

ENGINEERING TRIPOS PART IIB

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Module 4A14

SILENT AIRCRAFT INITIATIVE

*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.*

*Attachment*

*Data sheet for 4A14 (2 pages)*

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS

Single-sided script paper

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Engineering Data Book

CUED approved calculator allowed

**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**

1 The wheels of an undercarriage of an aircraft flying with speed  $V = 60\text{ms}^{-1}$  have diameter  $D = 0.8\text{m}$  and exert an unsteady force  $f$  on the air of density  $\rho_0$ , where  $f_{rms} = k \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 V^2 D^2$ ,  $k = 0.1$  and the characteristic frequency is 45Hz.

- (a) Estimate the radiated sound power, stating clearly the assumptions made. [60%]
- (b) What additional contributions would there be to the noise of an undercarriage? [20%]
- (c) What changes can be made to reduce undercarriage noise? [20%]

[Note that  $\int_0^\pi \sin^3 \theta d\theta = 4/3$ .]

- 2 (a) Derive Lighthill's eighth-power law for the sound intensity of a low-speed jet. (Any formulae from the data sheet may be quoted without proof.) [45%]
- (b) Explain this result can be modified to include the Doppler effect so as to treat the case of a high-speed jet. [35%]
- (c) Show that the sound power produced by a low-speed jet of a given thrust is proportional to  $A^{-3}$ , where  $A$  is the jet pipe area. [20%]

3 An acoustic liner is made of a honeycomb structure with a perforated front plate and a rigid backing plate. A single cell of the honeycomb is illustrate in Fig. 1 and has an opening of cross-sectional area  $A_1$ , widening into a duct of length  $d$  and cross-sectional area  $A_2$ . The opening has a resistance described by  $\alpha = \rho_0 c_0 k$ , i.e. the pressure drop across the opening  $p'_2 - p'_1$  is related to  $u'_1(t)$ , the flow velocity through the opening, by

$$p'_2 - p'_1 = \alpha u'_1.$$

(a) By considering plane waves within the duct show that the pressure perturbation at the neck is related to the outward flow velocity by

$$p'_1(t) = \rho_0 c_0 \frac{u'_1(t)}{A_2} \left( i A_1 \cot \left( \frac{\omega d}{c_0} \right) - A_2 k \right)$$

where  $\rho_0$  and  $c_0$  are the mean density and speed of sound.

[50%]

(b) An acoustic liner is formed of closely packed identical cells. State what honeycomb depth  $d$  you would choose to optimally absorb sound of 1kHz at an ambient temperature of 600K.

[25%]

(c) For normally incident sound,  $k = 0.1$  and porosity 0.05 (i.e.  $A_1 / A_2 = 0.05$ ) determine the proportion of incident sound of 1k Hz that is absorbed by this optimal liner.

[25%]

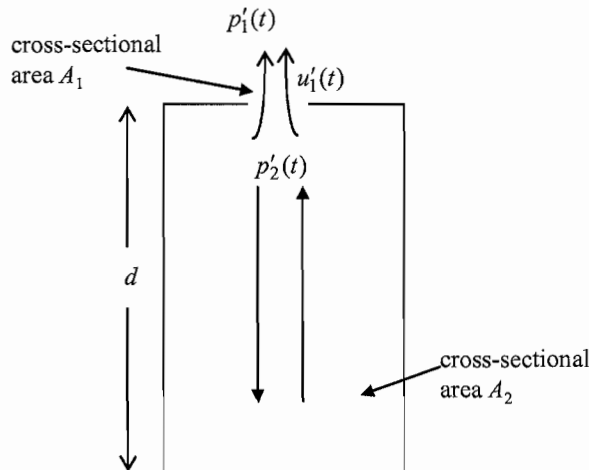


Fig. 1

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4 In two dimensions, a high-frequency point source is located in a uniform medium at the point  $(0, 0)$ , and a thin rigid plate of length  $2L$  lies parallel to the  $x$  axis, with its ends at  $(\pm L, h)$ .

(i) Using simple geometrical acoustics, estimate what fraction of the acoustic energy emitted by the source crosses the plane  $y = 2h$ . [10%]

(ii) By now including the diffracted field for sound of radian frequency  $\omega$ , estimate the amplitude of the acoustic pressure measured at  $(0, 2h)$  as a fraction of the acoustic pressure which would have been measured there if the intervening plate had not been present. Express your answer in terms of the wavenumber  $k_0$ , where  $k_0$  is  $\omega$  divided by the speed of sound.

