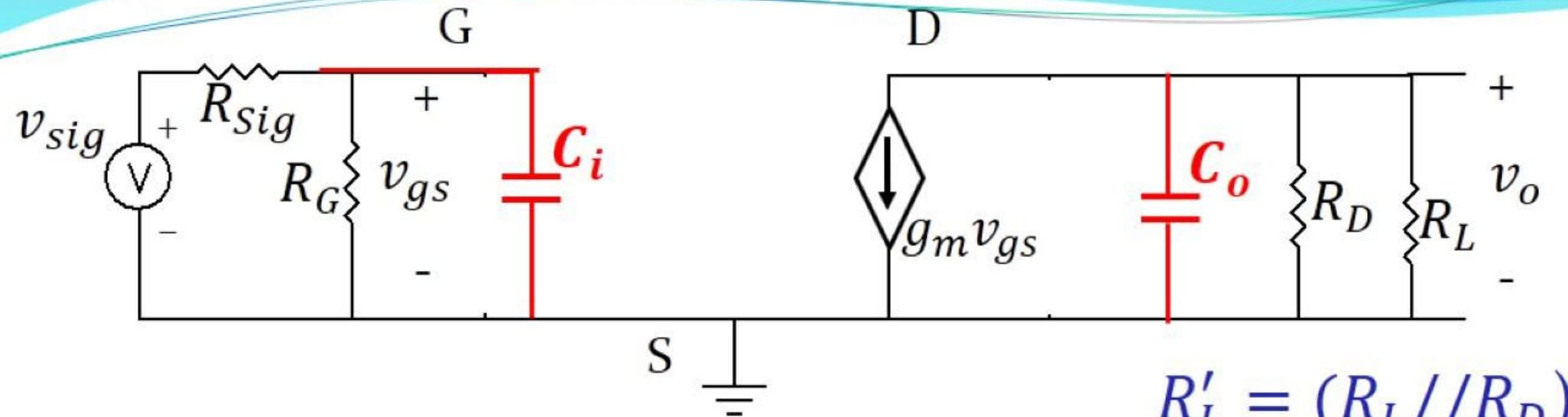
$$C_1 = C_{gd} (1 - A)$$

$$C_2 = C_{gd} \left(1 - \frac{1}{A}\right)$$

$$A = \frac{v_D}{v_G} \Big|_{\text{at } f=0} = \frac{-g_m v_{gs} (R_L // R_D)}{v_{gs}} = -g_m (R_L // R_D)$$



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$$R'_L = (R_L // R_D)$$

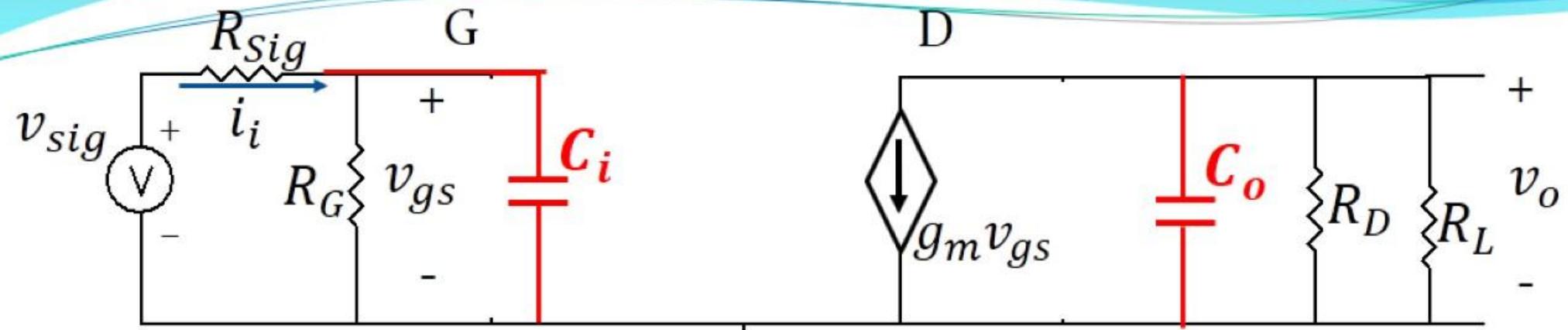
$$v_o = -g_m v_{gs} \left( R'_L \right) // \left( \frac{1}{sC_o} \right)$$

$$v_o = -g_m v_{gs} R'_L \frac{1}{(1 + sC_o R'_L)}$$

$$v_o = -g_m v_{gs} R'_L \frac{\frac{1}{s}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{PO}}}$$

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$$v_{gs} = i_i \left( \frac{1}{SC_i} // R_G \right)$$

$$i_i = \frac{v_{sig}}{R_{sig} + \left( \frac{1}{SC_i} // R_G \right)}$$

$$v_{gs} = \frac{v_{sig} \left( \frac{1}{SC_i} // R_G \right)}{R_{sig} + \left( \frac{1}{SC_i} // R_G \right)} = \frac{R_G v_{sig}}{\left( R_G + R_{sig} \right) \left[ 1 + \frac{SC_i R_G R_{sig}}{R_G + R_{sig}} \right]}$$

$$= \left( \frac{R_G v_{sig}}{R_G + R_{sig}} \right) \frac{1}{1 + SC_i (R_G // R_{sig})} = \left( \frac{R_G v_{sig}}{R_G + R_{sig}} \right) \frac{1}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{Pi}}}$$

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From (1) and (2):

$$\frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = A_{HF} = \frac{-g_m R'_L R_G \frac{1}{(1+SC_o R'_L)}}{(R_G + R_{sig})[1+SC_i(R_G//R_{sig})]}$$

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$$A_{HF}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{\left(1 + \frac{S}{\omega_{Pi}}\right)\left(1 + \frac{S}{\omega_{Po}}\right)}$$

$$\omega_{Pi} = 2\pi f_{Pi} = \frac{1}{C_i[R_G//R_{sig}]} = \frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{C_i R_{eq}}$$

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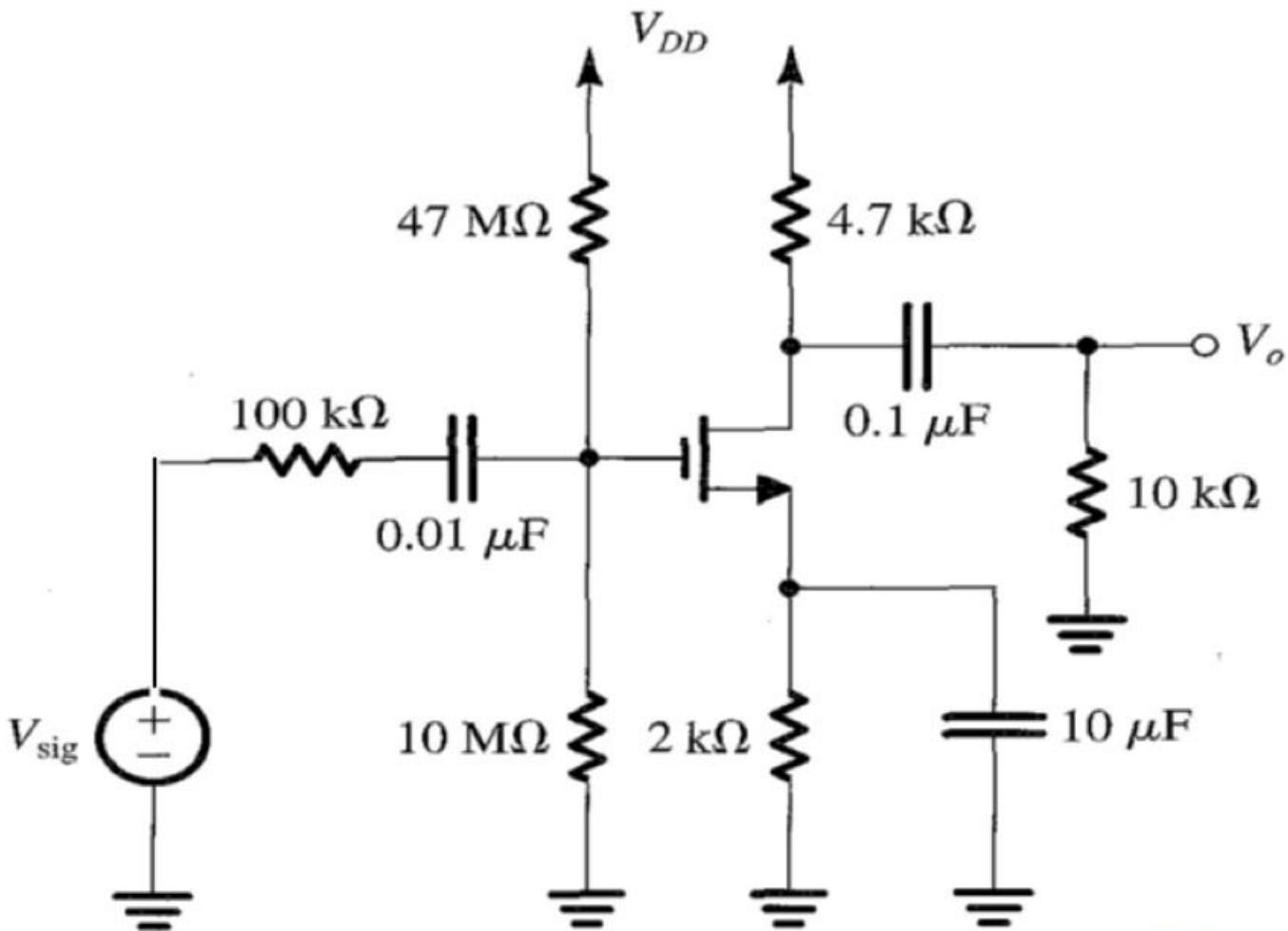
$$f_{Po} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_o[R'_L]}$$

