

(HFI)

HIGH-FREQUENCY CUTOFF APPROXIMATION f_H

- FOR ACCURATE f_H VALUE
CAN DO EXACT ANALYSIS OR SIMULATION

HOWEVER OPEN-CIRCUIT TIME-CONSTANT METHOD
TOGETHER WITH MILLER'S THEOREM
(FOR COUPLED CAPACITORS)
GIVES f_H ESTIMATE

PROCEDURE

1) USE MILLER'S THEOREM TO SEPARATE
COUPLED CAPACITORS

2) FOR EACH HIGH FREQ (HF) CAP
FIND C_i ASSOCIATED WITH THAT
CAP WHILE OTHER HF CAPS OPENED.

EACH POLE IS ESTIMATED TO BE

$$f_{p_i} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_i}$$

(HF 1A)

3) 2 METHODS TO ESTIMATE f_H

- OPEN-CIRCUIT TIME CONSTANT (OTC) ESTIMATE
- DOMINANT POLE ESTIMATE

$$\underline{\underline{OTC}} \quad f_H \approx \frac{1}{2\pi \sum \tau_i} = \left(\frac{1}{f_{p1}} + \frac{1}{f_{p2}} + \dots \right)^{-1}$$

DOMINANT POLE

$$f_H \approx \frac{1}{2\pi \tau_{\max}}$$

WHERE τ_{\max} IS LARGEST τ_i

OR EQUIVALENTLY

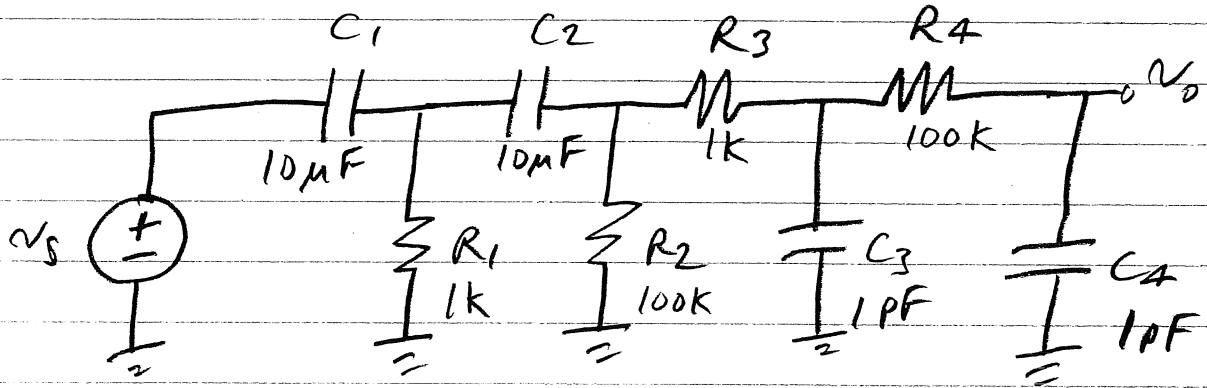
$$f_H \approx f_{p\min}$$

WHERE $f_{p\min}$ IS SMALLEST f_{pi}

HF2

SHORT/OPEN CIRCUIT TIME - CONSTANT EXAMPLE

(WIDELY SPACE POLES SO USE DOMINANT ESTIMATE)

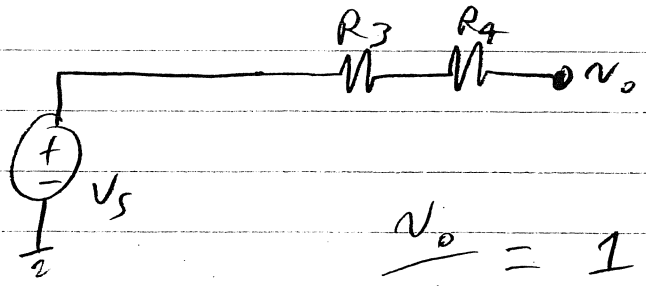


FIRST DETERMINE WHICH CAPS ARE LOW FREQ CUTOFF ↓ WHICH HIGH FREQ CUTOFF

LF ⇒ C₁, C₂

HF ⇒ C₃, C₄

FOR MIDBAND GAIN SHORT LF CAPS
OPEN HF CAPS



$$\frac{v_o}{v_s} = 1$$

(HF3)

FOR f_L LF CUTOFF \Rightarrow OPEN HF CAPS
ZERO INDEPENDENT SOURCE

FIND POLES DUE TO EACH LF CAP
(WHILE OTHER LF CAP SHORTED)

$$C_1 \Rightarrow f_{p1} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_1 (R_1 || R_2)} \approx \frac{1}{2\pi C_1 R_1}$$

$$f_{p1} = 15.9 \text{ Hz}$$

$$C_2 \Rightarrow f_{p2} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_2 (R_2)} = 0.159 \text{ Hz}$$