[Recall that for an incident plane wave of pressure amplitude  $p_i$  propagating at an angle  $\theta_0$ , the diffracted pressure from a sharp edge is

$$p_i \left( \frac{2}{\pi k_0 r} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\sin(\theta_0/2) \sin(\theta/2)}{\cos \theta_0 + \cos \theta} \exp(-ik_0 r - i\pi/4), \quad [60\%]$$

see Fig. 2]

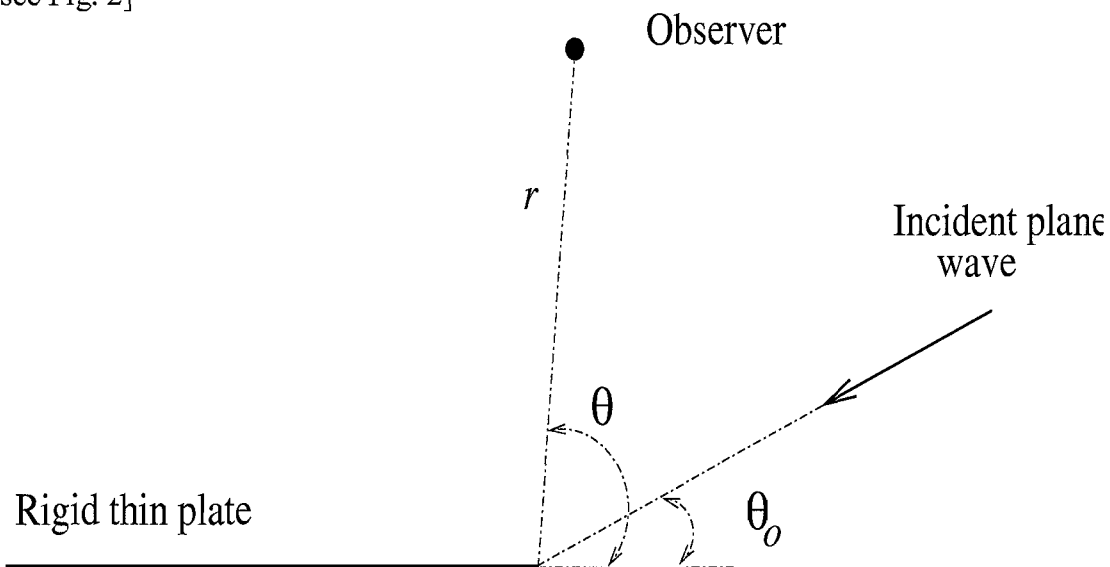


Fig. 2

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(iii) Without detailed calculation, describe how your answers to (i) and (ii) may change if:

(a) the sound speed increases linearly in the positive  $y$  direction

(b) the plate has rounded edges whose radii of curvature are much larger than the wavelength.

[30%]

**END OF PAPER**



**USEFUL MATHEMATICAL FORMULAE**

In spherical polar coordinates  $(r, \theta, \phi)$

$$\nabla p' = \left( \frac{\partial p'}{\partial r}, \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial p'}{\partial \theta}, \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial p'}{\partial \phi} \right)$$

For  $v' = (v'_r, v'_\theta, v'_\phi)$ ,  $\nabla \cdot v' = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 v'_r) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta v'_\theta) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} (\sin \theta v'_\phi)$   
 $\nabla^2 p' = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial p'}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial p'}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 p'}{\partial \phi^2}$

In cylindrical polar coordinates  $(r, \theta, x_3)$

$$\nabla p' = \left( \frac{\partial p'}{\partial r}, \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial p'}{\partial \theta}, \frac{\partial p'}{\partial x_3} \right)$$

For  $v' = (v'_r, v'_\theta, v'_3)$ ,  $\nabla \cdot v' = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r v'_r) + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v'_\theta}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial v'_3}{\partial x_3}$ ,  $\nabla^2 p' = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial p'}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 p'}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\partial^2 p'}{\partial x_3^2}$

Heaviside function  $H(t-\tau) = 1$  if  $t > \tau$ ;  $= 0$  if  $t < \tau$

$\delta$ -functions

Kronecker delta  $\delta_{ij} = 1$  if  $i = j$ ;  $0$  if  $i \neq j$

1D  $\delta$ -function:  $\delta(x) = 0$  for  $x \neq 0$ ;  $\int_0^\infty f(t) \delta(t-\tau) dt = f(\tau)$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) dt = 1 \text{ and } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t-\tau) f(t) dt = f(\tau) \text{ for any function } f(t).$$

3D  $\delta$ -function:  $\delta(x) = \delta(x_1) \delta(x_2) \delta(x_3)$ ;  $\delta(x) = 0$  for  $|x| \neq 0$ ;  $\int_V f(x) \delta(x-y) dV = f(y)$

