

Mathematical modeling and practicals on perfect acoustic absorption by Helmholtz resonators

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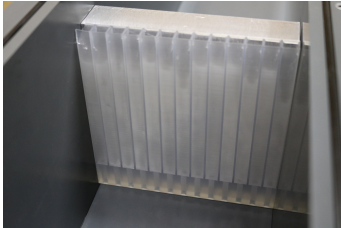
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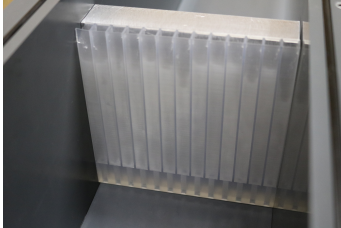
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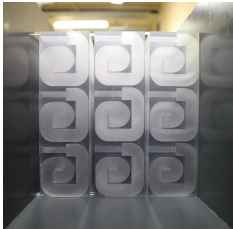


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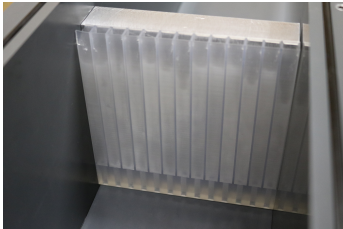


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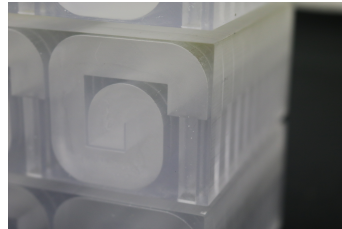


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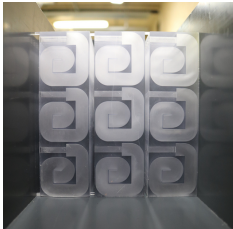
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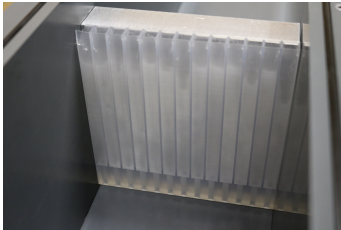


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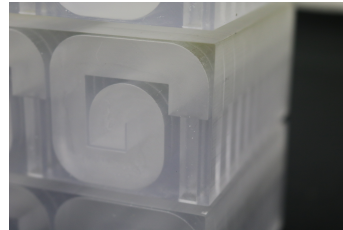


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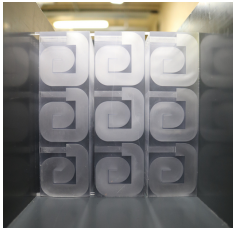
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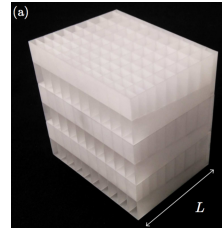
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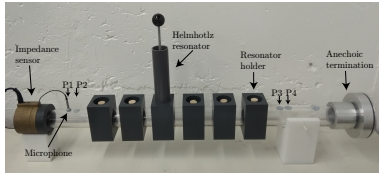
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1 Modeling of the analyzed system

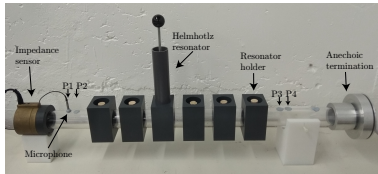
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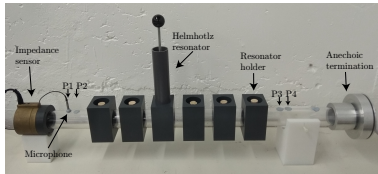
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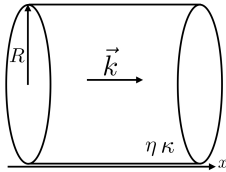
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What we use:

- Transfer matrix method.
- Effective parameters to consider viscous and thermal effects.
- Correction lengths in the resonator elements.

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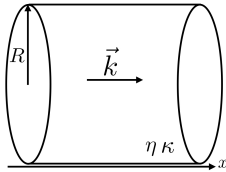
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- Geometric conditions, $B_r = 0$.
- Neumann type boundary conditions at $r = R$, $\frac{\partial p}{\partial r}|_{r=R} = 0$, $J'(k_r R) = 0$.
- Propagating waves along x^+ , $A_x = 0$.

