



Fundamentals of Microelectronics II

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Chapter 11 Frequency Response

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- Bode's Rules
- Association of Poles with Nodes
- Miller's Theorem



High-Frequency Models of Transistors

- Bipolar Model
- MOS Model
- Transit Frequency

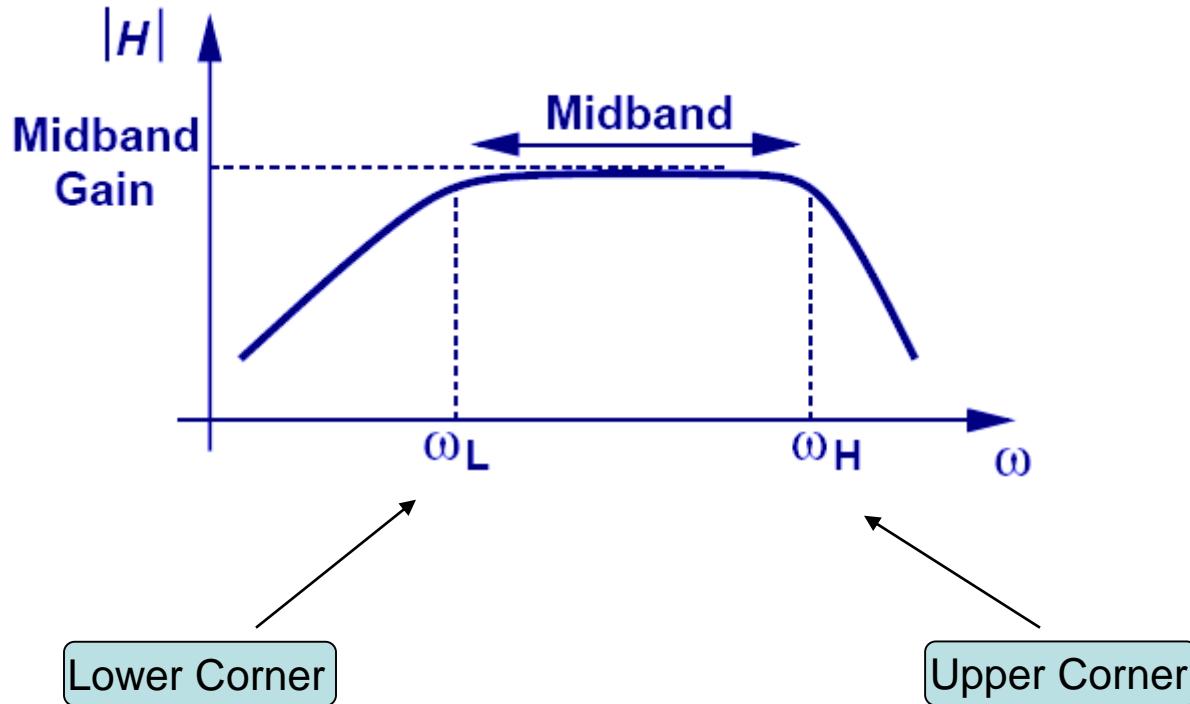


Frequency Response of Circuits

- CE/CS Stages
- CB(CG) Stages
- Followers
- Cascode Stage
- Differential Pair



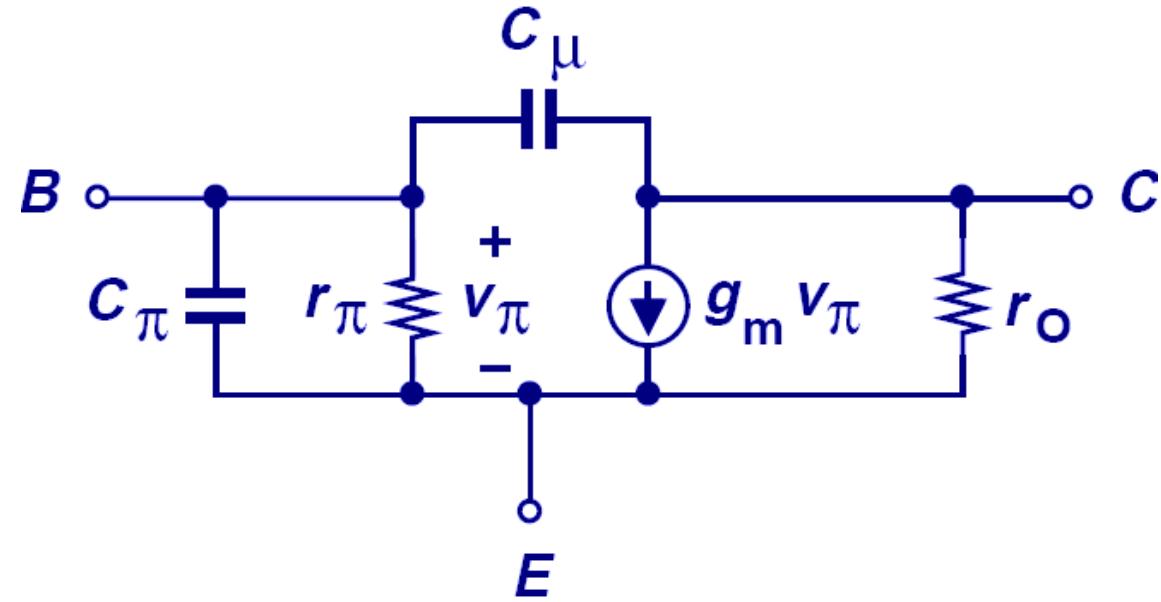
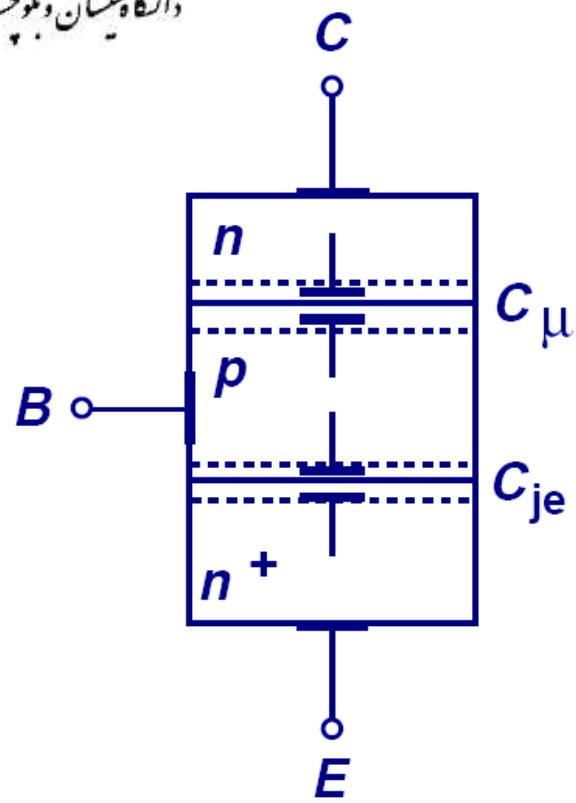
Typical Frequency Response





High-Frequency Bipolar Model

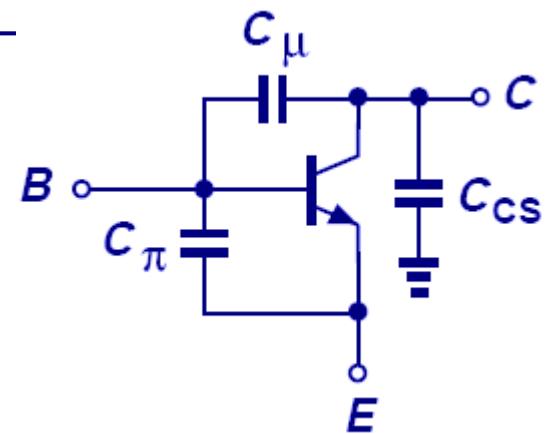
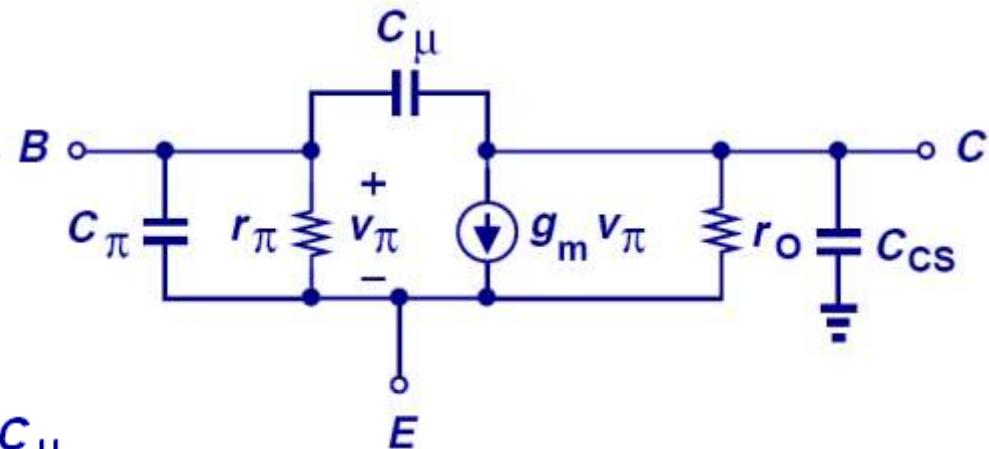
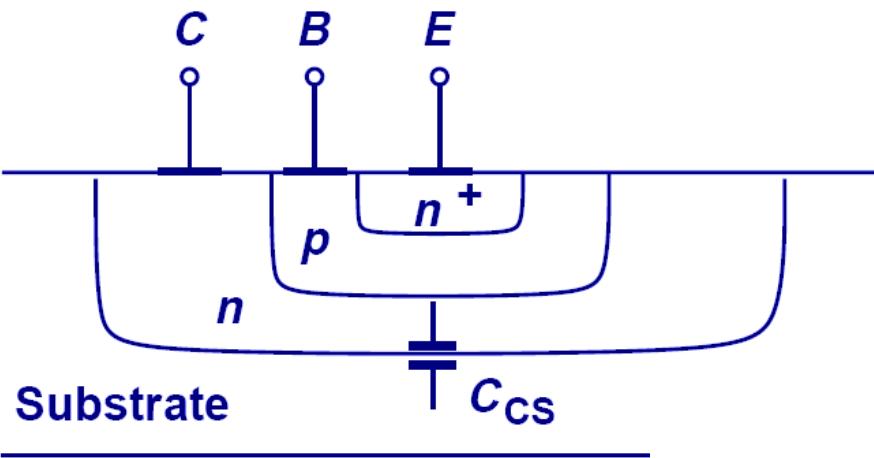
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$$C_\pi = C_b + C_{je}$$

- At high frequency, capacitive effects come into play. C_b represents the base charge, whereas C_μ and C_{je} are the junction capacitances.