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## Example

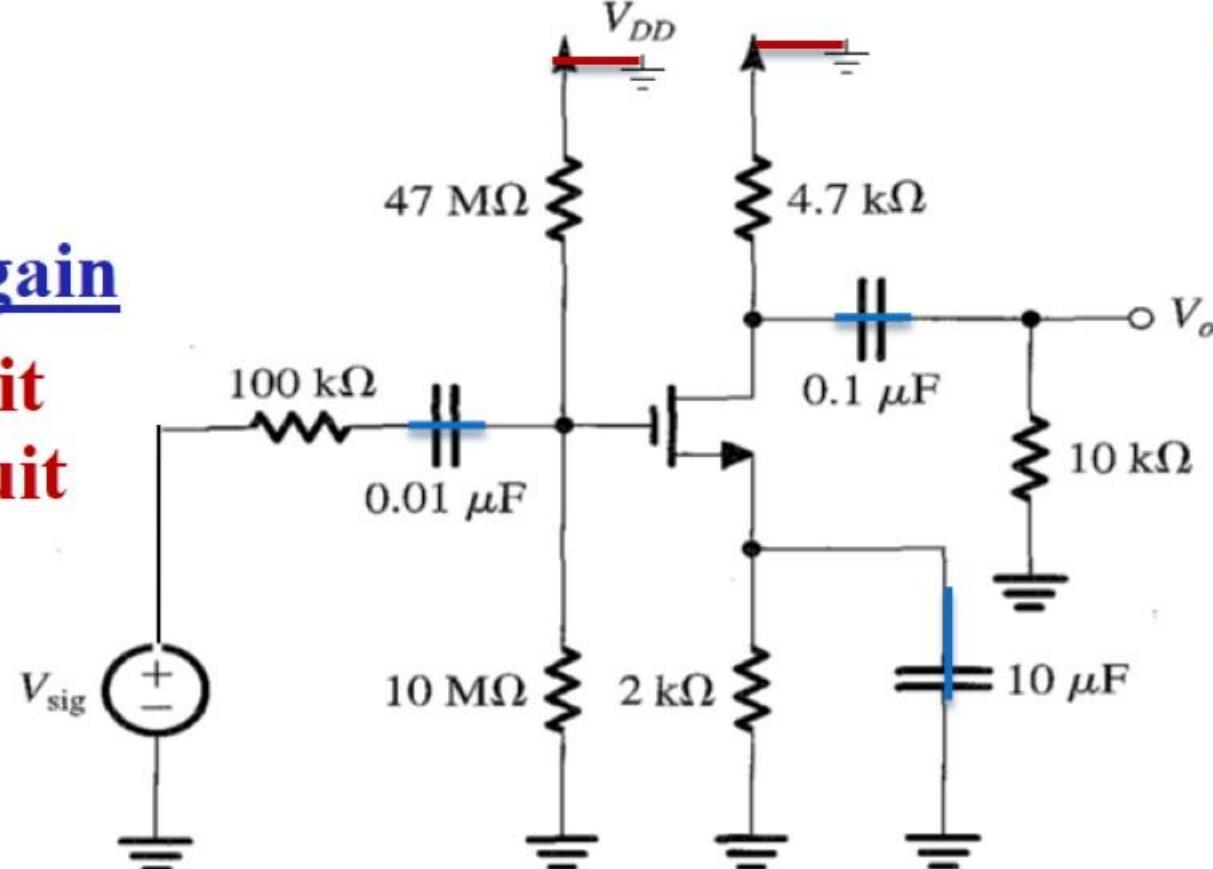
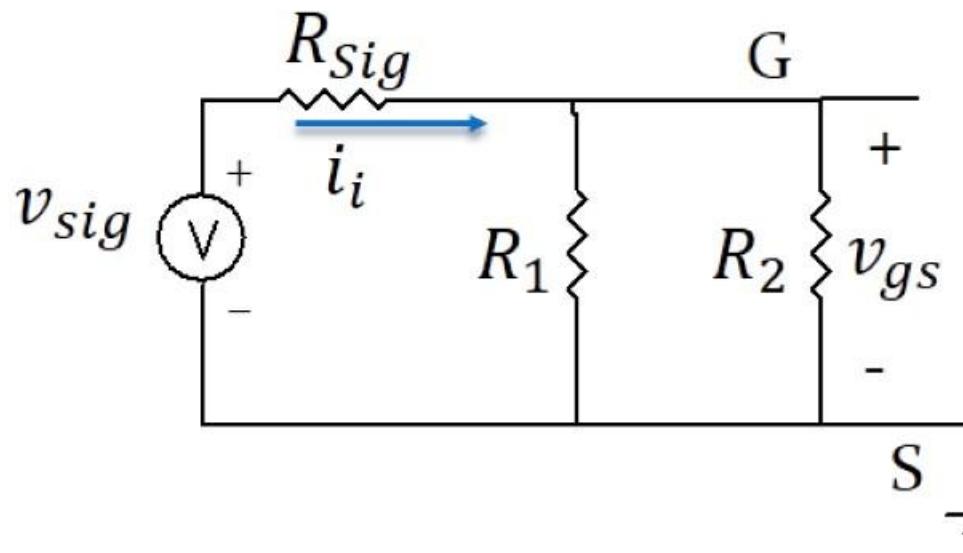
Find the mid band gain  $A_M$  and the higher 3-dB frequency  $f_H$  of a CS amplifier fed with a signal source having an internal resistance  $R_{sig} = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$ . The amplifier has  $g_m = 1 \text{ mA/V}$  and  $r_o = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$ . Find  $A_M$ . If  $C_{gs} = 1 \text{ pF}$  and  $C_{gd} = 0.2 \text{ pF}$ , find  $f_H$ .