Cut-off frequency

- $J'(k_r R) = 0 \rightarrow k_r^{mn} R = j^{mn}$.
- First mode, $m, n=1, 0$.
- $f_c = 1.84 \frac{c}{2\pi R}$.

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Propagation of plane waves in cylindrical narrow tubes

Considering that $R > 10^{-3}$ cm and the waveguide is filled with air, the average velocity and the excess density are given by ¹

$$i\omega\rho(\omega) \langle u \rangle = \frac{dp}{dx},$$

$$B(\omega) = \frac{\rho_0 P}{\langle \rho \rangle},$$

Effective mass density

$$\rho = \rho_0 \left(1 - \frac{2J_1(R\tilde{G}_r)}{R\tilde{G}_r J_0(R\tilde{G}_r)} \right)^{-1},$$

$$\tilde{G}_r = \sqrt{i\omega\rho_0/\eta}.$$

Effective bulk modulus

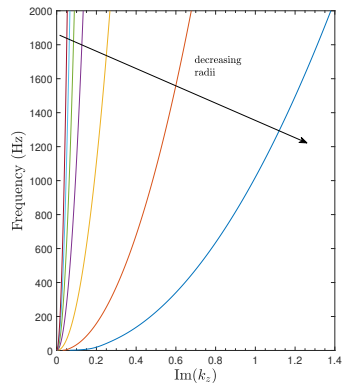
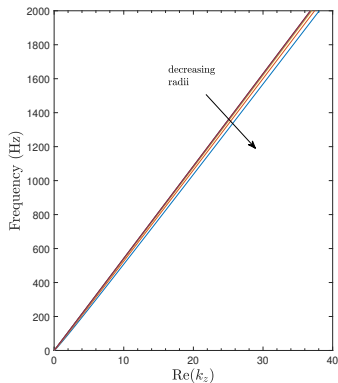
$$B = \gamma P_0 \left(1 + (\gamma - 1) \frac{2J_1(R\tilde{G}_k)}{R\tilde{G}_k J_0(R\tilde{G}_k)} \right)^{-1},$$

$$\tilde{G}_k = \sqrt{i\omega \text{Pr} \rho_0 / \eta}, \text{ Pr Prandtl number}$$

The effects of viscosity and thermal conduction are well separated.

¹G. Kirchhoff, Ann. Phys. Chem., 134, 177 (1868); C. Zwicker and C.W. Kosten, Sound Absorbing Materials (Elsevier, Amsterdam, 1949); H. Tijdeman, J. Sound. Vic., 39, 1 (1975); D.E. Weston, Proc. Phys. Soc. London Sec. B, 66, 95, (1953); M.R. Stinson, J. Acoust. Soc. Am., 89, 550, (1991).

Propagation constant: $k_x = \pm \sqrt{\omega^2 \rho(\omega) / B(\omega)}$.
 $R = [0.001 \ 0.002 \ 0.005 \ 0.01 \ 0.015 \ 0.02 \ 0.025] \text{ m}$.

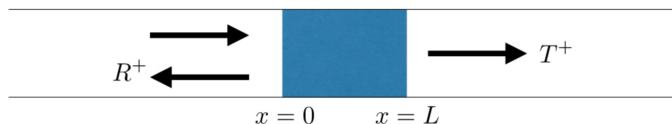


- Hypothesis
 - 1D propagation, i.e., plane wave propagation.
 - Propagation in homogeneous and isotropic materials.
- Definition
 - The transfer matrix between the two faces, $x = 0$ and $x = L$, of 1D material, T , is used to relate the sound pressure, P , and normal acoustic particle velocity, V ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} P \\ V \end{bmatrix}_{x=0} = T \begin{bmatrix} P \\ V \end{bmatrix}_{x=L} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P \\ V \end{bmatrix}_{x=L}, \quad (1)$$

Transmission problem

We start by solving the problem with a left hand side incident wave.



