

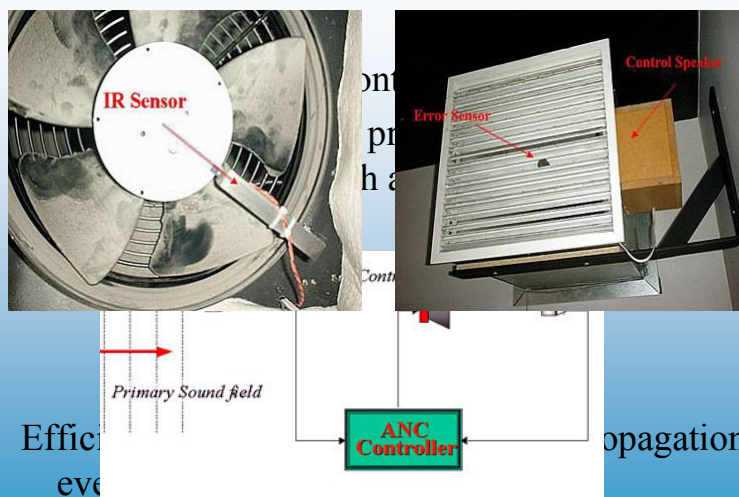
Active acoustic absorption

General presentation - applications

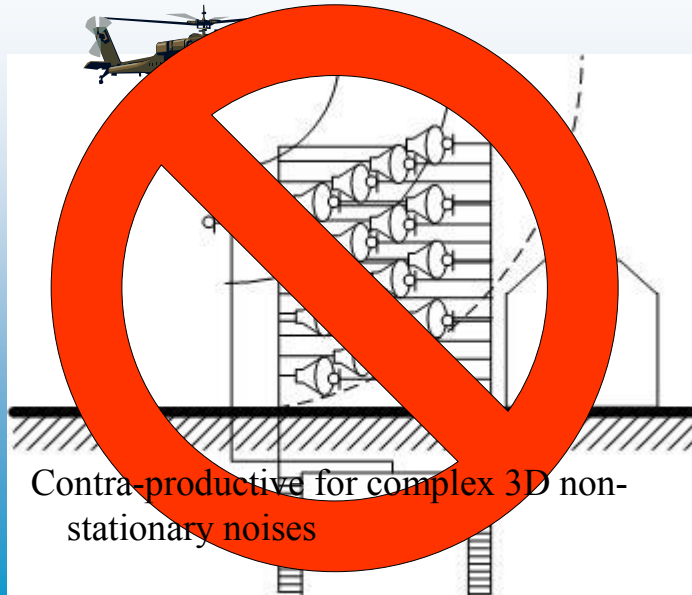
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Introduction: ANC



Introduction: 3D ANC



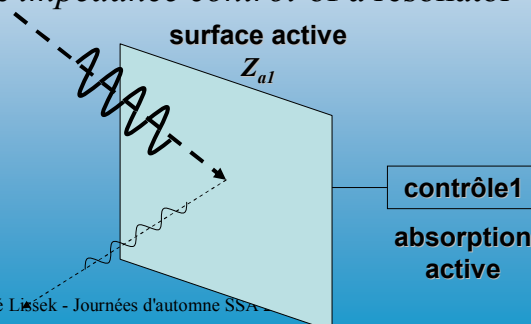
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Assessed applications:

room acoustics

active noise attenuation (harmonic noise sources)

low frequency control, modal control

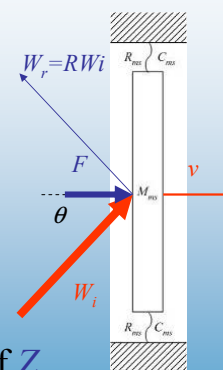
Building acoustics: room acoustics

$$\underline{Z}_{ms}(\omega) = \frac{\underline{F}}{\underline{v}} = \underbrace{\underbrace{R_{ms}}_{\text{losses}} + \underbrace{i\omega M_{ms}}_{\text{mass}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{i\omega C_{ms}}}_{\text{compliance}}}_{\text{material mechanical properties}}$$