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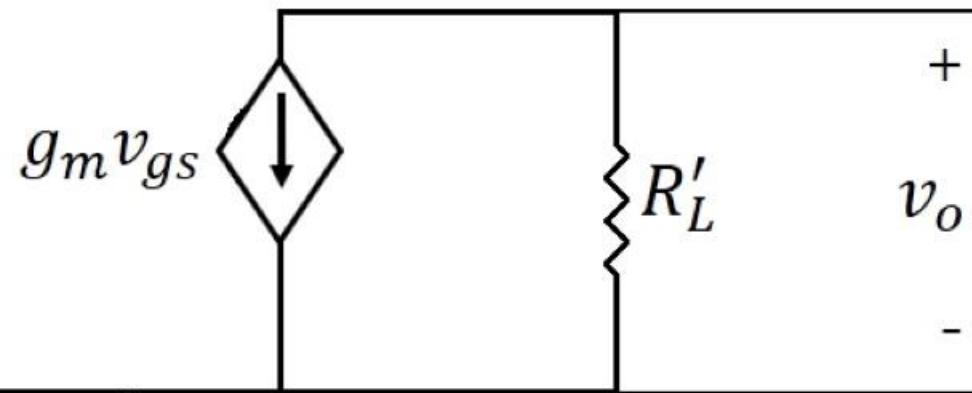
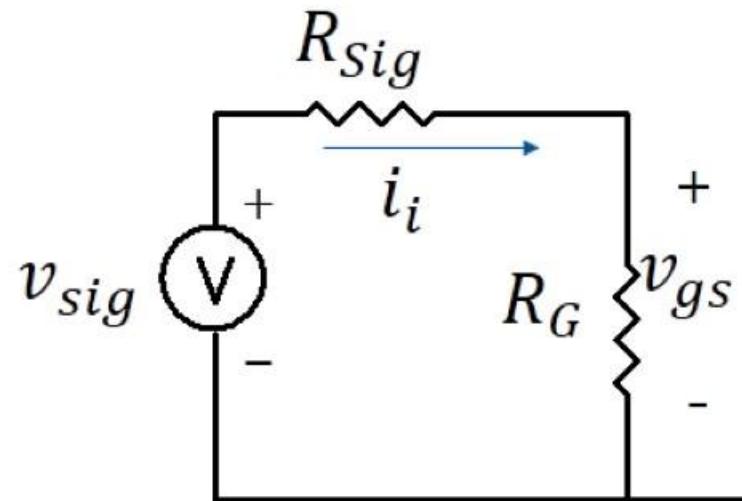
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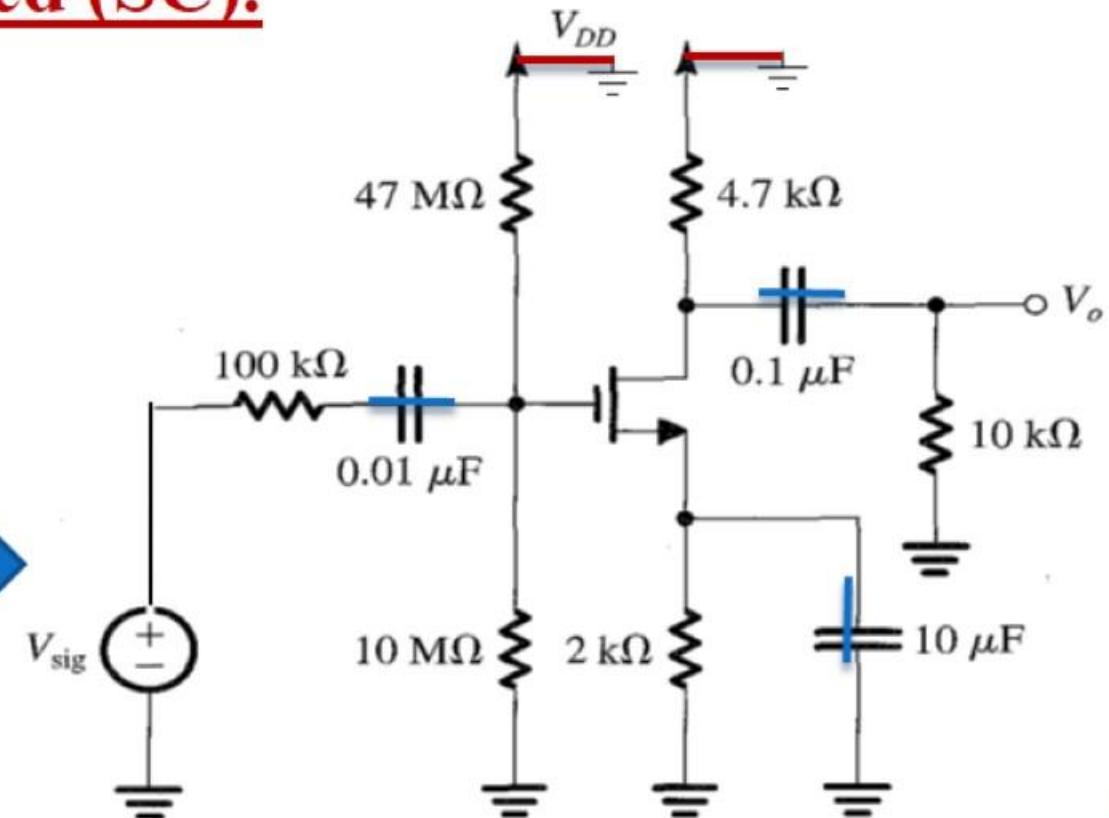
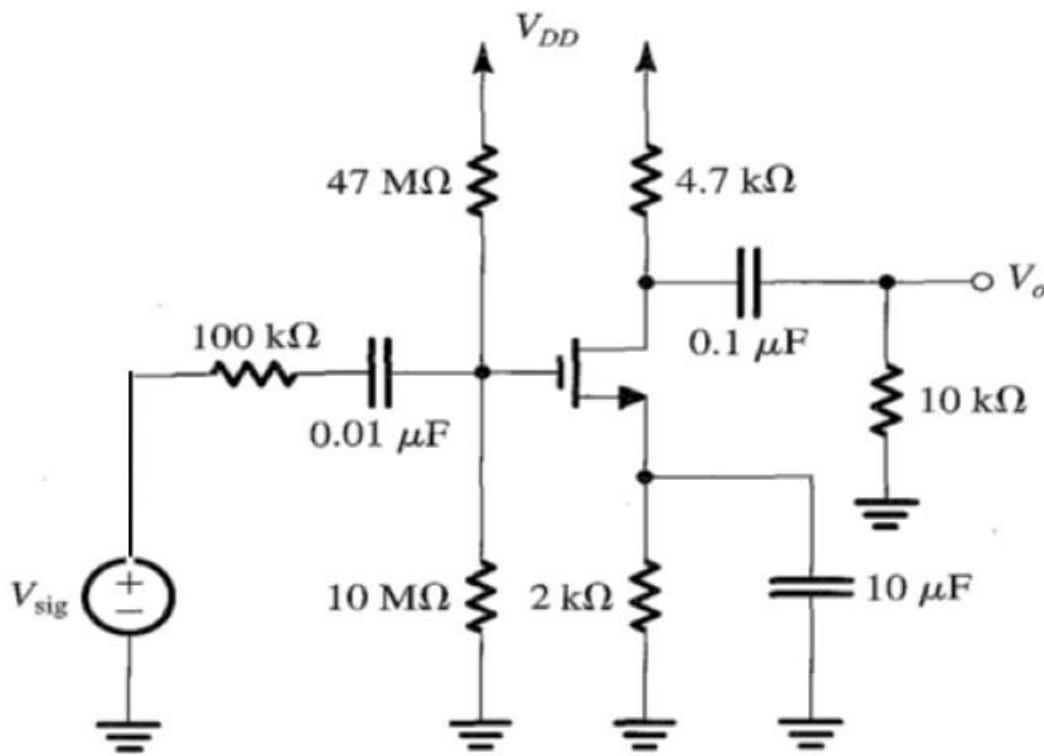
$$v_o = -g_m v_{gs} (R'_L)$$

$$v_{gs} = i_i (R_G)$$

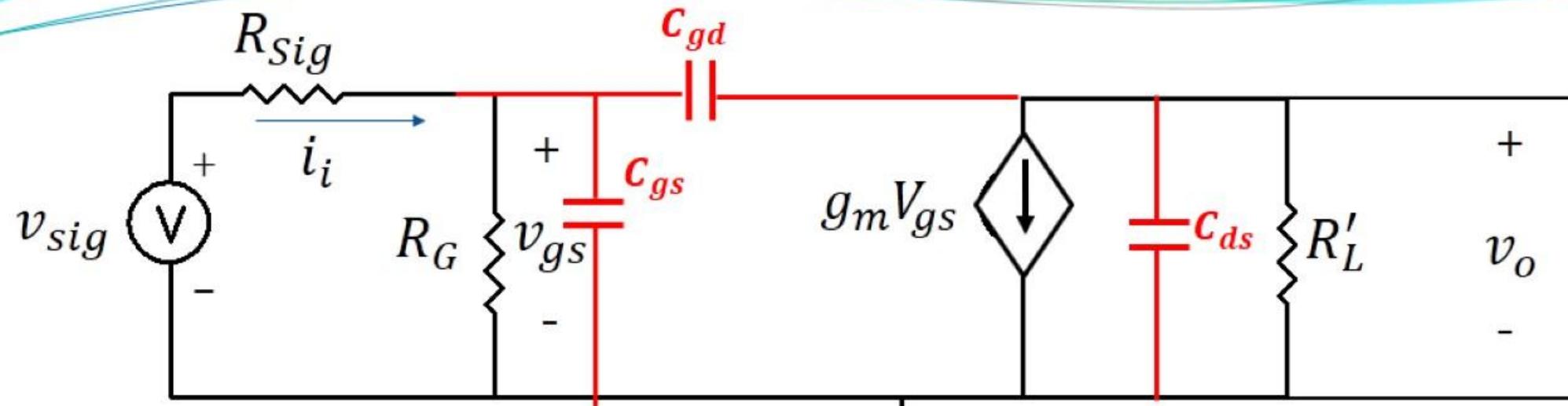
$$i_i = \frac{v_{sig}}{R_{Sig} + (R_G)}$$

$$\frac{v_o}{V_{sig}} = A_{MF} = \frac{-g_m R_G R'_L}{[R_{Sig} + R_G]} = -3.06 \text{ V/V}$$

**(b) In the high frequency, internal capacitors are taking into account and external capacitors are neglected (SC).**



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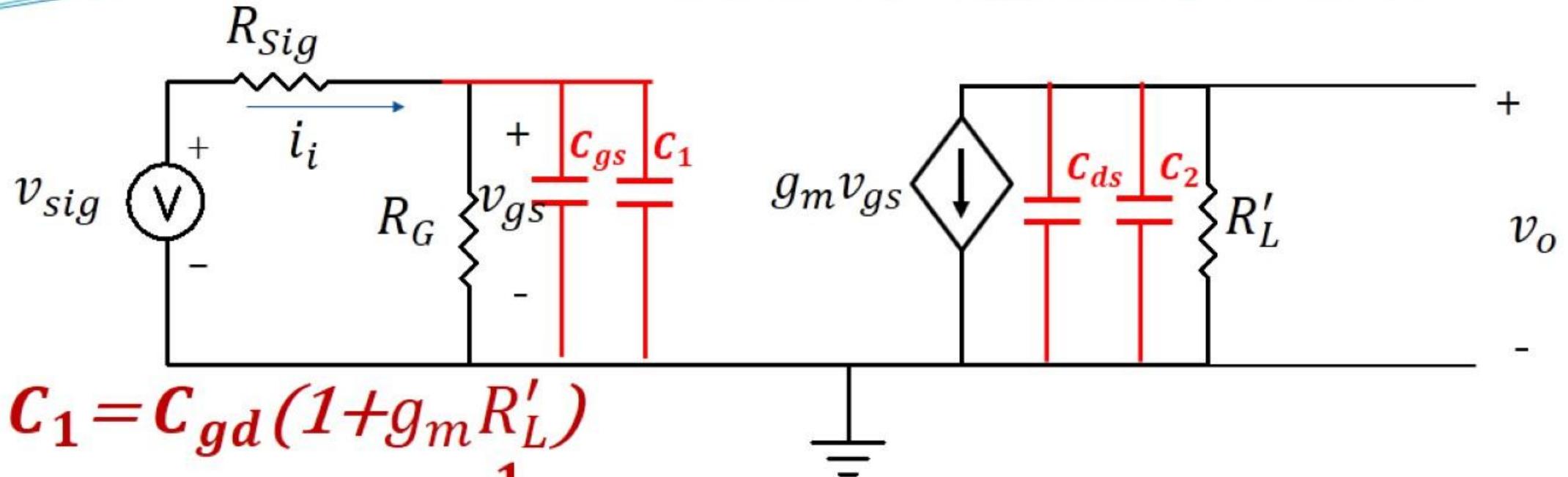


