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Mufflers and Silencers Advanced Topics

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Overview

- Muffler Metrics
- Transmission and Insertion Loss
- Source Impedance
- Simulation of Source Impedance
- Multi-Inlet Mufflers



Performance Measures Transmission Loss



Performance Measures Insertion Loss





Performance Measures Noise Reduction





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Transmission Loss Measurement







Transmission Loss Measurement



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Design 1 Helmholtz Resonator

Units: Inches





Design 2 Helmholtz Resonator + Side Branch



Units: Inches



Design 3 Helmholtz Resonator + Side Branch



Transmission Loss Comparison





Insertion Loss Measurement





$$IL = L_{p1} - L_{p2} \quad (dB)$$



Insertion Loss Comparison



Design 1 Changing Inlet Length





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Source Impedance





Series (Transfer) Impedance





Source Impedance







Source Impedance Direct Measurement

Measuring material sample :





Loudspeaker Source Absorption





Source Impedance Circuit Analogy



Source Strength ~ Voltage Source Impedance ~ Internal resistor Particle Velocity ~ Current

$$\frac{p_s}{Z_s + Z_L} = \frac{P_L}{Z_L} \qquad \text{Unknowns: } p_s \text{ and } z_s$$

Use 2 or more loads to solve source properties.



Source Impedance Wave Decomposition



Use 2 or more loads to solve source properties.

$$p_{1+} = p_{s+} + p_{1-} \cdot R_s \longrightarrow p_{s+} \text{ and } R_s \longrightarrow z_s = \frac{1+R_s}{1-R_s}$$

$$p_{2+} = p_{s+} + p_{2-} \cdot R_s \longrightarrow p_{s+} \text{ and } R_s \longrightarrow z_s = p_{s+} \left(\frac{1-R_s}{2}\right)$$



Measurement Setup



Use tachometer to detect the start of each rotation.



Example Diesel Engine

Layout	6 cylinder, 4 stroke
Fuel	Diesel
Exhaust Diameter	4 inches
Exhaust Flow Rate	0.12 Mach
Test RPM	2400
Test Output Torque	Around 500 N·m



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Load number	Exhaust configuration
Load 1	<i>φ</i> 0.10 m × 9.5 m
Load 2	φ0.10 m × 3.5 m φ0.25 m × 0.75 m SEC φ0.10 m × 5 m
Load 3	φ0.10 m × 7.2 m
Load 4	<i>φ</i> 0.10 m × 8.1 m
Load 5	φ0.10 m × 6.2 m

Load 1~4:

used to obtain source properties.

Load 5: Used for validation.



Diesel Engine Source Impedance

Mechanical working condition: 2400 RPM, throttle fully open

 $z_s = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(1-1i)$ \rightarrow Callow and Peat, 1988 Constant source impedance:

Imaginary Part





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Real Part

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Diesel Engine SPL in Exhaust



Insertion Loss Muffler A



Source Impedance Measurement Difficulties

Difficulties of actual measurement:

- Extreme working conditions for pressure sensors (High temperature, turbulence...)
- Nonlinearity and time-variance of IC engines
- Choice of acoustic loads
- Cost



Sensitivity Study Muffler Insertion Loss

With the transfer matrix and source and transfer impedances known:

$$IL = 20 \log_{10} \left\{ \left| \frac{\frac{T_{11}}{Z_s} + \frac{T_{12}}{Z_t Z_s} + T_{21} + \frac{T_{22}}{Z_t}}{\frac{A_{11}}{Z_s} + \frac{A_{12}}{Z_t Z_s} + A_{21} + \frac{A_{22}}{Z_t}} \right| \right\}$$

A vector can be defined as

$$S_{IL} = \frac{\frac{T_{11}}{Z_s} + \frac{T_{12}}{Z_t Z_s} + T_{21} + \frac{T_{22}}{Z_t}}{\frac{A_{11}}{Z_s} + \frac{A_{12}}{Z_t Z_s} + A_{21} + \frac{A_{22}}{Z_t}}$$



Sensitivity Study Isolator Example



Zhang et al. (2018) showed that the boundary of the feasible range of z_S maps to the boundary of S_{IL} which can significantly speed up calculation of the range.