LOW FREQ CUTOFF IS HIGHER OF $f_{p1} \vee f_{p2}$

$$f_L = 15.9 \text{ Hz}$$

f_H

f_H

FOR HF CUTOFF \Rightarrow SHORT LF CAPS
ZERO V_S

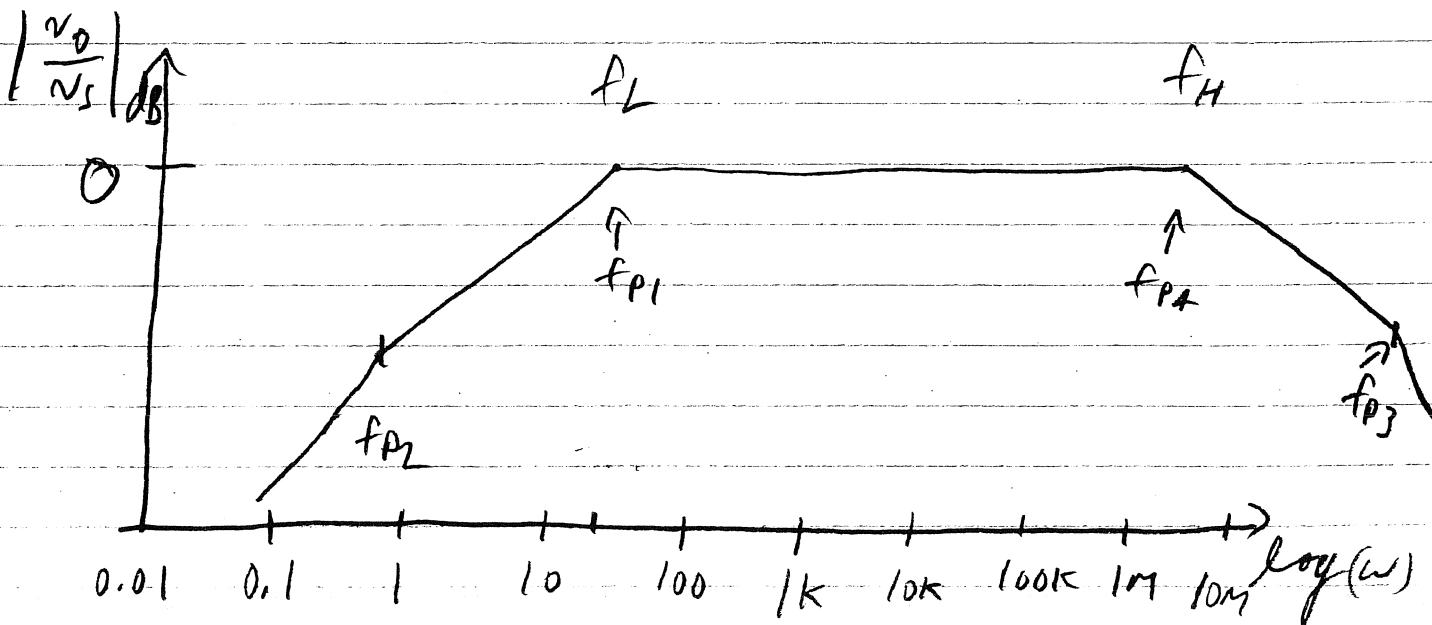
FIND POLES DUE TO EACH HF CAP
(WHILE OTHER HF CAPS OPEN)

$$C_3 \Rightarrow f_{p3} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_3 R_3} = 159 \text{ MHz}$$

$$C_4 \Rightarrow f_{p4} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_4 (R_3 + R_4)} \approx \frac{1}{2\pi C_4 R_4}$$
$$= 1.59 \text{ MHz}$$

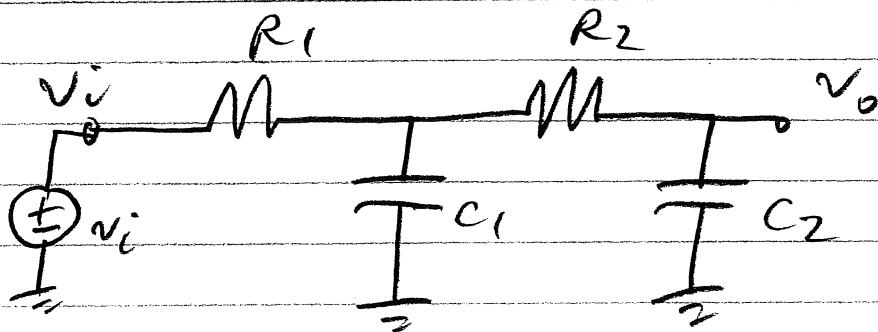
HIGH FREQ CUTOFF IS LOWER OF
 $f_{p3} + f_{p4}$

$$f_H = 1.59 \text{ MHz}$$



HOW ACCURATE ARE POLE ESTIMATES
FOR OPEN-CIRCUIT TIME CONSTANT (OTC)?

CONSIDER



CAN SHOW

$$\frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{1}{s^2(C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2) + s[C_2(R_1 + R_2) + C_1 R_1] + 1}$$

USING OPEN-CIRCUIT TIME CONSTANT METHOD

$$\tau_1 = C_1 R_1 \quad \tau_2 = C_2 (R_1 + R_2)$$

NOTE

$$\frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{1}{s^2(C_1 C_2 R_1 R_2) + s(\tau_1 + \tau_2) + 1}$$

SUM OF OPEN-CIRCUIT
TIME-CONSTANTS

NOTE

IF $T(s)$ EXPRESSED AS (REAL POLES & ZEROS)

$$T(s) = \frac{(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{z1}})(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{z2}}) \dots (1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{zm}})}{(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{p1}})(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{p2}}) \dots (1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{pn}})}$$

$$= \frac{1 + a_1 s + a_2 s^2 + \dots + a_m s^m}{1 + b_1 s + b_2 s^2 + \dots + b_n s^n}$$

