

A study of metric for mid-frequency performance assessment of vehicle panel stacks

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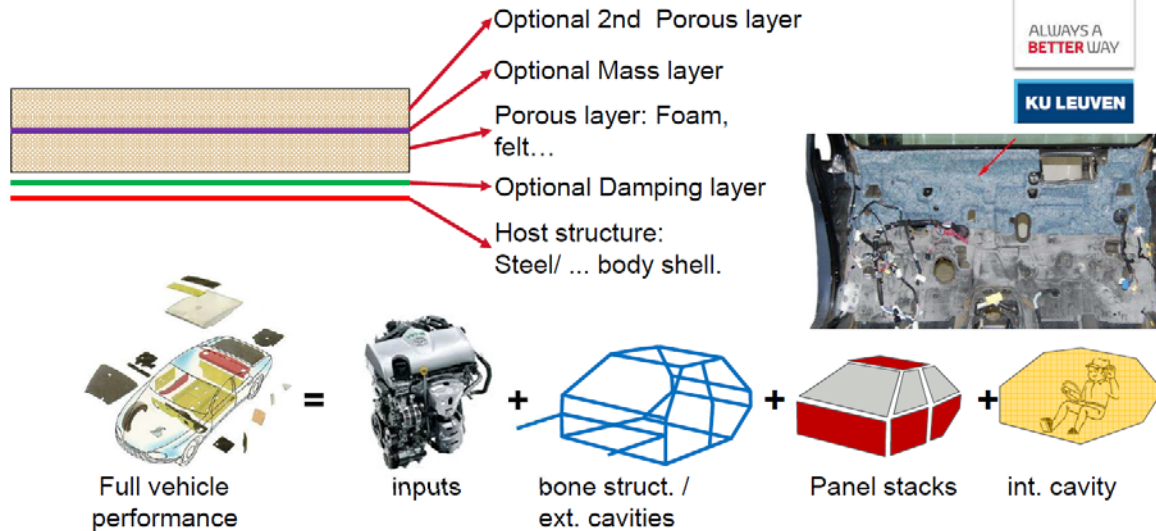
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Introduction and objectives

Mid-frequency panel stack design



Mid-frequency (100-1000 Hz) simulation of **full vehicle** is very challenging → Breakdown
 → Performance simulation needs to be broken down to **individual panel stack level**

→ A **metric** is needed to define the performance for one **panel stack**.

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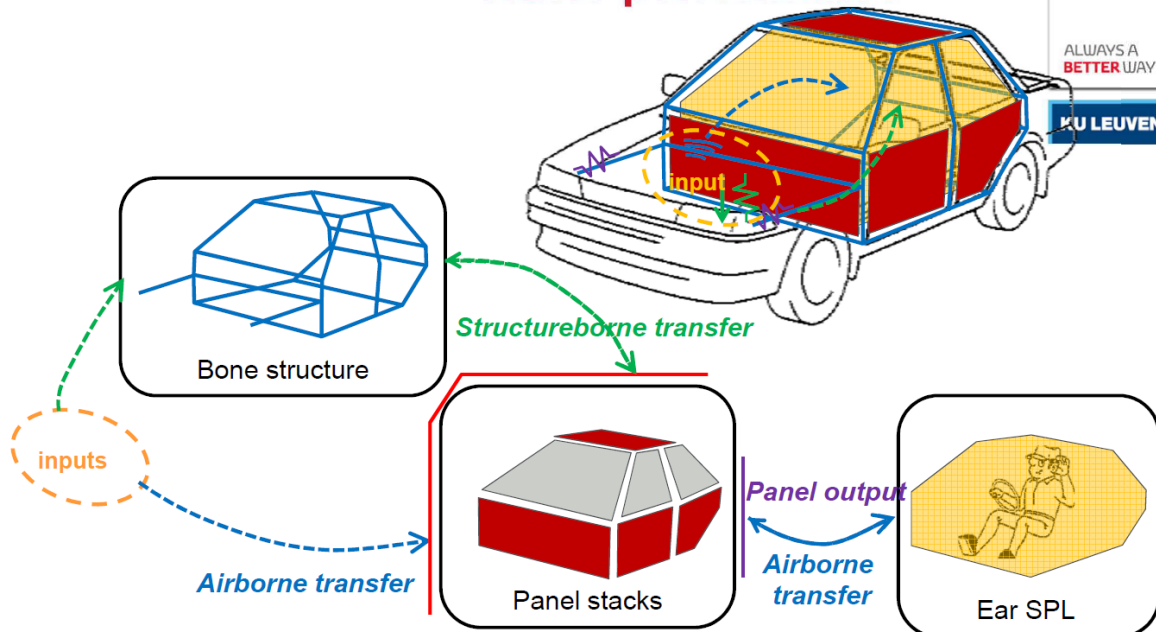
Introduction and objectives