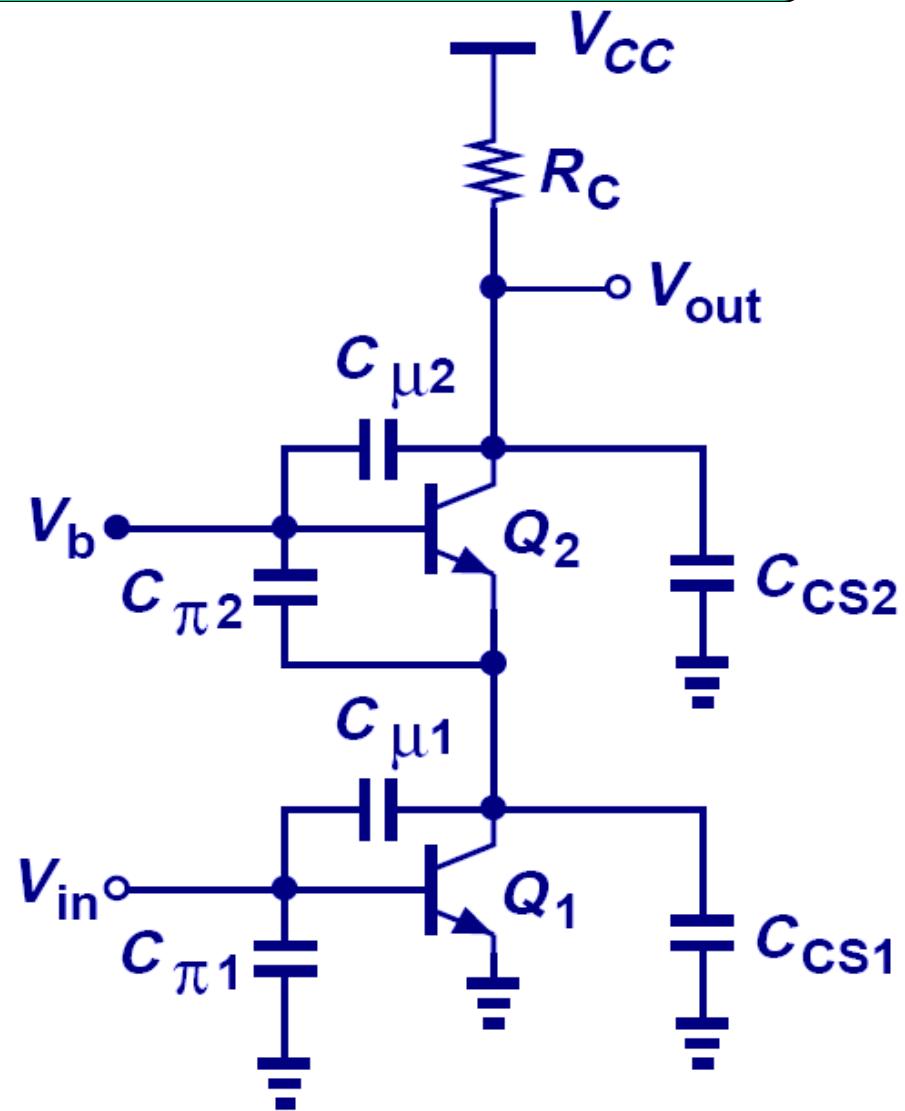
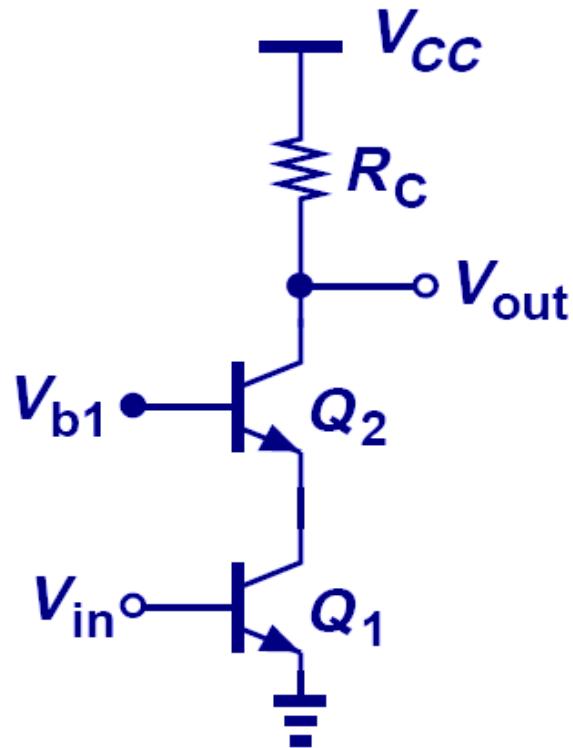
High-Frequency Model of Integrated Bipolar Transistor



- Since an integrated bipolar circuit is fabricated on top of a substrate, another junction capacitance exists between the collector and substrate, namely C_{CS} .



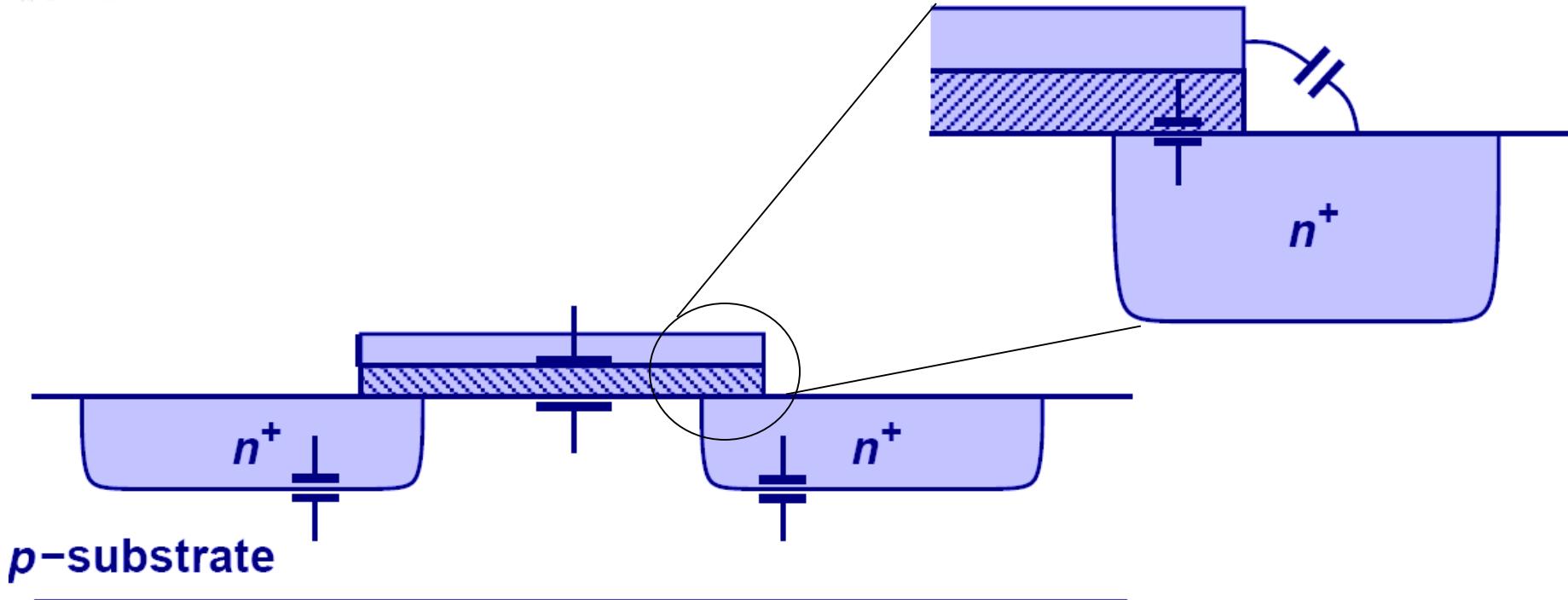
Example: Capacitance Identification





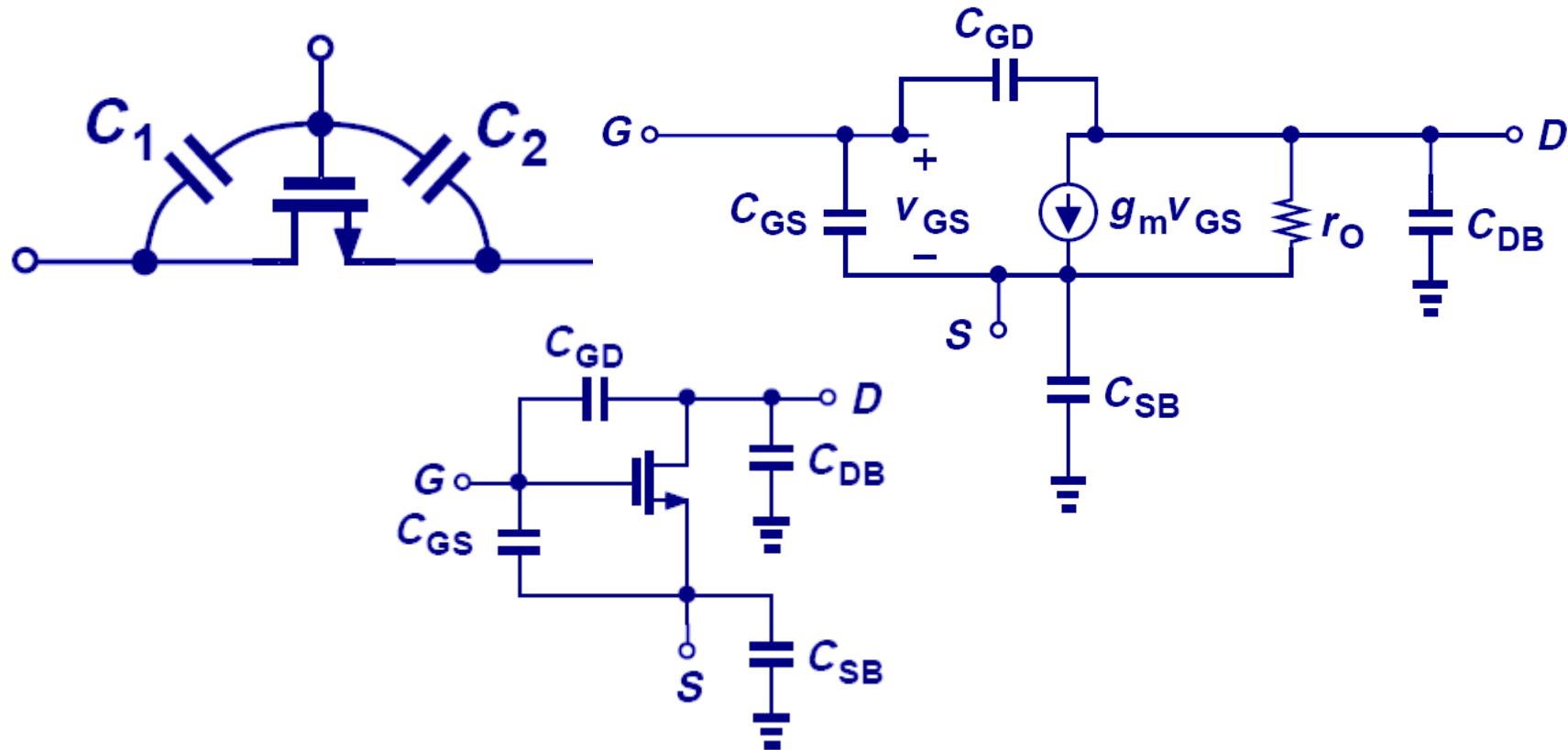
MOS Intrinsic Capacitances

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- For a MOS, there exist oxide capacitance from gate to channel, junction capacitances from source/drain to substrate, and overlap capacitance from gate to source/drain.