THEN $b_1 = \frac{1}{\omega_{p1}} + \frac{1}{\omega_{p2}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\omega_{pn}}$

∴ IT CAN BE SHOWN THAT

$$b_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i R_i$$

SUM OF OPEN CIRCUIT-TIME CONSTANTS

IF ZEROS NOT DOMINANT & ONE-POLE DOMINANT

THEN $b_1 \approx \frac{1}{\omega_{p1}}$

IF ZEROS NOT DOMINANT & ONE-POLE DOMINANT

HFG

EXAMPLES

$$C_1 = C_2 = 1.59 \text{ pF}$$

EX 1 $R_1 = 1 \text{ k}$ $R_2 = 100 \text{ k}$

ACTUAL $\Rightarrow f_{p2} = 990 \text{ kHz}$ $f_{p1} = 101 \text{ MHz}$

OTC $\Rightarrow f_{p2} = 990 \text{ kHz}$ $f_{p1} = 100 \text{ MHz}$

EX 2 $R_1 = 10 \text{ k}$ $R_2 = 100 \text{ k}$

ACTUAL $\Rightarrow f_{p2} = 901 \text{ kHz}$ $f_{p1} = 11.1 \text{ MHz}$

OTC $\Rightarrow f_{p2} = 909 \text{ kHz}$ $f_{p1} = 10 \text{ MHz}$

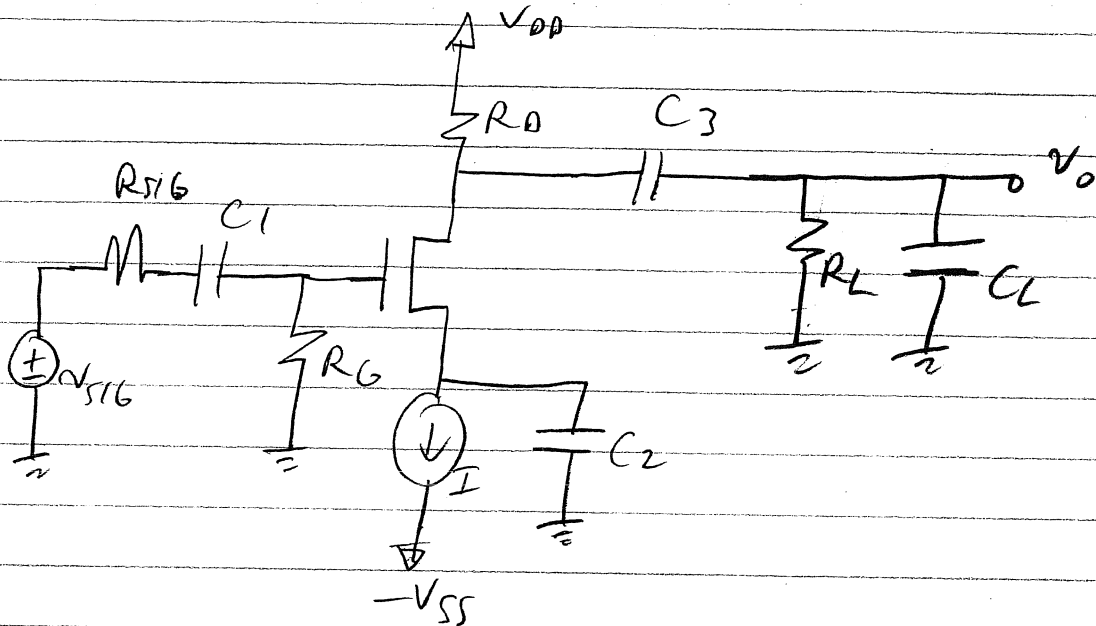
EX 3 $R_1 = 30 \text{ k}$ $R_2 = 100 \text{ k}$