Introduction and objectives Panel stack in full vehicle performance



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$$M = \frac{\text{Panel output}}{\text{Panel input}}$$

Fully Coupled system
→ Some assumptions need to be made

Introduction and objectives

Common metrics for stack performance

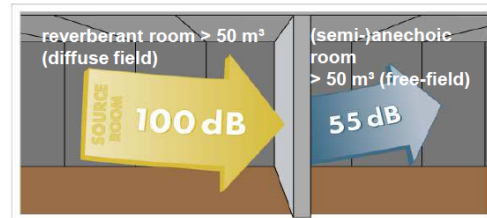


Transmission Loss (TL)

Definition: $TL = 10 \log_{10} \frac{\text{Incident power}}{\text{Transmitted power}}$

Standard measurements [1], [2]

- Coupled rooms
 - Reverberant room, diffuse field
 - Semi-anechoic room, free-field
- Smaller Cabins



References

- [1] ASTM E90-02
- [2] ISO 140-1:1997

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Introduction and objectives

Limitations with transmission loss

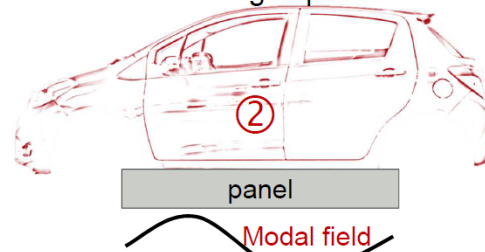
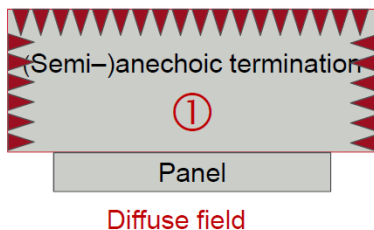


Transmission loss (TL)

- Mainly airborne noise contributions
- High-frequency assumptions

Moving to mid-frequencies (100-1000 Hz)

- Structureborne needs to be taken into account
- Modal behaviours appear:
 - On input side, more complex fields than diffuse
 - On output side, power is dependent on the receiving impedance



$$TL_{\textcircled{1}} = TL_{\textcircled{2}}??$$

➔ Change from **ideal** to **vehicle** condition doesn't lead to **expected performance**

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Introduction and objectives Limitations with Transmission Loss



Mid-frequency breakdown of the metric

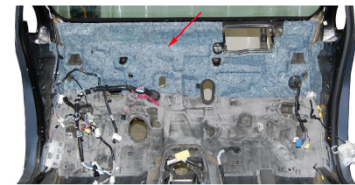
Development situation: e.g. "TL is too low"

In high frequency range, breakdown of performance is possible

- 1D models: Transfer Matrix Method, mass-spring...
- ➔ Can tell the contribution for which layer / coupling between layers

In mid-frequency range, root cause can be more difficult to identify:

- Additionally, due to modal behavior, "good match" of modes is possible, e.g.
 - Panel with interior cavity acoustic mode
 - Engine compartment with panel (airborne input)
 - Bone structure with panel (structureborne)



➔ TL does not support a contribution breakdown of performance in Mid-frequencies

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Introduction and objectives Goals for a novel mid-frequency metric for stack performance



Requirements for a new MF metric M_i

➤ Compatible with panel contribution analysis philosophy

$$p_{\text{target}}^{\text{ear}} = \underbrace{\sum_{i=\text{panel}} p_i}_{\text{breakdown}} \text{ with } p_i = \underbrace{\text{Input}_i}_{\text{known}} \underbrace{M_i}_{\text{target at panel level}} \text{ TF}_{\text{Output}_i \rightarrow \text{ear}}$$

