

Introduction to plane wave decomposition and two-port analysis in flow duct acoustics

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Sound Propagation in a Duct

Wave Equation



Modified Wave Equation

$$\nabla^2 p - \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)^2 p = 0$$



Propagating Pressure Wave

$$\mathbf{p} = \hat{p}e^{i\mathbf{k}_{x}x}e^{i\omega t}$$



$$\mathbf{p} = \hat{p}_{+}e^{-i\mathbf{k}_{x}^{+}x} + \hat{p}_{-}e^{i\mathbf{k}_{x}^{-}x}$$

Cut-on of higher order modes



This is the limitation of the plane wave region

Rectangular cross section	b h	Circular cross section	D
$f_{10}^{c} = c/2b$	+ -	$f_{01}^{c} = 1.841 c / \pi D$	
$f_{01}^{c} = c/2h$		$f_{02}^{c} = 3.054 c / \pi D$	
$f_{11}^c = \frac{c}{2} \left(\frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{h^2} \right)^{1/2}$	- + + -	$f_{10}^{c} = 3.832 c/\pi D$	+
$f_{02}^{c} = c/b$	+ - +	$f_{03}^{c} = 4.201 c / \pi D$	+ - + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +
$f_{20}^{c} = c/h$	+	$f_{04}^{c} = 5.318 c/\pi D$	
$f_{21}^{c} = \frac{c}{2} \left(\frac{4}{b^{2}} + \frac{1}{h^{2}}\right)^{1/2}$	<u> </u>	$f_{11}^c = 5.331c/\pi D$	++

INTRODUCTION





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Influence of errors on the two-microphone method for measuring acoustic properties in ducts

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Using the two-microphone method, acoustic properties in ducts, as, for example, reflection coefficient and acoustic impedance, can be calculated from a transfer function measurement between two microphones. In this paper, a systematic investigation of the various measurement errors that can occur and their effect on the calculated quantities is made. The input data for the calculations are the measured transfer function, the microphone separation, and the distance between one microphone and the sample. First, errors in the estimate of the transfer function are treated. Conclusions concerning the most favorable measurement configuration to avoid these errors are drawn. Next, the length measurement errors are treated. Measurements were made to study the question of microphone interference. The influence of errors on the calculated quantities has been investigated by numerical simulation. From this, conclusions are drawn on the useful frequency range for a given microphone separation and on the magnitude of errors to expect for different cases.

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Error analysis of two-microphone measurements in ducts with flow

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In an earlier work [H. Bodén and M. Åbom, J. Acoust. Soc. Am. 79, 541–549 (1986)] the influence of errors on two-microphone measurements in ducts without flow has been studied. The aim of this article is mainly to extend the earlier work to include the effects of mean flow and also of attenuation during the sound propagation. First, a short review of the various existing two-microphone methods is made. The errors in the measured input data are then analyzed and special attention is paid to the effects of neglected attenuation, nonideal microphones, and flow noise. The influence of errors on the calculated quantities has been investigated and the conclusions from the earlier work have been extended to the case with flow. It is also shown that the neglect of attenuation between the microphones leads to a low-frequency limit for the applicability of the two-microphone method. Finally, a new technique for measuring the Mach number using a two-microphone method is suggested.

Passive one-port measurement techniques The "Two-Microphone Method"



The Two-Microphone Method



$$p_{1}(f) = p_{+}(f) + p_{-}(f)$$

$$p_{2}(f) = p_{+}(f) \cdot \exp(-jk_{+}s) + p_{-}(f) \cdot \exp(jk_{-}s)$$
where
$$k_{+} = \frac{k}{1+M} \qquad k_{-} = \frac{k}{1-M}$$

A linear system of equations in p_+ and p_- from which the **Reflection Coefficient** at *x*=0 can be calculated

$$R_{0}(f) = \frac{p_{-}(f)}{p_{+}(f)} = \frac{\exp(-jk_{+}s) - \frac{p_{2}(f)}{p_{1}(f)}}{\frac{p_{2}(f)}{p_{1}(f)} - \exp(jk_{-}s)}$$



