• Plane wave

- A sound propagation in pipes with different cross-sectional area
- If the wavelength of sound is large in comparison with the diameter of the pipe the sound propagates as an one-dimensional wave ($\lambda >> d \rightarrow 1-d$ wave)



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• The mass flux into the junction must equal the mass flux out

$$\rho_0 A_1 u_1 = \rho_0 A_2 u_2$$

• The velocity must equal at both sides of the junction

$$\frac{A_1}{\rho_0 c} \left(I - R \right) = \frac{A_2}{\rho_0 c} T$$

• Energy $flux)_{in} = Energy flux)_{out}$

$$A_1 p_1 u_1 = A_2 p_2 u_2$$

• The pressure of both sides of junction is continuous

$$I + R = T$$

• The amplitudes of other wave, *R* and *T* ,are can be solve from above the relations

$$R = \frac{A_1 - A_2}{A_1 + A_2} I, \qquad T = \frac{2A_1}{A_1 + A_2} I$$

• <u>The transmission loss</u>, L_T is symmetric in A_1 and A_2

$$L_{T} = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{\text{incident power}}{\text{transmitted power}} \right)$$
$$= 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{A_{1}I^{2}}{A_{2}T^{2}} \right) = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{(A_{1} + A_{2})^{2}}{4A_{1}A_{2}} \right)$$

• A single expansion-chamber 'silencer'

• The simple muffler that is a used in car 'silencer' consists of inlet and outlet pipes with cross-sectional area A_1 , and expansion chamber between them of cross-sectional area A_2 and length l



• The first area change occurs at x=0 and the second occurs at x=l.

$$p' = Ie^{i\omega(t-x/c)} + R e^{i\omega(t+x/c)} \quad \text{in } x < 0$$

= $Be^{i\omega(t-x/c)} + Ce^{i\omega(t+x/c)} \quad \text{in } 0 < x < l$
= $Te^{i\omega(t-x/c)} \quad \text{in } l < x$

• The condition of continuity of mass flux,

$$A_1(I-R) = A_2(B-C) \quad \text{at } x = 0$$
$$A_1Te^{-i\omega l/c} = A_2\left(Be^{-i\omega l/c} - Ce^{-i\omega l/c}\right) \quad \text{at } x = l$$

• The condition of continuity of pressure

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C} \qquad \text{at } \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$Te^{-i\omega l/c} = Be^{-i\omega l/c} + Ce^{-i\omega l/c}$$
 at $x = l$

• The algebraic equation when solved for R and T

$$R = \frac{\left(\frac{A_1}{A_2} - \frac{A_2}{A_1}\right)Ii\sin\frac{\omega l}{c}}{2\cos\omega l/c + i\left(\frac{A_1}{A_2} + \frac{A_2}{A_1}\right)\sin\frac{\omega l}{c}} \qquad T = \frac{2Ie^{i\omega l/c}}{2\cos\omega l/c + i\left(\frac{A_1}{A_2} + \frac{A_2}{A_1}\right)\sin\frac{\omega l}{c}}$$

- However, the simple 'silencer' does not reduce the total energy of sound in the system. $|R|^{2} + |T|^{2} = |I|^{2}$
- Reducing the acoustic energy of transmitted wave
- \rightarrow Increasing in the reflected wave
- Sound absorbing material
- \rightarrow reduce the acoustic energy by converting it into heat or vibration

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- The transmission loss, L_T is $L_T = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{|I|^2}{|T|^2} \right)$ $L_T = 10 \log_{10} \left[1 + \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{A_1}{A_2} - \frac{A_2}{A_1} \right)^2 \sin \left(\frac{\omega l}{c} \right) \right]$
- The transmission loss is maximum at frequencies for which

$$\sin \omega l / c = \pm 1$$
 i.e. $\omega = \frac{\pi c}{2l}, \frac{3\pi c}{2l}, \frac{5\pi c}{2l}$...etc

• The effect of expansion ratio $m = \frac{A_2}{A_1}$



- Note
 - 'Tuning' for dominant frequencies of noise
 - Theory work for only $\lambda \gg d$ "Low frequency wave only"
 - High frequency waves behave like 3-D
 - Also, the geometrical shape of the duct is not important (provided the area change occurs in a distance short in comparison with the wavelength



***** Duct Acoustics



Effect of expansion chamber ratio

Ref. "Theoretical and experimental investigation of mufflers with comments on engine-exhaust muffler design", Davis et al. NACA 1192(1954)



