

ECE 342

Electronic Circuits

Lecture 25

Frequency Response of CG, CB, SF and EF

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Common Gate Amplifier

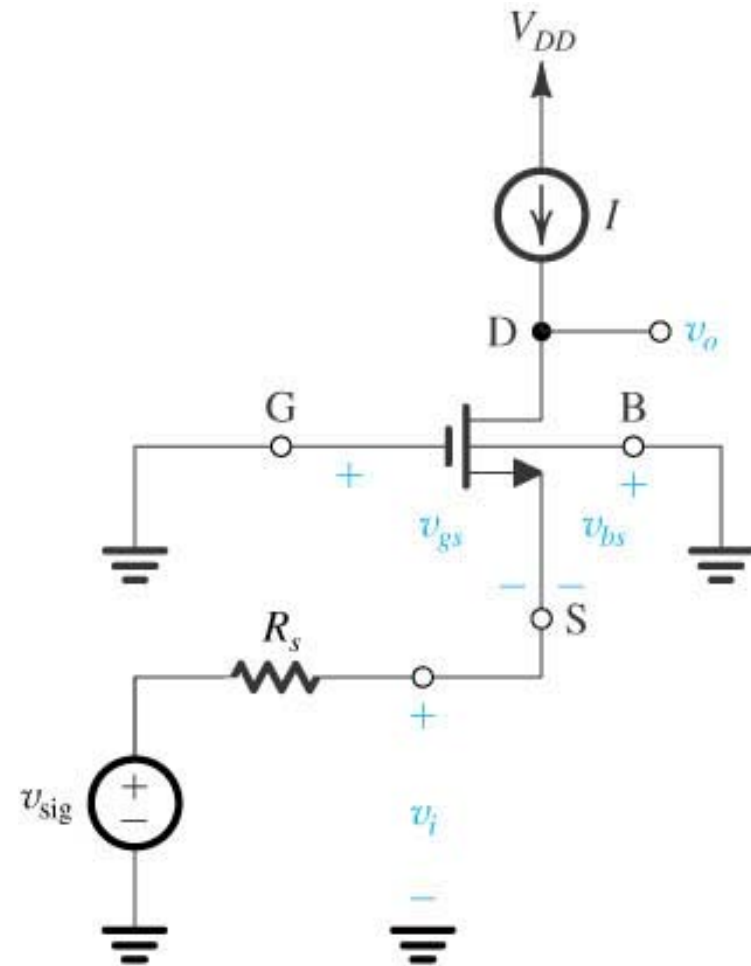
Substrate is not connected to the source → must account for body effect

Drain signal current becomes

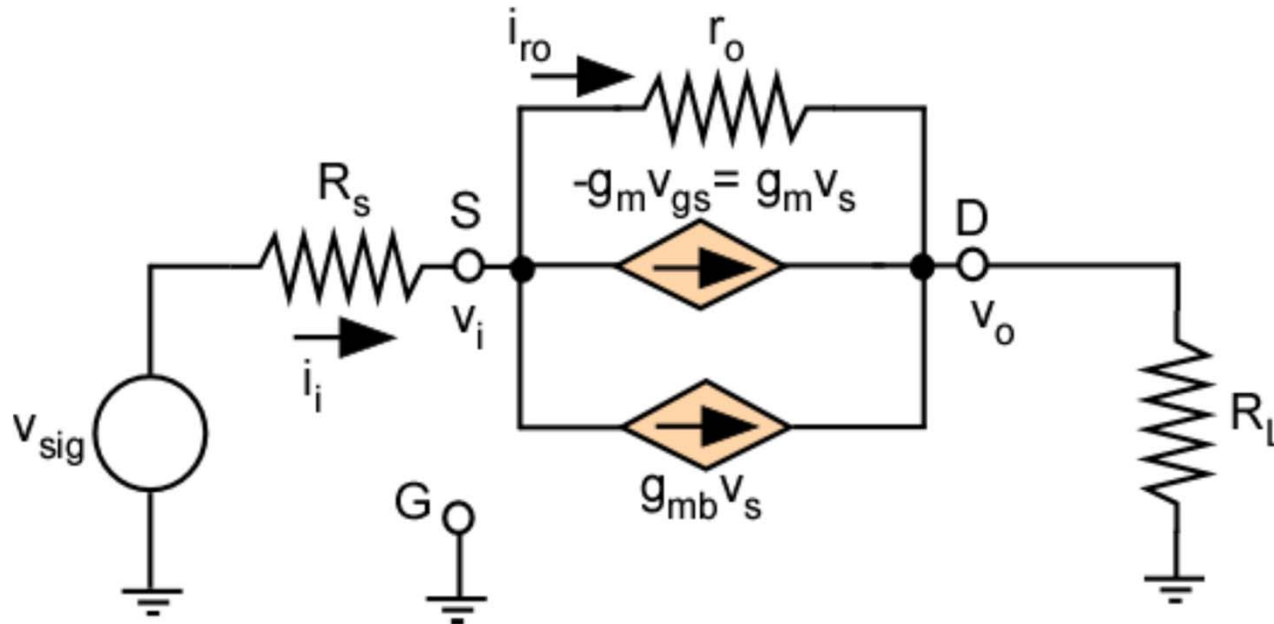
$$i_D = (g_m v_{gs} + g_{mb} v_{bs})$$

And since $v_{gs} = v_{bs}$

Body effect is fully accounted for by using $g_m \rightarrow (g_m + g_{mb})$



Common Gate Amplifier



$$i_i = (g_m + g_{mb})v_i + i_{ro} \quad \text{with } v_i = v_s$$

$$i_{ro} = \frac{v_i - v_o}{r_o} = \frac{v_i - i_i R_L}{r_o} \Rightarrow i_i = \frac{\left(g_m + g_{mb} + \frac{1}{r_o} \right) v_i}{\left(1 + \frac{R_L}{r_o} \right)}$$

IC - Common Gate Amplifier

$$R_{in} \equiv \frac{v_i}{i_i} = \frac{r_o + R_L}{1 + (g_m + g_{mb})r_o}$$

$$\text{As } r_o \rightarrow \infty, \quad R_{in} \rightarrow \frac{1}{g_m + g_{mb}}$$

$$\text{If } R_L = \infty, \quad R_i \rightarrow \infty$$

$$v_o = (g_m + g_{mb})r_o v_i + v_i$$

$$A_{vo} = 1 + (g_m + g_{mb})r_o$$

IC - Common Gate Amplifier

$$R_{in} = \frac{r_o + R_L}{A_{vo}} \approx \frac{1}{g_m + g_{mb}} + \frac{R_L}{A_o}, \quad \text{where } A_o \cong (g_m + g_{mb})r_o$$

Taking r_o into account adds a component (R_L/A_o) to the input resistance.