The Two-Microphone Method n(f)

With $H_{12}(f) = \frac{p_2(f)}{p_1(f)}$ we get

$$R_0(f) = \frac{\exp(-jk_+s) - H_{12}(f)}{H_{12}(f) - \exp(jk_-s)}$$

The reflection coefficient at *x*=*l* can be calculated from

$$R_l(f) = R_0(f) \exp(\frac{j2kl}{1 - M^2})$$

And the normalised impedance (= one port passive system properties) can be calculated from

$$Z(f) = \frac{p(f)}{\rho_0 c \cdot u(f)} = \frac{1 + R(f)}{1 - R(f)}$$



Errors in the Two-Microphone Method

$$R_{0}(f) = \frac{\exp(-jk_{+}s) - H_{12}(f)}{H_{12}(f) - \exp(jk_{-}s)}$$

Errors in the input data: k_+s , k_-s and $H_{12}(f)$

Errors in *k*₊s and *k*₋s:

- Uncertainty in determination of k because of mainly turbulent losses
- •Uncertainty in Mach-number measurement
- •Uncertainty in length measurement: geometric and acoustic length



Errors in H₁₂(f)

- •Bias errorrs, as for instance resolution-bias errors. Problem for long duct systems with many resonances. Solution – Reflection free terminations.
- •Random errors caused by random signals but mainly flow noise disturbances





Pressure autospectral density measured in a duct driven by a loudspeaker and with a rigid termination.





To avoid large sensitivity to the errors in the input data the two-microphone yechnique should be restricted to the frequency range:

$$0.1 \cdot \pi \cdot (1 - M^2) < ks < 0.8 \cdot \pi \cdot (1 - M^2)$$



Calibration



Duct method for measurement of $K_{AB}(\omega)$.





Over-determination





Over-determination





Add more microphones

Can be used to reduce error

Accurate experimental two-port analysis of flow generated sound Andreas Holmberg, Mats Åbom and HansBodén, Journal of Sound and Vibration 330 (2011) 6336–6354

Treat *k*₊*s* and *k*₋*s* as unknowns





Treat k₊s and k₋s as unknowns



Add at least 4 microphones

Solve nonlinear system of equations for k_+s and k_-s

S. Allam and M. Åbom, Investigation of damping and radiation using full plane wave decomposition in ducts. *Journal of Sound and Vibration* 292 (2006) 519-534. doi:10.1016/j.jsv.2005.08.016

Passive two-port measurement techniques



Physical system

In the frequency domain a (linear) matrix relationship relates the states at *a* and *b*. A common choice of state variables is *p* and *q*.





Equivalent circuit

 $\begin{pmatrix} \hat{p}_a \\ \hat{q}_a \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{p}_b \\ \hat{q}_b \end{pmatrix}$

Mathematical model

"Four pole"





Physical system

In the frequency domain a (linear) matrix relationship relates the states at *a* and *b*. Another common choice of state variables is p_+ and p_- .

Equivalent circuit

S

b-

 $\rightarrow P_{a-}$

$$\binom{p_{a+}}{p_{b+}} = \binom{S_{11} & S_{12}}{S_{21} & S_{22}} \binom{p_{a-}}{p_{b-}}$$

Mathematical model "Scattering matrix"





Experimental determination of Two-port data using the Two-source technique





Change acoustic load instead

Experimental determination of Two-port data using the Two-load technique

Theoretical background



Two-port measurements using the two source technique





$$\begin{pmatrix} p_a^1 & p_a^2 \\ q_a^1 & q_a^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} T_{aa} & T_{ab} \\ T_{ba} & T_{bb} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_b^1 & p_b^2 \\ q_b^1 & q_b^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the two-port matrix is determined from:

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_{aa} & T_{ab} \\ T_{ba} & T_{bb} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p_a^1 & p_a^2 \\ q_a^1 & q_a^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_b^1 & p_b^2 \\ q_b^1 & q_b^2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} p_b^1 & p_b^2 \\ q_b^1 & q_b^2 \end{pmatrix} \neq 0$$

if

Typical test setup at MWL:



6-8 loudspeakers, two-source technique used, input signal available as reference

6-12 B&K 1/4-inch microphones

Flow speed measured using Pitot tube and hotwire anemometer. Measurements made before and after the acoustic measurements.