Effect of expansion chamber shape

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• As an illustration, the sound of frequency ω in a rigid walled duct of square cross-section with sides of length *a* is considered

$$p'(\mathbf{x},t) = f(x_1)g(x_2)h(x_3)e^{i\omega t}$$

• With substitution for p' into the wave equation,

$$\frac{f''}{f} = -\frac{g''}{g} - \frac{h''}{h} - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} = -\alpha^2$$

***** Higher order modes

• Since a wall boundary condition is applied, function *f* is derived like this

$$f(x_1) = A_1 \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x_1}{a}\right)$$
, for some integer m

• Similarly function g is derived like this

$$g(x_2) = A_2 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x_1}{a}\right)$$
, for some integer *n*

• Finally, function h is derived to the propagation form

$$h(x_3) = A_{mn}e^{-ik_{mn}x_3} + B_{mn}e^{ik_{mn}x_3} \qquad k_{mn} = \sqrt{\frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - \frac{\pi^2}{a^2}(m^2 + n^2)}$$

• The axial phase speed, $c_p = \omega/k_{mn}$ is now a function of the mode number and the propagation of a group of waves will cause them to disperse.

***** Higher order modes

• The pressure perturbation in the (m,n) mode has the form

$$p'(\mathbf{x},t) = \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x_1}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x_2}{a}\right) \left[A_{mn}e^{-ik_{mn}x_3} + B_{mn}e^{ik_{mn}x_3}\right] e^{i\omega t}$$

- When k_{mn} is real, the pressure perturbation equation represents that waves are propagating down the x_3 axis with phase speed.
- When k_{mn} is purely imaginary, i.e. exceeds the cut-off frequency, the strength of mode varies exponentially with distance along the pipe. Such disturbances are evanescent

Pipes of varying cross-section

• Wave equation



• If the pipe diameter is small in comparison with both the acoustic wavelength and the length scale over which the cross-sectional area change, most particle motions are longitudinal.

• Conservation of mass
$$A\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\rho_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(uA)$$

• Linearized momentum equation is $\rho_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial p'}{\partial x}$

Modified wave equation
$$\frac{A}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 p'}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(A \frac{\partial p'}{\partial x} \right)$$

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Pipes of varying cross-section

- Application to the 'exponential horn'
 - Evaluation of the case of 'exponential horn' which cross-sectional area defined as, $A(x)=A_0e^{\alpha x}$
 - For such an area variation of wave equation simplifies to

$$\frac{1}{c^2}\frac{\partial^2 p'}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 p'}{\partial x^2} + \alpha \frac{\partial p'}{\partial x}$$

• The pressure perturbation in sound waves of frequency ω then has the form $p'(x,t) = e^{-\alpha x/2} \{Ae^{i(\omega t - kx)} + Be^{i(\omega t + kx)}\}$

• Disturbance with $\omega > \alpha c/2$ propagates and the pressure but not the energy flux attenuates during propagation, while lower frequency modes are 'cut-off'

* Normal transmission

- Physics at the interface
 - When a sound wave crosses an interface between two different fluids some of the acoustic energy is usually reflected.



• There are two boundary conditions

The pressure on the two sides of the boundary must be equalThe particle velocities normal to the interface must be equal

$$\lambda = cT = \frac{c}{f} = \frac{2\pi c}{\varpi} \qquad \qquad \lambda_0 = \frac{2\pi c_0}{\varpi} \qquad \qquad \lambda_1 = \frac{2\pi c_1}{\varpi}$$

*Normal transmission

- The pressure must be equal at the interface : I+R=T
- The particle velocities normal to the interface must be equal

$$\frac{I}{\rho_0 c_0} - \frac{R}{\rho_0 c_0} = \frac{T}{\rho_1 c_1}$$

• The result pressure coefficients, R and T, are determined with I

$$R = \left\{ \frac{\rho_1 c_1 - \rho_0 c_0}{\rho_1 c_1 + \rho_0 c_0} \right\} I \qquad T = \left\{ \frac{2\rho_1 c_1}{\rho_1 c_1 + \rho_0 c_0} \right\} I$$

