

# COMMON SOURCE AMPLIFIER

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## COMMON SOURCE CONFIGURATION.

✎ Writing the nodal equations

$$(V_{in} - V_g) \frac{1}{R_s} = V_{gs} C_{gs} + (V_g - V_o) s C_{gd} \quad (1)$$

$$(V_g - V_o) s C_{gd} = V_o (g_{ds} + G_L + s C_L) + g_m V_{gs} \quad (2)$$

Solving the two equations we get the transfer function

$$\frac{V_o}{V_{in}} = \frac{-g_m}{g_{ds} + G_L} \frac{1 - \frac{s C_{gd}}{g_m}}{\left( s^2 \frac{C_{gs} C_{gd} + C_{gd} C_L + C_{gs} C_L}{G_s (g_{ds} + G_L)} + s \left( \frac{C_{gs}}{G_s} + \frac{C_{gd} (g_m + g_{ds} + G_L)}{G_s (g_{ds} + G_L)} + \frac{C_L}{g_{ds} + G_L} \right) + 1 \right)} \quad (3)$$

✎ Consider the case if  $C_{gd} = 0$

The transfer function is then cascade of 2 first order transfer functions with the two poles  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  given by

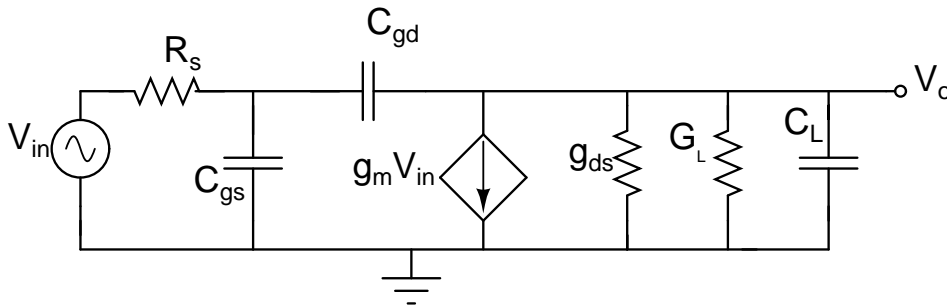


Figure 1: SMALL SIGNAL EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT

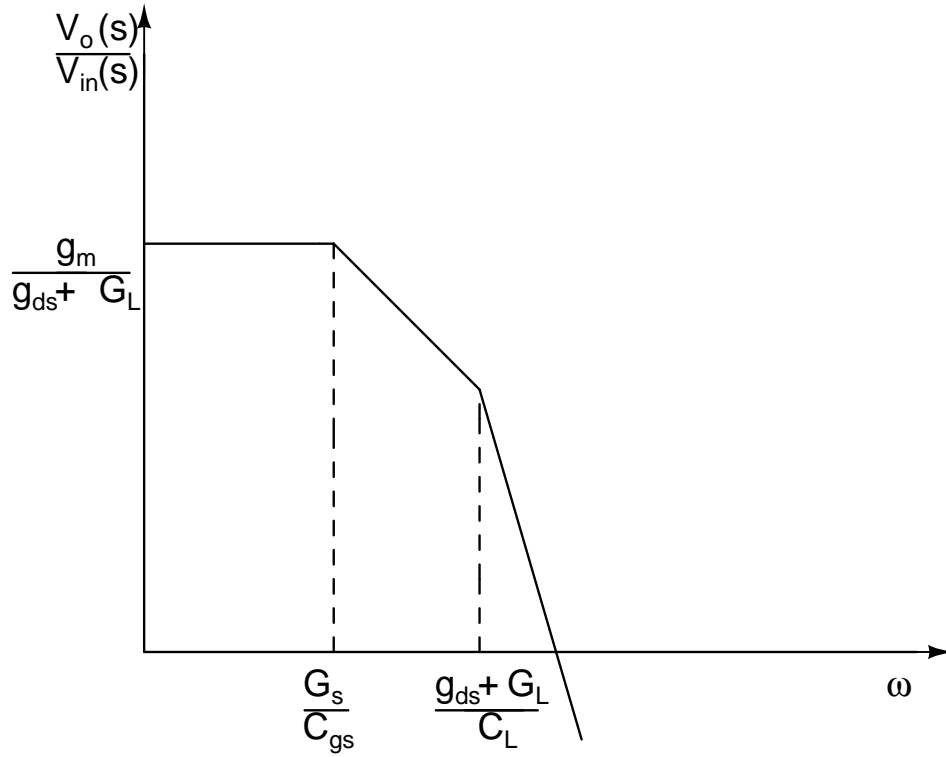


Figure 2: BODE PLOT OF GAIN

$$P_1 = -\frac{1}{R_s C_{gs}} \quad (4)$$

$$p_2 = -\frac{g_{ds} + G_L}{C_L} \quad (5)$$

✎ Consider the case when  $C_{gs} = C_L = 0$

Due to MILLER EFFECT , the input capacitance is  $C_{gd}(1 + \frac{g_m}{g_{ds} + G_L})$ . Therefore

$$p_1 = \frac{1}{R_s C_{gd}(1 + \frac{g_m}{g_{ds} + G_L})} \quad (6)$$

✎ The poles of the actual transfer function can be found by assuming that they are far apart.