Flow Noise Supression



Obtain initial good signal-to-noise ratio by:

- Increasing level of input signal
- •Using multiple loudspekers
- •Using high level loudspekers
- •Concentrating signal energy to narrow frequency bands

Flow Noise Supression



Use reference signal and "correlation" techniques:



Signal enhancement techniques



- 1) Frequency domain averaging (FDA). Welch's technique.
- 2) Synchronised time domain averaging (**STDA**). Requires deterministic signal + reference (trig) signal.
- 3) Cross-spectrum based frequency domain averaging (**CSFDA**). Requires noise free reference.

Auto-spectrum estimation $\hat{G}_{xx}(a)$

$$f_{xx}(\omega) = \frac{\hat{G}_{rx}^{*}(\omega)\hat{G}_{rx}(\omega)}{\hat{G}_{rr}(\omega)}$$

Averaging
$$\hat{G}_{\mu}(\omega) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} G_{\mu}^{i}(\omega)$$

An improvement in SNR by a factor of N can be expected or $10 \cdot Log(N)$ dB

Commercial muffler test result



Transmission loss at M=0.26.

----, random excitation 10000 averages (CSFDA)

++++, sawtooth excitation 10000 averages (STDA)

oooo, stepped sine excitation 400 averages (CSFDA)





3D-printed liner test

Liners were fabricated using selective layer sintering (SLS) of a PA 2200 polyamide powder on a Formiga P 110 commercial SLS printer with a specified accuracy of 0.2mm +- 0.002mm/mm. The quality of the printed parts was assessed on an Olympus BX53M microscope.

The back side of the cavities was closed with 20mm thick plywood plates and sealed with silicon.



Experimental setup





The microphone distances (in m) were starting from microphone 3: 0, 0.1950, 0.2500, 0.4000, 0.4550, 0.5100, 0.5650, 0.6200, 0.6750, 0.7300, 0.7850, 0.8400, 0.8950, 1.1000, 1.1550, 1.3500. The distances between microphones 1 and the liner and microphone 4 and the liner was 200 mm.



Experimental analysis techniques

Plane wave scattering matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} p_{ur} \\ p_{dr} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho_d & \tau_u \\ \tau_d & \rho_u \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_{ui} \\ p_{di} \end{pmatrix}$$

Based on the scattering matrix transmission loss (T_L) and reflection (R), transmission (T) and absorption (A) factors can also be determined:

 $T_{Ld} = -10Log(\tau_d) \qquad \qquad T_{Lu} = -10Log(\tau_u)$

$$R_d = \frac{(1-M)^2}{(1+M)^2} |\rho_d|^2 \qquad \qquad R_u = \frac{(1-M)^2}{(1+M)^2} |\rho_u|^2$$



Experimental analysis techniques

$$T_d = |\tau_d|^2 \qquad \qquad T_u = |\tau_u|^2$$

$$A_d = 1 - R_d - T_d \qquad \qquad A_u = 1 - R_u - T_u$$

Results and discussion – Transmission loss Uniform liner





Black – downstream, red - upstream

Results and discussion – Transmission loss Uniform liner



M =0.2

M =0.3



Black – downstream, red - upstream

Results and discussion – Reflectiom, Transmission, Absorption Uniform liner



M =0

M =0.1



Black – absorption, red - reflection, blue - transmission Stars – downstream, diamonds - upstream

Results and discussion – Reflectiom, Transmission, Absorption Uniform liner

M =0.2

M =0.3



Black – absorption, red - reflection, blue - transmission Stars – downstream, diamonds - upstream



SUMMARY

We have discussed the following topics:

- Short introduction to plane wave duct propagation
- Wave decomposition using the two-microphone method
- Sources of error
- Determination of passive one-port properties
- Determination of passive two-port properties
- Flow noise suppression
- Use of over-determination
- Application examples