$\int_V \delta(x) dV = 1$  for any volume  $V$  that includes the origin

and

$$\int_V \delta(x-y) f(x) dV = f(y) \text{ for any function } f(x) \text{ and volume } V \text{ that includes } x.$$

$$\nabla^2 \left( \frac{1}{|x|} \right) = -4\pi \delta(x).$$

Autocorrelation

$$F(\xi), \text{ the autocorrelation of } f(y) = \overline{f(y) f(y+\xi)}$$

$$F(0) = f^2$$

$$\text{Integral lengthscale } l = \overline{f^2} = \int F(\xi) d\xi$$

**SOURCES**

Point sources

monopole of strength  $Q(t)$  at the origin generates a pressure field

$$p'(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{Q(t-|\mathbf{x}|/c_0)}{4\pi |\mathbf{x}|}$$

dipole of strength  $\mathbf{F}(t)$  at the origin generates a pressure field

$$p'(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[ \frac{F_i(t-|\mathbf{x}|/c_0)}{4\pi |\mathbf{x}|^2} + \frac{1}{4\pi |\mathbf{x}|^2 c_0} \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial t} (t-|\mathbf{x}|/c_0) \right]$$

**Distributed sources**

Monopoles, strength  $q(\mathbf{x}, t)$ , wave equation  $\left( \frac{1}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \nabla^2 \right) p' = q$ , pressure field  $p'(\mathbf{x}, t) = \int \frac{q(\mathbf{y}, t-|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}|/c_0)}{4\pi |\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}|} dV$

Dipoles, strength  $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ , wave equation  $\left( \frac{1}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \nabla^2 \right) p' = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{f}$ ,  $p'(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \int \frac{f_i(\mathbf{y}, t-|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}|/c_0)}{4\pi |\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}|} dV$

Quadrupoles, strength  $T_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ , equation  $\left( \frac{1}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \nabla^2 \right) p' = \frac{\partial T_{ij}}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$ ,  $p'(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \int \frac{T_{ij}(\mathbf{y}, t-|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}|/c_0)}{4\pi |\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}|} dV$

Far-field form  $|\mathbf{x}| \gg |y|$ ,  $y$  near origin

$$|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}| \approx |\mathbf{x}| - \frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}}{|\mathbf{x}|} + O(|\mathbf{x}|^{-2}), \quad \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}|} \approx \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}|} + O\left(\frac{y_i}{|\mathbf{x}|^2}\right), \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \approx -\frac{x_i}{|\mathbf{x}| c_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + O\left(\frac{y_i}{|\mathbf{x}|^2}\right).$$

**Physical sources**

Lighthill's theory shows that jet noise is generated by quadrupoles of strength  $T_{ij} = \rho_0 v_i v_j + (\rho' - c_0^2 \rho') \delta_{ij} - \tau_{ij}$ .

The Ffowcs-Williams-Hawkins equation shows that foreign bodies in linear motion generate far-field sound

$$p'(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi |\mathbf{x}|} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V \rho_0 dS \cdot \mathbf{v} \left( \mathbf{y}, t - \frac{|\mathbf{x}|}{c_0} + \frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}}{|\mathbf{x}| c_0} \right) + \frac{x_i}{4\pi |\mathbf{x}|^2 c_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V dS_i p \left( \mathbf{y}, t - \frac{|\mathbf{x}|}{c_0} + \frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}}{|\mathbf{x}| c_0} \right)$$

**SOUND POWER**

Sound power from a source,  $P = \int_S \mathbf{i} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_S \frac{p'^2}{\rho_0 c_0} dS$  for a statistically stationary source.

For a spherically symmetrical sound field  $P = \frac{p'^2}{\rho_0 c_0} 4\pi r^2$  where  $p'$  is the pressure at radius  $r$ .

For a sound field, which is a function of spherical polar coordinates  $r, \theta$  only, and independent of  $\phi$ ,

$$P = 2\pi r^2 \int_0^\pi \frac{p'^2}{\rho_0 c_0} \sin \theta d\theta$$

**BASIC EQUATIONS FOR LINEAR ACOUSTICS**

Conservation of mass  $\frac{\partial \rho'}{\partial t} + \rho_0 \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}' = 0$

Conservation of momentum  $\rho_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}'}{\partial t} + \nabla p' = 0$

Iseotropic  $c_0^2 = \left. \frac{dp}{d\rho} \right|_s$

These equations combine to give the wave equation  $\frac{1}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2 p'}{\partial t^2} - \nabla^2 p' = 0$

Energy density  $e = \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 v'^2 + \frac{1}{2} p'^2 / \rho_0 c_0^2$

Intensity  $\mathbf{I} = p' \mathbf{v}'$

$\text{div } \mathbf{I} = 0$  for statistically stationary (in time) sound fields.

