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Accurate determination and control of compressor noise

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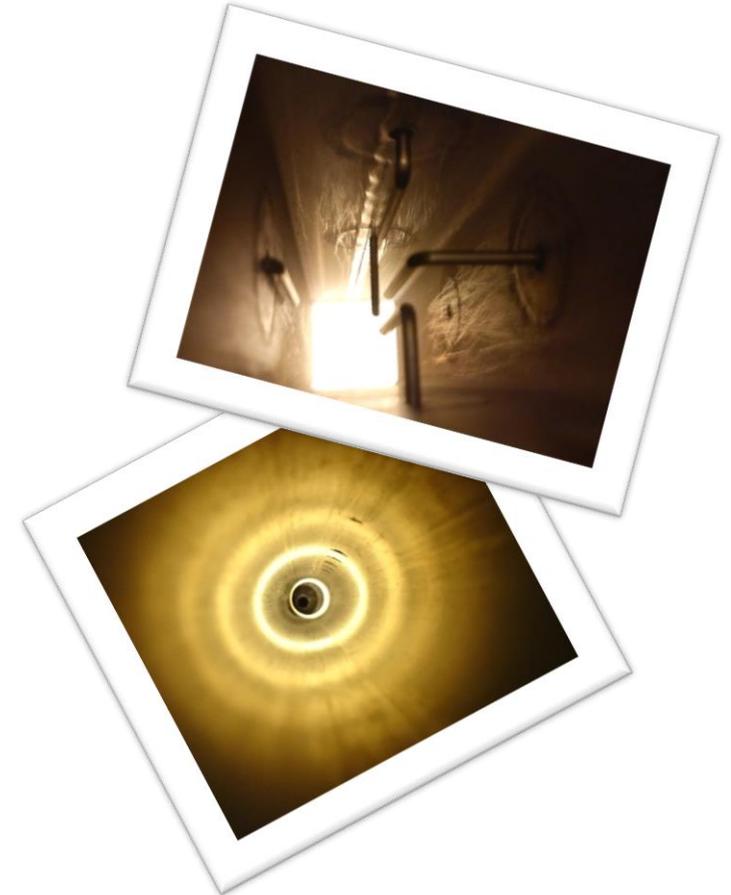
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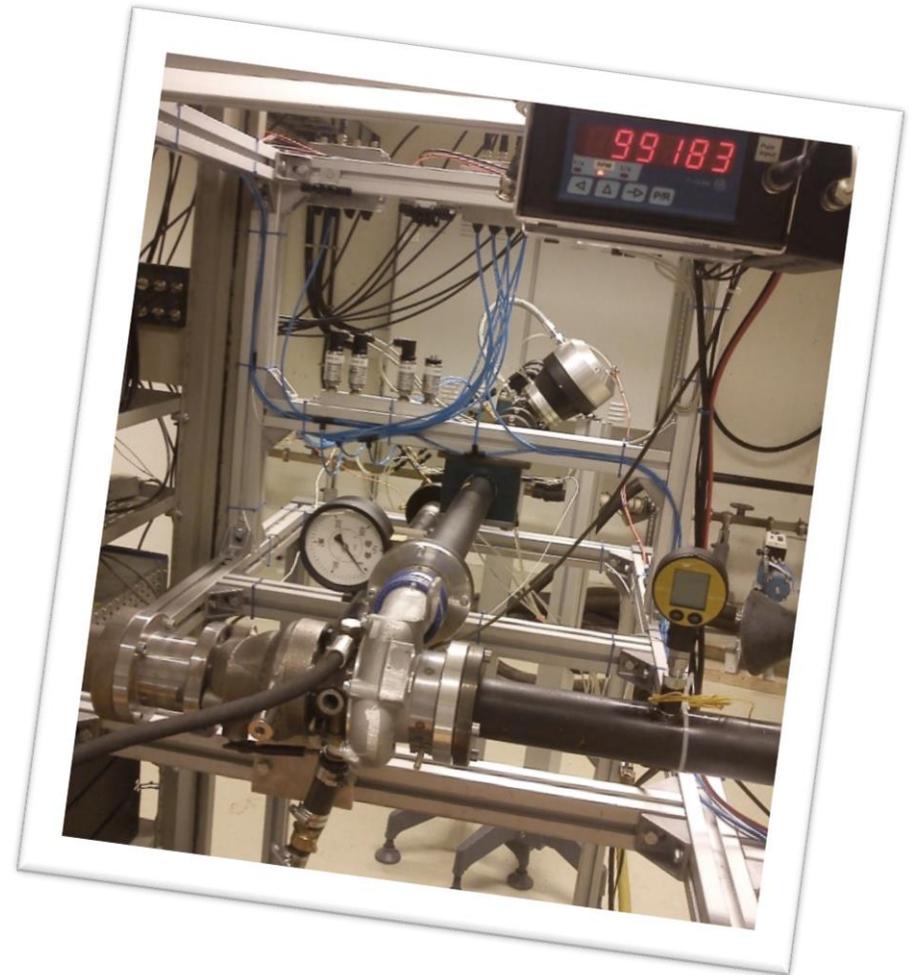
Layout of the presentation