Reflection coefficient r function of Z_{ms}

Reflection factor R function of Z_{ms}

Absorption factor α function of r (R), then of Z_{ms}



Building acoustics: sound insulation

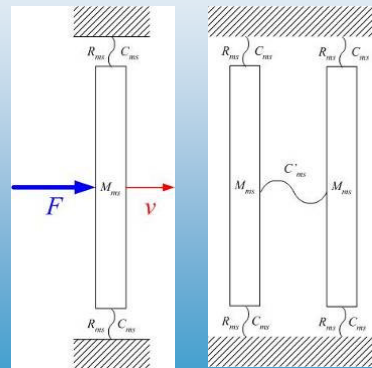
Mechanical impedance of the material:

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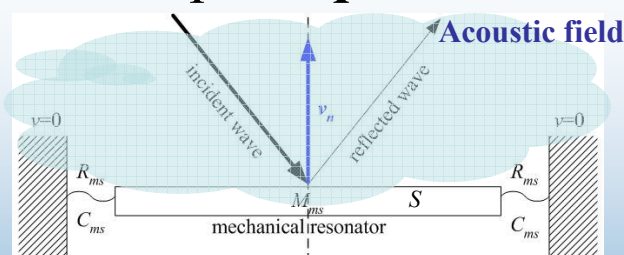
losses mass compliance

Sound insulation depends on Z_{ms}

$$R = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{W_1}{W_2} \right)$$



Principle of *passive* damping



param of absorption

S (absorbing area)

M_{ms} (material mass)

C_{ms} (material
suspension)

R_{ms} (losses)

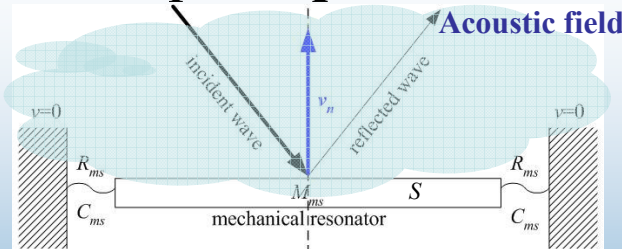
Acoustic impedance @ interface :

$$Z_a(\omega) = (R_{ms} + j\omega M_{ms} + (j\omega C_{ms})^{-1})/S \quad (R, M, C \text{ system, } \omega = \text{pulsation})$$

@ resonance ($f_r = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{M_{ms} \cdot C_{ms}}}$):

$$Z_a(\omega_r) = R_{ms}/S \text{ proportional to } Z_c = \rho \cdot c \text{ (characteristic impedance)}$$

Principle of *passive* absorption



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Note: when $Z_a = Z_c$ (impedance matching)