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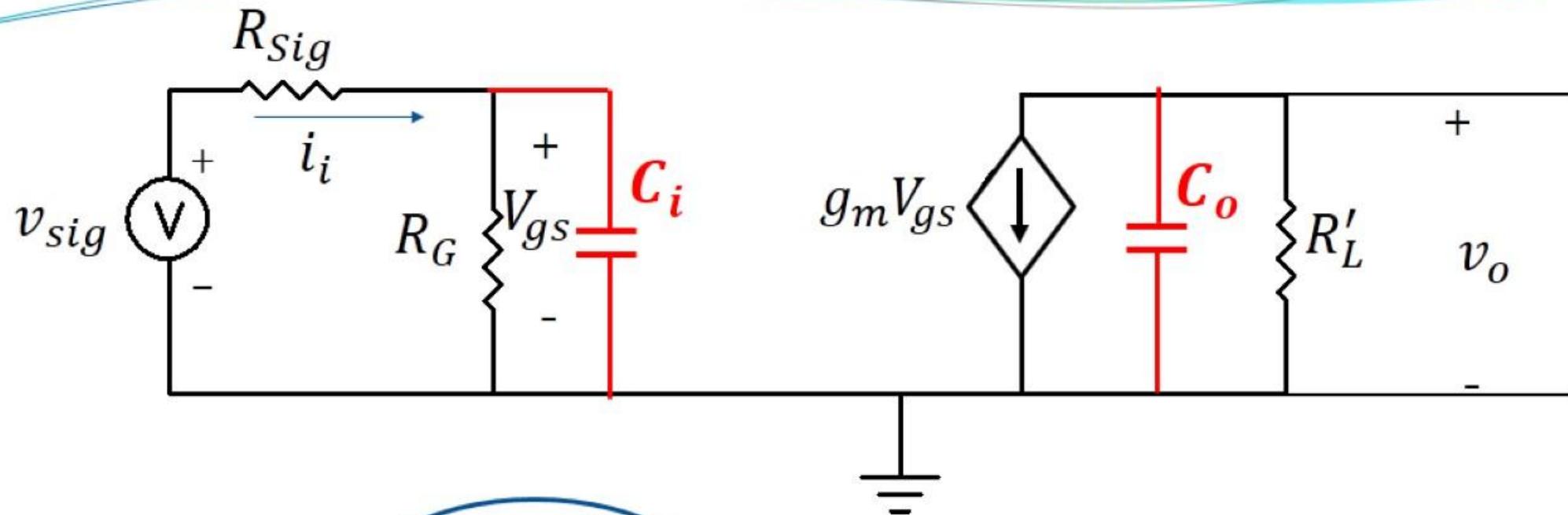
$$C_1 = C_{gd} (1 + g_m R'_L)$$

$$C_2 = C_{gd} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{g_m R'_L} \right)$$

$$C_i = C_{gs} + C_1 = 1 + 0.2(1 + 1 \times 3.098) = 1.82 \text{ pf}$$

$$C_o = C_{ds} + C_2 = C_2 = 0.2 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{1 \times 3.098} \right) = 0.265 \text{ pf}$$

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$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{sig}} = A_{HF} = \frac{-g_m R'_L R_G}{(R_G + R_{sig})} \frac{1}{[1 + S C_i (R_G // R_{sig})][1 + S C_o R'_L]}$$

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$$\omega_{Pi} = 2\pi f_{Pi} = \frac{1}{C_i [R_G//R_{sig}]}$$

$$f_{Pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_i [R_G//R_{sig}]} = 875 \text{ KHZ}$$

$$\omega_{Po} = 2\pi f_{Po} = \frac{1}{C_o [R'_L]}$$

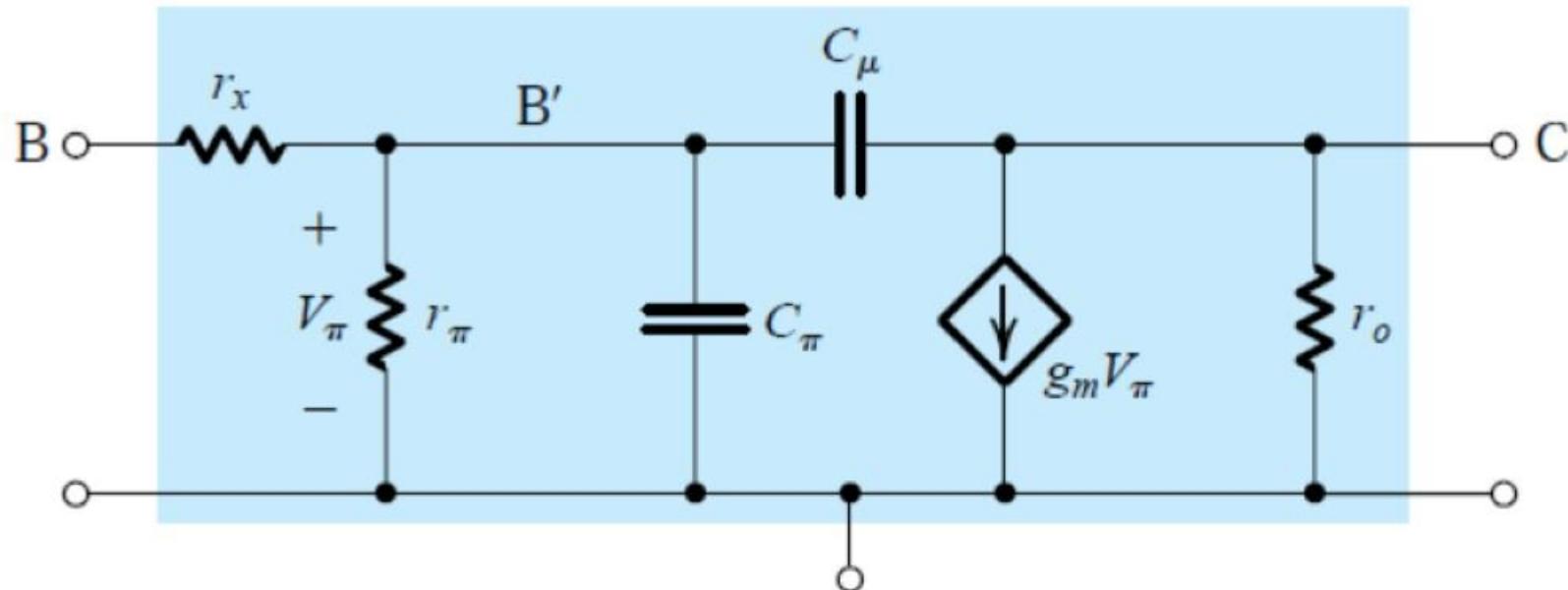
$$f_{Po} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_o [R'_L]} = 194 \text{ MHZ}$$

The higher 3-dB frequency is given by :

$$f_H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{f_{Pi}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{f_{Po}}\right)^2}} = 874.99 \text{ KHZ} \cong f_{pi}$$