Velocity potential  $\phi'(\mathbf{x}, t)$  satisfies the wave equation and  $\mathbf{p}' = -\rho_0 \frac{\partial \phi'}{\partial t}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = \nabla \phi'$ .

**SIMPLE WAVE FIELDS**

1D or plane wave

The general solution of the 1D wave equation is  $p'(x, t) = f(t - x/c_0) + g(t + x/c_0)$ , where  $f$  and  $g$  are arbitrary functions. In a plane wave propagating to the right  $p' = \rho_0 c_0 u'$ ; in a plane wave propagating to the left  $p' = -\rho_0 c_0 u'$ ,  $u'$  being the particle velocity.

Spherically symmetric sound fields

The general spherically symmetric solution of the 3D wave equation is  $\phi'(r, t) = \frac{f(t - r/c_0)}{r} + \frac{g(t + r/c_0)}{r}$

where  $r$  is the distance from the source;  $f$  and  $g$  are arbitrary functions.

cos  $\theta$  dependence

The general solution of the 3D wave equation with cos  $\theta$  dependence is

$$p'(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ \frac{f(t - r/c_0)}{r} + \frac{g(t + r/c_0)}{r} \right] = \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[ \frac{f(t - r/c_0)}{r} + \frac{g(t + r/c_0)}{r} \right]$$

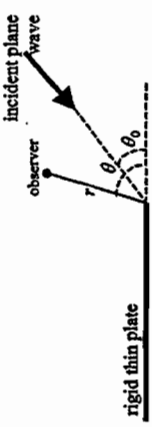
In a cylindrical duct, radius  $a_0$

$$p'(\mathbf{x}, t) = e^{i(\omega t + \theta)} J_n(z_{nm} r / a_0) (A e^{-i k z} + B e^{i k z}), \text{ where } z_{nm} \text{ is the } n\text{th zero of } J_n(z) \text{ and } k = (k_0^2 - z_{nm}^2)^{1/2}.$$

**SCATTERING**

For an incident plane wave of amplitude  $p_i$ , propagating at an angle  $\theta_0$ , the diffracted pressure a distance  $r$  from a sharp edge is

$$p_i \left( \frac{2}{\pi k_0 r} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\sin(\theta_0 / 2) \sin(\theta / 2)}{\cos \theta_0 + \cos \theta} \exp(-i k_0 r - i \pi / 4)$$



**USEFUL DATA AND DEFINITIONS**

**Physical Properties**

Speed of sound in an ideal gas  $\sqrt{\gamma RT}$ , where  $T$  is temperature in Kelvins

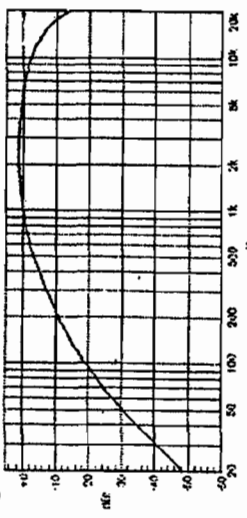
Units of sound measurement

SPL (sound pressure level)  $= 20 \log_{10} \left( \frac{p'_{rms}}{2 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ Nm}^{-2}} \right) \text{ dB}$

IL (intensity level)  $= 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{\text{intensity}}{10^{-12} \text{ watts m}^{-2}} \right) \text{ dB}$

PWL (power level)  $= 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{\text{sound power output}}{10^{-12} \text{ watts}} \right) \text{ dB}$

A-weighting



SPL mode A-Weighting Curve

**Definitions**

Surface impedance,  $Z_s$ , relates the pressure perturbation applied to a surface,  $p'$ , to its normal velocity  $v_n$ ;  $p' = Z_s v_n$ .

Characteristic impedance of a fluid  $\rho_0 c_0$

Nondimensional surface impedance of a surface  $Z_s / \rho_0 c_0$

Transmission loss  $= 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{\text{incident sound power}}{\text{transmitted sound power}} \right)$

Absorption coefficient of a sound absorber  $= \frac{\text{sound power absorbed}}{\text{incident sound power}}$

Wavelength  $\lambda$ , for sound waves with angular frequency  $\omega$ ,  $\lambda = 2\pi c_0 / \omega$

Wave-number,  $k_0 = \omega / c_0 = 2\pi / \lambda$

Phase speed  $= \omega / k$

Group velocity  $= \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial k}$

Helmholtz number (or compactness ratio)  $= k_0 D$ , where  $D$  is a typical dimension of the source.

Strouhal number  $= \omega D / (2\pi U)$  for sound of frequency  $\omega$  produced in a flow with speed  $U$ , length scale  $D$ .