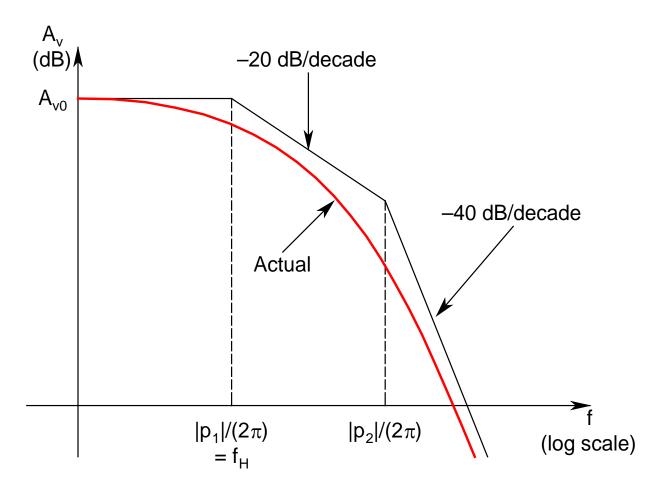
> **DPA**:

- The smallest pole [Dominant Pole (DP)] is at least 10 times away from its nearest pole
- This is an excellent approximation for practical analog circuits
- ➤ Apply this approximation and assume p₁ to be the DP and at least 10 times away from p₂
 [Non-Dominant Pole (NDP)]
- ightharpoonup The *pole frequencies* are $|p_1|/(2\pi)$ and $|p_2|/(2\pi)$
- Note: $|\mathbf{p}_1|/(2\pi)$ is the Upper Cutoff Frequency (\mathbf{f}_H)



Bode Plot of the Frequency Response of a 2-Pole System

- > 2-pole system
- For frequencies till the first pole p_1 , gain remains constant at its midband value of $20log_{10}A_{v0}$
- ➤ Beyond this, the gain rolls off at -20 dB/decade till the second pole p₂ is encountered
- ➤ After this, the gain rolls off at -40 dB/decade, and eventually crosses zero
- > Beyond this, the circuit actually attenuates the input signal instead of amplifying it (gain magnitude drops below unity)

- \triangleright It's assumed that z_1 is $>> |p_2|$
- \triangleright Task remains to find p_1 and p_2
- > Under DPA, Eq.(2) can be simplified as:

$$D(s) \approx 1 - s/p_1 + s^2/p_1p_2 \tag{4}$$

> *Comparing* Eq.(4) with the *denominator* of Eq.(1):

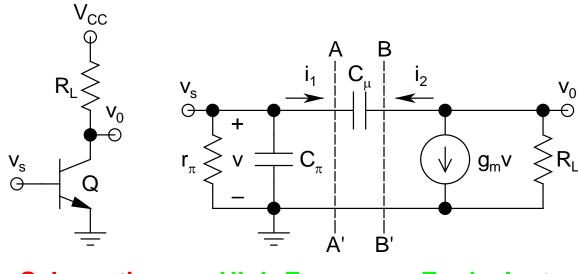
$$p_{1} = -\frac{1}{\left(R_{S} \| r_{\pi}\right) C_{\pi} + \left[\left(R_{S} \| r_{\pi}\right) + R_{L} + g_{m}\left(R_{S} \| r_{\pi}\right) R_{L}\right] C_{\mu}}$$

$$p_{2} = -\left(\frac{1}{R_{L}C_{\mu}} + \frac{1}{\left(R_{S} \| r_{\pi}\right) C_{\pi}} + \frac{1}{R_{L}C_{\pi}} + \frac{g_{m}}{C_{\pi}}\right)$$

- \triangleright In general, $|p_2| >> |p_1|$
- $Ex.: I_C = 1 \text{ mA}, \beta = 200, R_S = 1 \text{ k}\Omega, R_L = 2 \text{ k}\Omega, C_{\pi} = 10 \text{ pF}, C_{\mu} = 0.5 \text{ pF}$
 - \Rightarrow **DPF** = 3.8 MHz, **NDPF** = 798.8 MHz, **ZF** = 12.3 GHz, and $f_H = DPF = 3.8$ MHz
- > Note: Even for a simple CE circuit, the analysis is so cumbersome, and the results are so complicated
- Definitely not acceptable for routine application, particularly for circuits having more than one active device

• Miller Effect Approximation:

- Technique by which an input-output coupled circuit can be decoupled by removing the coupling element
- This *removal* is done by *splitting* it into *two* components putting one in the input circuit, and the other in the output circuit
- We take the *same example* as the *CE circuit* discussed earlier, but now *without* R_S



ac Schematic

High-Frequency Equivalent

- ► Identify C_{μ} as the input-output coupling element
- After application of the technique, this coupling element will be removed by splitting it into two parts one at input, other at output