# High Frequency Response of CE Amplifier

# The BJT High-Frequency Model



$$g_m = \frac{I_C}{V_T}$$

$$r_\pi = \frac{\beta_o}{g_m}$$

$$f_T = \frac{g_m}{2\pi(C_\pi + C_\mu)}$$

$$r_o = \frac{|V_A|}{I_C}$$

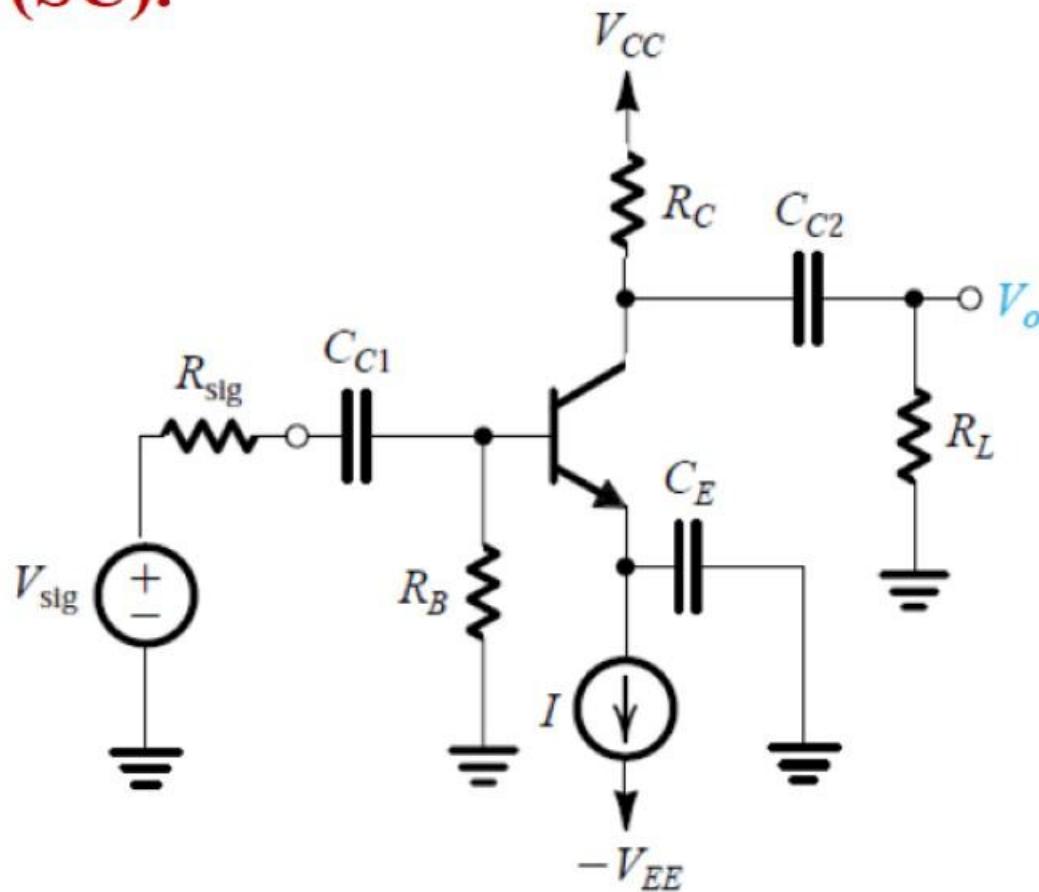
$$C_\pi + C_\mu = \frac{g_m}{2\pi f_T}$$

## High Frequency Response of Common Emitter Amplifier

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### AC Analysis

- Eliminate the dc sources by replacing each dc voltage source with a short circuit and each dc current source with an open circuit.



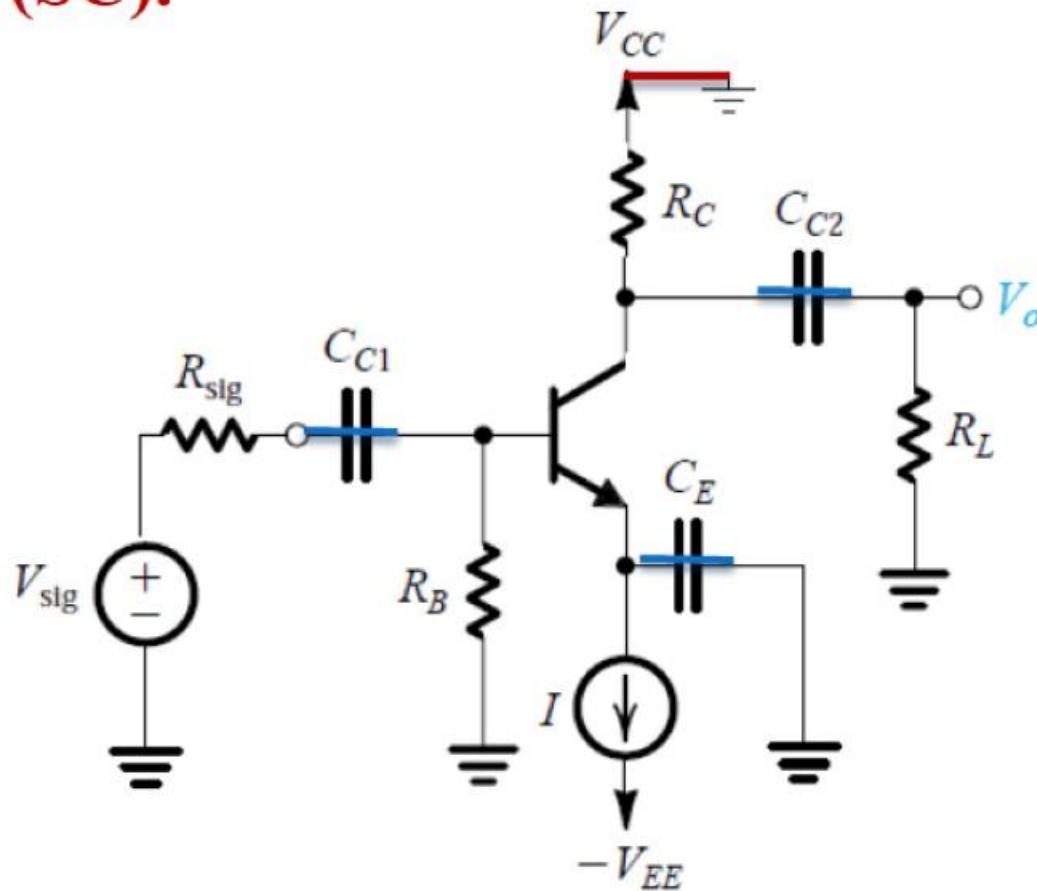
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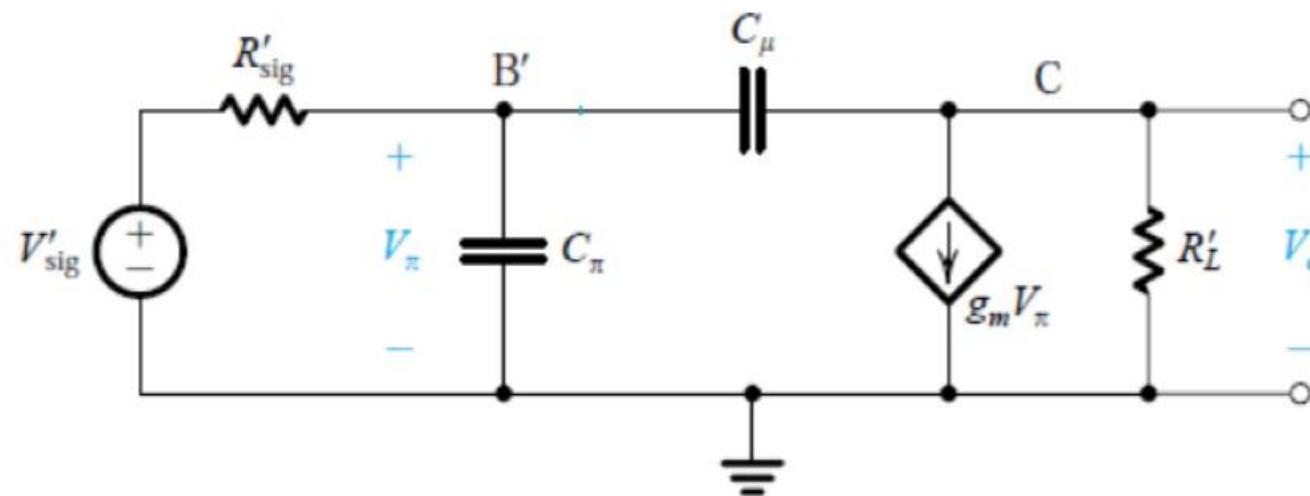
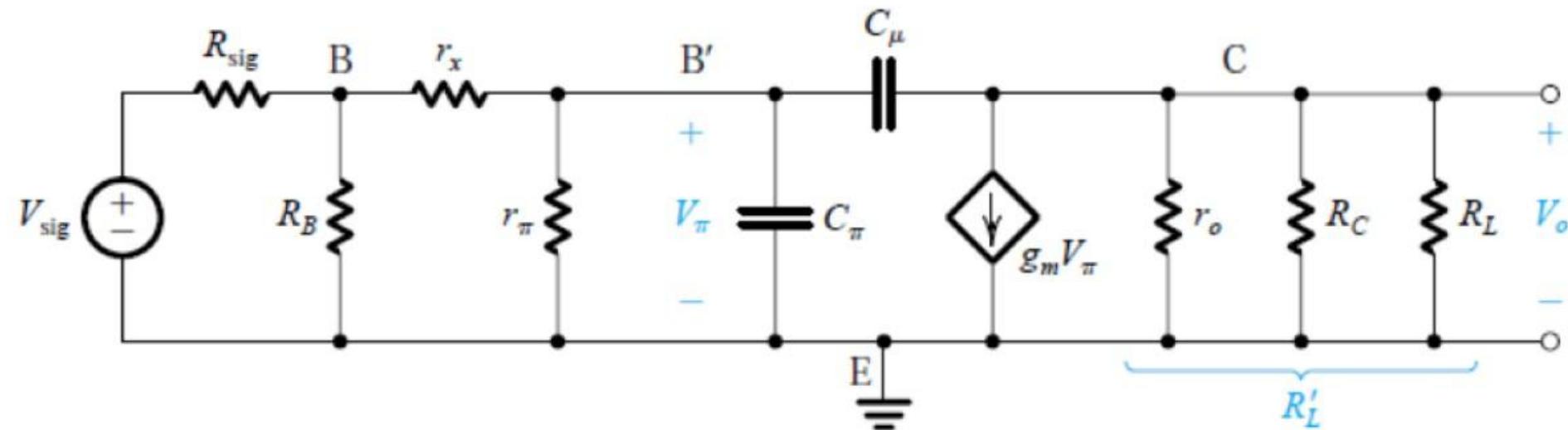
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➤ Figure shows the high-frequency equivalent circuit of a CE amplifier.