When the incident plane wave is assumed of unitary amplitude, the sound pressures and particle velocities on the two surfaces of the layer become

$$P|_{x=0} = 1 + R^+, \quad (2)$$

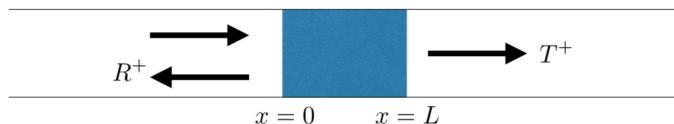
$$V|_{x=0} = \frac{1}{Z_0}(1 - R^+), \quad (3)$$

$$P|_{x=L} = T^+ e^{ikL}, \quad (4)$$

$$V|_{x=L} = \frac{T^+ e^{ikL}}{Z_0}. \quad (5)$$

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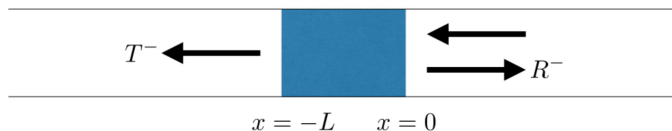
We can represent the reflection and transmission coefficients with a left hand side incident wave as:

$$T^+ = \frac{2e^{-ikL}}{T_{11} + T_{12}/Z_0 + Z_0 T_{21} + T_{22}}, \quad (6)$$

$$R^+ = \frac{T_{11} + T_{12}/Z_0 - Z_0 T_{21} - T_{22}}{T_{11} + T_{12}/Z_0 + Z_0 T_{21} + T_{22}}. \quad (7)$$

Transmission problem

Now we solve the problem with a right hand side incidence wave.



We can represent the reflection and transmission coefficients with a right hand side incident wave:

$$T^- = \frac{2e^{-ikL}(T_{11}T_{22} - T_{12}T_{21})}{T_{11} + T_{12}/Z_0 + Z_0T_{21} + T_{22}}, \quad (8)$$

$$R^- = \frac{-T_{11} + T_{12}/Z_0 - Z_0T_{21} + T_{22}}{T_{11} + T_{12}/Z_0 + Z_0T_{21} + T_{22}}. \quad (9)$$

Transmission problem

- If the system is **symmetric**, then, $R^+ = R^-$, and as a consequence, $T_{11} = T_{22}$.
- For **reciprocal** systems, $T^+ = T^-$, then the transfer matrix is unitary ($T_{11}T_{22} - T_{12}T_{21} = 1$). This property is satisfied for linear and time invariant systems.

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$$T^- = \frac{2e^{ikL}(T_{11}T_{22} - T_{12}T_{21})}{T_{11} + T_{12}/Z_0 + Z_0T_{21} + T_{22}}, \quad (10)$$

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$$R^+ = \frac{T_{11} + T_{12}/Z_0 - Z_0T_{21} - T_{22}}{T_{11} + T_{12}/Z_0 + Z_0T_{21} + T_{22}}. \quad (12)$$

Absorption in Transmission problem

- For symmetric systems the absorption coefficient is the same whatever the incidence side, and is calculated as

$$\alpha = 1 - |R|^2 - |T|^2. \quad (13)$$

- For asymmetric systems the absorption depends on the side of the incidence. For the positive x -axis incoming waves, the asymmetric absorption is given by

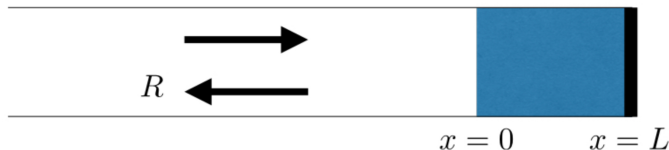
$$\alpha^- = 1 - |R^-|^2 - |T|^2, \quad (14)$$

while for the negative x -axis incoming waves,

$$\alpha^+ = 1 - |R^+|^2 - |T|^2. \quad (15)$$

Reflection problem

Now, we consider that the L -thick layer of material is positioned against a rigid backing.