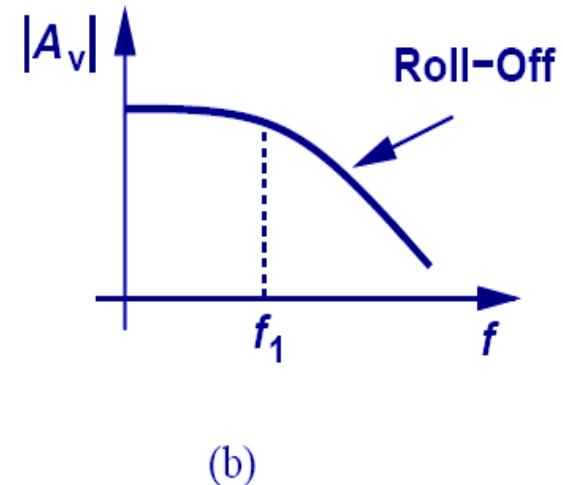
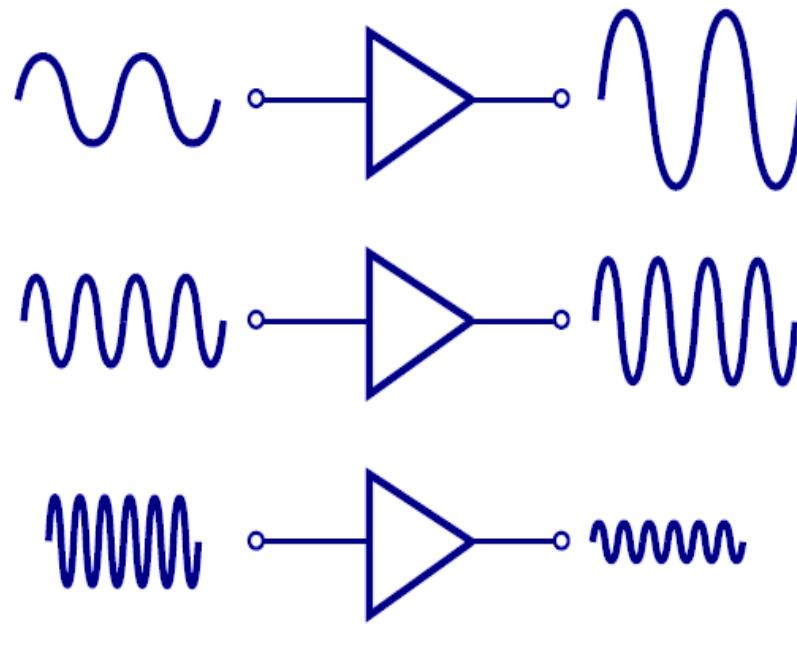
Gate Oxide Capacitance Partition and Full Model



- The gate oxide capacitance is often partitioned between source and drain. In saturation, $C_2 \sim C_{gate}$, and $C_1 \sim 0$. They are in parallel with the overlap capacitance to form C_{GS} and C_{GD} .



High Frequency Roll-off of Amplifier



- As frequency of operation increases, the gain of amplifier decreases. This chapter analyzes this problem.



Example11.1: Human Voice I

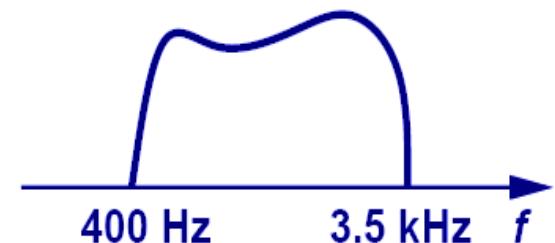
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Natural Voice



(a)

Telephone System



(b)

- Natural human voice spans a frequency range from **20Hz to 20KHz**, however conventional telephone system passes frequencies from **400Hz to 3.5KHz**.
- Therefore phone conversation differs from **face-to-face** conversation.

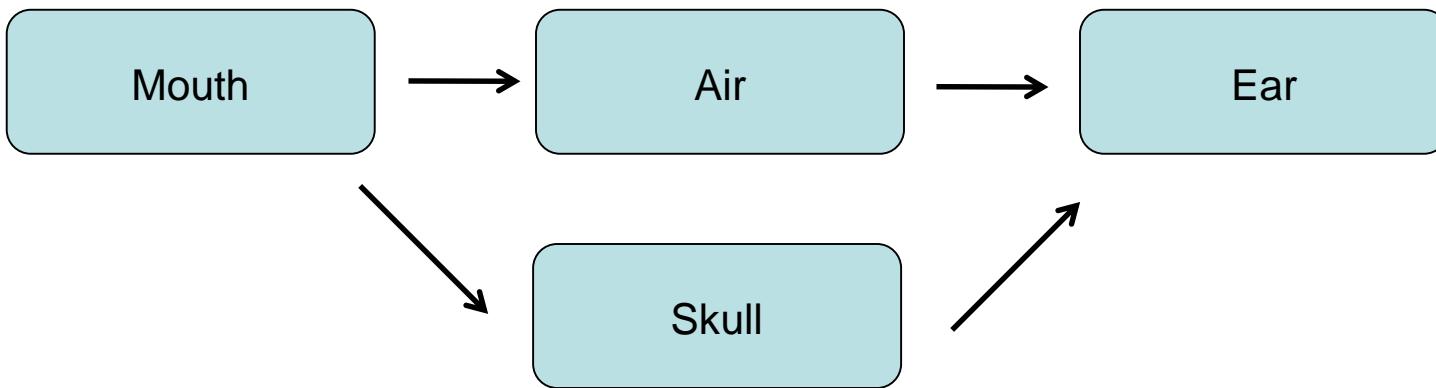


Example 11.2: Human Voice II

Path traveled by the human voice to the voice recorder



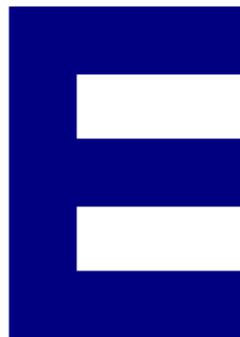
Path traveled by the human voice to the human ear



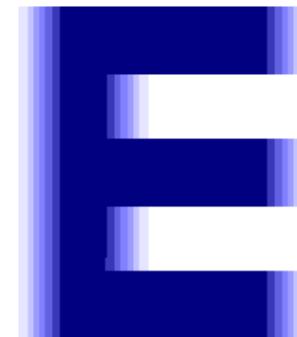
► Since the paths are different, the results will also be different.



Example 11.3: Video Signal



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(b)

High Bandwidth

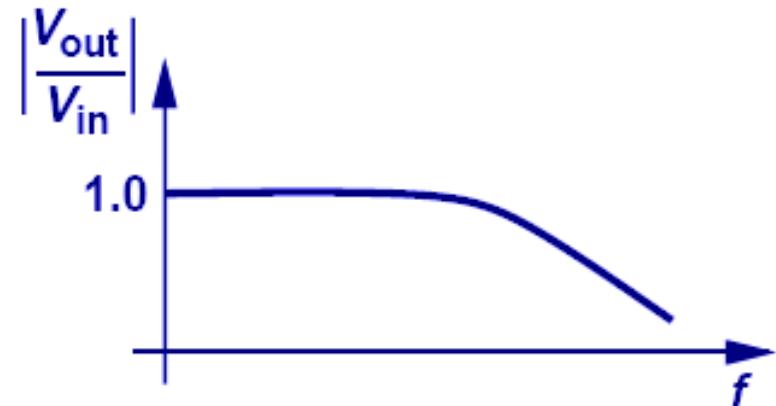
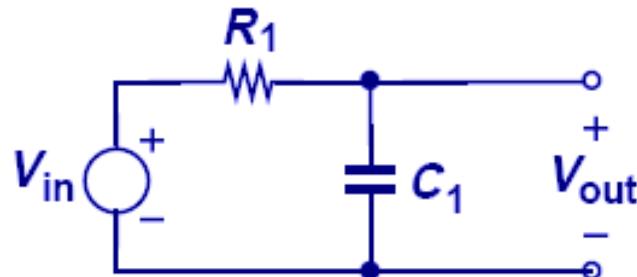
Low Bandwidth

- Video signals without sufficient **bandwidth** become fuzzy as they fail to abruptly change the **contrast of pictures** from complete **white** into complete **black**.



Gain Roll-off: Simple Low-pass Filter

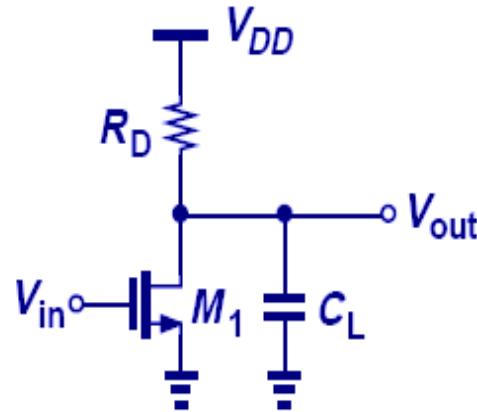
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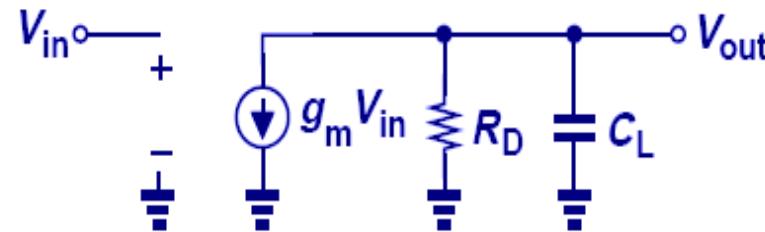
- In this simple example, as **frequency increases** the **impedance of C_1 decreases** and
- the **voltage divider** consists of C_1 and R_1 attenuates V_{in} to a greater extent at the output.