**Thévenin theorem at  
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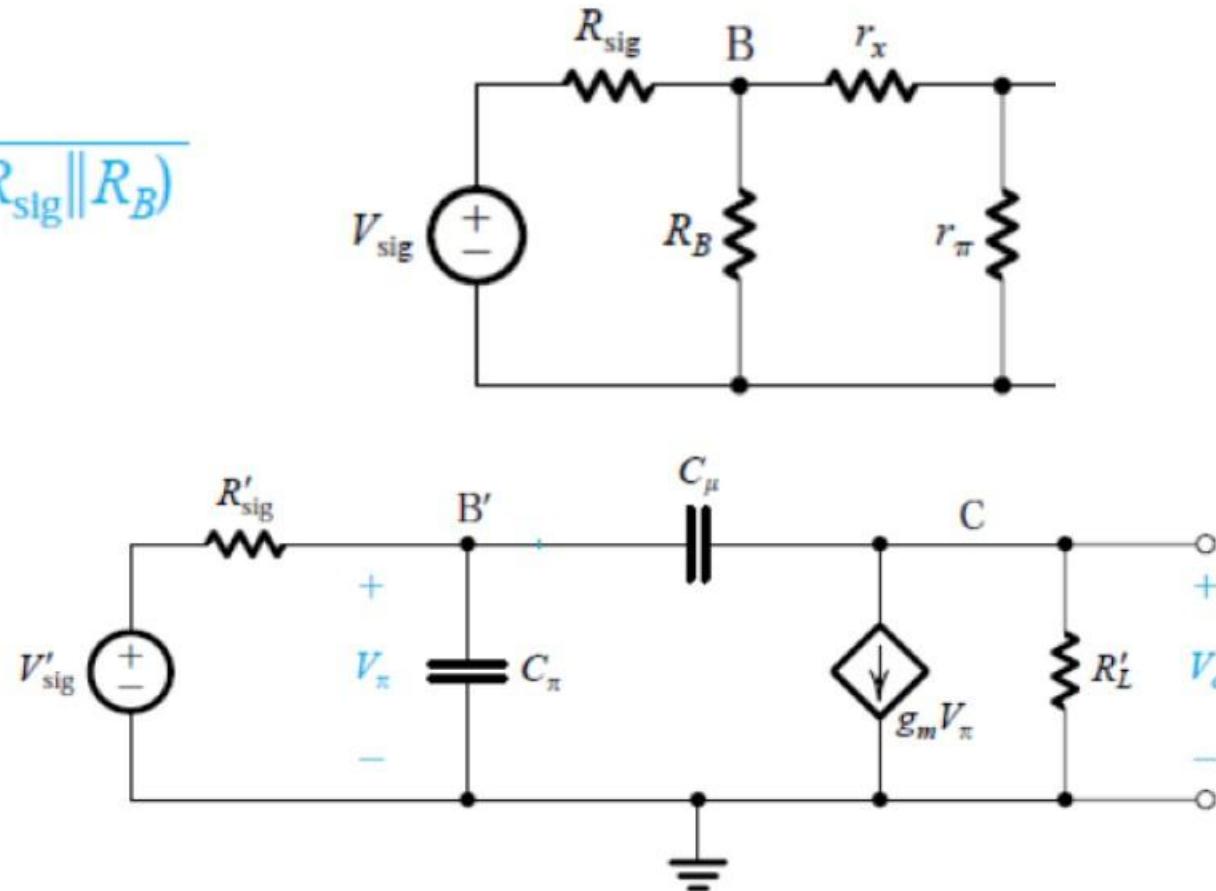
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$$V'_{\text{sig}} = V_{\text{sig}} \frac{R_B}{R_B + R_{\text{sig}}} \frac{r_\pi}{r_\pi + r_x + (R_{\text{sig}} \parallel R_B)}$$

$$R'_{\text{sig}} = r_\pi \parallel [r_x + (R_B \parallel R_{\text{sig}})]$$

$$R'_L = r_o \parallel R_C \parallel R_L$$

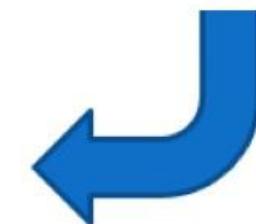
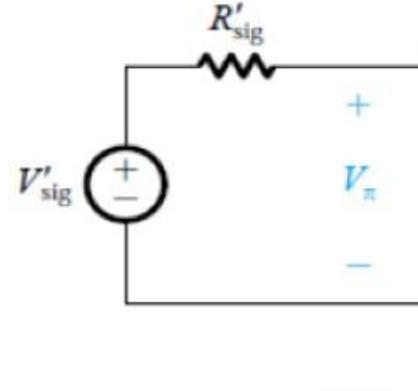
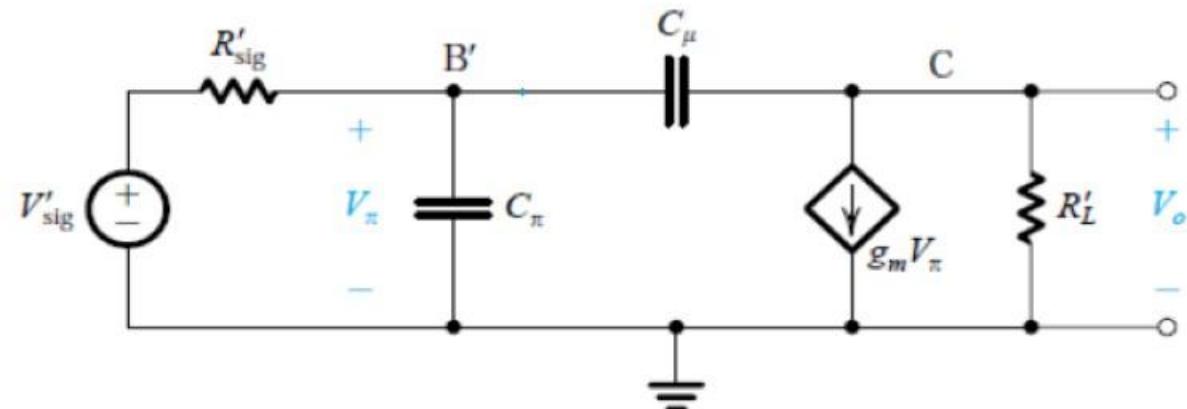


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**(b) In the high frequency, internal capacitors are taking into account and external capacitors are neglected (SC).**

