# Notes on Radiation Efficiency

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## Overview

- Definition / Importance
- Example Diesel Engine
- Measurement



# Example



Stamped Steel Oil Pan (0.21 cm)



Sand-Cast Aluminum Oil Pan (1.07 cm)

Seybert, Hamilton, and Hayes (1988)





## **Average Vibration**



### **Sound Power Contribution**





# **Radiation Efficiency**



## **Oil Pan Comparison**

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Stamped Steel Oil Pan (.084")



2040 Hz

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Sand-Cast Aluminum Oil Pan (0.42")



2199 Hz



# **Radiation Efficiency**



### **Transfer Function Panel Modes**

First 4 modes of a 76 cm square steel plate which is 0.32 cm thick.



#### **Transfer Function Panel Modes**

Table 8-8 Eigenfrequencies of rectangular plates with certain boundary conditions. The mode's indices (m,n)represent the number of displacement antinodes projected along the short sides (m) and the long sides(n) of the plate, respectively; see figure 8-31. (Source: Based on R D Blevins, Formulas for NaturalFrequency and Mode Shape. 1979. Van Nostrand Reinhold.)

Edge Conditions	a/b			$\mu_{mn}(m,n)$		
F = Free	0.4	3.46 (1,3)	5.29 (2,2)	9.62 (1,4)	11.4 (2,3)	18.8 (1,5)
	2/3	8.95 (2,2)	9.60 (1,3)	20.7 (2,3)	22.4 (3,1)	25.9 (1,4)
	1	13.5 (2,2)	19.8 (1,3)	24.4 (3,1)	35.0 (3,2)	35.0 (2,3)
	1.5	20.1 (2,2)	21.6 (3,1)	46.6 (3,2)	50.3 (1,3)	58.2 (4,1)
	2.5	21.6 (3,1)	33.0 (2,2)	60.1 (4,1)	71.5 (3,2)	117.5 (5,1)
$\begin{bmatrix} S & S \\ S & S \end{bmatrix} b$	0.4	11.4 (1,1)	16.2 (1,2)	24.1 (1,3)	35.1 (1,4)	41.1 (2,1)
	2/3	14.3 (1,1)	27.4 (1,2)	43.9 (2,1)	49.4 (1,3)	57.0 (2,2)
	1	19.7 (1,1)	49.4 (2,1)	49.4 (1,2)	79.0 (2,2)	98.7 (3,1)
S = Simply	1.5	32.1 (1,1)	61.7 (2,1)	98.7 (1,2)	111.0 (3,1)	128.3 (2,2)
Supported	2.5	71.6 (1,1)	101.2 (2,1)	150.5 (3,1)	219.6 (4,1)	256.6 (1,2)
C = Clamped (Fixed)	0.4	23.6 (1,1)	27.8 (1,2)	35.4 (1,3)	46.7 (1,4)	61.6 (1,5)
	2/3	27.0 (1,1)	41.7 (1,2)	66.1 (2,1)	66.6 (1,3)	79.8 (2,2)
	1	36.0 (1,1)	73.4 (2,1)	73.4 (1,2)	108.3 (2,2)	131.6 (3,1)
	1.5	60.8 (1,1)	93.7 (2,1)	148.8 (1,2)	149.7 (3,1)	179.7 (2,2)
	2.5	147.8 (1,1)	173.9 (2,1)	221.5 (3,1)	291.9 (4,1)	384.7 (5,1)

The eigenfrequencies are calculated from the table parameters, geometric data and material data using the formula

$$f_{m,n} = \frac{\mu_{mn}}{2\pi a^2} \sqrt{\frac{Eh^2}{12\rho(1-\nu^2)}}$$

Here, a is the length of a long edge, h the plate thickness,  $\rho$  the plate density, E the elastic modulus and v Poisson's ratio.



# **Radiation Efficiency Definition**

$$\sigma_{rad}(f) = \frac{W(f)}{\rho c S \bar{u}^2(f)}$$

W(f)sound power emitted by the vibrating surfaceSvibrating surface area $\bar{u}^2(f)$ spatially averaged RMS value of velocity

Stated another way

$$W(f) = \sigma_{rad} \rho c S \bar{u}^2$$

$$L_W = 10 \log_{10} \langle \bar{u}^2 \rangle + 10 \log_{10} S + 10 \log_{10} \sigma_{rad} + 146$$



## **Radiation Efficiency Wavelength**

In thin plates, the dominating vibration will be bending vibration.