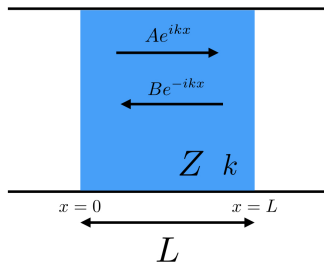
On the wall, $V_{x=L} = 0$. Then, the reflection coefficient is,

$$R = \frac{T_{11} - Z_0 T_{21}}{T_{11} + Z_0 T_{21}}, \quad (16)$$

and, finally, the absorption coefficient of the rigidly-backed system reduces to

$$\alpha = 1 - |R|^2. \quad (17)$$

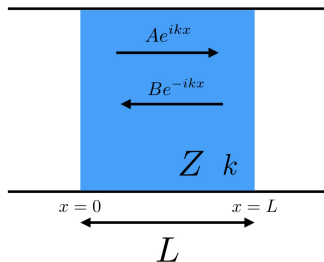
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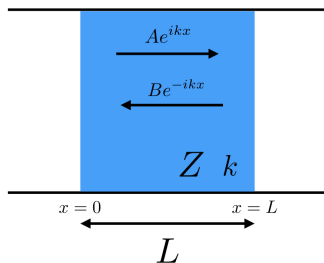


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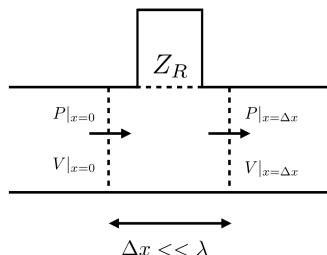
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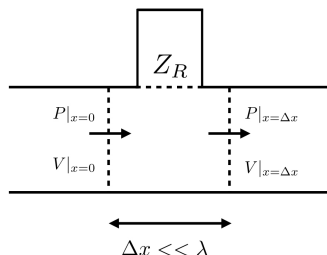
$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(kL) & -iZ \sin(kL) \\ \frac{-i}{Z} \sin(kL) & \cos(kL) \end{bmatrix}$$

Parallel resonant branch (continuity of pressure)



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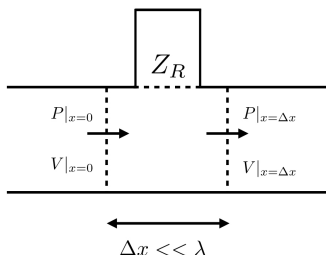
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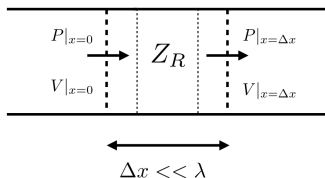
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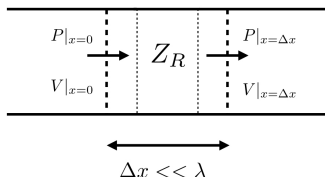
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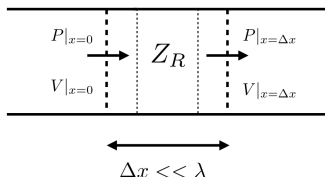
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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & Z_R \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Flux formulation

When the fluid is confined in waveguides of different cross-sectional area, reflections are produced at the discontinuities. In this case, it is convenient reformulate the problem in terms of the flux, \mathcal{V} .

$$\mathcal{V} = SV$$

where S is the cross-sectional area of the waveguide. In this case, what we have is

$$\begin{bmatrix} P \\ \mathcal{V}/S \end{bmatrix}_{x=0} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P \\ \mathcal{V}/S \end{bmatrix}_{x=L}. \quad (18)$$

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Summary

In this notes, we are using $e^{-i\omega t}$.

- Transfer matrix of a slab of thickness L made of an isotropic material characterized by a wavenumber k and the characteristic impedance $Z' = Z/S$ is,

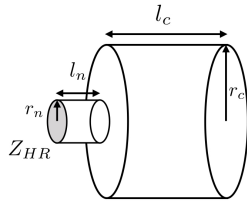
$$\begin{bmatrix} P \\ \mathcal{V} \end{bmatrix}_{x=0} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(kL) & -iZ' \sin(kL) \\ -\frac{i}{Z'} \sin(kL) & \cos(kL) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P \\ \mathcal{V} \end{bmatrix}_{x=L}. \quad (20)$$

- Parallel impedance branch (continuity of pressure).