Step 1: Define which **Input** quantity to look at:

- Structureborne and airborne inputs
- Modal input field patterns

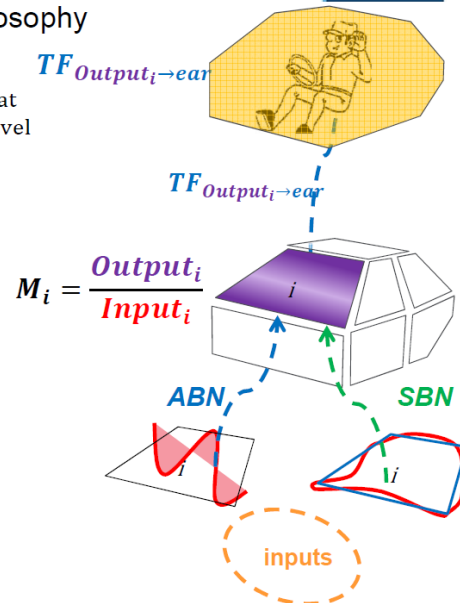
Step 2: Define an **Output** quantity which handles:

- "Full Vehicle" measurements
- "Panel alone" measurements / simulation

Step 3: Breakdown of the performance $M_i = f_i(\dots)$ in mechanism parameters, function of:

- Layering
- **Input** field pattern / **Output** termination

9 : — Geometry





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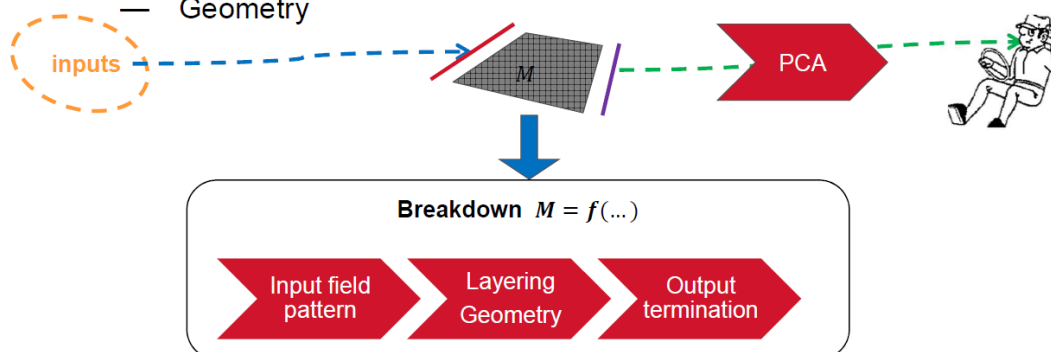
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Metric definition

Metric definition Contents

$$M = \frac{\text{Output}}{\text{Input}} = f(\dots)$$

1. Definition of *Input* quantity
2. Definition of *Output* quantity
3. Breakdown of the metric $M = f(\dots)$ of
 - Layering
 - Input field pattern / Output termination
 - Geometry



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Metric definition Metric input quantity

Defining *Input* quantity

Available:

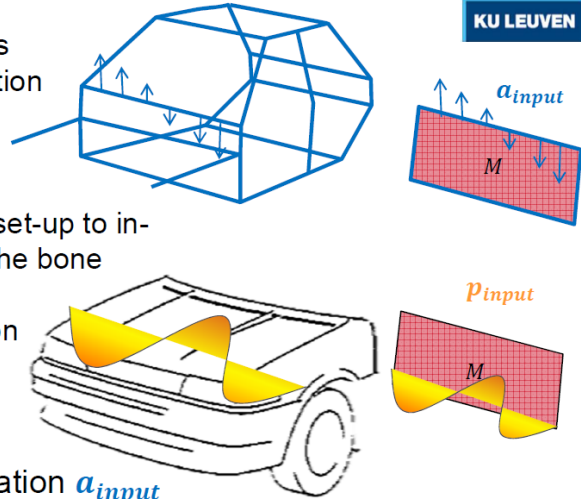
- Acoustic pressure / structural stresses
- Acoustic velocity / structural acceleration
- Energy / power

Good input quantity:

- Predictable change from a dedicated set-up to in-vehicle condition (e.g. back-coupling the bone structure in case of SBN input)
- Model-able in Finite Element simulation
- Easily instrument-able

➔ Choice of input quantities:

- Structure-borne: bone acceleration a_{input}
- Air-borne: pressure p_{input}



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Metric definition Metric output quantity

Defining *Output* quantity

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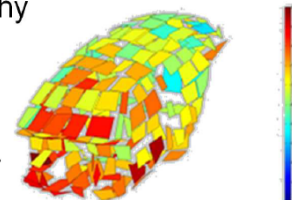
- Acoustic pressure / structural stresses
- Acoustic velocity / structural displacement
- Energy / power

Back-coupling from the interior to the structure is expected to be small in mid-frequencies

Velocity is compatible with Panel Contribution Analysis philosophy

$$p_{ear} = \sum_i \frac{p}{Q_i} Q_i$$

With Q_i the volume velocity and $\frac{p}{Q_i}$ the transfer function.



➔ Expectation: panel behaves as a velocity source

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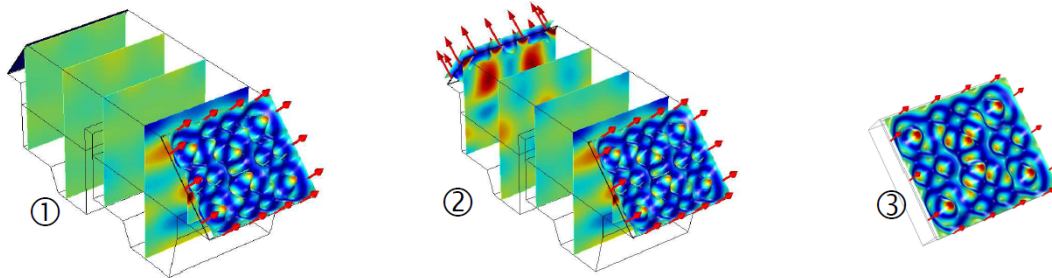


Confirmation with FE models

- Direct frequency response, frequency range up to 1000 Hz
- Structure-borne input on panel edges
- Receiving impedance on other trim parts

3 Models

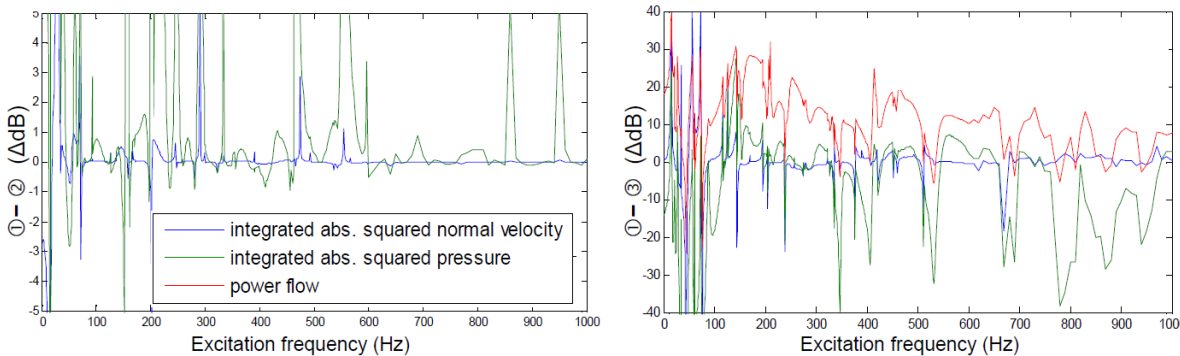
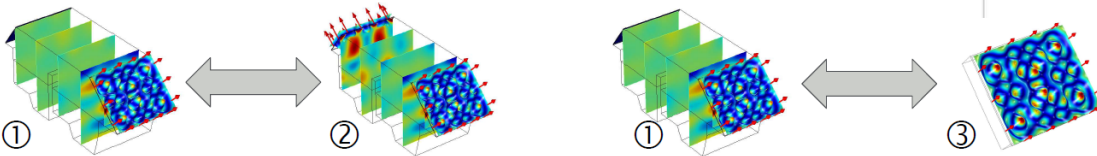
- ① Full-vehicle, input on the windshield
- ② Full-vehicle, input on the windshield & the rear window
- ③ Windshield alone in anechoic field (PML)



➔ **Confirmation** with integrated quantities over the windshield surface

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Metric definition Metric output quantity



In Mid-frequencies (100-1000 Hz)

- Perturbation from another source: limited impact on integrated squared velocity.
 - Change from another environment: more impact, but velocity related integration is still the least sensitive.
- ➔ As expected, **velocity-related value** is a good choice as an output quantity.