Plate Bending Wavelength



## **Radiation Efficiency**

$$\lambda_p \ll \lambda_a \qquad \Delta l = l_+ - l_- \approx 0$$

$$\lambda_p \approx \lambda_a \qquad \Delta l \gg 0$$

The plate will perform like closely distributed out-of-phase sources.





## **Radiation Efficiency Flat Aluminum Panel**





## **Radiation Efficiency Critical Frequency**

$$f_c = \frac{c^2}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\rho_s}{D}}$$

where:

 $\rho_s = \frac{m}{S}$ 

Panel surface density

 $D = \frac{Eh^3}{12(1-\nu^2)}$  Flexural rigidity of plate

#### If the stiffness is decreased

$$L_W = 10 \log_{10} \langle \bar{u}^2 \rangle + 10 \log_{10} S + 10 \log_{10} \sigma_{rad} + 146$$

Wallace, 1972

July 15, 2021

### **Radiation Efficiency Plate Modes**



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## **Diesel Engine**



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### **Front Cover**



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## Oil Pan



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# **Engine Block**





## **Engine Components**



### **Contribution and Radiation Efficiency**



Make everything rigid except the component of interest and solve for the field point pressures ✓ Sound Power Contribution ✓ Radiation Efficiency





#### **Sound Power Contribution**



### **Radiation Efficiency**



#### **Results Interpretation**



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## **ISO 7849** Measure Radiation Efficiency

ISO-7849 – Determination of airborne sound power levels emitted by machinery using vibration measurement -- Part 2: Engineering method including determination of the adequate radiation factor

- Test 1 Accelerometer Array for Surface Velocity
- Test 2 Intensity Scan for Radiated Sound Power





# **ISO 7849** Measure Radiation Efficiency

#### Disadvantages

- Accelerometers affect surface vibration.
- Requires two separate tests longer setup time.
- Complicated structures may be difficult to instrument.

#### **Alternative – PU Probe**

• Both particle velocity and sound power can be measured with same sensor using scanning approaches.





# Microphone PU Probe

Microflown for measuring particle velocity and a microphone for measuring sound pressure.

#### References

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### **Test 1** Aluminum Plate

- Aluminum plate (3.175 mm thick)
- White noise from 0-6400 Hz









## Test 1 Surface/Particle Velocity





## Test 1 Radiation Efficiency





### **Test 2** Stainless Plate

- Stainless steel plate (1 mm thick)
- White noise from 0-6400 Hz









## **Test 2** Radiation Efficiency



## Test 3 Gas Tank

- Two shell metal composite gas tank.
- Excited by 420cc engine running at 2800 RPM.
- Only measured contributions coming from exposed surfaces due to probe limitations.





### Test 3 Surface/Particle Velocity





# Some Observations

Particle velocity depends on the:

- Distance from the source
- Structure
- Frequency

Hence ... No correction equation will be completely satisfactory.



# Particle Velocity Sensitivity Study





# **Correction Factor**

- Taking the data from the sensitivity study we can "calibrate" the PU probe.
- This was done for the Aluminum plate test case and was applied for the stainless plate case and gas tank.
- At a distance away 0.5 cm, the scaling factor for the particle velocity was 1.8.
- This was applied to both plate test cases.



# **Test 1** Aluminum Plate





# **Test 2** Stainless Steel Plate





# **Correction Factor**

- From the sensitivity study on the aluminum plate case, the results were extrapolated for the gas tank test at 1.5 cm.
- The correction factor used was 2.0 for the particle velocity.
- As the PU probe moves farther away from the source, the correction factor grows larger.



# **Test 3** Radiation Efficiency





# Summary

- Radiation efficiency may be determined using a PU probe.
- Recommend calibrating the particle velocity measurement to the panel vibration with an accelerometer measurement at a similar distance away.



# References

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