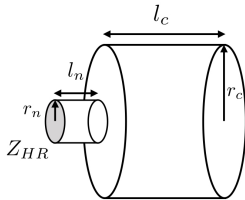
$$\begin{bmatrix} P \\ \mathcal{V} \end{bmatrix}_{x=0} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{Z'_R} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P \\ \mathcal{V} \end{bmatrix}_{x=L}. \quad (21)$$

- Series impedance branch (discontinuity of pressure).

$$\begin{bmatrix} P \\ \mathcal{V} \end{bmatrix}_{x=0} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & Z'_R \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P \\ \mathcal{V} \end{bmatrix}_{x=L}. \quad (22)$$



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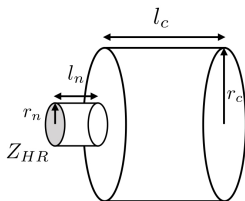


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$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(k_n l_n) & -i Z'_n \sin(k_n l_n) \\ -i \sin(k_n l_n) / Z'_n & \cos(k_n l_n) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(k_c l_c) & -i Z'_c \sin(k_c l_c) \\ -i \sin(k_c l_c) / Z'_c & \cos(k_c l_c) \end{bmatrix}.$$

where $Z'_n = Z_n / S_n$ and $Z'_c = Z_c / S_c$. Applying the rigid boundary condition at the end of the Helmholtz resonator, we obtain

$$Z'_R = i Z'_n \frac{Z'_c / Z'_n - \tan k_n l_n \tan k_c l_c}{Z'_c / Z'_n \tan k_n l_n + \tan k_c l_c},$$



For low frequencies, when $k_n l_n \ll 1$ and $k_c l_c \ll 1$, then, $\tan(k_n l_n) \approx k_n l_n$ and $\tan(k_c l_c) \approx k_c l_c$. So we obtain

$$Z'_R = iZ'_n \frac{Z'_c/Z'_n - k_n l_n k_c l_c}{Z'_c/Z'_n k_n l_n + k_c l_c}.$$

If losses are not considered, $k_n = k_c = k_0$ and $Z_n = Z_c = Z_0$, with $k_0 = \omega/c_0$ and $Z_0 = \rho_0 c_0$. The first resonance of the HR is observed when $\Im m(Z'_R) = 0$, we also obtain

$$\omega_R = c_0 \sqrt{\frac{S_n}{l_n l_c S_c}} = c_0 \sqrt{\frac{S_n}{l_n V_c}},$$

which is the usual expression for the resonance frequency of a Helmholtz resonator, where $V_c = S_c l_c$ is the volume of the cavity.

End corrections

The radiation at discontinuities must be included.

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(k_n \Delta l_1) & -iZ'_n \sin(k_n \Delta l_1) \\ -i \sin(k_n \Delta l_1)/Z'_n & \cos(k_n \Delta l_1) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(k_n l_n) & -iZ'_n \sin(k_n l_n) \\ -i \sin(k_n l_n)/Z'_n & \cos(k_n l_n) \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \cos(k_n \Delta l_2) & -iZ'_n \sin(k_n \Delta l_2) \\ -i \sin(k_n \Delta l_2)/Z'_n & \cos(k_n \Delta l_2) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(k_c l_c) & -iZ'_c \sin(k_c l_c) \\ -i \sin(k_c l_c)/Z'_c & \cos(k_c l_c) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Δl_1 , is due to pressure radiation at the discontinuity from the neck duct to the cavity of the Helmholtz resonator. Δl_2 comes from the radiation at the discontinuity from the neck to the principal waveguide.

Considering the low frequency approximation, we get

$$Z'_R = iZ'_n \frac{\cos k_n l_n \cos k_c l_c - \frac{k_n \Delta l Z'_n}{Z'_c} \cos k_n l_n \sin k_c l_c - \frac{Z'_n}{Z'_c} \sin k_n l_n \sin k_c l_c}{\sin k_n l_n \cos k_c l_c - \frac{k_n \Delta l Z'_n}{Z'_c} \sin k_n l_n \sin k_c l_c + \frac{Z'_n}{Z'_c} \cos k_n l_n \sin k_c l_c},$$

Change of section in a waveguide. The length correction, Δl , is approximated by ²,

$$\Delta l = 0.82 \left[1 - 1.35 \frac{r_n}{r_c} + 0.31 \left(\frac{r_n}{r_c} \right)^3 \right] r_n.$$

where r_n is the radius of the small waveguide, e.g., the neck, and r_c is the radius of the big waveguide, e.g, the cavity of a cylindrical Helmholtz resonator.