Given a quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ , given the roots  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are real and far apart  $x_1 \gg x_2$  then  $x_1 = -\frac{b}{a}$  and  $x_2 = -\frac{c}{b}$ .

So to find the poles of the transfer function

$$\frac{V_o}{V_{in}} = \frac{-g_m}{g_{ds} + G_L} \frac{1 - \frac{sC_{gd}}{g_m}}{\left( s^2 \frac{C_{gs}C_{gd} + C_{gd}C_L + C_{gs}C_L}{G_s(g_{ds} + G_L)} + s \left( \frac{C_{gs}}{G_s} + \frac{C_{gd}(g_m + g_{ds} + G_L)}{G_s(g_{ds} + G_L)} + \frac{C_L}{g_{ds} + G_L} \right) + 1 \right)} \quad (7)$$

we assume that they are far apart therefore, The high frequency pole  $p_1$  and The low frequency pole  $p_2$  are

$$p_1 = -\frac{\left( \frac{C_{gs}}{G_s} + \frac{C_{gd}(g_m + g_{ds} + G_L)}{G_s(g_{ds} + G_L)} + \frac{C_L}{g_{ds} + G_L} \right)}{\left( \frac{C_{gs}C_{gd} + C_{gd}C_L + C_{gs}C_L}{G_s(g_{ds} + G_L)} \right)} \quad (8)$$

$$p_2 = \frac{1}{\left( \frac{C_{gs}}{G_s} + \frac{C_{gd}(g_m + g_{ds} + G_L)}{G_s(g_{ds} + G_L)} + \frac{C_L}{g_{ds} + G_L} \right)} \quad (9)$$

✦ If  $C_{gd} \gg C_{gs}, C_L$

$$p_1 = -\frac{g_m + g_{ds} + G_L}{C_{gs} + C_L} \quad (10)$$

$$p_2 = -\frac{1}{R_s \left[ C_{gd} \left( 1 + \frac{g_m}{g_{ds} + G_L} \right) + C_{gs} \right]} \quad (11)$$

✦ As  $C_{gd}$  increases pole splitting occurs.

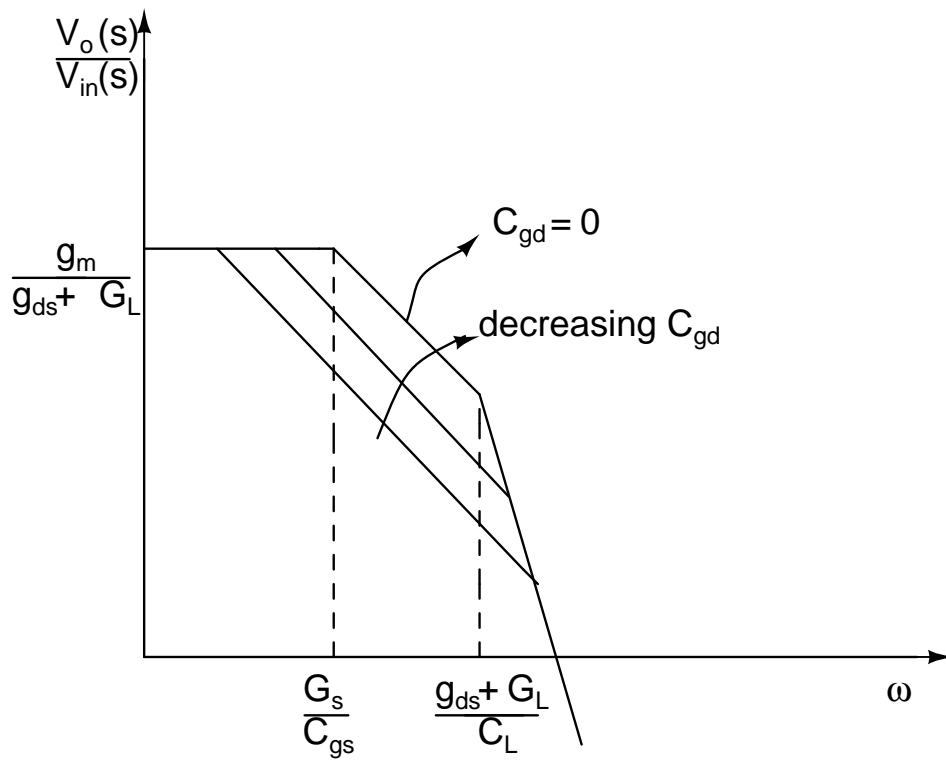


Figure 3: BODE PLOT OF GAIN