ACTUAL $\Rightarrow f_{p2} = 723 \text{ kHz}$ $f_{p1} = 4.61 \text{ MHz}$

OTC $\Rightarrow f_{p2} = 769 \text{ kHz}$ $f_{p1} = 3.33 \text{ MHz}$

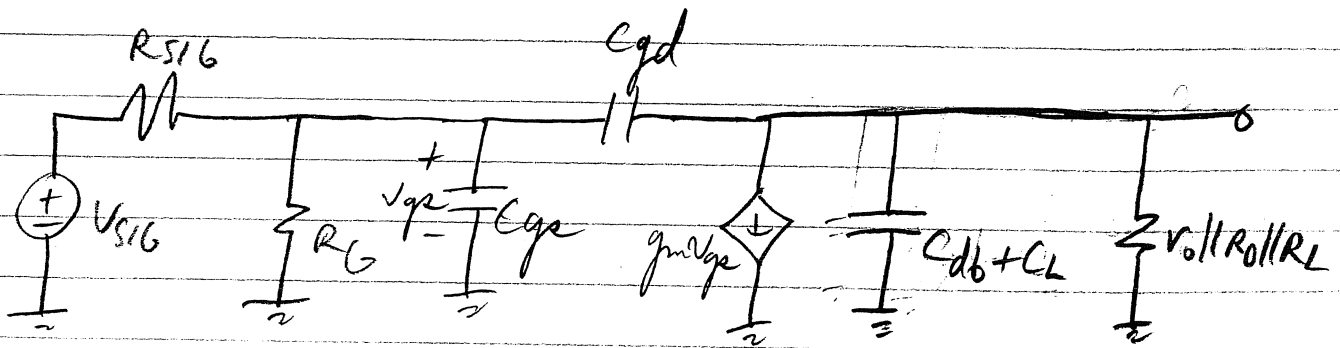
HF7

COMMON SOURCE AMP



ALL C_1, C_2, C_3 ARE LOW FREQ COUPLING & BYPASS

SO SHORT THEM FOR HIGH FREQ ANALYSIS

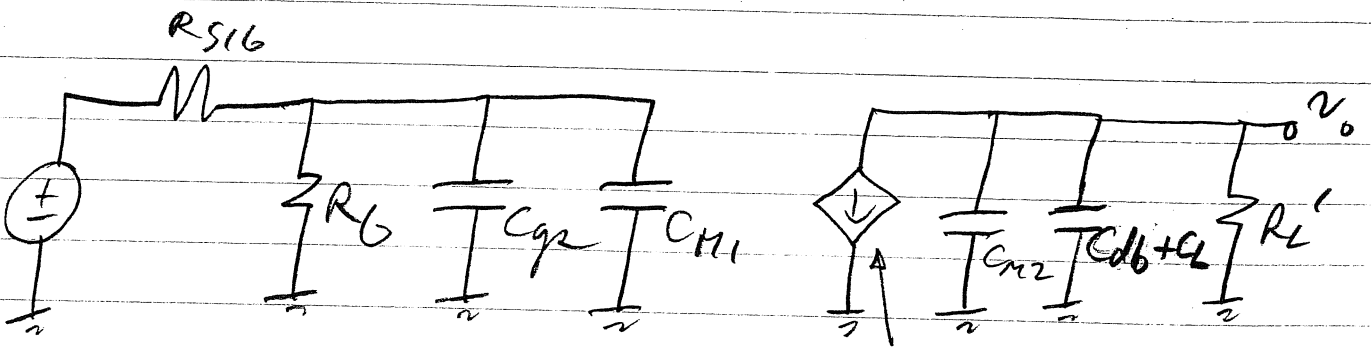


MIDBAND GAIN $\frac{v_o}{v_{gs}} = -g_m (r_{o1} || R_L || R_D)$
 $\equiv -g_m R_L'$

LET $R_L' = r_{o1} || R_L || R_D$

HFG

USING MILLER THEOREM



$$C_{M1} = C_{gd} (1 + g_m R_L')$$

$$C_{M2} = C_{gd} (1 + \frac{1}{g_m R_L'}) \approx C_{gd} \text{ IF } g_m R_L' \gg 1$$

So

$$\omega_{P1} = \left[(C_{gp} + C_{M1}) (R_{SIG} \parallel R_G) \right]^{-1} = 2\pi f_{P1}$$

$$\omega_{P2} = \left[(C_{db} + C_L + C_{gd}) R_L' \right]^{-1} = 2\pi f_{P2}$$

So

$$\frac{v_o}{v_{SIG}} \approx \frac{-g_m R_L' \times \left(\frac{R_G}{R_G + R_{SIG}} \right)}{\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{P1}} \right) \left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{P2}} \right)}$$

DOMINANT f_H ESTIMATE

$$f_H \approx f_{P1} \text{ OR } f_{P2} \text{ WHICH EVER IS LOWER}$$

OTC f_H ESTIMATE

$$f_H = \left(\frac{1}{f_{p1}} + \frac{1}{f_{p2}} \right)^{-1} = f_{p1} \parallel f_{p2}$$