Example 11.4: Gain Roll-off: Common Source



(a)



(b)

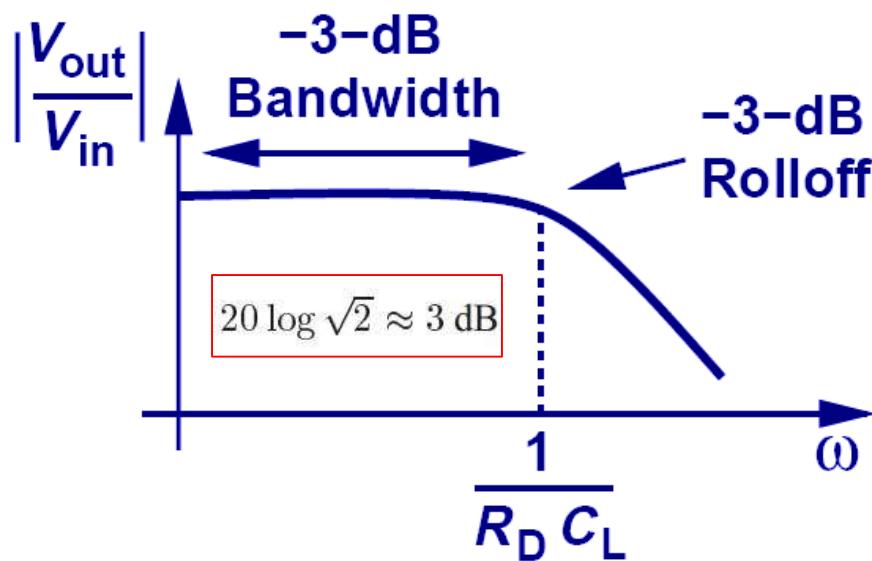
$$V_{out} = -g_m V_{in} \left(R_D \parallel \frac{1}{C_L s} \right) = \frac{-g_m R_D}{R_D C_L s + 1}.$$

- The capacitive load, C_L , is the **culprit** for gain roll-off since at **high frequency**, it will “steal” away some signal current and shunt it to ground.



Frequency Response of the CS Stage

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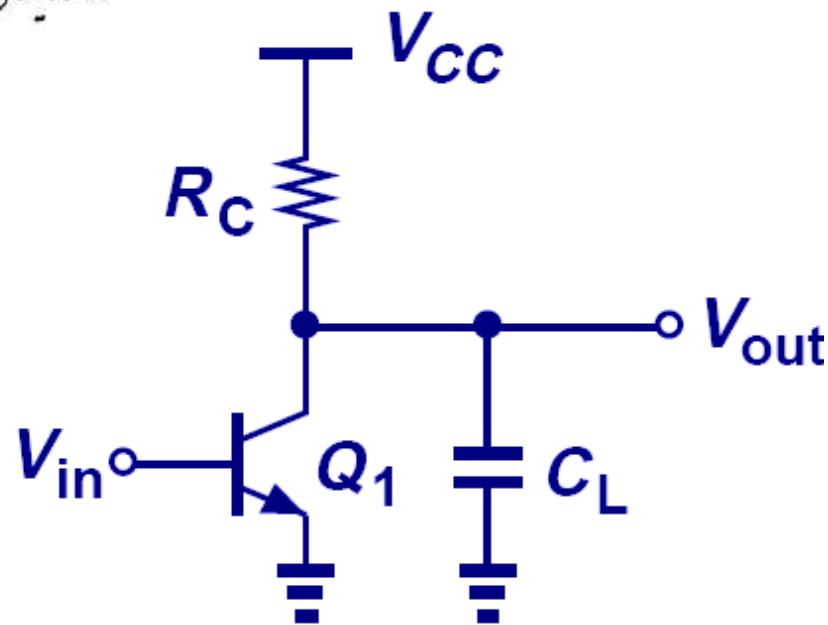
$$= \frac{-g_m R_D}{R_D C_L s + 1}.$$

$$\left| \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \right| = \frac{g_m R_D}{\sqrt{R_D^2 C_L^2 \omega^2 + 1}}$$

- At low frequency, the **capacitor** is effectively **open** and the gain is flat.
- As frequency increases, the capacitor tends to a **short** and the gain starts to decrease.
- A special frequency is $\omega=1/(R_D C_L)$, where the gain drops by **3dB**.



Example11.5 : Figure of Merit



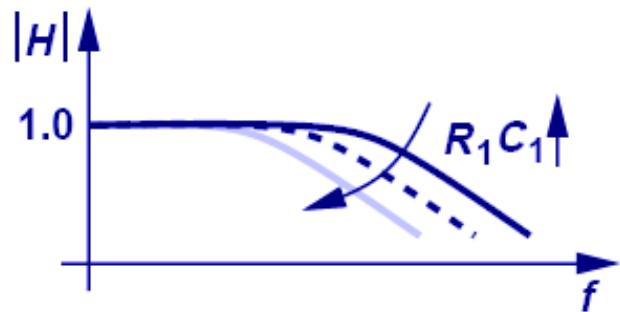
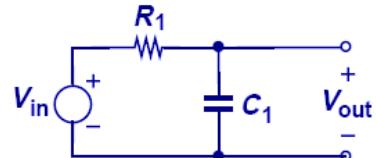
$$\frac{\text{Gain} \times \text{Bandwidth}}{\text{Power Consumption}} = \frac{\frac{I_C}{V_T} R_C \times \frac{1}{R_C C_L}}{I_C \cdot V_{CC}}$$

$$F.O.M. = \frac{1}{V_T V_{CC} C_L}$$

- This metric quantifies a circuit's **gain**, **bandwidth**, and **power dissipation**.
- In the bipolar case, low **temperature**, **supply**, and **load capacitance** mark a superior figure of merit.

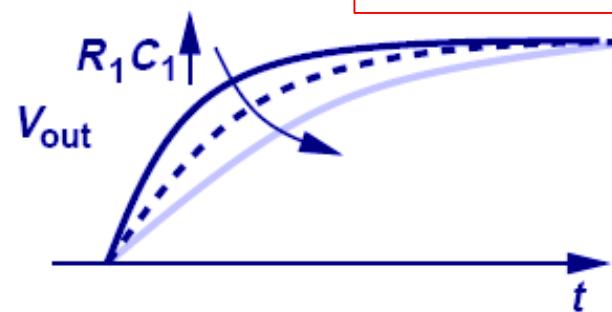


Example 11.6: Relationship between Frequency Response and Step Response



(a)

$$H(s) = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}}(s) = \frac{\frac{1}{C_1 s}}{\frac{1}{C_1 s} + R_1} = \frac{1}{R_1 C_1 s + 1}$$



(b)

$$|H(s = j\omega)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{R_1^2 C_1^2 \omega^2 + 1}}$$

$$V_{out}(t) = V_0 \left(1 - \exp \frac{-t}{R_1 C_1} \right) u(t)$$

- The relationship is such that as $R_1 C_1$ increases, the bandwidth *drops* and the step response becomes *slower*.



Bode Plot

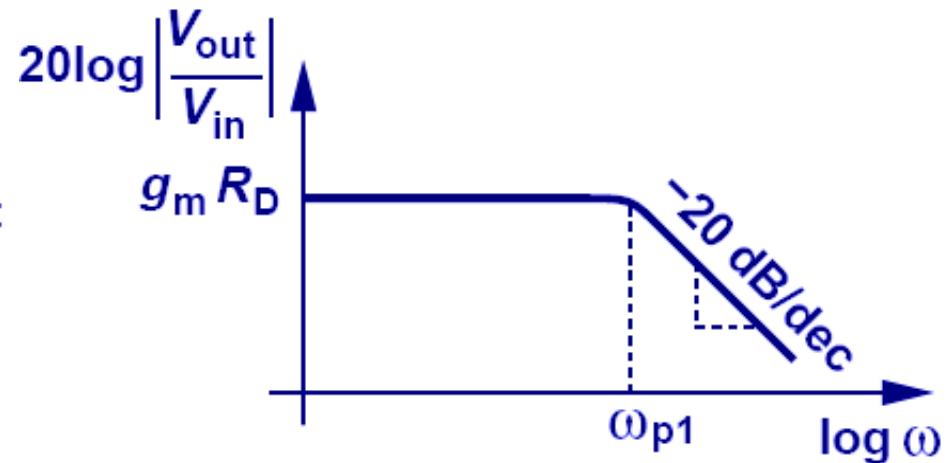
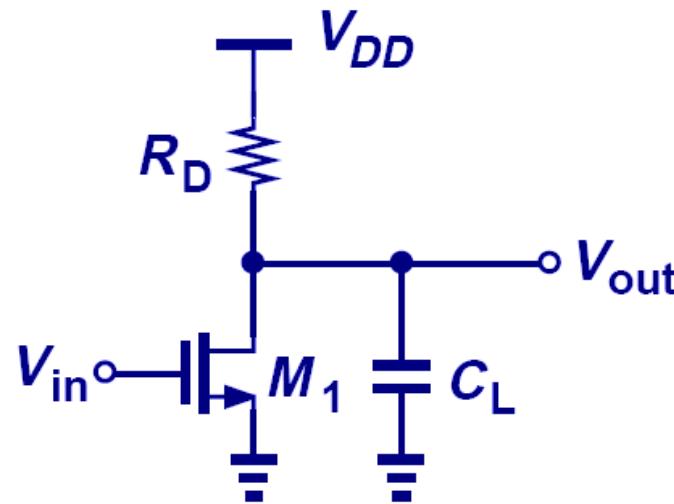
$$H(s) = A_0 \frac{\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{z1}}\right) \left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{z2}}\right) \dots}{\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{p1}}\right) \left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{p2}}\right) \dots}$$

- When we hit a zero, ω_{zj} , the Bode magnitude rises with a slope of **+20dB/dec**.
- When we hit a pole, ω_{pj} , the Bode magnitude falls with a slope of **-20dB/dec**