→ transparency : the material is totally absorbent

Specifications of active acoustic absorbers

Acoustic resonator

→ resonance: frequency f_r , quality factor Q

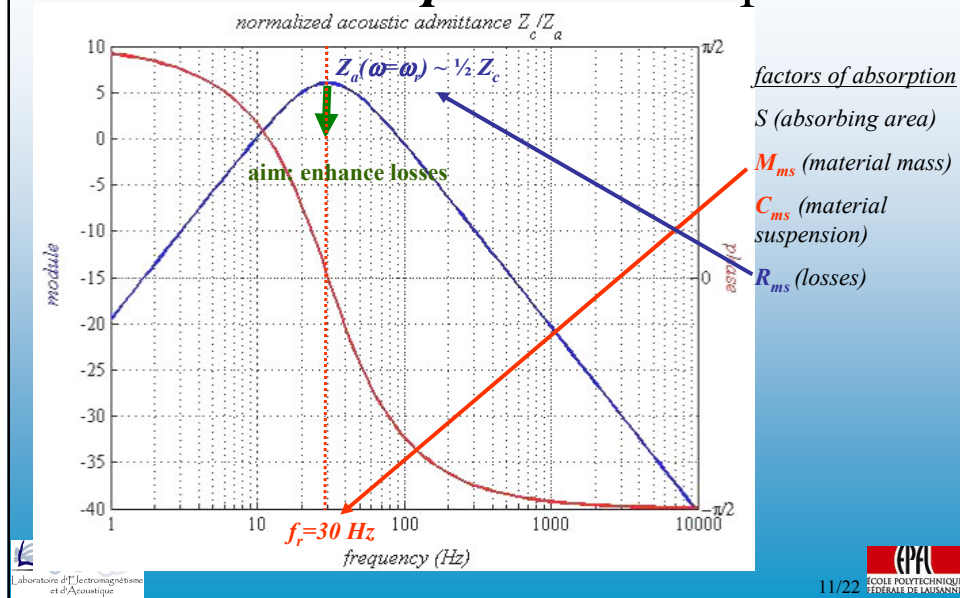
The aim of active absorption:

allow the modification of f_r and Q , by way of simple (electric) control

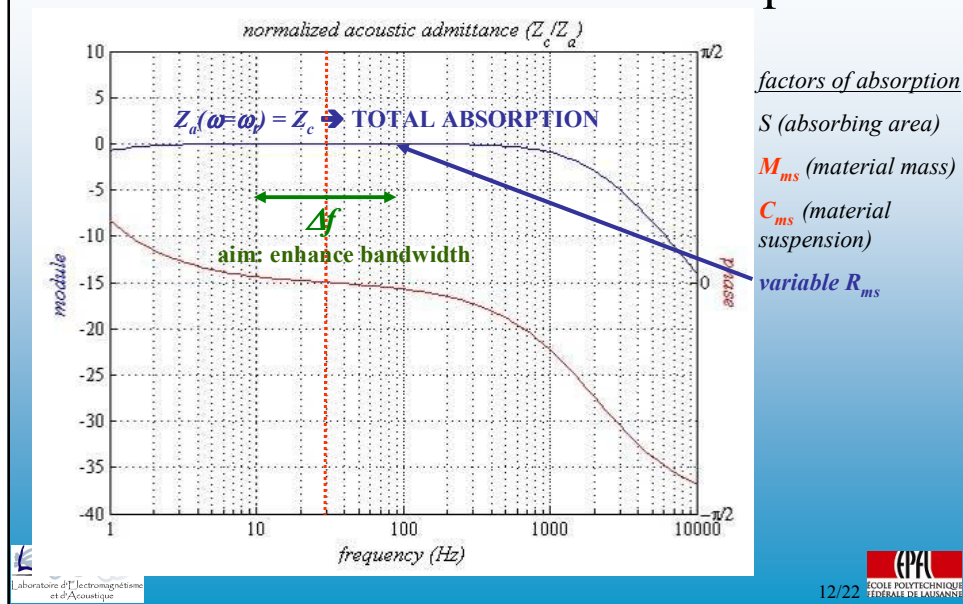
→ modification of the properties of the absorber:

- make it more absorbent at resonance (acoustic impedance Z_a to match characteristic impedance Z_c of the medium)
- make it absorbent over a wider frequency range
- possibility to shift the resonance frequency