Process Effect of Source Impedance

- 1. Measure source impedance for a typical case and condition.
- 2. Determine the μ and σ over all frequencies.
- 3. Suggest $\pm 2\sigma$ as a reasonable range.
- 4. Determine the range of insertion loss.



Example Muffler Designs



Condition	RPM	Load
Condition 1	2400	100% W.O.T.
Condition 2	2400	75% W.O.T.
Condition 3	2400	50% W.O.L.
Condition 4	2400	No Load

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Insertion Loss Range Muffler A





Insertion Loss Range Muffler B



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FEM Modeling Source Impedance?



- Source impedance is modeled as a transfer impedance
- The source pressure is input as a pressure BC with a short duct length



FEM Transfer Relation



 $\begin{bmatrix} v_{n1} \\ v_{n2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_4 & \alpha_5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_3 \\ \alpha_6 \end{bmatrix}$

or,

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_{n1} \\ v_{n2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta & -\beta \\ -\beta & \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where β is the transfer admittance:

$$\beta = 1/z_s$$



FEM Sound Pressure at Termination



Source impedance for engine intake is specified and baffled termination is assumed.



Insertion Loss Modeling



Insertion Loss



FEM Contour Plots 494 Hz







FEM Contour Plots 606 Hz







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Transmission Loss Definition



Define a complex ratio α between the two **incident pressures**:

$$\beta = \frac{p_{2i}}{p_{1i}}$$

$$TL = 10 \log_{10} \frac{W_{1i} + W_{2i}}{W_3} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{|p_{1i}|^2 S_1 + |p_{2i}|^2 S_2}{|p_3|^2 S_3}$$



Transmission Loss Superposition Method



Why anechoic? Avoid input coupling.



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Transfer Functions (with other source and termination anechoic)

$$H_{13} = \frac{p_{3i}}{p_{1i}} \qquad \qquad H_{23} = \frac{p_{3i}}{p_{2i}}$$

Transmission Loss



Results 0° Phase Difference

 $\beta = 1$





Results 90° Phase Difference



Multi-Inlet Muffler

$$TL = 10 \log_{10} \frac{S_1 + |\beta|^2 S_2}{|H_{13} + \beta H_{23}|^2 S_3}$$

Two-Inlet Muffler



What about TL for three and more inlet muffler?

n-Inlet Muffler with Outlet *o*

$$TL = 10 \log \frac{S_1 + |\beta_1|^2 S_2 + \ldots + |\beta_n|^2 S_n}{|H_{1o} + \beta_1 H_{2o} + \ldots + \beta_n H_{no}|^2 S_o}$$

$$\beta_m = \frac{p_{mi}}{p_{1i}} \frac{\text{Incident wave strength of the mth inlet}}{\text{Incident wave strength of the 1st inlet}}$$



Insertion Loss





Insertion Loss



$$p_{3}^{s1} = \frac{p_{s1}z_{t}}{A_{1}z_{t} + B_{1} + C_{1}z_{s1}z_{t} + D_{1}z_{s1}} \qquad p_{3}^{s2} = \frac{p_{s2}z_{t}}{A_{2}z_{t} + B_{2} + C_{2}z_{s2}z_{t} + D_{2}z_{s2}}$$
$$L_{p_{1}} = 20\log_{10}\left(\sqrt{(p_{3}^{s1})^{2} + (p_{3}^{s2})^{2} + 2p_{3}^{s1}p_{3}^{s2}\cos\theta}\right)$$



SPL with Muffler



$$L_{p2} = 20 \log_{10} \left(\left| p_3^{S1} + p_3^{S2} \right| / p_{ref} \right)$$

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* The similar technique can be applied to n-inlet muffler.



Experimental Validation



- 1. Measured source impedance and source strength for each loudspeaker.
- 2. Measured transfer matrix for muffler from each source to p_3 with other source "audible".
- 3. Measure termination.
- 4. Use measured data from prior steps to predict the insertion loss.



Insertion Loss





Effect of Source Phase





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