

ENGINEERING TRIPOS PART IIB  
ELECTRICAL AND INFORMATION SCIENCES TRIPOS PART II

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Module 4A6

FLOW INDUCED SOUND AND VIBRATION

*Answer not more than **three** questions.*

*All questions carry the same number of marks.*

*The **approximate** percentage of marks allocated to each part of a question is indicated in the right margin.*

**You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed that you may do so by the Invigilator.**

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1 a) At  $x = 0$ , the acoustic pressure and velocity of a one-dimensional sound field are given by the real parts of  $P \exp(i\omega t)$  and  $V \exp(i\omega t)$ , respectively, where both  $P$  and  $V$  are real. Determine the acoustic pressure and the Sound Pressure Level everywhere. Comment briefly on the special case  $P = \rho_0 c_0 V$ , where  $c_0, \rho_0$  are the ambient sound speed and density. [30%]

b) Low-frequency sound propagates along a tube of cross-sectional area  $A_1$  in the positive  $x$  direction. At  $x = 0$  the area abruptly changes to  $A_2$ , and at  $x = L$  the tube is completely blocked by a rigid end wall. Determine the amplitude of the wave reflected back into  $x < 0$ . [70%]

2 a) Consider a discontinuous medium with uniform mean sound speed and density  $c_0, \rho_0$  in  $x < 0$  and  $c_1, \rho_1$  in  $x > 0$ . A plane sound wave is obliquely incident on the interface from  $x < 0$ . Deduce Snell's Law relating the angles of the incident and transmitted waves, and calculate the amplitude of the transmitted wave. Explain briefly what might happen if  $c_1 > c_0$ . [50%]

b) In two dimensions, a single-frequency point source is placed on the rigid plane  $x = 0$ . The sound speed in  $x \geq 0$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} c_0(x) &= \alpha x + \beta & 0 \leq x \leq H \\ &= \alpha H + \beta & x \geq H, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha, \beta, H$  are positive constants. Sketch the ray paths in  $x \geq 0$ , being careful to note what happens to any ray which returns to  $x = 0$ . Find the angle at which a ray which ends up propagating along  $x = H$  was launched from the source. What proportion of the acoustic power emitted by the source will never return to  $x = 0$ ? State briefly what happens if  $\alpha < 0$  instead. [50%]

3 a) Sound is generated by the action of mass creation at a rate  $m(\mathbf{x},t)$  per unit volume. By combining the equations of conservation of mass and momentum derive the equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(e_p + e_k) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{I} = \frac{p' m}{\rho_0},$$

explaining clearly the meaning of the various terms in the equation. [50%]

b) A concentrated point source  $m(t) = m_0 \delta(\mathbf{x}) \cos \omega t$  is added to the sound field at a point where the pressure would otherwise be  $p_i \sin \omega(t - \tau)$ . Show that the mean sound power output from the point source is changed by the presence of the other field by an amount  $-\frac{1}{2} m_0 p_i \sin(\omega \tau) / \rho_0$ . [15%]

c) When acting alone, the point source would radiate a mean acoustic power

$$\frac{\omega^2 m_0^2}{8\pi \rho_0 c}$$

Use the result in b) to determine power emitted by the source, when placed a distance  $\ell$  from an 'anti-source' which generates a pressure  $\omega m_0 / (4\pi r') \sin \omega(t - r' / c)$  at a distance  $r'$  away. [30%]

d) Why is the presence of the neighbouring source able to prevent the radiation of sound power and is the question of 'where has that power gone to' a sensible one? [5%]

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4 Derive Lighthill's eighth-power law for the sound generated by a low Mach number jet. [40%]

How would the far-field sound be modified if the jet blows

a) near and parallel to a very large rigid plane surface; [20%]

b) over a small, fixed and rigid body? [20%]

How would the far-field sound be modified if the surface in a) had a small hole in it? [20%]

Note: formulae on the data card may be used without proof.

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