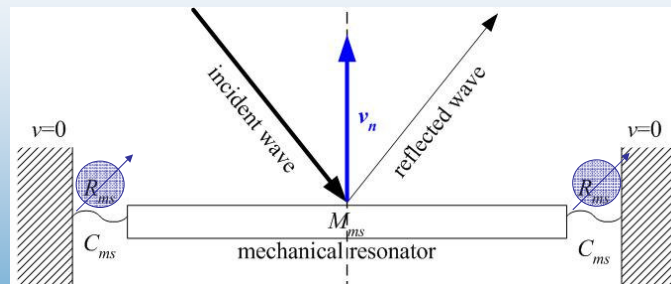
behaviour of *passive* absorption



Ideal behaviour of *active* absorption



Principle of *active* absorption

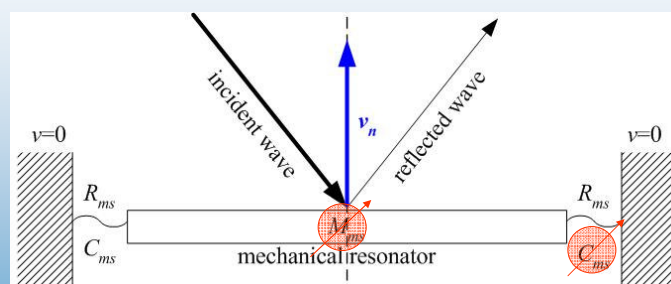


GOAL:

Active control : modification of R_{ms}

$$Z_a(\omega) = (R_{ms}(\text{controlled}) + j\omega M_{ms} + (j\omega C_{ms})^{-1})/S^2 = Z_c$$

Principle of *active* resonance shift



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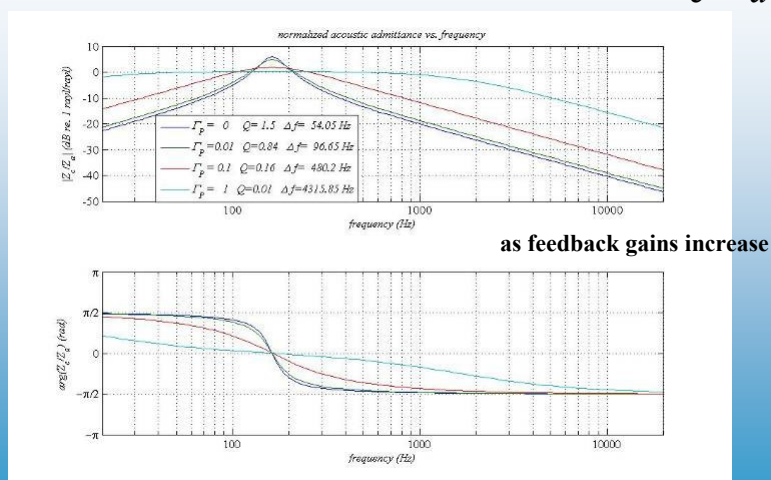
Application: « active materials »

“Resonator” = electrodynamic loudspeaker

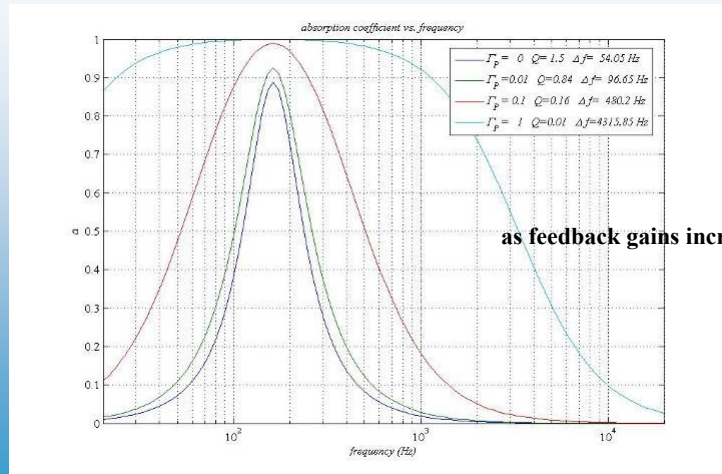


Calculations

normalized acoustic admittance (Z_c/Z_a)



Calculations absorption coefficient ($\alpha = f^\circ(Z_a)$)