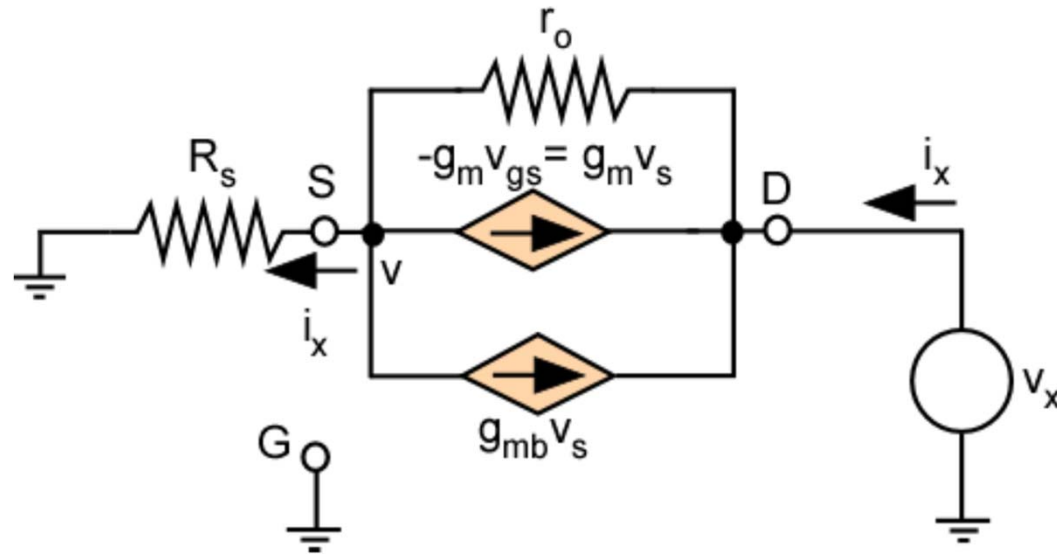
The open-circuit voltage gain is:

$$A_{vo} = 1 + (g_m + g_{mb})r_o$$

The voltage gain of the loaded CG amplifier is:

$$G_v = A_{vo} \frac{R_L}{R_L + r_o + A_{vo}R_s}$$

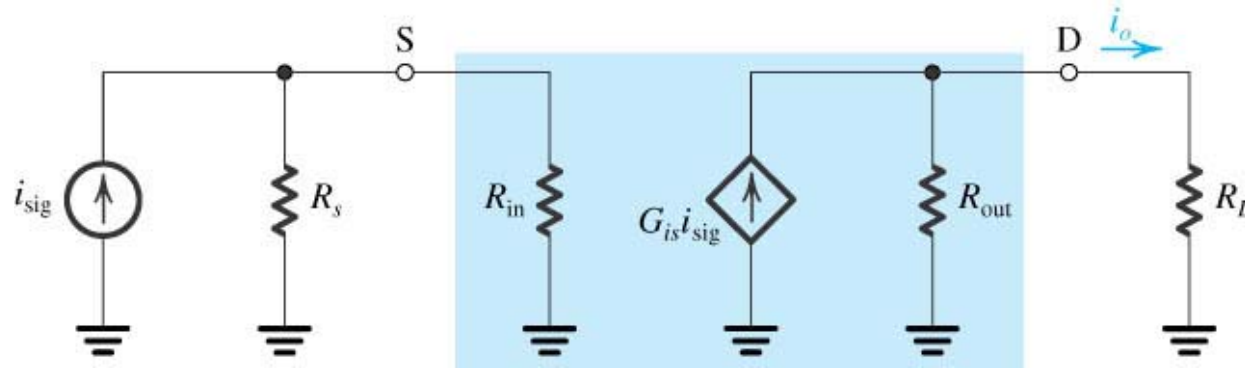
CG Output Resistance



$$v_x = [i_x + (g_m + g_{mb})v]r_o + v \quad \text{with } v = i_x R_s$$

$$R_{out} = r_o + [1 + (g_m + g_{mb})r_o]R_s \quad \text{or} \quad R_{out} = r_o + A_{vo}R_s$$

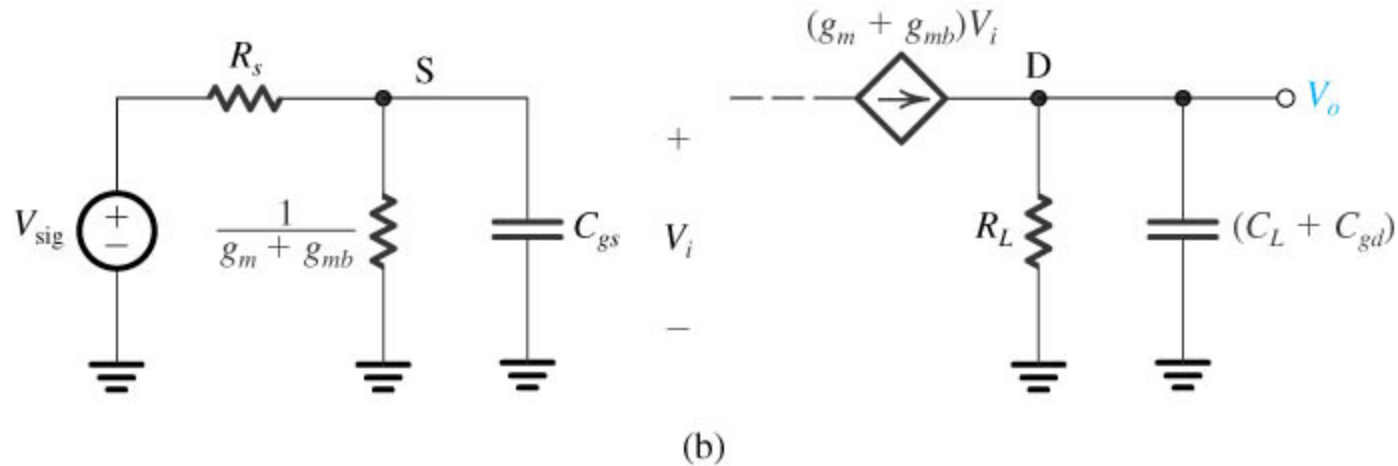
CG Amplifier as Current Buffer



$$G_{is} = G_{vo} \frac{R_s}{R_{out}} \approx 1$$

G_{is} is the short-circuit current gain

High-Frequency Response of CG



- Include C_L to represent capacitance of load
- C_{gd} is grounded
- No Miller effect