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Metric definition Breakdown of the metric

Objectives

$$\text{In-situ panel response } ISPR = \frac{v_{output}}{P_{input} || a_{input}} = \frac{v_{output}}{v_{input}} \frac{v_{input}}{P_{input} || a_{input}}$$

Breakdown of the velocity ratio

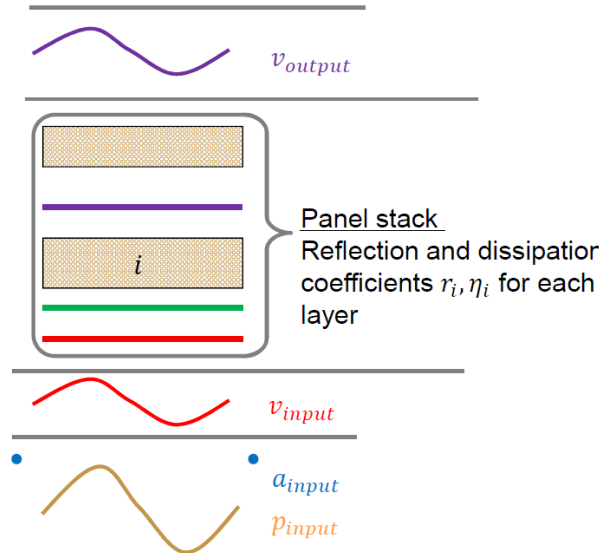
$$VR = \frac{v_{output}}{v_{input}} = f(\eta_i, r_i)$$

in:

- Reflection r_i
- Dissipation η_i

From:

- Layering
- Input field pattern
- Output termination
- Geometry



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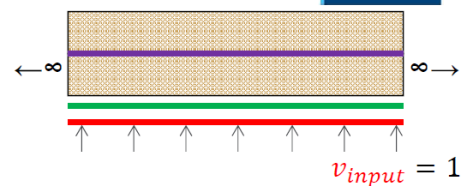
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$$\text{Method } VR = \frac{v_{output}}{v_{input}} = f(\eta_i, r_i)$$

1. Breakdown from **the layering**

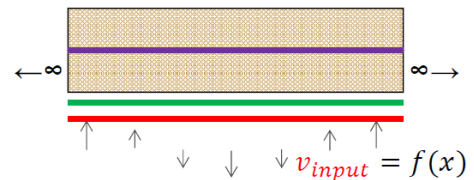
Determination in 1D infinite case in:

- Dissipation coefficient from each layer
- Reflection coefficient between each pair



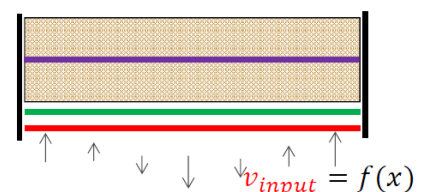
2. Breakdown from **input field pattern**

- Evolution of the dissipation and reflection coefficients



3. Breakdown from **the geometry**

- Evolution of the dissipation and reflection coefficients



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Layering – 1D multi-layered panel case

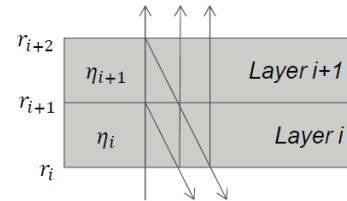
Assumption: a plane wave velocity through a layer i :

- Is attenuated of a complex factor η_i
- Is reflected to the next interface with a factor r_{i+1}

$$A \text{ general formulation : } VR = \frac{v_{output}}{v_{input}} = \frac{\prod \eta_i(1-r_{i+1})}{\alpha_n}$$

With:

- $\alpha_n = \alpha_{n-1} - r_{n+1}\beta_n$ with $\alpha_0 = 1$
- $\beta_n = \eta_n^2(\beta_{n-1} + r_n(\sum_{i=1}^{n-2} r_{i+1}\beta_i - 1))$ with $\beta_1 = \eta_1^2$
- exact for solutions to 1D Helmholtz equation (fluid / elastic compressional)
- Similar to TMM



➔ This formulation gives a **useful tool to understand which layer / pair of layers contributes to the velocity ratio VR**

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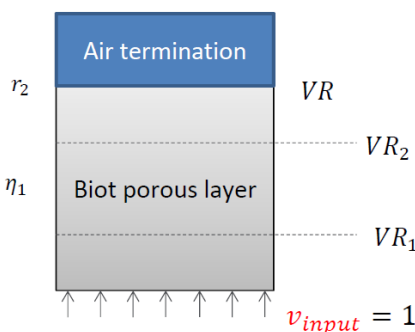
Layering – Discrepancy for Biot case

$$VR = \frac{v_{output}}{v_{input}} = \frac{\prod \eta_i(1-r_{i+1})}{\alpha_n}$$

- Exact for 1D-fluid and elastic layers
- Discrepancy in case of Biot formulation

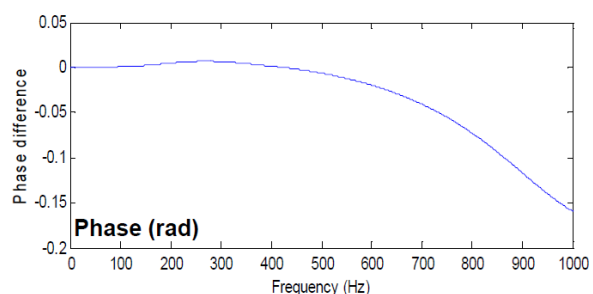
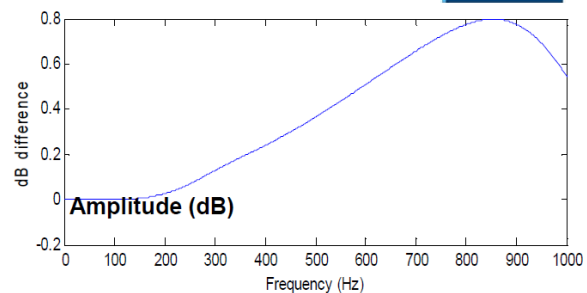
Invert problem solving $\{VR_1, VR_2\} \Rightarrow \{\eta_1, r_2\}$

$$VR_{fitted} = f(\eta_1, r_2) \% VR_{FE}$$



➔ Controllable discrepancy

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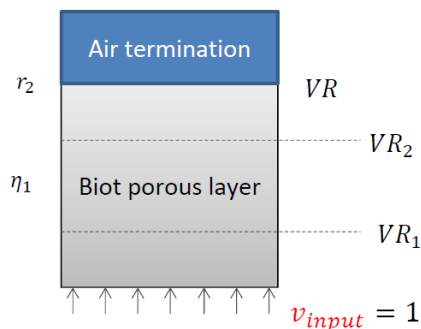
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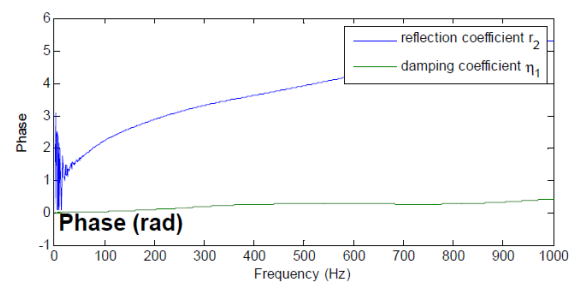
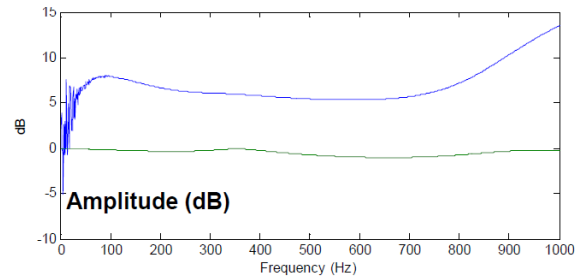
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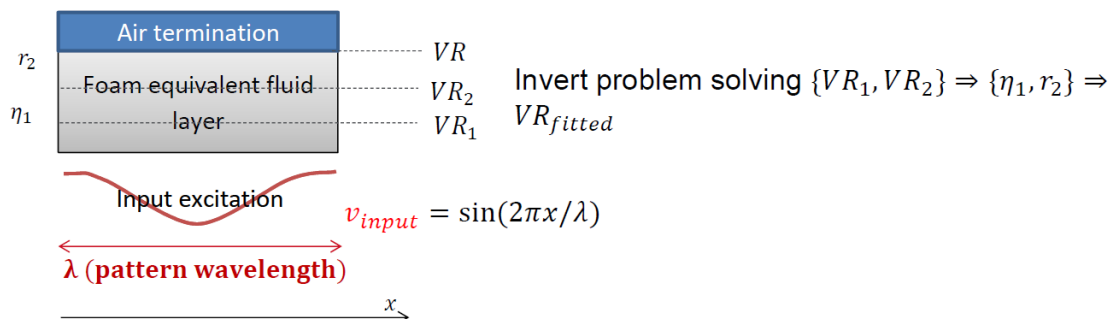
Metric definition Breakdown of the metric

