

Investigation of a partitioned cavity silencer using a woven metal screen as acoustic liner and sound absorber

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Overview

- Demo
- Working principle
- Silencer model
 - Material measurements
 - 1D Model derivation
- Comparisons with FEM (transmission loss)
- Comparison with measurements (insertion loss)
- Conclusions
- Questions



Demo...



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Overall A-weighted level difference: 28 dB





Working principle



Working principle



- Liner: pores which are small compared to viscothermal diffusion layer thickness $\delta = \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{\rho_0 \omega}}$
 - Viscothermal dissipation in the liner material
 - Back cavity function is allowing



- Liner: woven stainless steel
 - Porosity ~ 1%
 - Pore size ~ 0,07 mm
 - Thickness ~ 1 mm







Silencer model Material measurements

Impedance tube UT
 Sample





Impedance tube



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Real part of normalized impedance



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Imaginary part of normalized impedance





Material model

• Linear empirical fit:

$$\zeta(\omega) = 1 + i \frac{\omega/2\pi}{2000}$$

- More advanced models:
 - Johnson-Champoux-Allard
 - Micro-perforated plates
- End result for silencer not really sensitive to variations in zeta.

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Silencer model 1D model



- Assumptions
 - Linear, isentropic acoustics in cavity and main passage
 - Cavity transverse size is small compared to the wavelength:
 - Axial propagation of waves in the main passage and back cavity is allowed $r_o \ll \lambda$
 - The liner wall thickness is small compared to the wavelength
 - Liner effect can be modeled as a lumped impedance jump
 - Velocity reacts locally to pressure difference across liner (not locally reacting liner impedance!)





- Continuity equation for the cavity: $\frac{i\omega S_c}{c_0^2}p_c + S_c\rho_0 \frac{\mathrm{d}u_c}{\mathrm{d}x} = \Pi \rho_0 u_r$
- Continuity equation for the main channel:

$$\frac{i\omega S_i}{c_0^2}p_i + S_i\rho_0\frac{\mathrm{d}u_i}{\mathrm{d}x} = -\Pi\rho_0 u_r$$

• Cavity – inner duct communication:

$$z_{\rm liner}u_r(x)=p_i(x)-p_c(x)$$



- Momentum equation for the cavity: $u_c = \frac{i}{kz_0} \frac{\mathrm{d}p_c}{\mathrm{d}x}$
- Momentum equation for main channel: $u_i = \frac{i}{kz_0} \frac{\mathrm{d}p_i}{\mathrm{d}x}$



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1D Silencer model

• Combined:

 Coupled set of ODE's for pressure in back cavity and in main passage





- Solution procedure:
 - Ansatz for back cavity solution: *p*_d

$$_{c} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_{n} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L_{c}}x\right)$$

- Substitution for p_c in ODE for p_i,
- Substitution of result for p_i in terms of p_c back into ODE for p_i
- Integrations along the length of the back cavity
 - Using orthogonality relations of the cosines with different spatial frequencies
- Tedious....



- Solution:
 - Transfer matrix relation between pressure and velocity on one side of the liner, to the other side:





Partitioned cavity silencer



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Transmission loss – comparison FEM

- ¹/₄ th of the geometry (could be 2D axisymetric)
- Overly fine mesh



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Transmission loss – comparison FEM

• Vertical line: cut-on frequency



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ASCEE Insertion loss measurements



ASCEE Comparison of insertion loss



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Conclusions

- Numerical model for a partitioned cavity silencer is implemented, based on the Sullivan-Crocker model
- Implementation is verified using a comparison of the transmission loss with FEM results
- The model is validated using experimental measurements

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The end



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