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# Fluid-Structure Acoustic Analysis with Bidirectional Coupling and Sound Transmission

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Privately held and independent Finite Element Technology company since 1984 located in Stuttgart, Paris, and Tokyo

Offering own FE analysis software PERMAS with VisPER, software development, and consulting services

Unified software for thermo-mechanics, vibro-acoustics, and optimization

# PERMAS





Vis**PER** 



High performance computing by parallelization (multithreading) and special algorithms (contact, MLDR, fluid-structure coupling)

Unified concepts like incompatible meshes, substructuring, submodelling

Simulation-driven design by integrated optimization (topology, shape, sizing, bead) with local and global methods

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- 1984: Start of software industrialization and new developments in optimization, acoustics, and reliability
- 1989: Start of full re-design of software for higher speed of development and Nastran compatibility
- 1993: PERMAS Version 5 available, the new software basis for further development
- 2005: Start of VisPER development, a new graphical user interface for PERMAS

2008: VisPER Version 1

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# **Fluid-Structure Acoustics**



- Methods like structural dynamics (vibrations)
- Application for fluids only (Acoustics) and for structures coupled with fluids (Fluid-Structure Acoustics)
- Extension of classical structural models by surrounding fluid models using a strong coupling
- The coupling is performed physically, i.e. the normal displacement of the structure is identical to the normal displacement of the fluid

### **Example for Fluid-Structure Acoustics**







## **Fluid Model with Finite Elements**



# **Coupling of Structure and Fluid**





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# **Sound Radiation**



Anechoic boundaries are modeled by radiation boundary condition elements, e.g. spherical boundaries following Bayliss-Turkel



#### Surface Waves





# **Added Mass**



- It is frequently sufficient for structural dynamic analysis to include just the mass of a surrounding or enclosed fluids (like surrounding water of ships or enclosed fluids in a tank).
- To this end, the fluid mass distribution has to be determined correctly.
- This can be achieved by modeling the fluid.
- Even an infinitely expanded surrounding fluid (like for a ship) can be taken into account by semi-infinite elements.

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# **Eigenvalues and Mode Shapes**



Acoustics	Fluid only	Fluid coupled with structure
Real eigenvalues and eigenmodes	yes	coupled, with energy distribution
Additional static modes	yes	yes
Dynamic Condensation	Craig-Bampton	dry (only for displacement dof) or wet (also pressure dof)

Displacement

Real coupled eigenmode of a rocket tank





# Pressure distribution

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# Energy Distribution in Coupled Eigenmodes



- Partitioning of energy in fluid and structure for coupled eigenmodes
- enables the identification of structure-dominant, fluid-dominant, and strongly coupled modes



# **Dynamic Condensation**



There are two available options for dynamic condensation of coupled fluids and structures:

- 'Wetted' Condensation
  - Separate calculation of fluid modes and structural modes in different substructures. The external modes are displacement modes and pressure modes.
  - The final solution step is a coupled vibration analysis.
- 'Dry' Condensation
  - In the substructures, a coupled eigenvalue problem is solved, i.e. the fluid part will be isolated. The external modes are coupled modes (without pressure dof).
  - The final solution step is a structural vibration analysis, because no pressure dof exist any more.
  - Facilitates the use of acoustic components in larger structural components (but the possibility remains to calculate pressure of the condensed fluid).

# **Engine with Attached Parts**





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Specific sound radiation power to indicate structrue-borne sound



## **Dynamic Response**





Assumption:  $\lambda \gg t$ 



### Interior Noise of an SUV



# Introduction



- Structure-borne and air-borne sound excitation for Body-in-White (BIW) and Trimmed Body (TB)
- Comparison of measurement (performed by Autoneum, Winterthur, Switzerland) and calculation (performed by INTES)





#### **Measurement Points**



- The measurement points are located as follows:
  - 1) Dash (Left and right)
  - 2) Floor (left and right, front and behind)
  - 3) Tunnel (left, top and right)
  - 4) Wheelhouse (left and right)
  - 5) Four microphones in the interior fluid

#### Accelerometer positions



Microphones



### Structure- and Air-borne Excitations

- Type of calculation: Eigenvalue analysis
  Modal Frequency Response
- Excitations (Sine sweep from 5 up to 500 Hz):
  - 1) Structure-borne







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# **Measured Quantities**



- Measured quantities for the correlation:
  - v/F Transfer functions (RMS normal velocity / input force)
  - p/F Transfer functions (RMS microphone SPL / input force)
  - v/Q Transfer functions (RMS normal velocity / volume velocity acoustic source)
  - p/Q Transfer functions (RMS microphone SPL / volume velocity acoustic source)

$$v_{RMS} = 20 \log_{10} \left( \frac{\sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} v_i^2}{N}}}{v_0} \right) \qquad p_{RMS} = 20 \log_{10} \left( \frac{\sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} p_i^2}{N}}}{p_0} \right)$$
$$v_0 = 1000 \text{ mm/s} \qquad p_0 = 2.10^{-11} \text{ MPa}$$

• The correlation between simulation and measurement is evaluated using "Frequency Response Assurance Criterion" (FRAC).

$$FRAC = \frac{\left(\sum_{f_i}^{f_{\max}} FRF_{meas}(f_i)FRF_{cal}(f_i)\right)^2}{\sum_{f_i}^{f_{\max}} FRF_{meas}^2(f_i)\sum_{f_i}^{f_{\max}} FRF_{cal}^2(f_i)}$$

 $FRF_{\alpha}(f_i)$ 

 $\alpha = meas, cal$ 

### Comparison Structure-Borne Sound BIW Measurement/Simulation





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### Comparison Structure-Borne Sound BIW Measurement/Simulation





#### Comparison Air-Borne Sound BIW Measurement/Simulation





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### Comparison Air-Borne Sound BIW Measurement/Simulation





# Trimmed Body (TB)



• There, 80 trimmed regions were considered

Kinematical fluid-structure coupling



Trim configuration consist of 80 different regions



Fluid-structure trim configuration



• The physical description of the trim material (and the derived impedance matrices) is directly made for the coupling elements (using a software from Autoneum, Winterthur, Switzerland).

### Comparison Structure-Borne Sound TB Measurement/Simulation





#### Comparison Structure-Borne Sound TB Measurement/Simulation





### Comparison Air-Borne Sound TB Measurement/Simulation





#### Comparison Air-Borne Sound TB Measurement/Simulation





# Summary



- Acoustic analysis as extension of structural dynamics
- by a bidirectional coupling of pressure and displacement degrees of freedom
- for all fluids (gas and liquid)
- Direct and efficient computation of coupled real eigenfrequencies and mode shapes
- Dynamic condensation to displacement degrees of freedom only ('dry' condensation) e.g. for subsequent MBS simulations
- Modal and direct dynamic response analysis in time and frequency domain
- Interior and exterior fluids in one model enabling sound transmission analysis