High-Frequency Response of CG

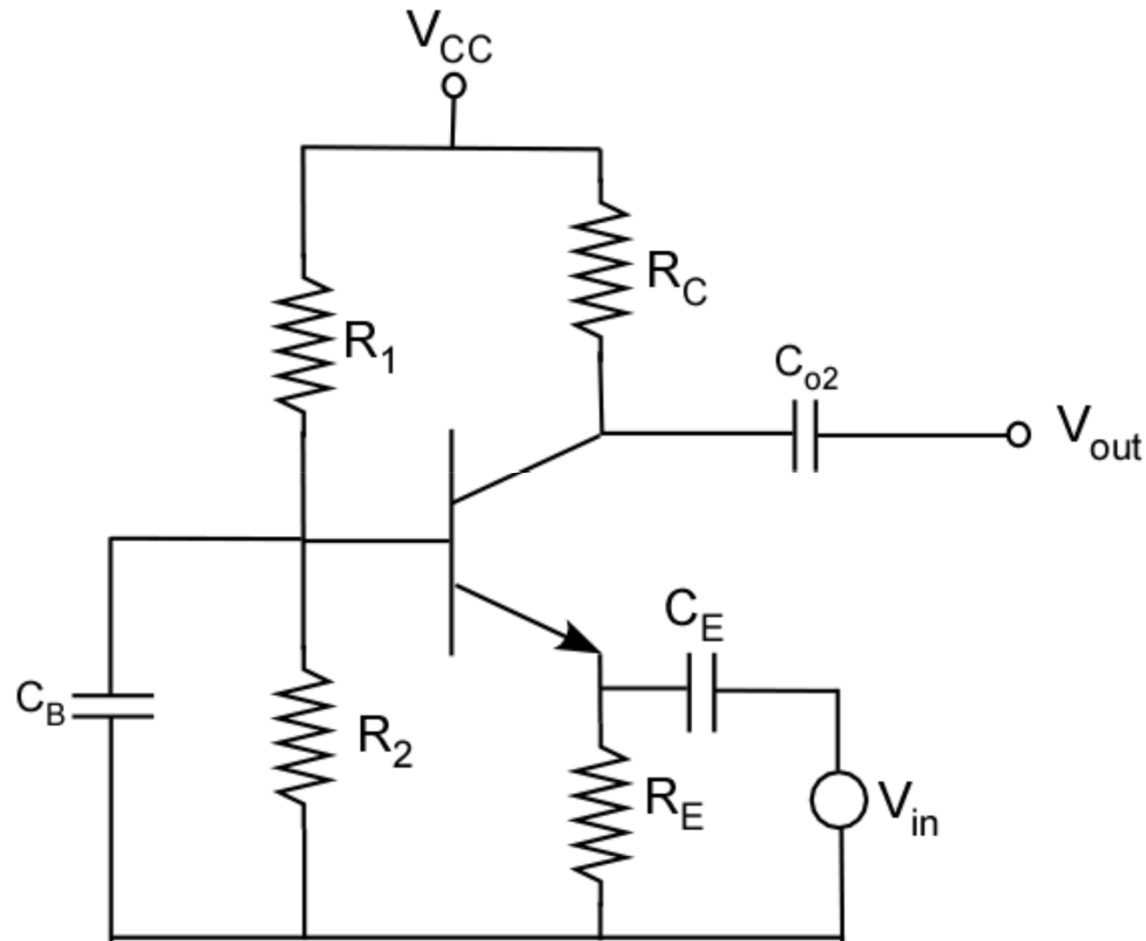
2 poles:

$$f_{P1} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_{gs} \left(R_s \parallel \frac{1}{g_m + g_{mb}} \right)}$$

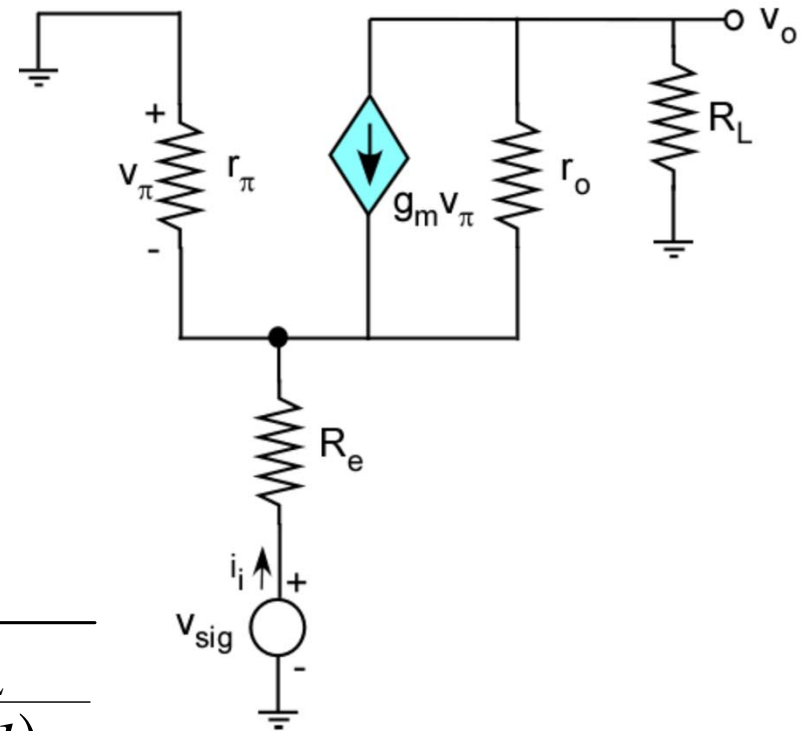
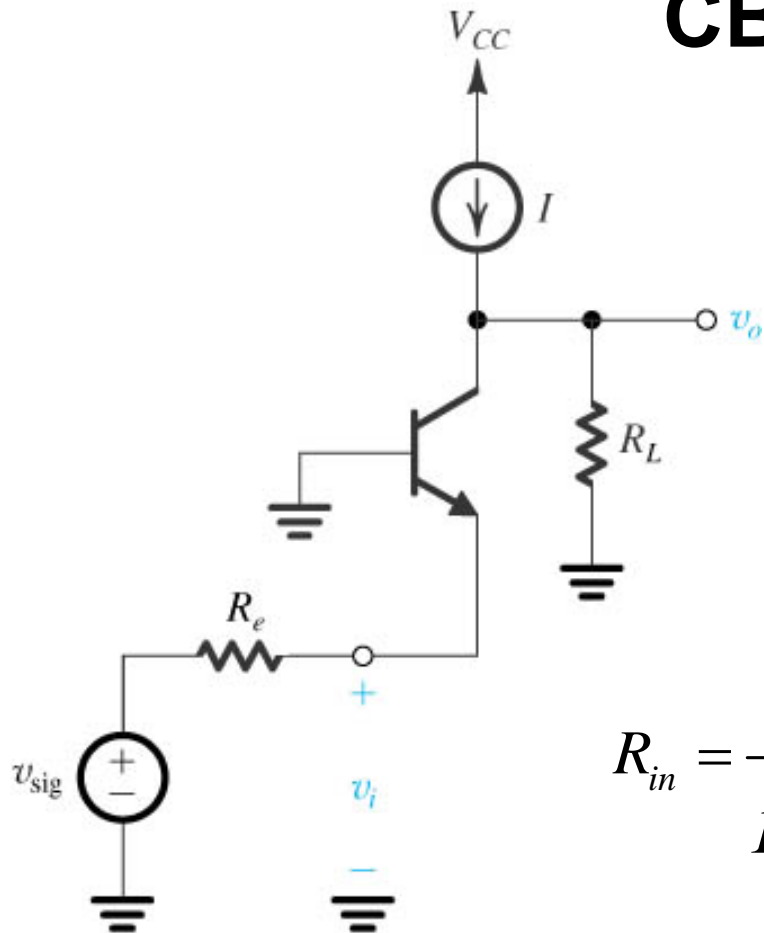
$$f_{P2} = \frac{1}{2\pi (C_{gd} + C_L) R_L}$$