↑ MATHEMATICAL
PARALLEL

- OFTEN ω_{p1} IS LOW DUE TO
MILLER EFFECT ON C_{gd}

- CAN KEEP ω_{p1} HIGH IF R_{SIG} IS
SMALL

EX LET $R_{SIG} = 0$

FIND f_H + f_t (UNITY GAIN FREQ)
ASSUMING $g_m R_L' \gg 1$

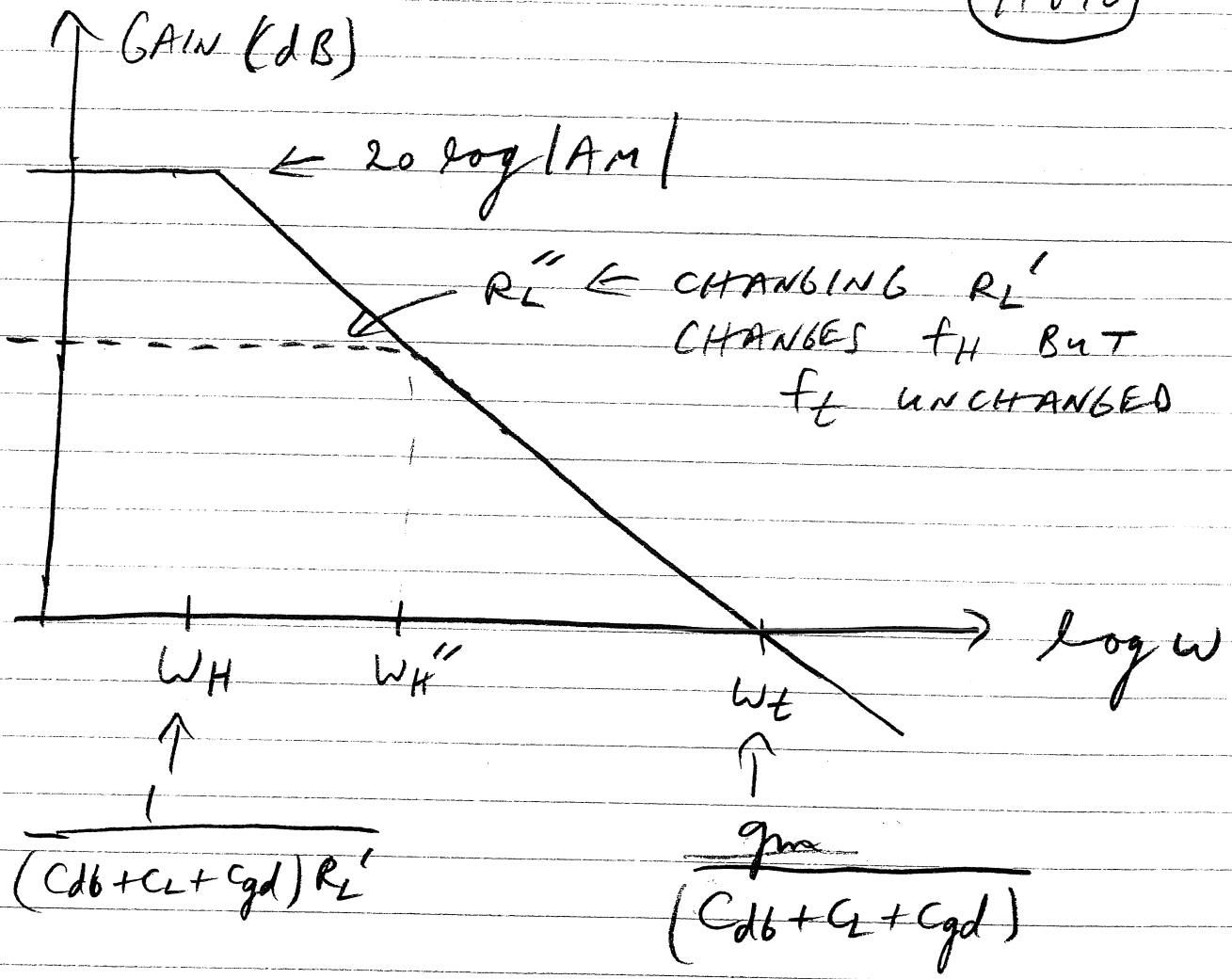
$$f_H = \frac{\omega_{p2}}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi (C_{db} + C_L + C_{gd}) R_L'}$$

↓ LOW FREQ GAIN $A_m = -g_m R_L'$

$$\Rightarrow f_t = |A_m| f_H \quad \left[\text{SEE SINGLE TIME CONSTANT pg 13} \right]$$

$$f_t = \frac{g_m}{2\pi (C_{db} + C_L + C_{gd})}$$

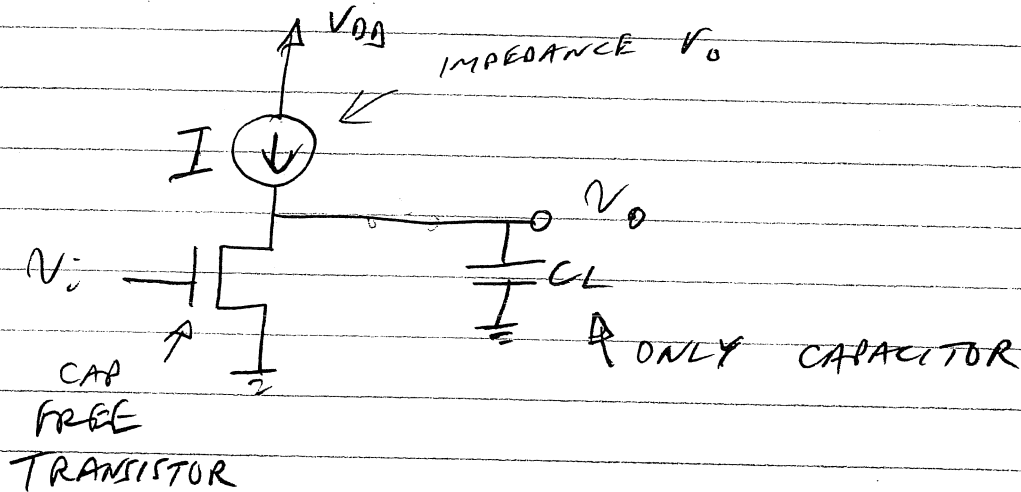
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CASCODE AMP

CONSIDER

COMMON SOURCE (CS)