Input field patterns – sine excitation

$$VR = \frac{v_{output}}{v_{input}} = \frac{\prod \eta_i(1-r_{i+1})}{\alpha_n}$$

Evolution of the coefficients for more complex input fields? FE model:

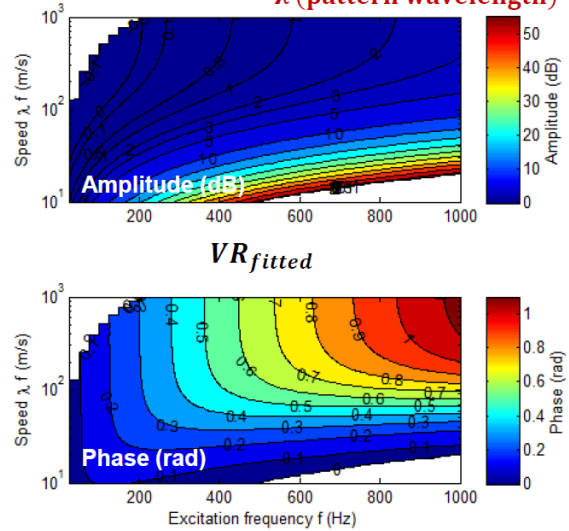
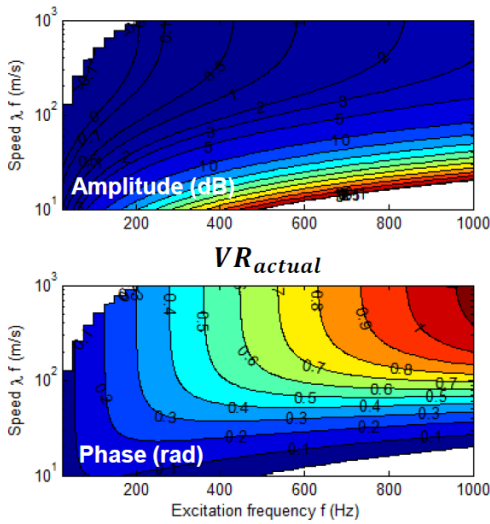
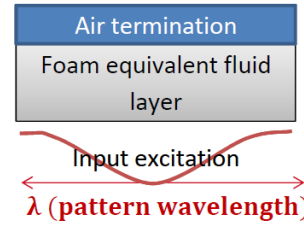
- Infinite layering
- Real sine excitation for different patterns λ
- Excitation frequencies f up to 1 kHz