- f_{P2} is usually lower than f_{P1}
- f_{P2} can be dominant
- Both f_{P1} and f_{P2} are usually much higher than f_P in CS case

Common Base (CB) Amplifier



CB Amplifier



$$R_{in} = \frac{r_o + R_L}{1 + \frac{r_o}{r_e} + \frac{R_L}{(\beta + 1)r_e}}$$

$$A_{vo} = 1 + g_m r_o$$

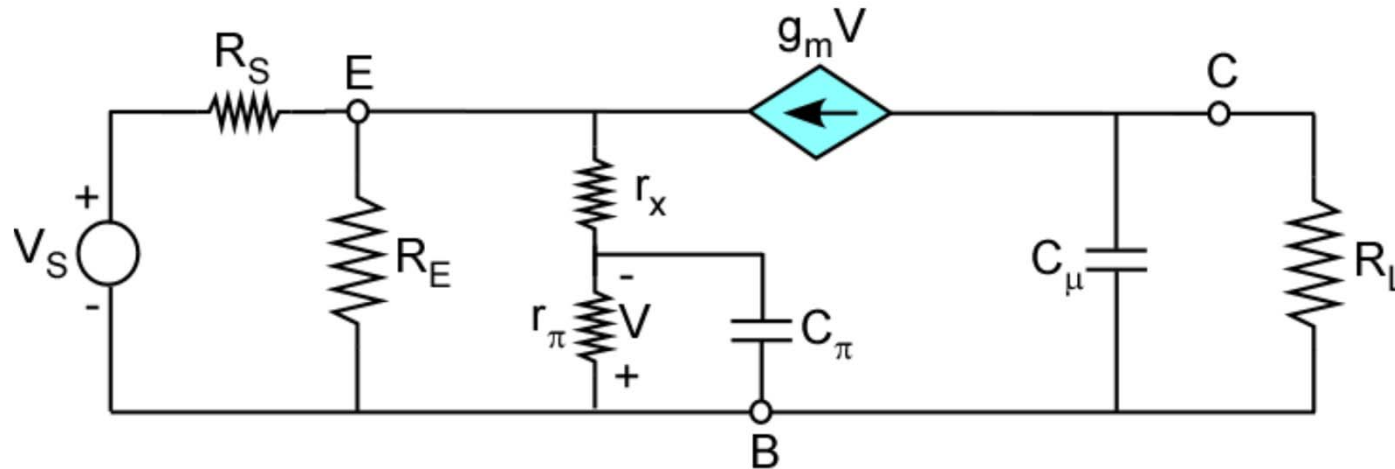
$$r_e = \frac{r_\pi}{\beta + 1}$$

$$R_{out} = r_o + (1 + g_m r_o) R'_e$$

$$R'_e = R_e \parallel r_\pi$$

High-Frequency Analysis of CB Amplifier

Exact analysis is too tedious → approximate



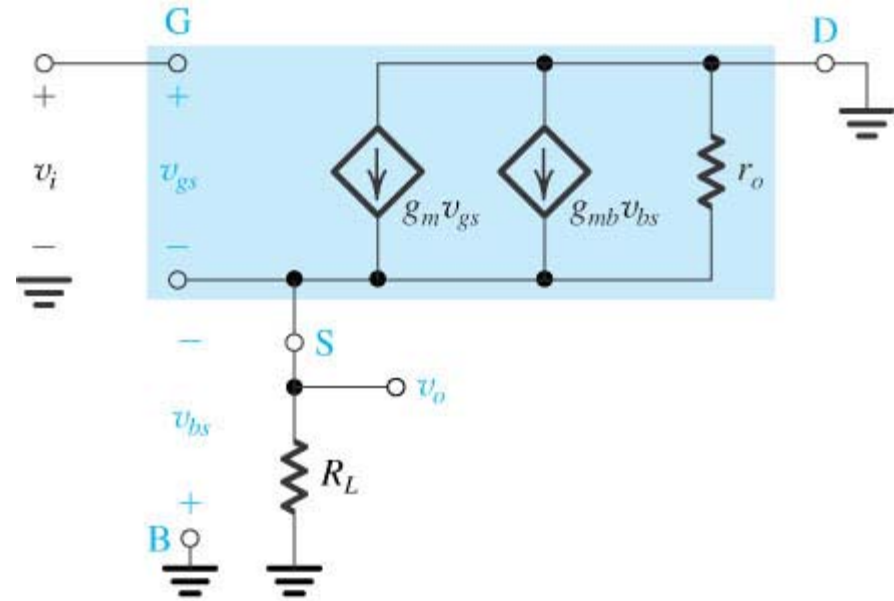
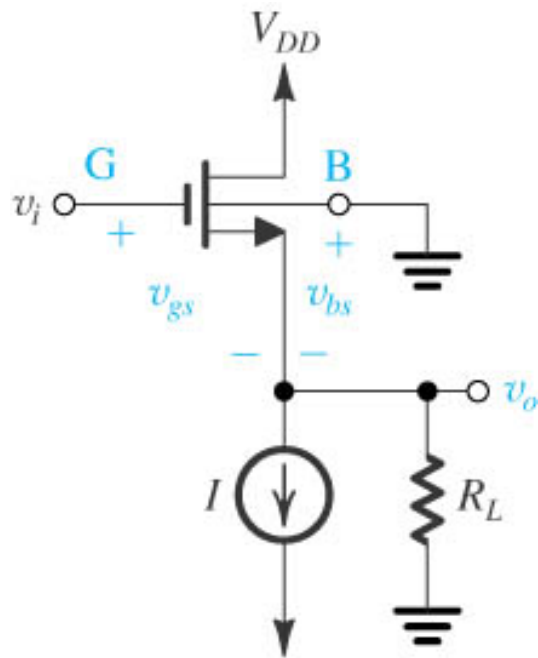
From current gain analysis

$$\omega_{in-3dB} = \frac{1}{C_{\pi} \left[R_S \parallel R_E + \frac{r_x}{1 + \beta} \right] \parallel \left[\frac{r_{\pi}}{1 + \beta} \right]}$$

$$\omega_{out-3dB} = \frac{1}{C_{\mu} R_L}$$

The amplifier's upper cutoff frequency will be the lower of these two poles.

Source Follower



$$R'_L = R_L \parallel r_o \parallel \frac{1}{g_{mb}}$$

$$v_o = g_m v_{gs} R'_L$$

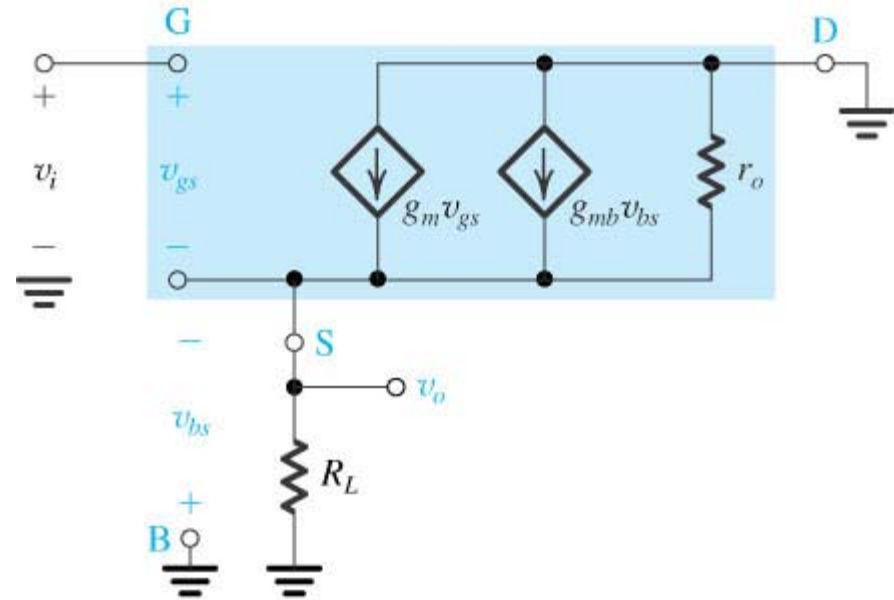
Source Follower

$$v_{gs} = v_i - v_o$$

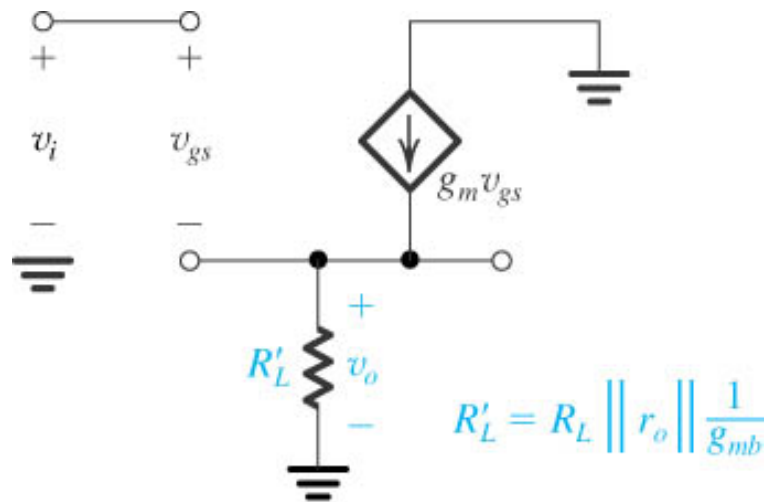
$$A_v \equiv \frac{v_o}{v_i} = \frac{g_m R'_L}{1 + g_m R'_L}$$