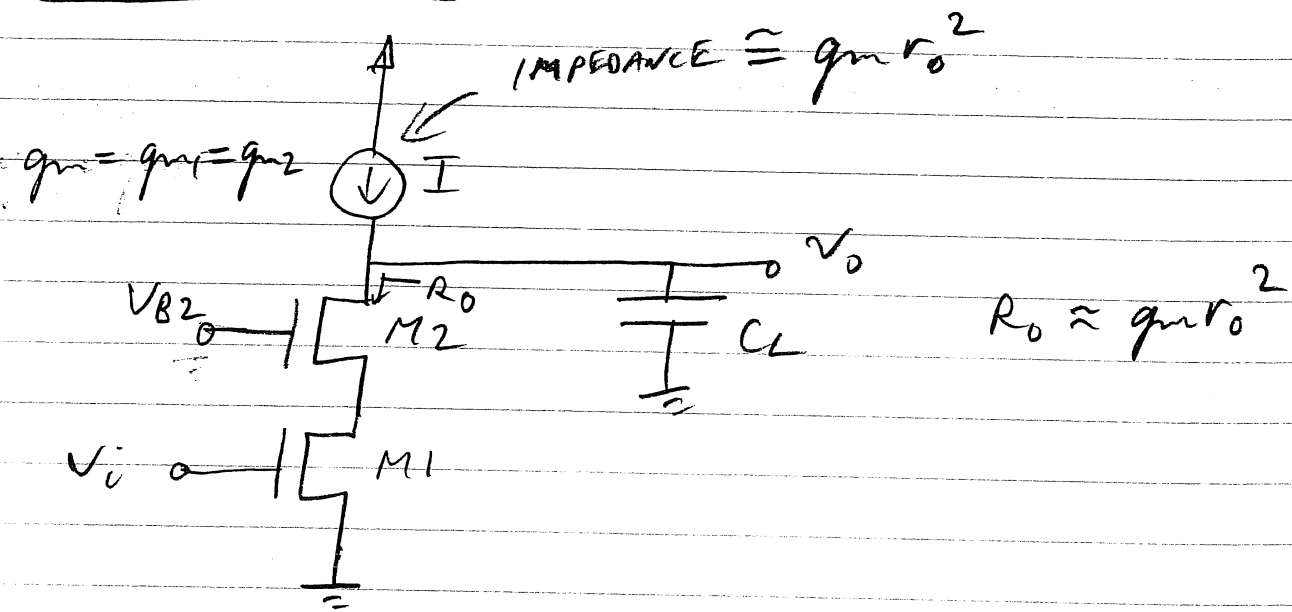


DC GAIN $\Rightarrow -g_m \left(\frac{r_o}{2} \right)$

$f_{3dB} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi C_L \left(\frac{r_o}{2} \right)}$

$f_t \Rightarrow \frac{g_m}{2\pi C_L}$

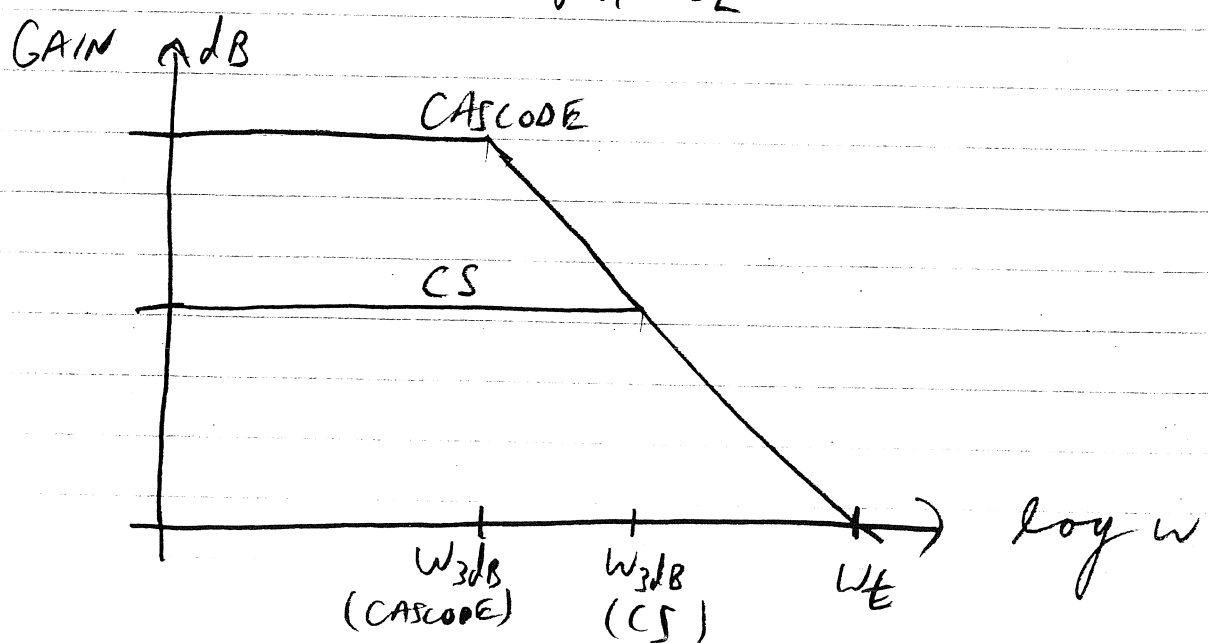
CASCODE AMP



DC GAIN \Rightarrow $-\frac{g_m r_o^2}{2}$ INCREASED BY $g_m r_o$

f_{3dB} \Rightarrow $\frac{1}{2\pi C_L \left(\frac{r_o}{2}\right) (g_m r_o)}$ DECREASED BY $g_m r_o$

f_t \Rightarrow $\frac{g_m}{2\pi C_L}$ (UNCHANGED)



