



## Validation of the Acoustic FE-Model of a Very Light Jet Cavity Mock-up

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## **Motivation**

sound pressure Level of up to **91.4 dB** in certain areas

Development of a combined active noise control (ANC) and an audio system





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## **Overview**



- Model validation approaches Description of test rig and experiment Description of the FE model of the acoustic cavity - Model geometry and mesh - Sensitivity study FE model adjustment
  - Fit of model parameters
  - Validation of model performance
  - **Conclusion/Outlook**



# Model validation approaches



" the process of assessing and improving confidence in the usefulness of computational predictions for a particular application"



Doebling, S.W.; Hemez, F.M. (Los Alamos National Laboratory): Finite Element Model Validation, Updating and Uncertainty Quantification, *Short Course for Aerospace, Civil, and Mechanical Engineers*, (2002)



# **Description of test rig & experiment**





Interior of the acoustic mock-up

#### Measurements signals:

→ An accelerometer recorded the membrane
 acceleration of the loudspeaker
 → Frequency responses between mapping
 microphones and loudspeaker

#### System excitation with a loudspeaker

Loudspeaker Characteristics:

→ Chassis type 6ND430 Eighteen Sound

Excitation signal:

- → Band limited white noise
- → Frequencies: 0-800 Hz



# Description of the FE model



# Model geometry and mesh

60989 Elements 92162 DOF Lagrange 2<sup>nd</sup> order Tetra elements

#### **Helmholtz Equation**

$$\Delta p(\underline{x}) + k^2 p(\underline{x}) = 0;$$

$$k = \frac{\omega}{c};$$
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#### Sensitivity study



Complex wave number can influence the sound damping in the cavity.

$$k_c = \frac{\omega}{c} (1 - j \cdot \beta) = \hat{k} e^{j\beta}$$

 $\beta$  = damping number;

c = speed of sound;

 $\omega$  = angular frequency and  $j^2$  = -1.

# Description of the FE model (Sensitivity study)





Influence of the speed of sound on the frequency response

Loudspeaker radiation correction factor:

$$K_{Ls} = a \cdot e^{j\phi}$$

where a and  $\phi$  adjust the magnitude and the phase of the normal acceleration respectively



Influence of the reflection phase on the frequency response

characteristic sound impedance:

$$Z_r = \frac{1+r}{1-r}\rho c$$

 $r = \hat{r}e^{j\theta}$  (refection factor of a reflecting surface)

where  $\rho$ = air density

 $\theta$  = reflection phase.



## Fit of model parameters

#### Parameter depending on the wave number

The following cost function is needed to determine the optimal wave number:

$$J = \alpha \frac{\left(e_{Norm}^{H} e_{Norm}\right)}{M \cdot max\left(e_{Norm}\right)^{2}} + \left(1 - \alpha\right) \frac{\left(e_{Phase}^{H} e_{Phase}\right)}{M \cdot max\left(e_{Phase}\right)^{2}}$$

Where,

$$e_{Norm} = |Z_{MEAS}| - |Z_{FEM}|;$$
  

$$e_{Phase} = angle(Z_{MEAS}) - angle(Z_{MEAS});$$

 $Z_{MEAS}$  = Column matrix of the measured FRFs

- $Z_{\text{FEM}}^{\text{merce}}$  = Column matrix of the computed FRFs
- M = Number of measurement points
- $\alpha$  = 0.5(Magnitude/Phase weighting factor).

The optimal wave number corresponds to the values of the cost function minimum.

#### Parameter depending on the surface reflection

The Sound field can be arbitrary modified by changing the lining material reflection factor



	Parameters									
	wave number		Reflection factors (Magnitude and phase)						Loudspeaker correction	
	c[m/s]	β[1]	rθ [1]	θ [°]	rφ[1]	φ [°]	rψ[1]	Ψ[°]	a[1]	Φ [°]
100 Hz	350	0,1	0,8	0	0,8	0	0,8	0	0,4	30
300 Hz	370	0,09	0,99	0	0,99	35	0,99	35	1	-10



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### Validation of model performance







#### f=100 Hz; Green mapping area





## **Conclusion**



- ➡ A FE-model of an acoustic mock-up cavity was presented. The model geometry was created in COMSOL MULTIPHYSICS 3.4.
- To validate the FE-model, a direct method for comparison without the consideration of uncertainty was used.
- The sound field in the mock-up cavity was mapped for one excitation position and three mapping areas.
- A sensitivity test was conducted in order to select the model adjustment parameters.
  - Three main groups of adjustment parameters were defined:
    - the parameter depending on the wave number (sound speed and damping number)
    - the reflection factor for model boundaries (magnitude and phase)
    - the loudspeaker radiation correction factor (magnitude and phase).
- After adjustment, the results of the measurements and the FE-simulation for the frequencies 100Hz and 300Hz were presented.
- In the frequency 100Hz the FE-model presents a high accuracy level and can be used for both a qualitative and quantitative investigations.
- In the frequency 300Hz the FE-model can only be used for qualitative investigations.





Improvement of the FE-model accuracy using the Monte Carlo Method to fit all adjustment parameters at the same time.



A **sequential algorithm** can be used to optimize the loudspeaker and the microphones positions.

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