$$A_{vo} = \frac{g_m r_o}{1 + (g_m + g_{mb}) r_o}$$

$$A_{vo} = \frac{g_m}{g_m + g_{mb}} = \frac{1}{1 + \chi}$$



Source Follower – Output Resistance

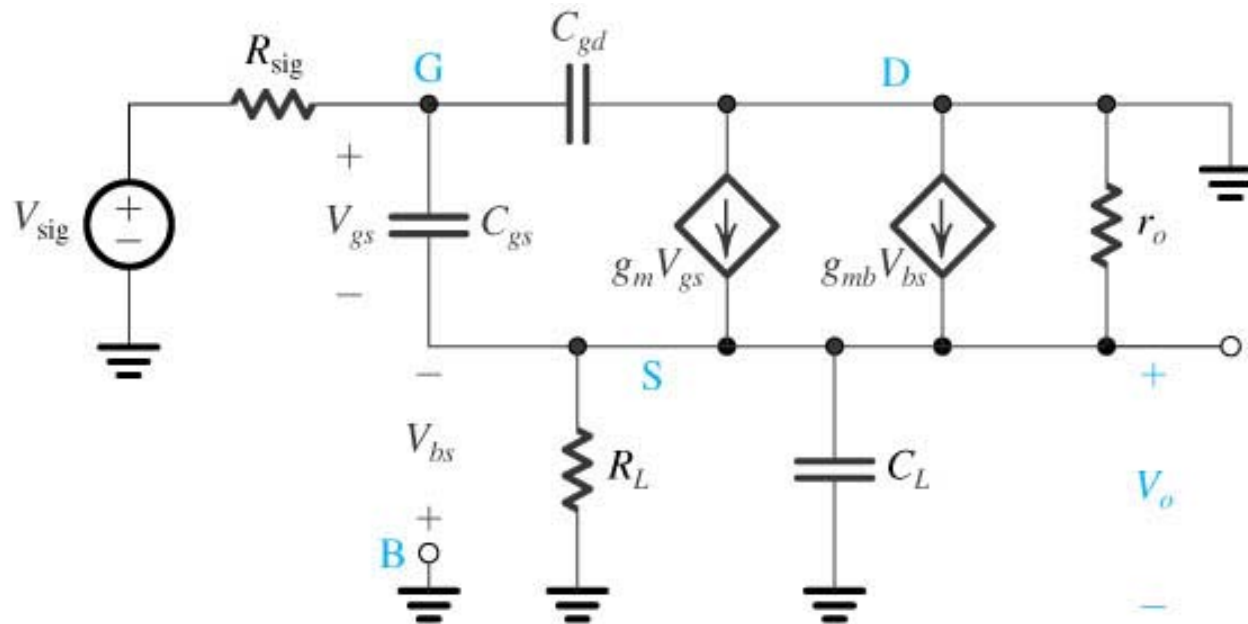


$$R_o = \frac{1}{g_m + g_{mb}} \parallel r_o$$

$$R_o \cong 1 / \left[(1 + \chi) g_m \right]$$

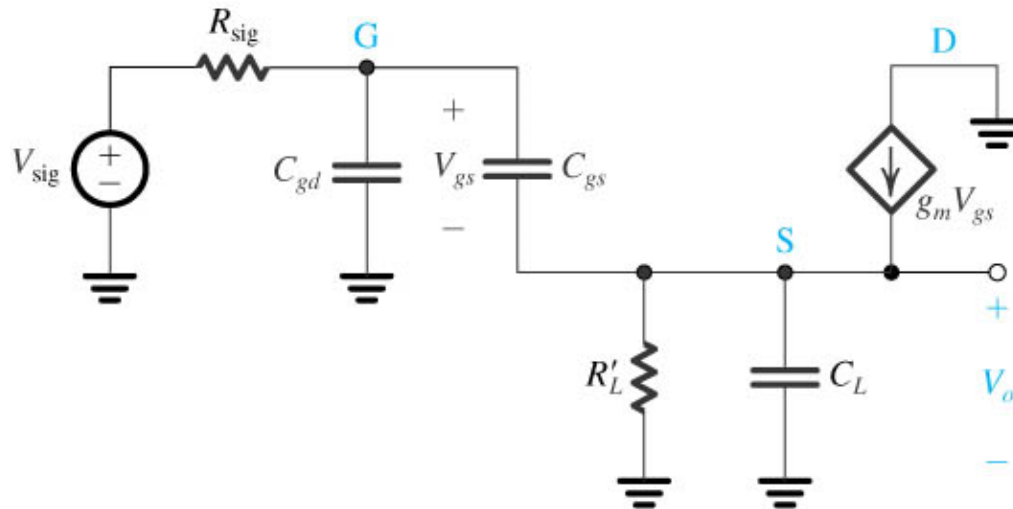
Frequency Response of Source Follower

- Determine location of transmission zeros
- Use method of open-circuit time constants to estimate 3-dB frequency



Determination of Zeros

- Three capacitances form a continuous loop
- Two transmission zeros



$$\omega_{Z_\infty} = \infty \quad \omega_Z = \frac{g_m}{C_{gs}} \quad \rightarrow \quad f_Z \cong f_T$$