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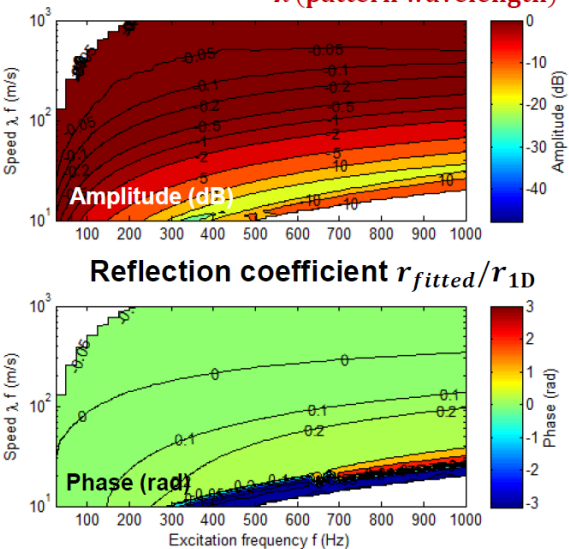
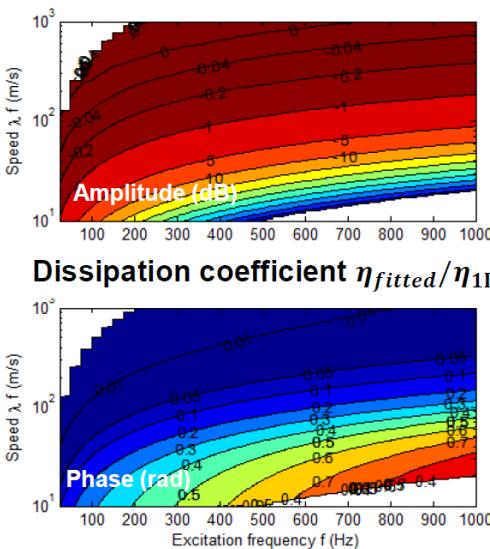
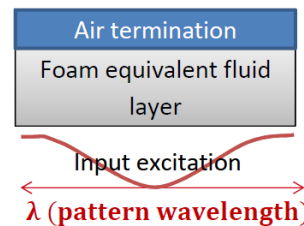


Metric definition
Breakdown of the metric
Input field patterns – Single layer



→ 1D model can fit more complex input patterns with good accuracy
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→ can check the evolution of dissipation and reflection coefficients
 → allow understanding the evolution of performance of VR
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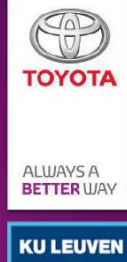
Breakdown – Conclusions

A breakdown of the velocity ratio $VR = \frac{v_{output}}{v_{input}}$ in transmission and reflection coefficients has been introduced:

- It is exact in 1D elastic and fluid layers
 - For 1D Biot porous layer, controllable discrepancies arise
 - For more complex input shapes:
 - those 1D coefficients can be fitted
 - It gives good accuracy for reconstruction of the velocity ratio VR
- ➔ Gives a **good tool for development**:
- Assessment of the **contribution of each layer** and **each interaction** between 2 layers in the VR
 - Assessment of the **evolution of the coefficients** for more complex input patterns

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Conclusions and next steps



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Conclusions

Mid-frequency transmission loss is too dependent:

- On output termination,
- On input fields
- On perturbation from the other panels
- ➔ **It cannot be used as a performance metric for the panel itself in MF.**

A new metric was introduced $ISPR = \frac{v_{output}}{p_{input}||a_{input}} = VR \frac{v_{input}}{p_{input}||a_{input}}$ and a breakdown of the velocity ratio $VR = \frac{v_{output}}{v_{input}}$ in transmission and reflection coefficients

from

- Layering
 - Assessment of the **contribution of each layer / each interaction**
- Input field patterns
 - Evolution for **more complex input patterns** with low discrepancy
- Output termination
 - **Velocity v_{output}** is **less dependent** to the perturbations mentioned above

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Conclusions and next steps

Next steps

$$ISPR = \frac{v_{output}}{p_{input}||a_{input}} = \frac{v_{output}}{v_{input}} \frac{v_{input}}{p_{input}||a_{input}}$$

- Confirm the choice of $p_{input}||a_{input}$ as input quantities by checking the sensitivity of $\frac{v_{input}}{p_{input}||a_{input}}$ to perturbation of environment.
- Breakdown of the velocity ratio $VR = \frac{v_{output}}{v_{input}}$ due to geometry effects
 - Assessment of the evolution of reflection and dissipation coefficients near the limits

Then ISPR could be used as:

- Panel target setting
- Sensitivity analyses

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