$$C_1 = C_\mu (1 - A)$$

$$C_2 = C_\mu \left(1 - \frac{1}{A}\right)$$

$$A = \frac{V_C}{V_{B'}} = \frac{-g_m V_\pi R'_L}{V_\pi} = -g_m R'_L$$

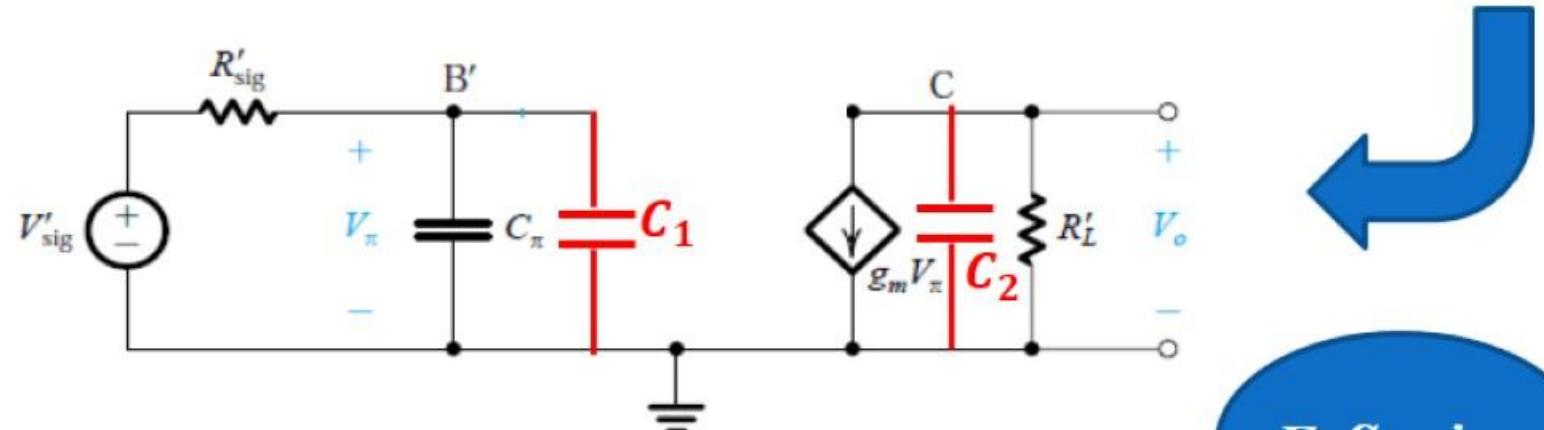
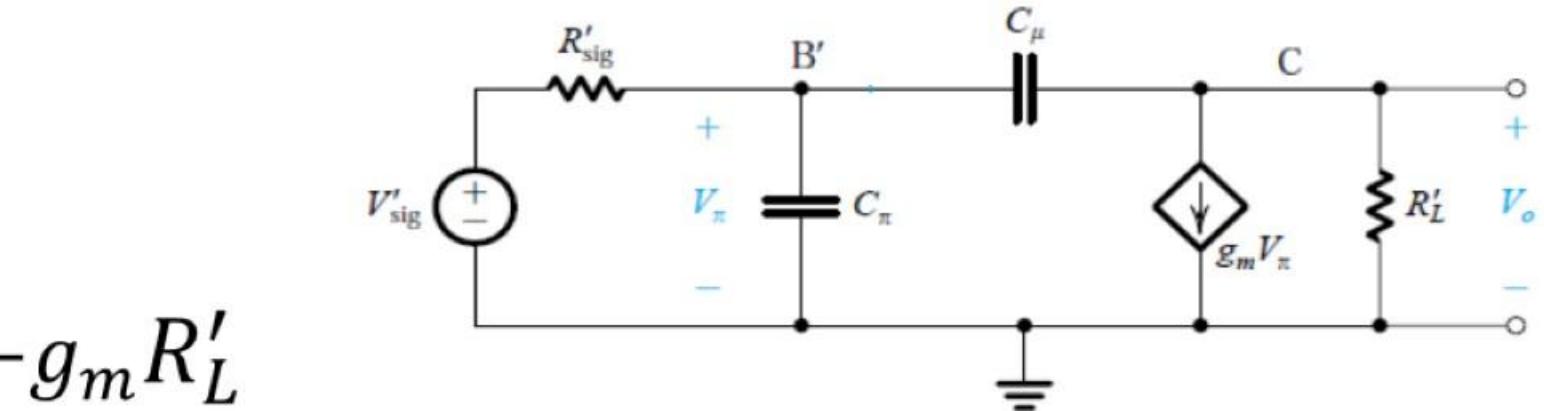
at f=0

$$C_1 = C_\mu (1 + g_m R'_L)$$

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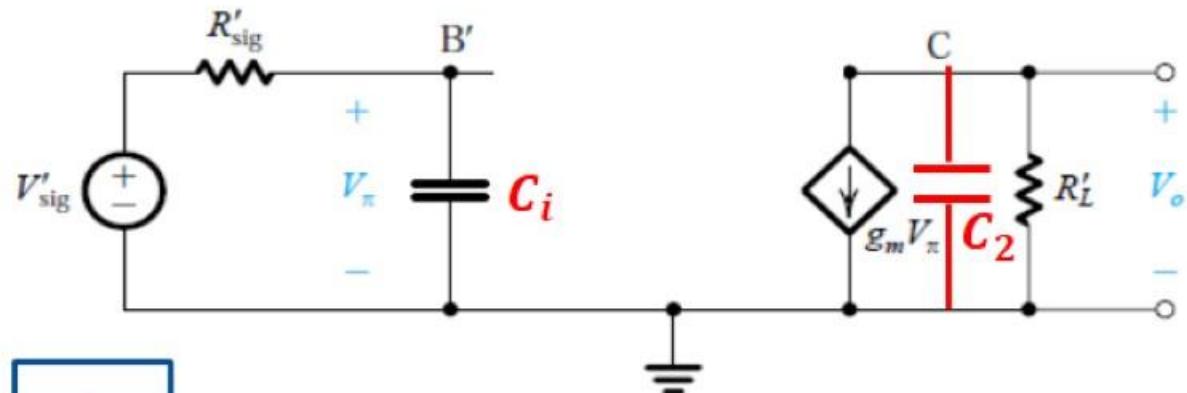
$$v_o = -g_m V_\pi R'_L \frac{1}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{po}}}$$

$$V_\pi = i_i \left( \frac{1}{SC_i} \right)$$

$$i_i = \frac{v'_{sig}}{R'_{sig} + \frac{1}{SC_i}}$$

$$V_\pi = v'_{sig} \frac{1}{(1 + SC_i R'_{sig})}$$

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$$v_o = -v'_{sig} g_m R'_L \frac{1}{(1+SC_2 R'_L)(1+SC_i R'_{Sig})}$$

$$V'_{\text{sig}} = V_{\text{sig}} \frac{R_B}{R_B + R_{\text{sig}}} \frac{r_\pi}{r_\pi + r_x + (R_{\text{sig}} \| R_B)}$$

$$A_M = \frac{V_o}{V_{\text{sig}}} = -\frac{R_B}{R_B + R_{\text{sig}}} \frac{r_\pi}{r_\pi + r_x + (R_{\text{sig}} \| R_B)} (g_m R'_L)$$

$$A_{HF}(S) = \frac{A_{MF}}{(1+\frac{S}{\omega_{Pi}})(1+\frac{S}{\omega_{Po}})}$$

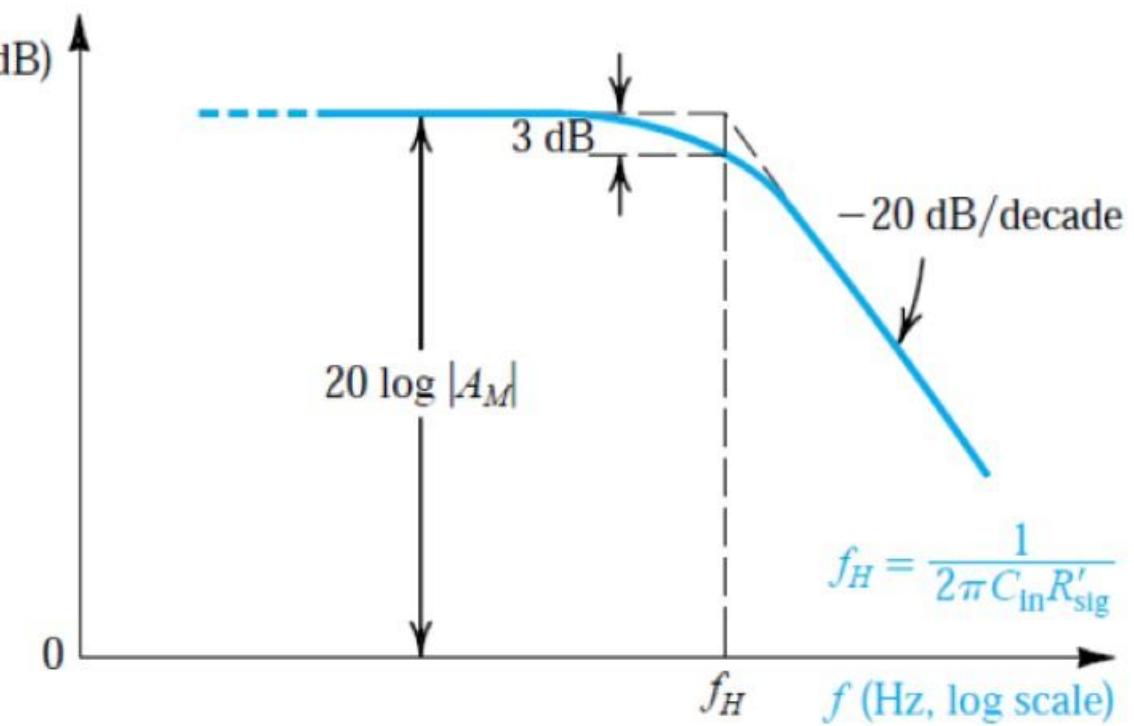
$$\omega_{Pi} = 2\pi f_{Pi} = \frac{1}{C_i R'_{Sig}}$$

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$$f_{Pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_i R'_{Sig}}$$