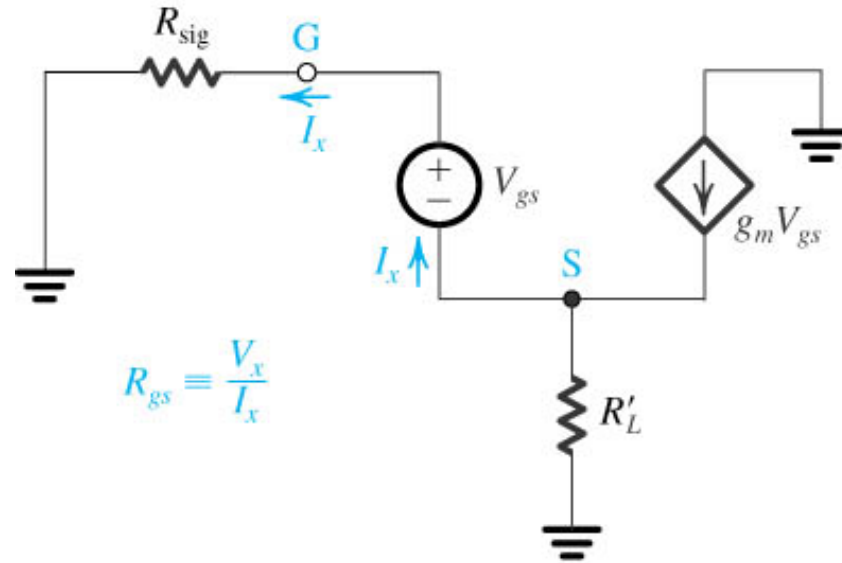
Determination of Poles

$$R_{gs} = R_{sig}$$

$$R_{gd} = \frac{R_{sig} + R'_L}{1 + g_m R'_L}$$

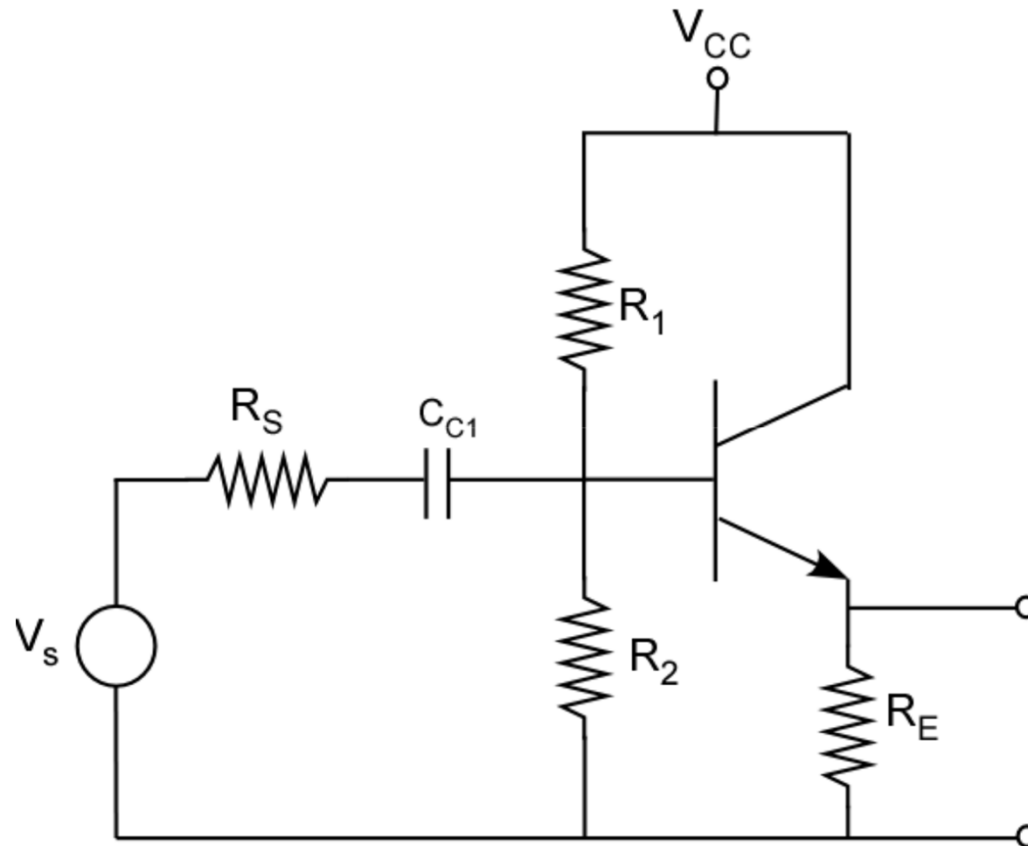
$$R_{C_L} = R_L \parallel R_o$$

$$f_H = \frac{1}{2\pi\tau_H} = 1 / 2\pi \left(C_{gd} R_{gd} + C_{gs} R_{gs} + C_L R_{C_L} \right)$$