Example 11.7: Bode Plot

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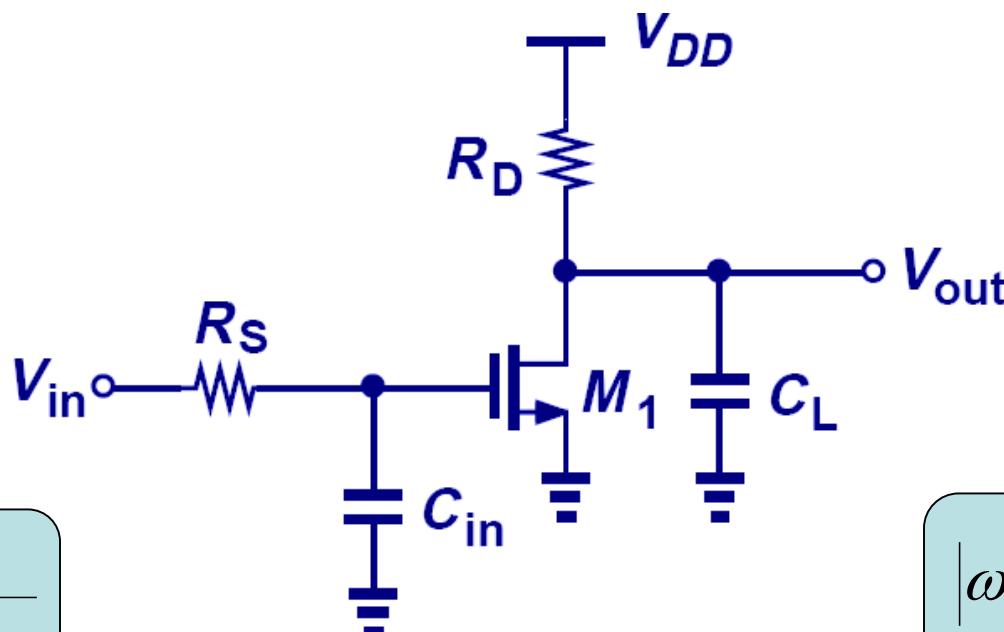


$$|\omega_{p1}| = \frac{1}{R_D C_L}$$

- The circuit only has **one pole (no zero)** at **$1/(R_D C_L)$** , so the slope drops from **0** to **-20dB/dec** as we pass ω_{p1} .



Pole Identification Example 11.8



$$|\omega_{p1}| = \frac{1}{R_S C_{in}}$$

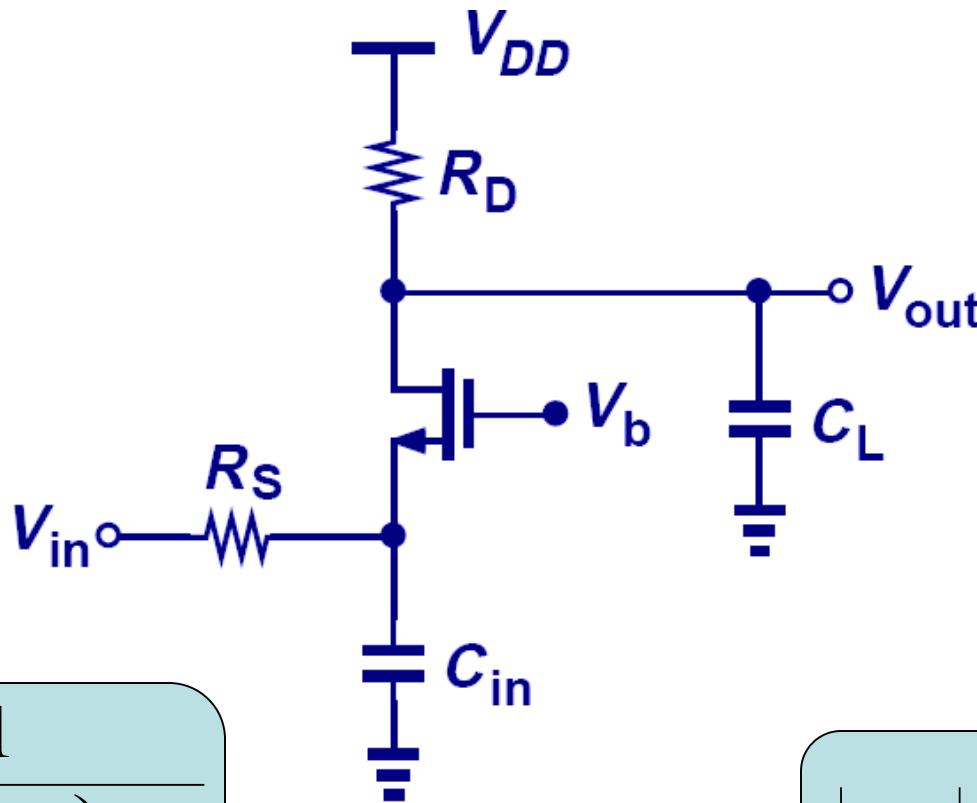
$$|\omega_{p2}| = \frac{1}{R_D C_L}$$

$$\left| \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \right| = \frac{g_m R_D}{\sqrt{(1 + \omega^2 / \omega_{p1}^2)(1 + \omega^2 / \omega_{p2}^2)}}$$



Pole Identification Example 11.9

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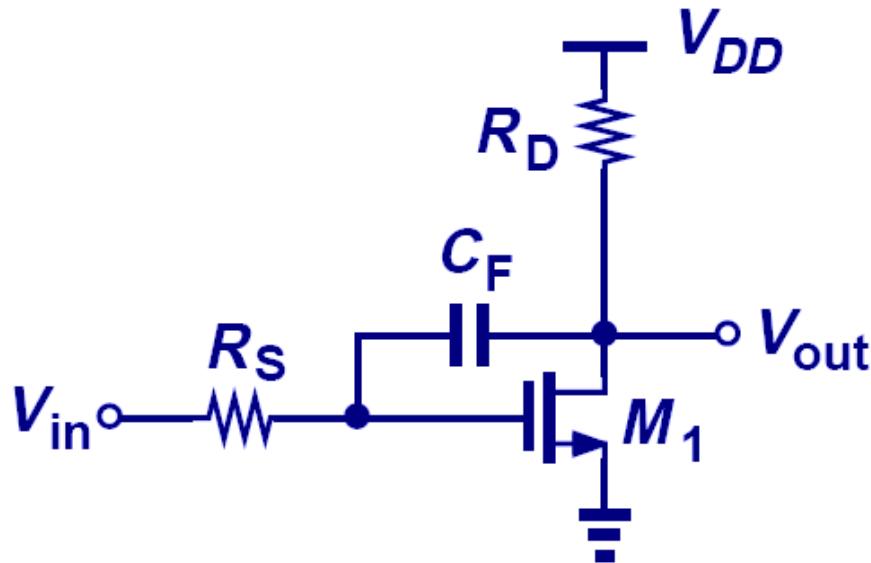
$$|\omega_{p1}| = \frac{1}{\left(R_S \parallel \frac{1}{g_m} \right) C_{in}}$$

$$|\omega_{p2}| = \frac{1}{R_D C_L}$$



Circuit with Floating Capacitor

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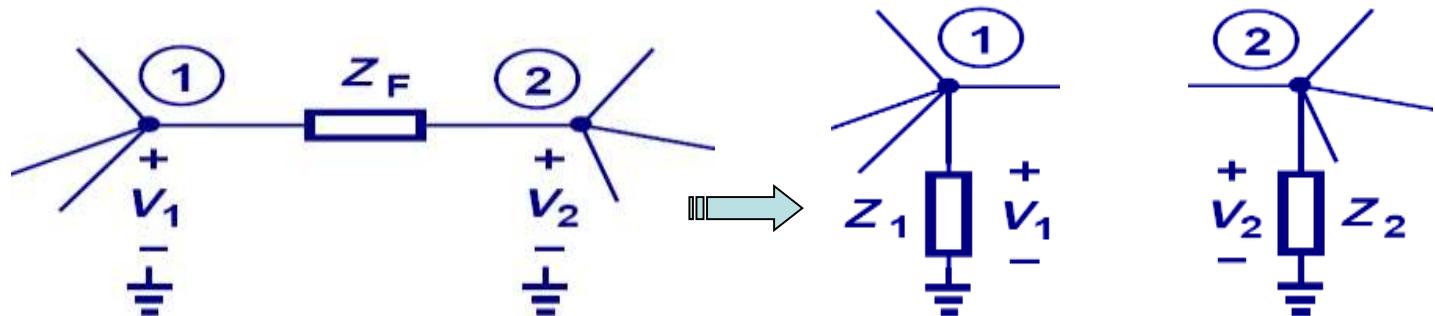


- The **pole** of a circuit is computed by finding **the effective resistance** and capacitance from a node to **GROUND**.
- The circuit above creates a problem since neither terminal of **C_F** is grounded.



Miller's Theorem

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$$\frac{V_1 - V_2}{Z_F} = \frac{V_1}{Z_1}$$

$$\frac{V_1 - V_2}{Z_F} = -\frac{V_2}{Z_2}.$$

$$Z_1 = Z_F \frac{V_1}{V_1 - V_2}$$

$$Z_1 = \frac{Z_F}{1 - A_v}$$

$$Z_2 = Z_F \frac{-V_2}{V_1 - V_2}$$

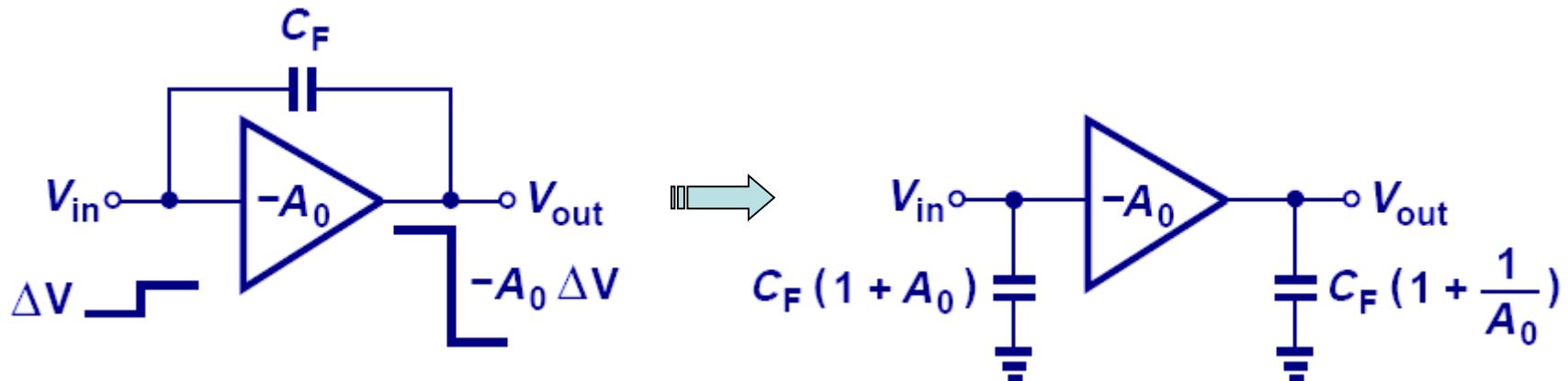
$$Z_2 = \frac{Z_F}{1 - 1/A_v}$$

- If A_v is the **gain** from node 1 to 2, then a floating impedance Z_F can be converted to **two** grounded impedances Z_1 and Z_2 .