HF13

CASCODE AMP

IF OUTPUT CAPACITANCE LOAD

DETERMINES f_H THEN

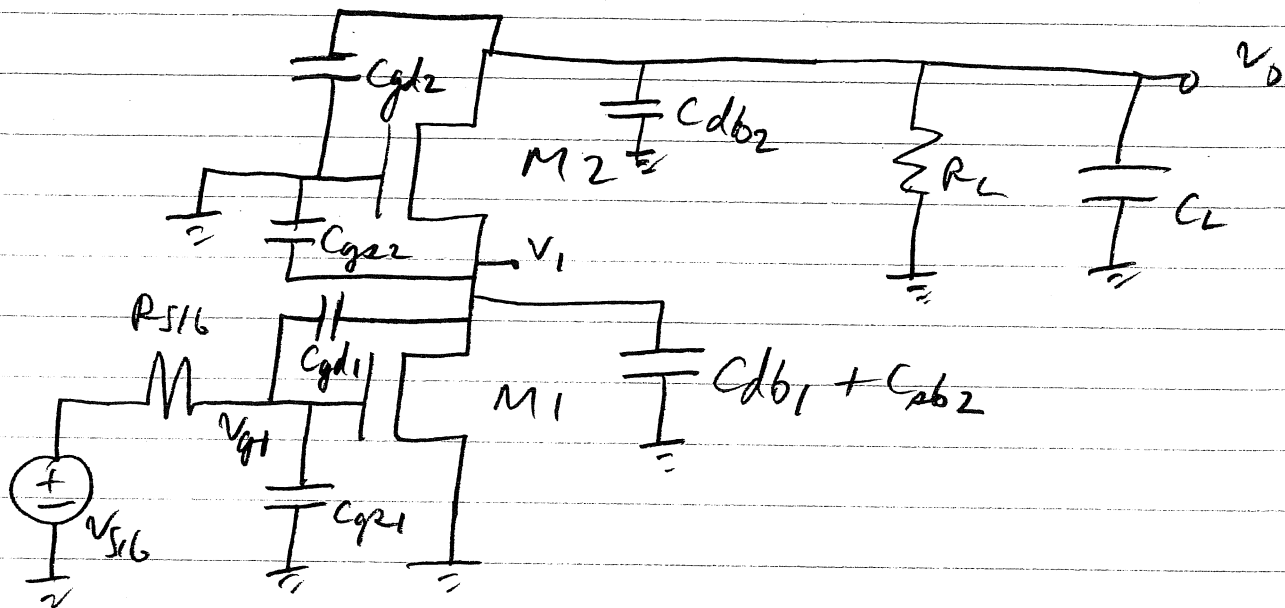
CASCODE AMP HAS SAME f_c

AS COMMON-SOURCE AMP

BUT HIGHER DC GAIN

(AND LOWER f_H)

OTHER CAPS IN CASCODE AMP



- TYPICALLY GAIN $\frac{v_o}{v_i}$ NOT LARGE

SO NO LARGE MILLER EFFECT ON

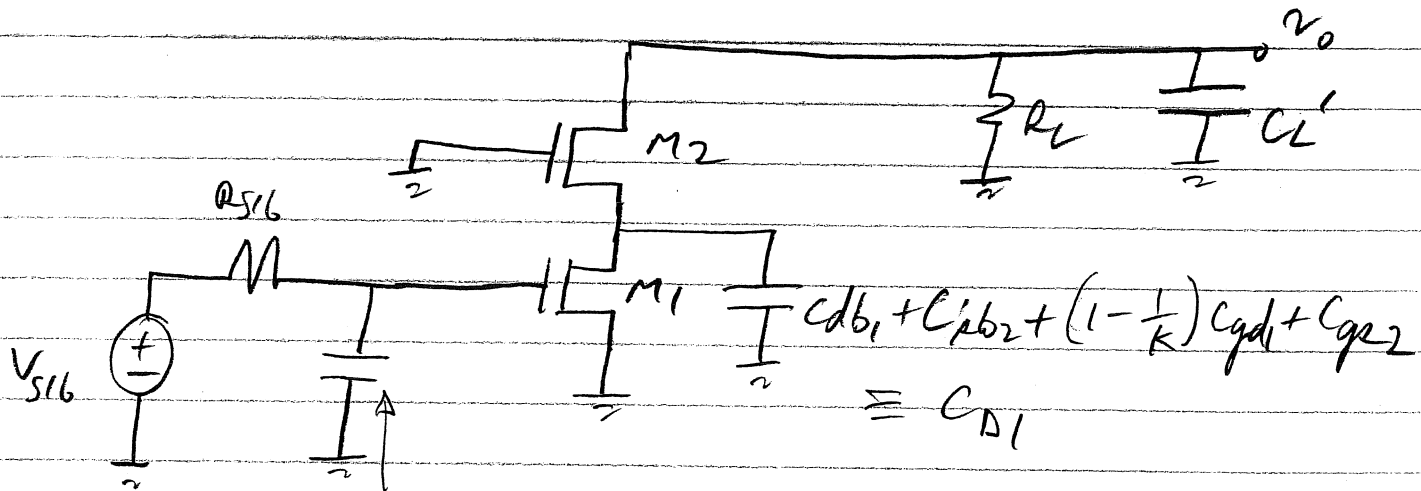
C_{gd11}

- THERE IS MILLER EFFECT ON C_{gd2} BUT
SINCE v_{g2} NOT IN SIGNAL PATH

DOES NOT AFFECT POLES OF SYSTEM.