- Velocity Transmission Coefficient : $\frac{T / \rho_1 c_1}{I / \rho_0 c_0} = \frac{2\rho_0 c_0}{\rho_1 c_1 + \rho_0 c_0}$
- The energy flux of the incident wave per unit cross sectional area is equal to that of the reflected and transmitted waves

$$\frac{R^2}{\rho_0 c_0} + \frac{T^2}{\rho_1 c_1} = \frac{\left(\rho_1 c_1 - \rho_0 c_0\right)^2 I^2}{\left(\rho_1 c_1 + \rho_0 c_0\right)^2 \rho_0 c_0} + \frac{4\rho_1^2 c_1^2 I^2}{\left(\rho_1 c_1 + \rho_0 c_0\right)^2 \rho_1 c_1} = \frac{I^2}{\rho_0 c_0}$$

Normal transmission

• Reflection from a high and low impedance fluid



• A typical example is <u>aerial sound waves incident onto a water</u> surface. ($\rho_0 c_0 \ll \rho_1 c_1$)

$$R=I, \qquad T=2I$$

• Velocity transmission coefficient $=\frac{2\rho_0 c_0}{\rho_1 c_1 + \rho_0 c_0} \approx 0$

so, the transmission wave carries negligible energy

*Normal transmission

• Reflection from a high and low impedance fluid



• In the opposite case, for sound in water incident onto a free surface with air, the reflected and transmitted waves are

$$R=-I, \qquad T=0$$

• The acoustic energy is totally reflected

Sound propagation through walls

• Effect of a wall in transmission

- A sound wave normally incident on a plane material layer partitioning a fluid which has uniform acoustic properties, $\rho_0 c_0$
- Some sound will be reflected from the layer and some will be transmitted through the wall



Sound propagation through walls

- There are two boundary conditions that must be satisfied at all times and points
 - The velocity of the wall must be equal to wave of each side
 - A pressure difference across the wall in order to provide the force necessary to accelerate unit area of the surface of material
- By continuity the velocity of wall,

$$u = (I - R)\frac{e^{i\omega t}}{\rho_0 c_0} = \frac{T}{\rho_0 c_0} e^{i\omega t}$$

• The pressure difference is the net force of mass per unit area of the wall

$$p_{1}^{'} = (I+R)e^{i\omega t}$$

$$p_{2}^{'} = Te^{i\omega t}$$

$$(I+R-T)e^{i\omega t} = m\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = m\frac{i\omega T}{\rho_{0}c_{0}}e^{i\omega t}$$

Sound propagation through walls

• The result pressure coefficients, R and T, are determined with I

$$R = \left\{ \frac{i\omega m}{2\rho_0 c_0 + i\omega m} \right\} I \qquad T = \left\{ \frac{2\rho_0 c_0}{2\rho_0 c_0 + i\omega m} \right\} I$$

• Surface Impedance

$$\frac{p_1'}{u} = \rho_0 c_0 \frac{(I+R)}{(I-R)} = \rho_0 c_0 \frac{1+i\omega m}{1-i\omega m}$$
$$\frac{p_2'}{u} = \rho_0 c_0 \frac{(I+R)}{T} = \rho_0 c_0 + i\omega m$$

• Energy transmitted

$$\frac{\left|T\right|^{2}}{\rho_{0}c_{0}} = \frac{4\rho_{0}^{2}c_{0}^{2}}{4\rho_{0}^{2}c_{0}^{2} + \omega^{2}m^{2}}\frac{I^{2}}{\rho_{0}c_{0}}$$

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• The transmission loss is dependent on the frequency ω .

$$L_T = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{4\rho_0^2 c_0^2}{4\rho_0^2 c_0^2 + \omega^2 m^2} \right)^{-1}$$

- For high frequency ($\omega m \gg \rho_0 c_0$), the sound waves mostly reflected
- For low frequency(ωm «ρ₀c₀), the sound waves mostly travels through the wall with very little attenuation
- "Low frequency waves get through a massive wall easily, while high frequency waves are effectively stopped"

Sound propagation through walls

• Example) Attenuation by a wall

$$m = 50 \frac{kg}{m^2}$$

$$\rho_0 c_0 = 410 \frac{kg}{m^2 \text{ sec}}$$

• Transmission loss
$$L_T = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{|I|^2}{|T|^2} \right) \quad L_T = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{4\rho_0^2 c_0^2}{4\rho_0^2 c_0^2 + \omega^2 m^2} \right)^{-1}$$

for f = 10Hz $L_T \approx 12dB$

for
$$f = 1kHz$$
 $L_T \approx 50dB$