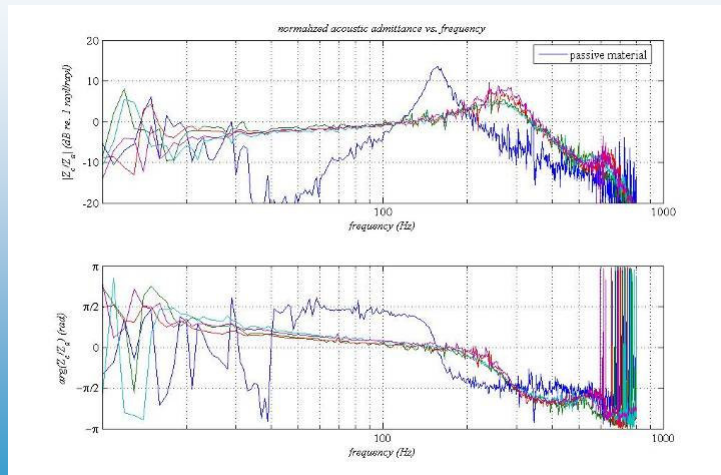


as feedback gains increase

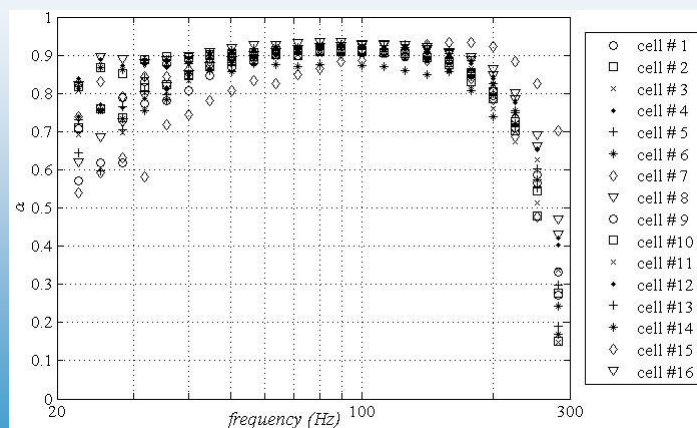
Experimental results



Experimental results measured normalized admittance



Experimental results measured absorption coefficients



Conclusion

Validation of the concept of active materials:

- ✓ calculations promise good performances, even without specific transducer (usual loudspeaker)
- ✓ experimental results show good tendency
- ✓ not much expensive in regards with the acoustic gains:
 - ✓ cheap actuators (usual loudspeakers)
 - ✓ cheap sensors (back-electret microphones)
 - ✓ simple electric control (discrete components)

Perspectives

Optimization in progress :

- ✓ dedicated transducers
- ✓ enhanced control
- ✓ assess energy transfer

Potential transfer of technology: industries concerned with non-stationary broadband or narrow band noises

➔ optimize the concept within applied frameworks

- ✓ **aircraft engines (SNECMA)**
- ✓ electric industry
- ✓ railway industry
- ✓ buildings
- ✓ etc...



X3-NOISE Aircraft External Noise Network and Coordination

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Objectives of the X3-NOISE Coordination Action

1. Evaluation of EC-funded projects and assessment of their contribution to the state-of-the-art.
2. Formulation of priorities and key topics for future technology projects through development of common strategies, identification of required infrastructures, benchmarking against competing countries and competitive industry with national activities.
3. Formulation of research strategy for the development of tools / instruments aimed at supporting the management of airport environmental capacity within the frame of ICAO Balanced Approach and EC Environmental Noise Directive.
4. Identification of potential reinforcement of future project partnerships through expertise mapping to foster new collaborations and promote novel ideas.
5. Optimum exploitation of anticipated breakthroughs in Aircraft Noise research by the scientific community, SME's interested in aeronautics applications and other noise engineering areas.
6. Appropriate communication and feedback strategy to inform on progress made in aircraft noise research, including the development of technical information, aimed at Regulatory Bodies and Policymaking Agencies on the basis of state-of-the-art, demonstrated technology and operational capabilities of future aircraft.
7. Improved integration of the European Aircraft Noise Research Community through a network of National Focal Points (NFPs), including the structured development of local networks in new EU member states in order to foster participation in future projects.



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