Miller Multiplication

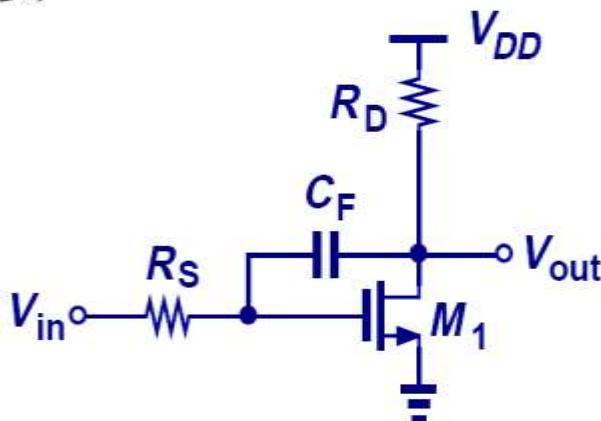
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- With **Miller's theorem**, we can separate the **floating** capacitor.
- However, the input capacitor is **larger** than the original floating capacitor.
- We call this **Miller multiplication**.

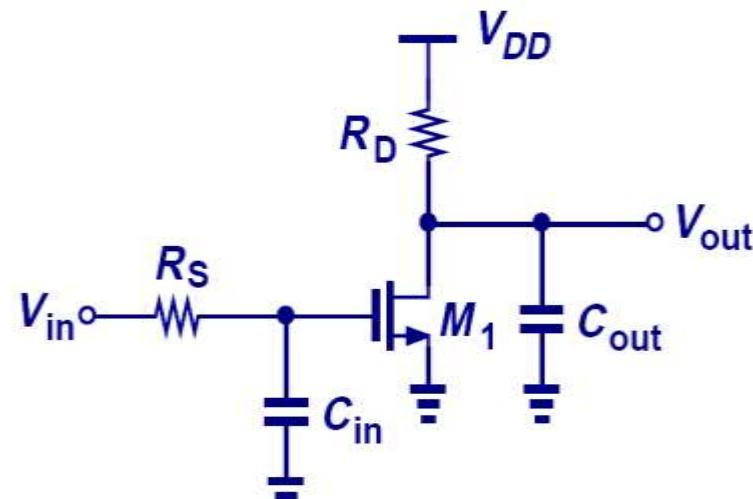


Example 11.10: Miller Theorem



$$C_{in} = (1 + A_0)C_F = (1 + g_m R_D)C_F$$

$$\omega_{in} = \frac{1}{R_S C_{in}}$$



$$C_{out} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{g_m R_D}\right) C_F$$

$$\omega_{out} = \frac{1}{R_D C_{out}}$$

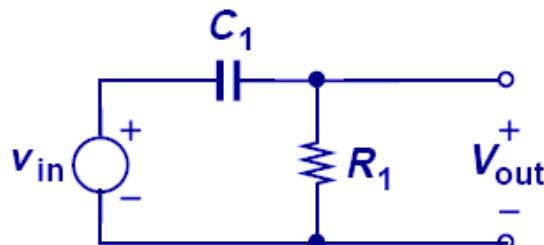
$$\omega_{in} = \frac{1}{R_S (1 + g_m R_D) C_F}$$

$$\omega_{out} = \frac{1}{R_D \left(1 + \frac{1}{g_m R_D}\right) C_F}$$

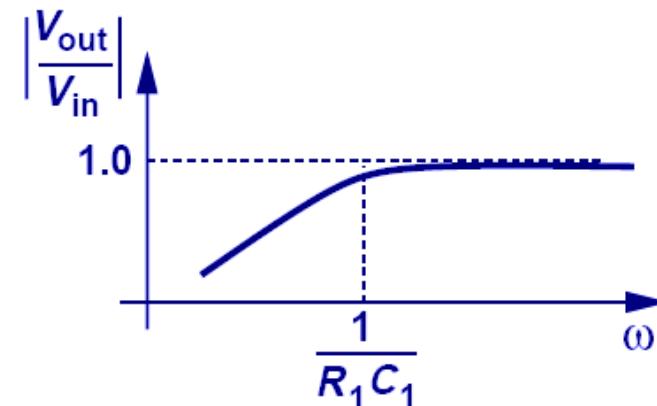


High-Pass Filter Response

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(a)



(b)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}}(s) &= \frac{R_1}{R_1 + \frac{1}{C_1 s}} \\ &= \frac{R_1 C_1 s}{R_1 C_1 s + 1},\end{aligned}$$

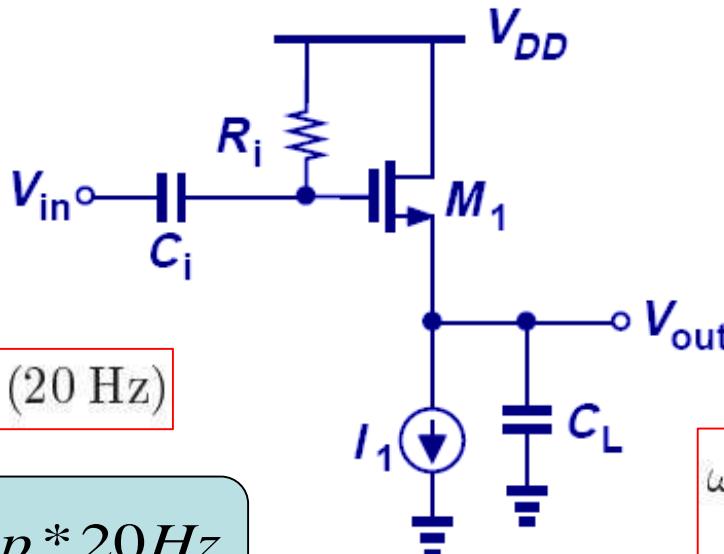
$$\left| \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \right| = \frac{R_1 C_1 \omega}{\sqrt{R_1^2 C_1^2 \omega^2 + 1}}$$

- The **voltage division** between a resistor and a capacitor can be configured such that the gain at **low frequency** is reduced.



Example 11.11: Audio Amplifier

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$$R_i = 100K\Omega$$

$$g_m = 1/200\Omega$$

$$1/(R_i C_i) \rightarrow 2\pi \times (20 \text{ Hz})$$

$$|\omega_{p1}| = \frac{1}{R_{in} C_{in}} = 2 \pi \times 20 \text{ Hz}$$

$$C_i = 79.6 \text{ nF}$$

$$\omega_{p,out} = \frac{g_m}{C_L}$$

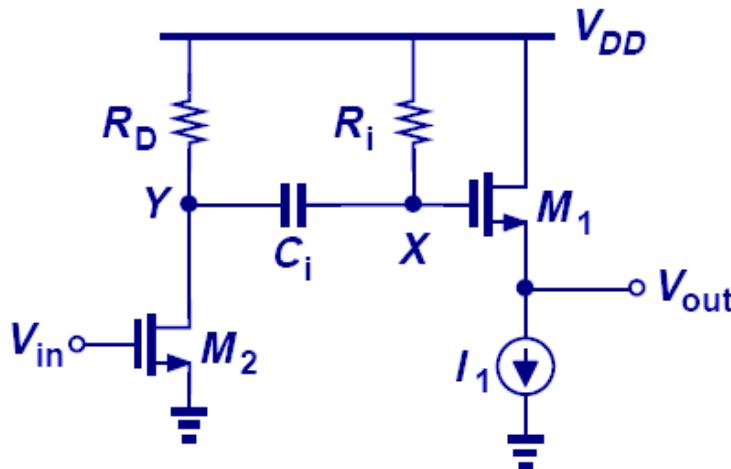
$$= 2\pi \times (20 \text{ kHz}),$$

$$C_L = 39.8 \text{ nF}$$

- In order to successfully pass audio band frequencies (**20 Hz-20 KHz**), large input and output capacitances are needed.