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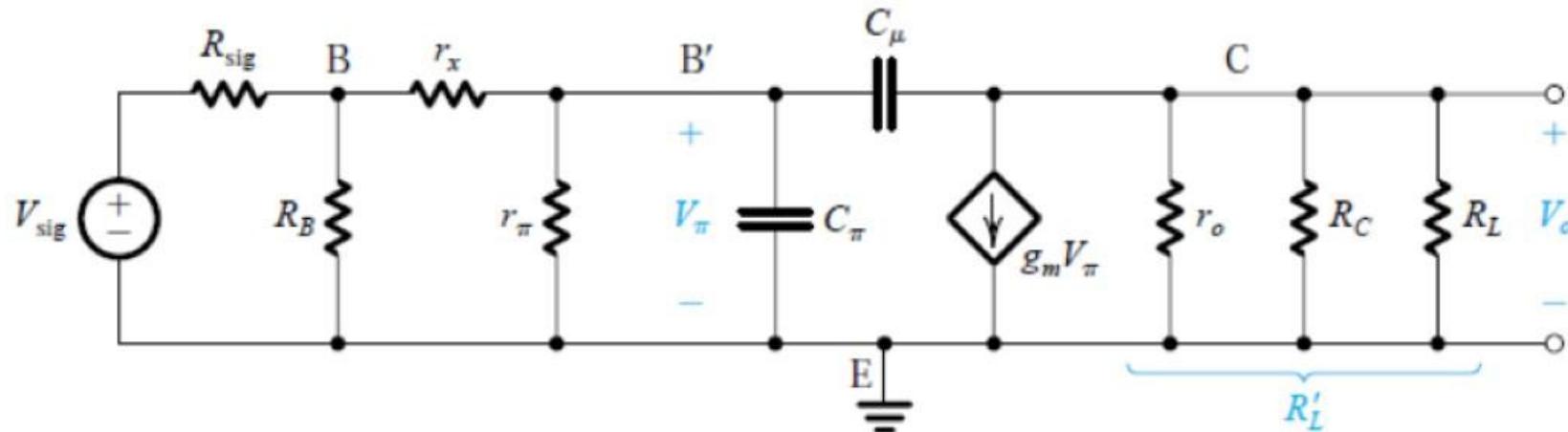
$$f_H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{f_{Pi}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{f_{Po}}\right)^2}} \cong f_{Pi} \quad \left| \frac{V_o}{V_{sig}} \right| \text{ (dB)}$$



$$R'_{sig} = r_\pi \parallel [r_x + (R_B \parallel R_{sig})]$$

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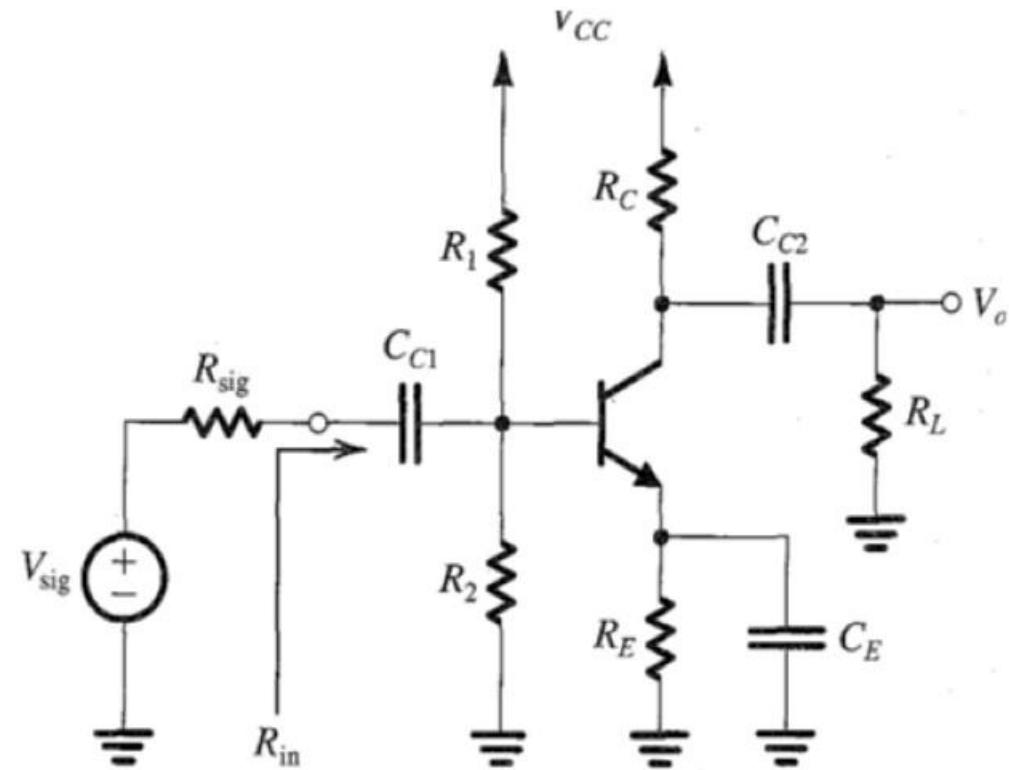
► Observe that  $C_{in}$  is simply the sum of  $C_\pi$  and the Miller capacitance  $C_\mu(1+g_m R'_L)$ . The resistance  $R'_{sig}$  seen by  $C_{in}$  can be easily found from the equivalent circuit in Fig. (slide 131) as follows: Reduce  $V_{sig}$  to zero, “grab hold” of the terminals B' and E and look back (to the left). You will see  $r_\pi$  in parallel with  $r_x$ , which is in series with  $(R_B \parallel R_{sig})$ . This way of finding the resistance “seen by a capacitance” is very useful.



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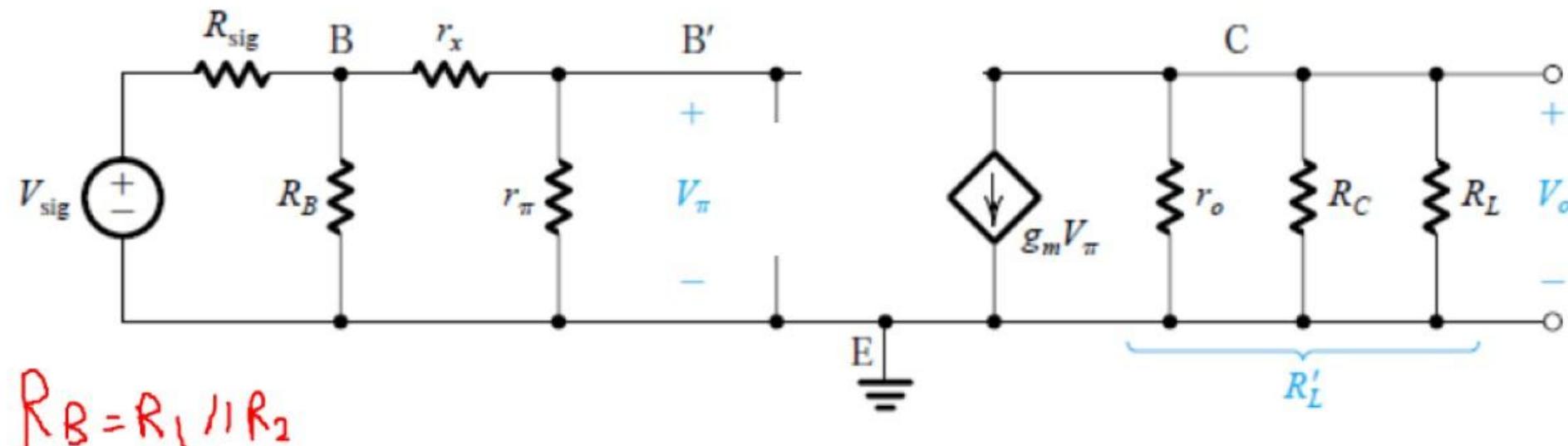
# Example

➤ Consider the common-emitter amplifier of Fig. under the following conditions:  $R_{\text{sig}} = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_1 = 33 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 22 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_E = 3.9 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_C = 4.7 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_L = 5.6 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ V}$ . The dc emitter current can be shown to be  $I_E \approx 0.3 \text{ mA}$ , at which  $\beta_o = 120$ ,  $r_o = 300 \text{ k}\Omega$ , and  $r_x = 50 \text{ }\Omega$ . Find the input resistance  $R_{\text{in}}$  and the midband gain  $A_M$ . If the transistor is specified to have  $f_T = 700 \text{ MHz}$  and  $C\mu = 1 \text{ pF}$ , find the upper 3-dB frequency  $f_H$ . ( $V_T = 25 \text{ mV}$ )



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► Figure shows the equivalent circuit of a CE amplifier.



$$g_m = \frac{I_c}{V_T} = 12 \text{ mA/V}$$

$$r_{\pi} = B_e / g_m = \frac{120}{12} = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$A_M = \frac{V_o}{V_{\text{sig}}} = -\frac{R_B}{R_B + R_{\text{sig}}} \frac{r_\pi}{r_\pi + r_x + (R_{\text{sig}} \parallel R_B)} (g_m R'_L) = -16.11 \text{ V/V}$$

$$R'_{\text{sig}} = r_\pi \parallel [r_x + (R_B \parallel R_{\text{sig}})] = 2.69 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R'_L = r_o \parallel R_C \parallel R_L = 2.53 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$C_\pi + C_\mu = \frac{g_m}{2\pi f_T} = \frac{12 \times 10^{-3}}{2\pi \times 700 \times 10^6} = 2.73 \text{ pF}$$

$$C_i = C_\pi + C_\mu (1 + g_m R'_L) = 33 \text{ pF}$$

$$f_{Pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_i R'_{Sig}} = 1.79 \text{ MHz}$$

$$C_2 = C_\mu \left(1 + \frac{1}{g_m R'_L}\right) = 1.03 \text{ pf}$$

$$f_{Po} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_2 R'_L} = 60.9 \text{ MHz}$$

$$f_H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{f_{Pi}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{f_{Po}}\right)^2}} \cong f_{pi} = 1.79 \text{ MHz}$$

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