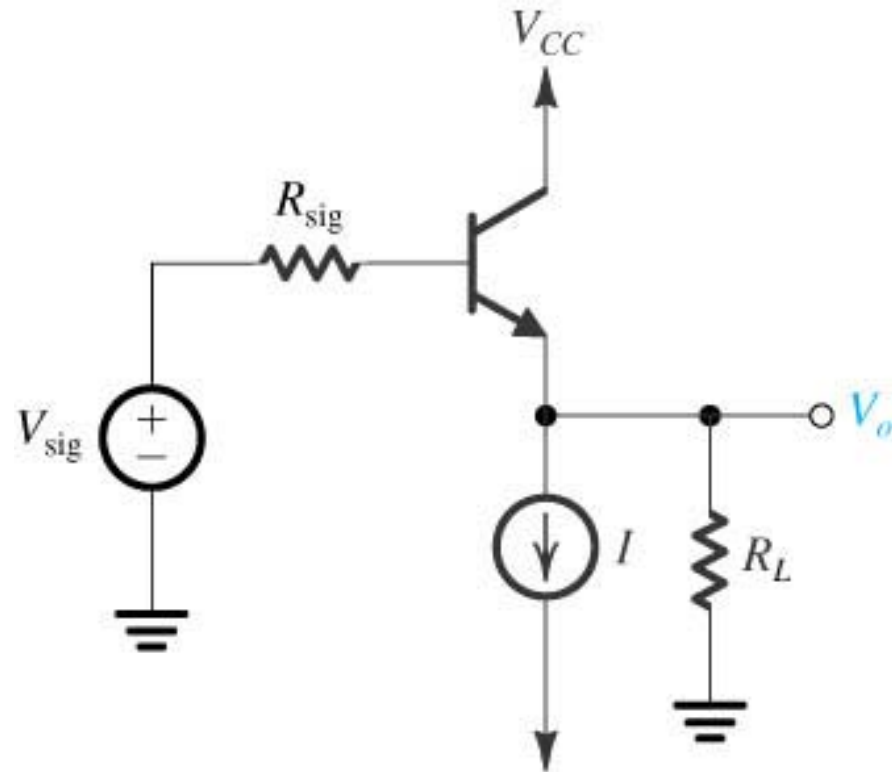


The source follower has excellent high-frequency response

Emitter Follower

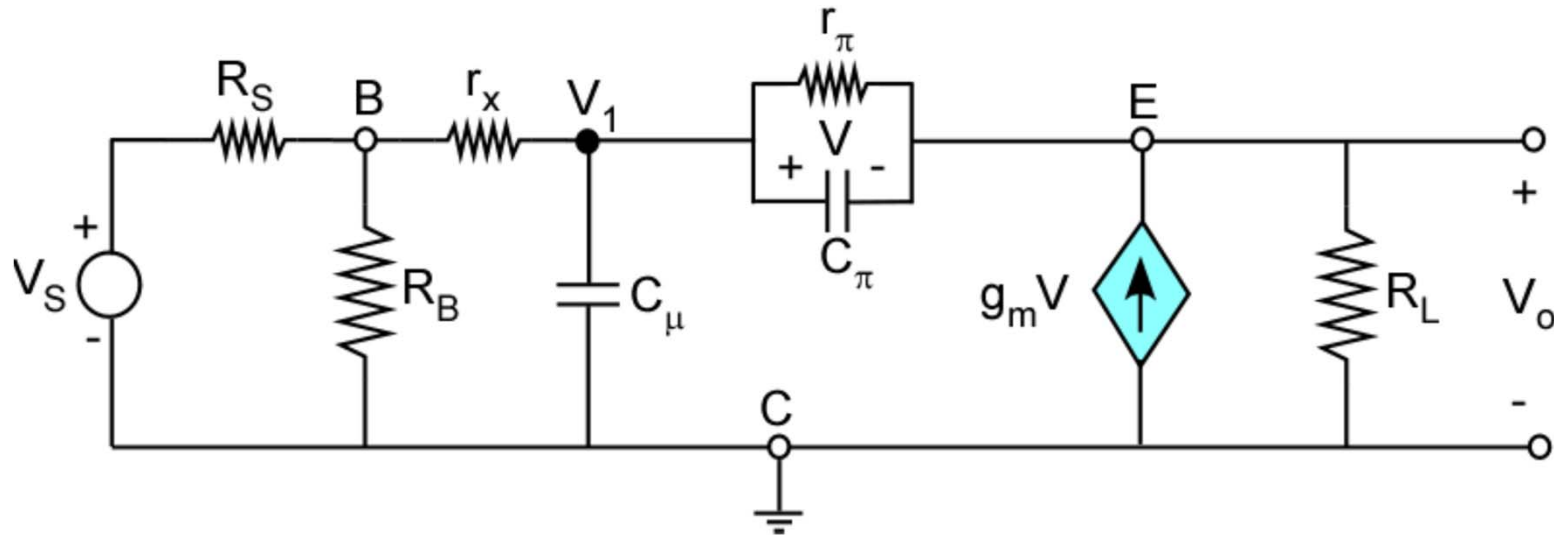


Emitter Follower



Emitter Follower High-Frequency

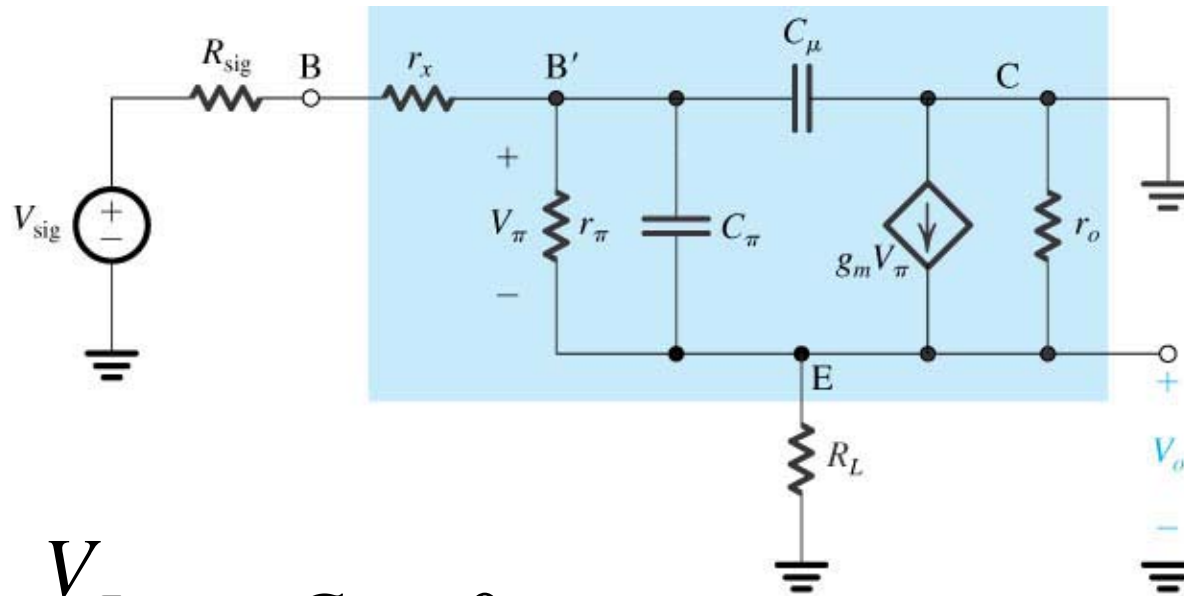
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$$A'_v(s) = \frac{g_m R_L}{1 + g_m R_L} \frac{1 + \frac{sC_\pi}{g_m}}{1 + \frac{sC_\pi R_E}{1 + g_m R_E}}$$

$$\omega_{3dB} = \frac{1 + g_m R_E}{R_E C_\pi} \approx \frac{g_m}{C_\pi + C_\mu} = \omega_T$$