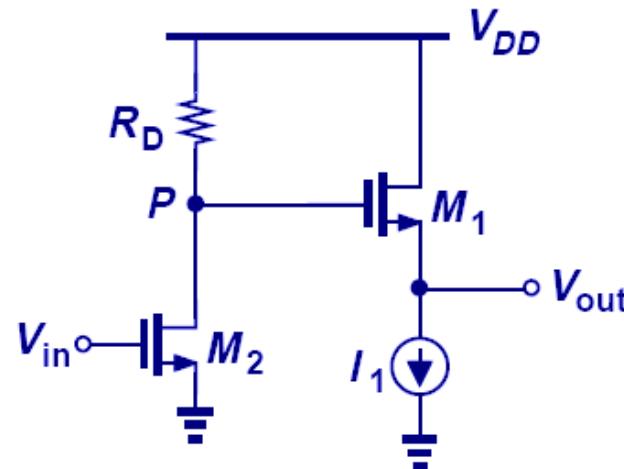


Capacitive Coupling vs. Direct Coupling



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Capacitive Coupling

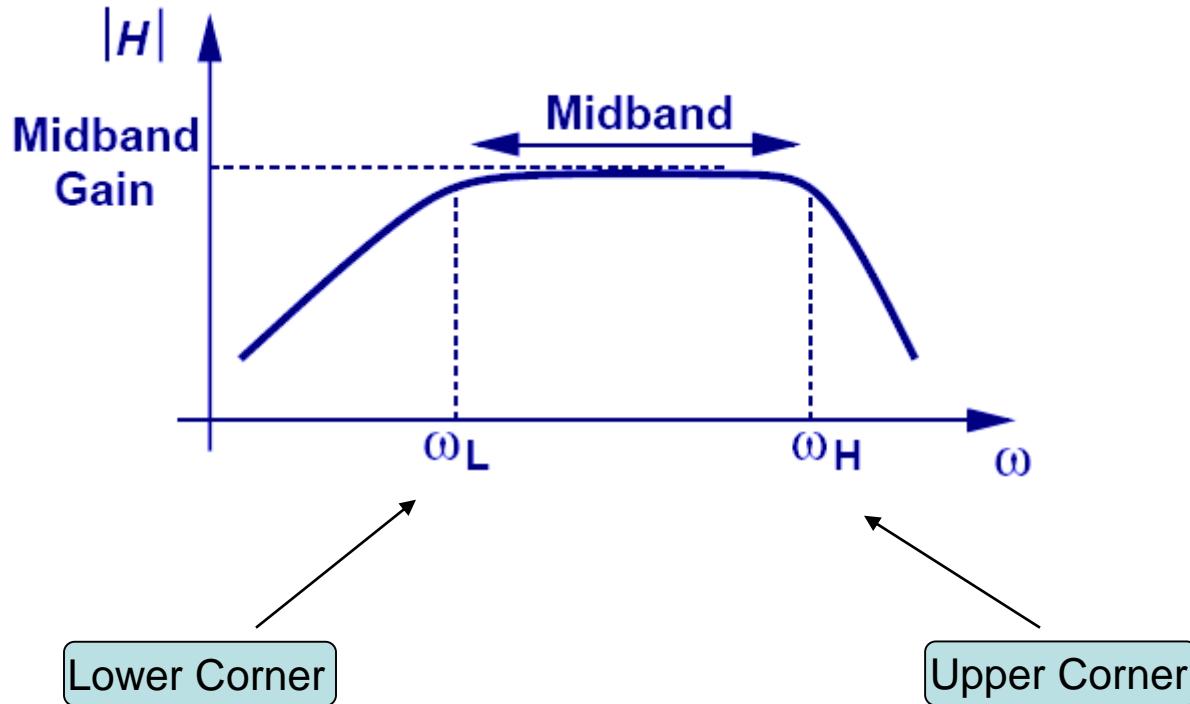


(b)

Direct Coupling

- Capacitive **coupling**, also known as **AC coupling**, passes AC signals from Y to X while blocking DC contents.
- This technique allows independent **bias conditions** between stages. Direct coupling does not.

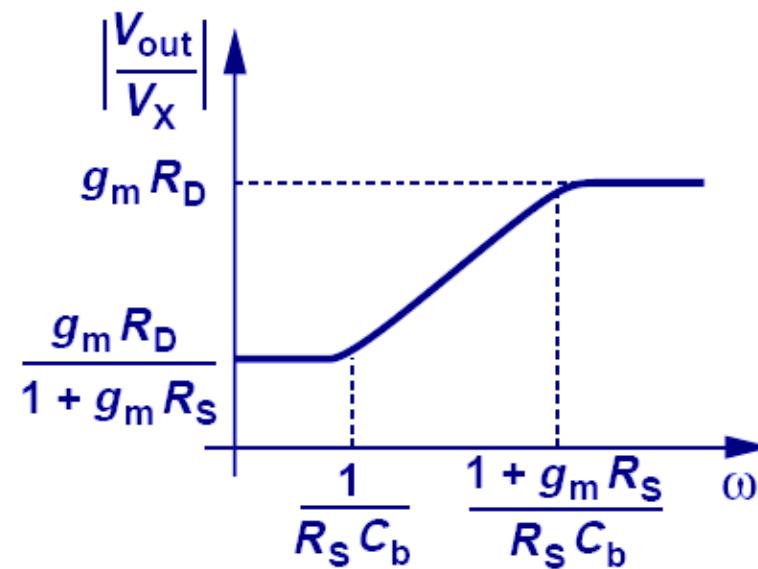
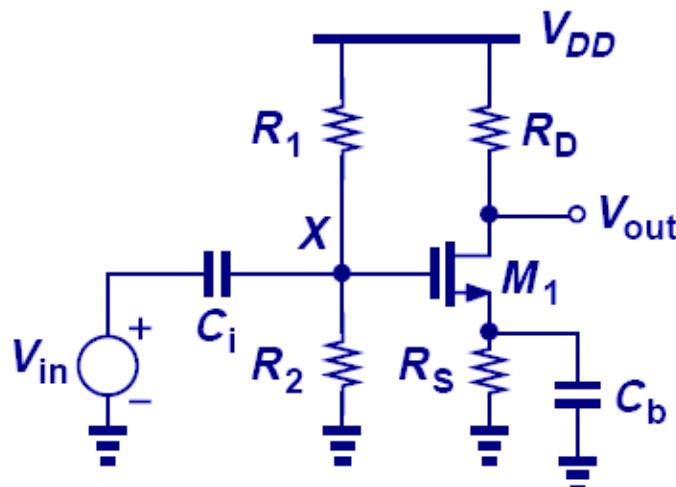
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Frequency Response of CS Stage with Bypassed Degeneration

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$$\frac{V_X}{V_{in}}(s) = \frac{R_1 || R_2}{R_1 || R_2 + \frac{1}{C_i s}}$$

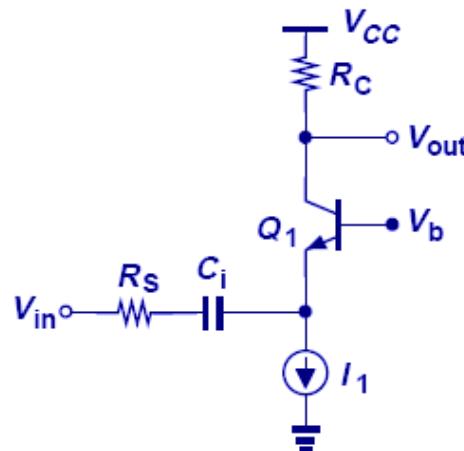
$$\left| \frac{V_{out}}{V_X}(s) \right| = \frac{-g_m R_D (R_s C_b s + 1)}{R_s C_b s + g_m R_s + 1}$$

- In order to increase the **midband gain**, a capacitor **C_b** is placed in parallel with **R_s**.
- The pole frequency must be well below the lowest signal frequency to avoid the effect of degeneration.

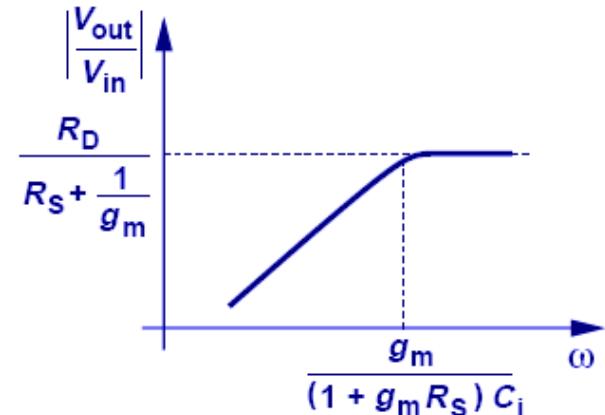


Low Frequency Response of CB and CG Stages

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(a)



(b)

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}}(s) = \frac{R_C}{R_S + (C_i s)^{-1} + 1/g_m}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}}(s) = \frac{g_m R_C C_i s}{(1 + g_m R_S) C_i s + g_m}$$

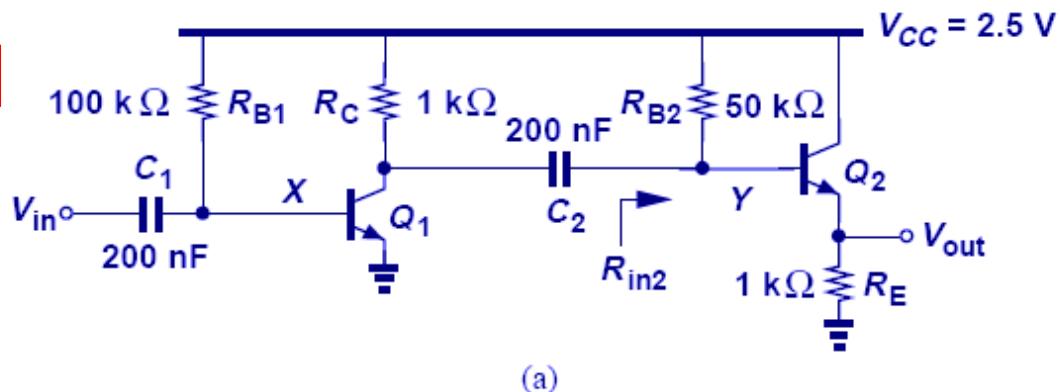
- As with CE and CS stages, the use of capacitive coupling leads to low-frequency roll-off in **CB** and **CG** stages (although a **CB** stage is shown above, a **CG** stage is similar).



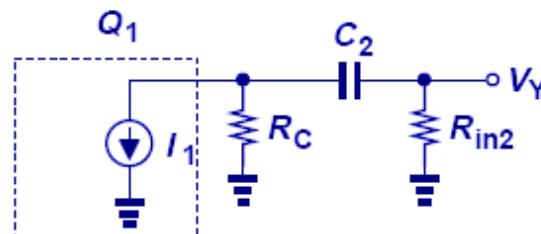
Example 11.28: Capacitive Coupling

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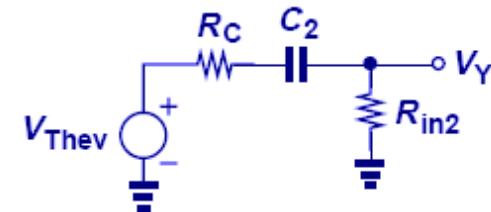
$I_S = 5 \times 10^{-16} \text{ A}$, $\beta = 100$, and $V_A = \infty$



(a)



(b)



(c)

$$R_{in2} = R_{B2} \parallel [r_{\pi 2} + (\beta + 1)R_E]$$

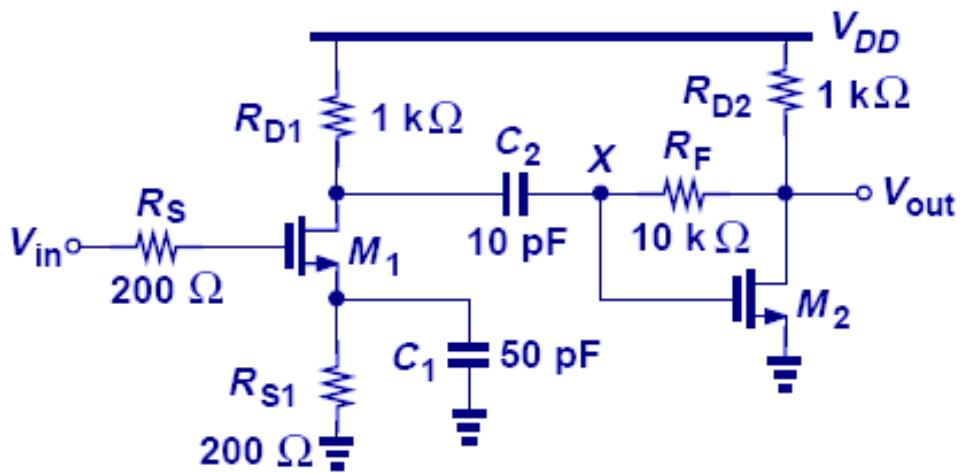
$$\omega_{L1} = \frac{1}{(r_{\pi 1} \parallel R_{B1})C_1} = 2\pi \times (542 \text{ Hz})$$

$$\omega_{L2} = \frac{1}{(R_C + R_{in2})C_2} = \pi \times (22.9 \text{ Hz})$$



Example 11.29:

IC Amplifier – Low Frequency Design



$$R_{in2} = \frac{R_F}{1 - A_{v2}}$$

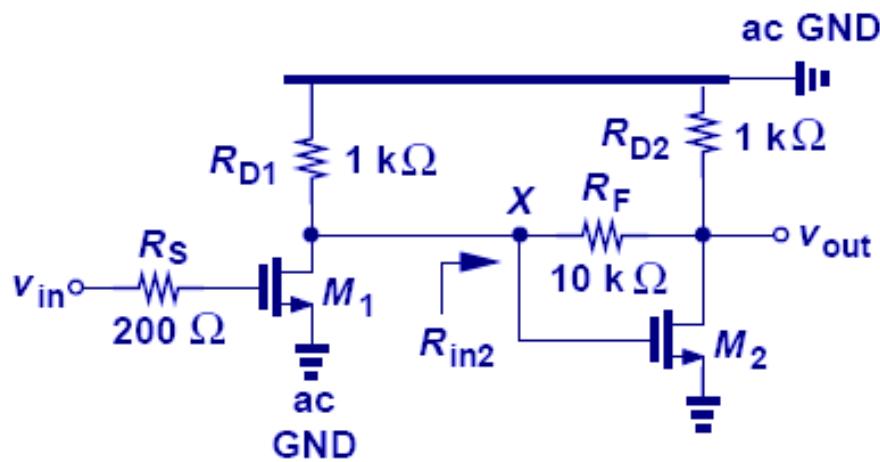
$$\omega_{L1} = \frac{g_{m1}R_{S1} + 1}{R_{S1}C_1} = 2\pi \times (42.4 \text{ MHz})$$

$$\omega_{L2} = \frac{1}{(R_{D1} + R_{in2})C_2} = 2\pi \times (6.92 \text{ MHz})$$



Example: IC Amplifier – Midband Design

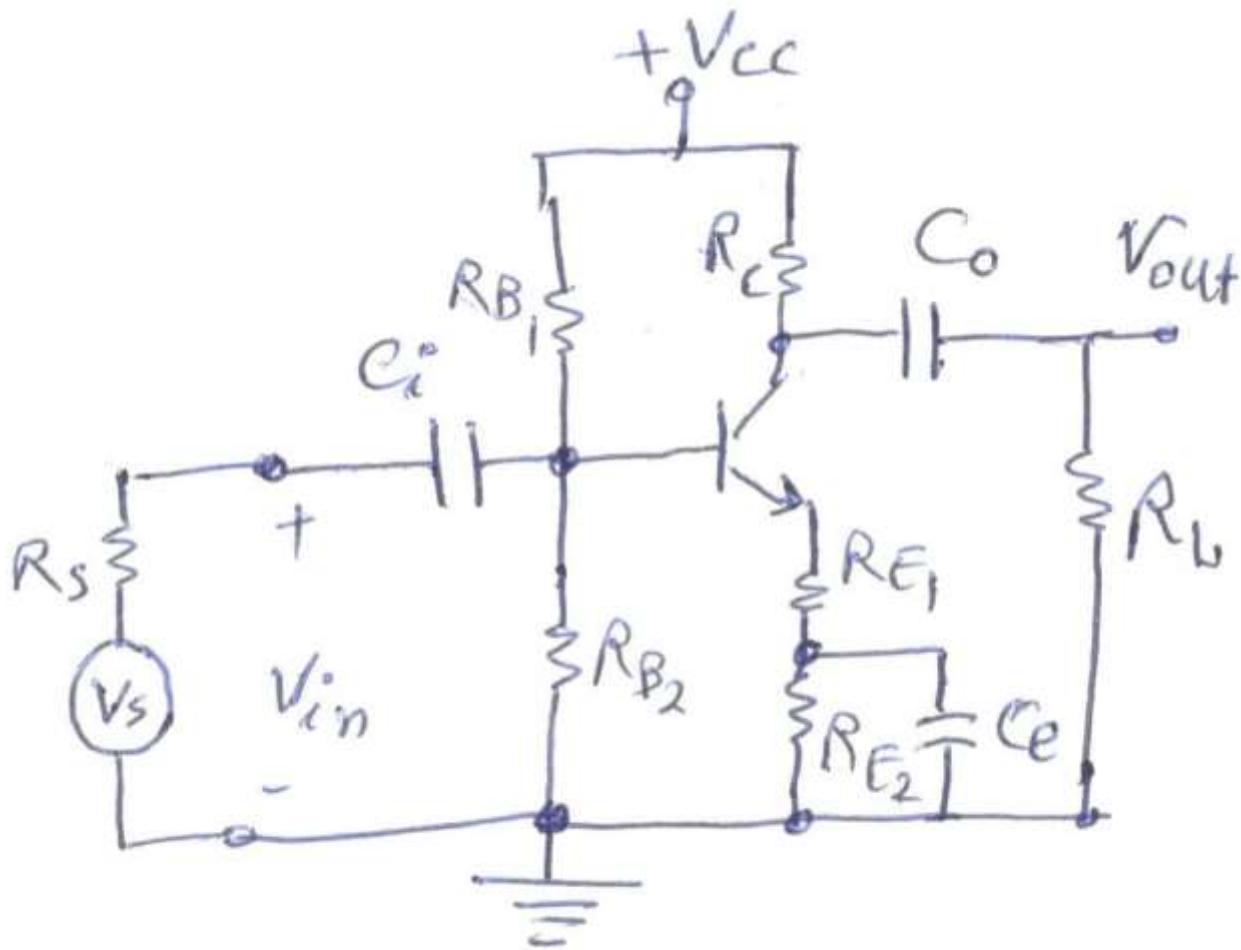
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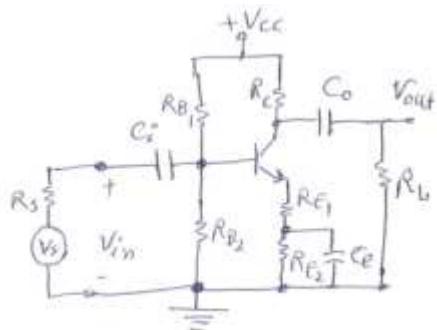


$$\frac{v_X}{v_{in}} = -g_{m1} (R_{D1} \parallel R_{in2}) = -3.77$$



Example C.E:Design





$$\frac{dV_{out}}{dC_e} \text{ at } f_L = \frac{1}{2\pi R_{th}(e) \cdot C_e} \quad , \quad C_e = \frac{1}{2\pi f_L \cdot R_{th}(e)}$$

$$R_{th}(e) = R_S + \left[(R_{B1} || R_{B2}) || \left(r_O + R_E1 (\beta + 1) \right) \right]$$

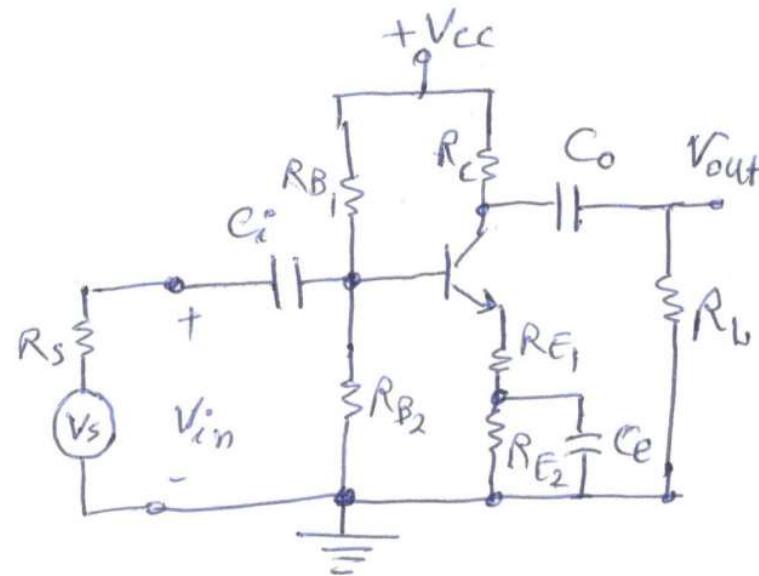
$$\frac{dV_{out}}{dC_o} \text{ at } f_L = \frac{1}{2\pi R_{th}(o) \cdot C_o} \quad , \quad C_o = \frac{1}{2\pi f_L \cdot R_{th}(o)}$$

$$R_{th}(o) \approx R_L + R_C \quad , \quad R_{th}(o) = R_L + \left\{ R_C || \left(r_o + (1 + g_m r_o) [R_E1 || (r_O + R_{BB})] \right) \right\}$$

$$\frac{dV_{out}}{dC_e} \text{ at } f_L = \frac{1}{2\pi R_{th}(e) \cdot C_e} \quad , \quad C_e = \frac{1}{2\pi f_L \cdot R_{th}(e)}$$

$$R_{th}(e) \approx R_E2 || \left(R_E1 + \frac{1}{g_m} \right)$$

$$\therefore R_{th}(e) \approx R_E2 || \left[R_E1 + \frac{R_{BB} + r_O}{\beta + 1} \right]$$



میرا کو عملیں میدار اولیے چیزیں C_6 , C_7 , C_8 , C_9 , C_{10} را کہاں طلاق فروختے ہیں ملکوں دردھنیز
مکالمہ و عملیہ C_6 , C_7 , C_8 , C_9 , C_{10} و اعتصمی دریدار را دوسرے پر بزرگتر انتساب ملکاں میں کیا
کہاں کو عملیہ C_6 , C_7 , C_8 , C_9 , C_{10} فقط نہیں (نہ اسکے بزرگتر کہاں C_6 , C_7 , C_8 , C_9 , C_{10} قیس ملکوں).