A tube is loaded in parallel to the principal waveguide. The length of the end correction Δl is given by ³

$$\Delta l = 0.82 \left[1 - 0.235 \frac{r_n}{r_s} - 1.32 \left(\frac{r_n}{r_t} \right)^2 + 1.54 \left(\frac{r_n}{r_t} \right)^3 - 0.86 \left(\frac{r_n}{r_t} \right)^4 \right] r_n,$$

where r_n is the radius of the loading waveguide and r_t is the radius of the main waveguide.

²J. Kergomard and A. Garcia, J. Sound Vib.114, 465 (1987)

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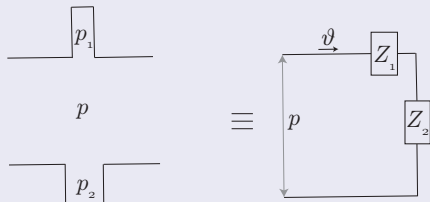
Exercise

Consider a cylindrical tube, with radius R and length L . The tube has a rigid termination at $x = L$ and it is open at $x = 0$. Obtain the characteristic impedance at $x = 0$.

This corresponds to the impedance of a quarter wavelength resonator, can you justify this sentence?

Remember we are in the low frequency approximation (!)

Series circuit



$$\rho = \rho_1 + \rho_2$$

$$\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{V}_1 = \mathcal{V}_2$$

Then,

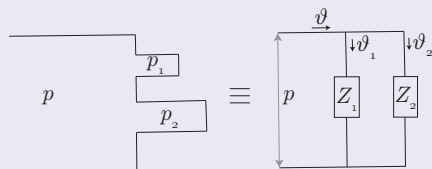
$$\frac{\rho}{\mathcal{V}} = \frac{\rho_1}{\mathcal{V}_1} + \frac{\rho_2}{\mathcal{V}_1} = \frac{\rho_1}{\mathcal{V}_1} + \frac{\rho_2}{\mathcal{V}_2}$$

$$Z' = Z'_1 + Z'_2$$

For n elements,

$$Z' = \sum_{i=1}^n Z'_i$$

Parallel circuit



$$\rho = \rho_1 = \rho_2$$

$$\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{V}_1 + \mathcal{V}_2$$

Then,

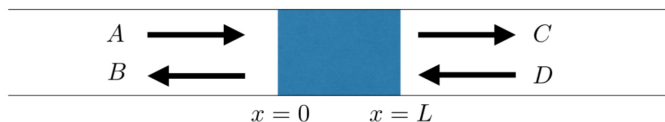
$$\frac{\rho}{\mathcal{V}} = \frac{\rho_1}{\mathcal{V}_1 + \mathcal{V}_2} = \frac{1}{\frac{\mathcal{V}_1}{\rho_1} + \frac{\mathcal{V}_2}{\rho_2}}$$

$$Z'^{-1} = Z'^{-1}_1 + Z'^{-1}_2$$

For n elements,

$$Z'^{-1} = \sum_{i=1}^n Z'^{-1}_i$$

The scattering matrix, S , relates the amplitudes of the incoming waves to the system with those of the out-coming waves.



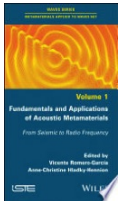
We consider that the total pressure in a point $x < 0$ ($x > L$) is given by $p(x) = Ae^{ikx} + Be^{-ikx}$ ($p(x) = Ce^{ikx} + De^{-ikx}$). Then,

$$\begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = S \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ S_{21} & S_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T & R^+ \\ R^- & T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix}. \quad (23)$$

The relation between T and S is then given by the Eqs.(6-14).

Exercise. Obtain the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the S -matrix.

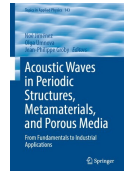
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