HF 15

So APPROX CIRCUIT IS



$$C_{g1} + (1-k)C_{gd1} \equiv C_{D1}$$

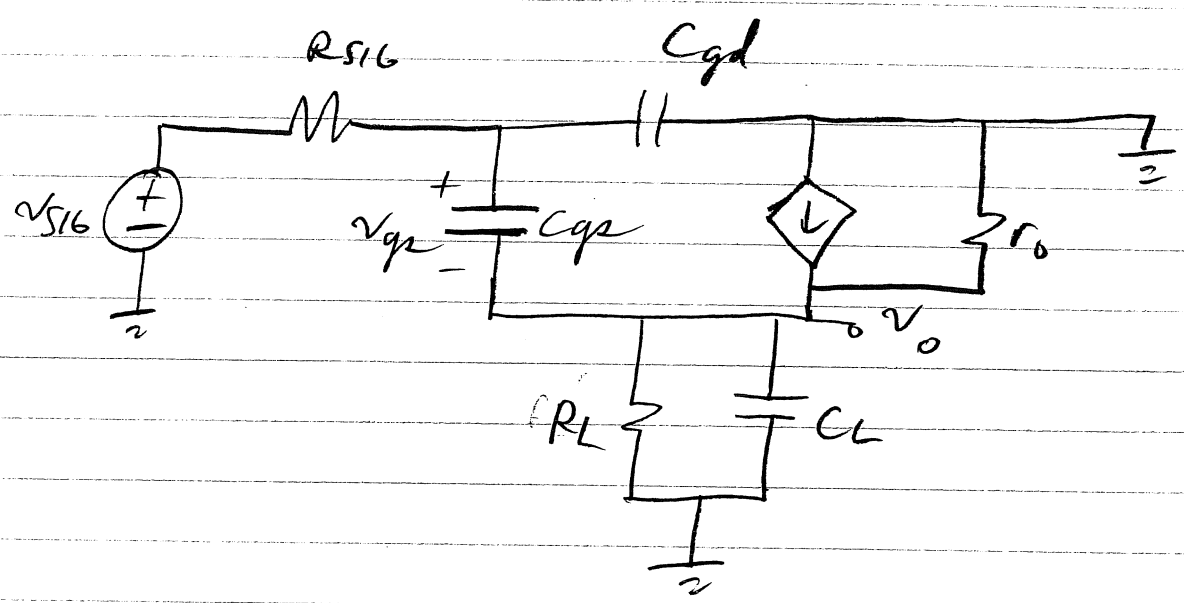
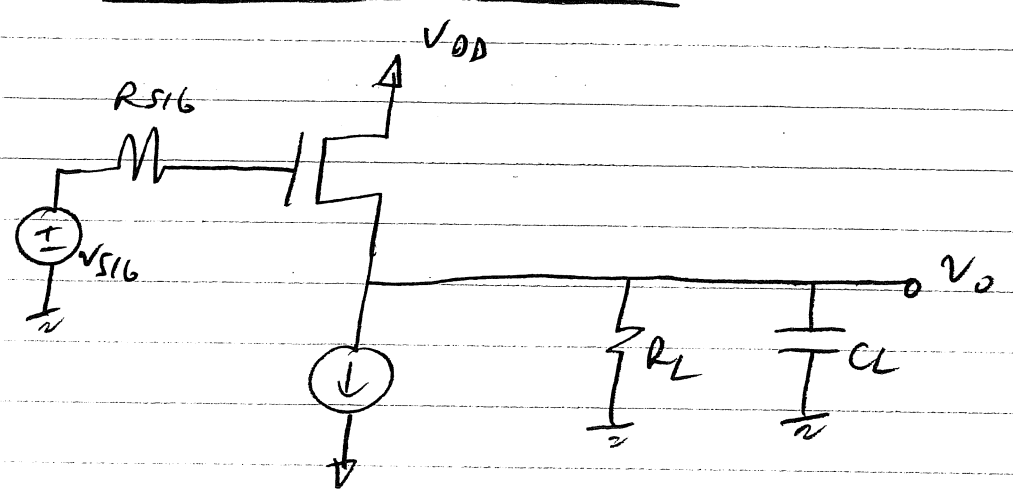
$$C_L' = C_{gd2} + C_{db2} + C_L$$

Req $C_{D1} \Rightarrow R_{S16}$

$C_{D1} \Rightarrow \approx \frac{1}{g_{m2}}$ DEPENDS ON R_L

$C_L' \Rightarrow \approx R_L \parallel (g_{m2} r_o^2)$
(USUALLY DOMINATES)

SOURCE FOLLOWER



LET $R_L' = R_L \parallel r_o$

$$\frac{V_o}{V_{S16}} = A_m = \frac{R_L'}{R_L' + r_s}$$

$$r_s = \frac{1}{g_m}$$

$$R_o = r_s \parallel r_o$$

3 POLES C_{gd} , C_{gs} , C_L

$$f_{p1} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_{gd} R_{S16}}$$

$$f_{p2} = \frac{1}{2\pi (C_L) (R_L \parallel r_o \parallel r_s)} \approx \frac{1}{2\pi (C_L) (r_s)}$$

$$f_{p3} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_{gs} (R_{gs})}$$

WHERE

$$R_{gs} = \frac{R_{S16} + R_L'}{1 + g_m R_L'}$$

(REQUIRES ANALYSIS)

ALL 3 POLES USUALLY HIGHER THAN IN COMMON-SOURCE CASE.