High-Frequency Analysis of Emitter Follower

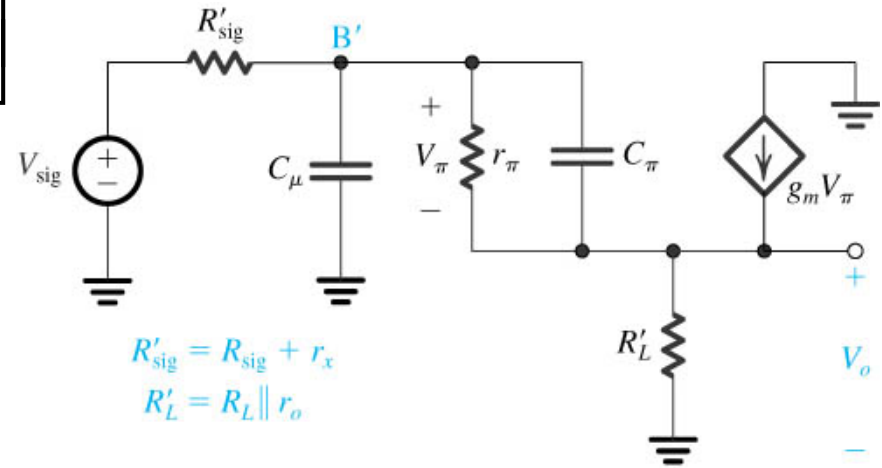


$$g_m V_\pi + \frac{V_\pi}{r_\pi} + s_Z C_\pi = 0$$

leads to:
$$\frac{g_m + (1/r_\pi)}{C_\pi} = -\frac{1}{C_\pi r_e} \Rightarrow \omega_Z = \frac{1}{C_\pi r_e}$$

High-Frequency Analysis of Emitter Follower

$$R_{\mu} = R'_{sig} \parallel \left[r_{\pi} + (\beta + 1) R'_L \right]$$



$$R_{\pi} = \frac{R'_{sig} + R'_L}{1 + \frac{R'_{sig}}{r_{\pi}} + \frac{R'_L}{r_e}}$$

$$f_H = 1 / 2\pi \left[C_{\mu} R_{\mu} + C_{\pi} R_{\pi} \right]$$