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2. Accurate determination of sound generation
3. Dissipative noise control of the compressor
 - ✓ Concept of compact silencer
 - ✓ Improved FEM model
 - ✓ Modified optimal impedance model

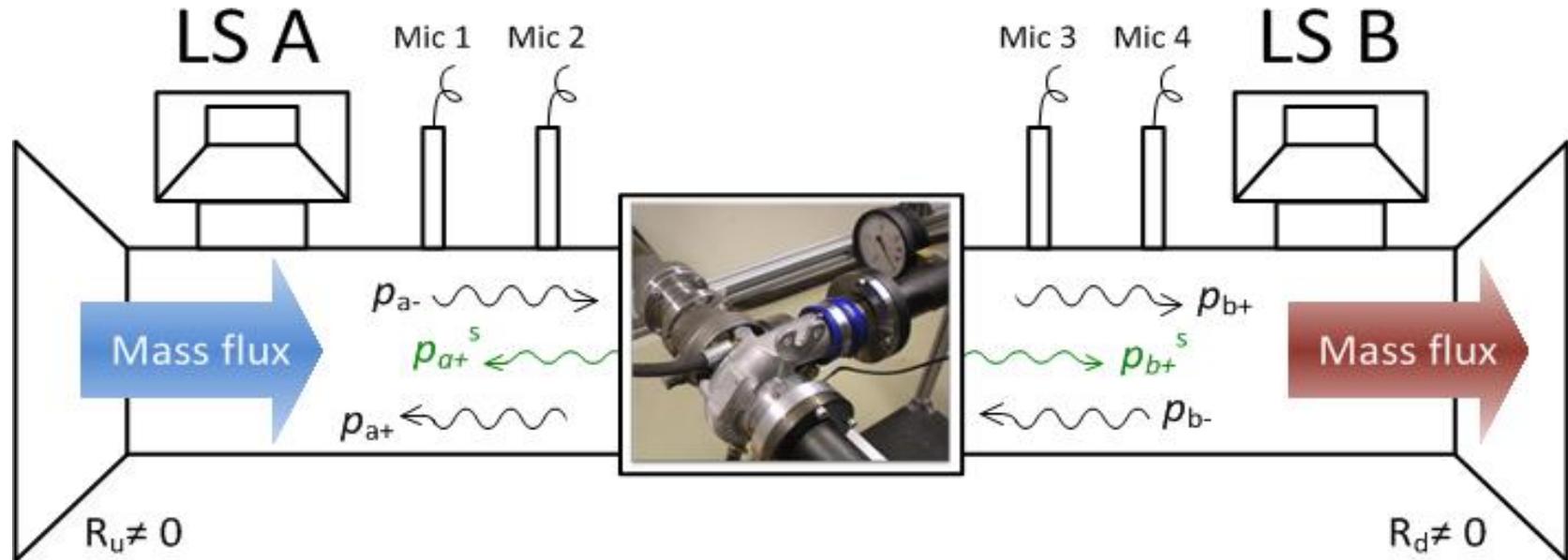


Compressor studied

- Passenger car turbocharger
Garrett GT1752 driven by the
“warm” compressed air feed
to the turbine.
- Inlet diam. is 44mm.
- Outlet diam. is 42mm.
- The rotor has 6
(+6 splitter) blades.
- Shaft frequency
~80...180kRPM – blade pass
frequency 8...18kHz.



Reflection-free sound generation

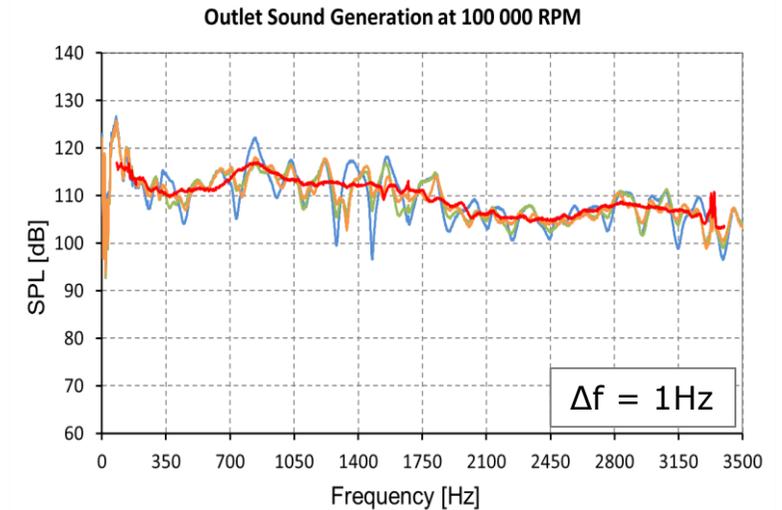
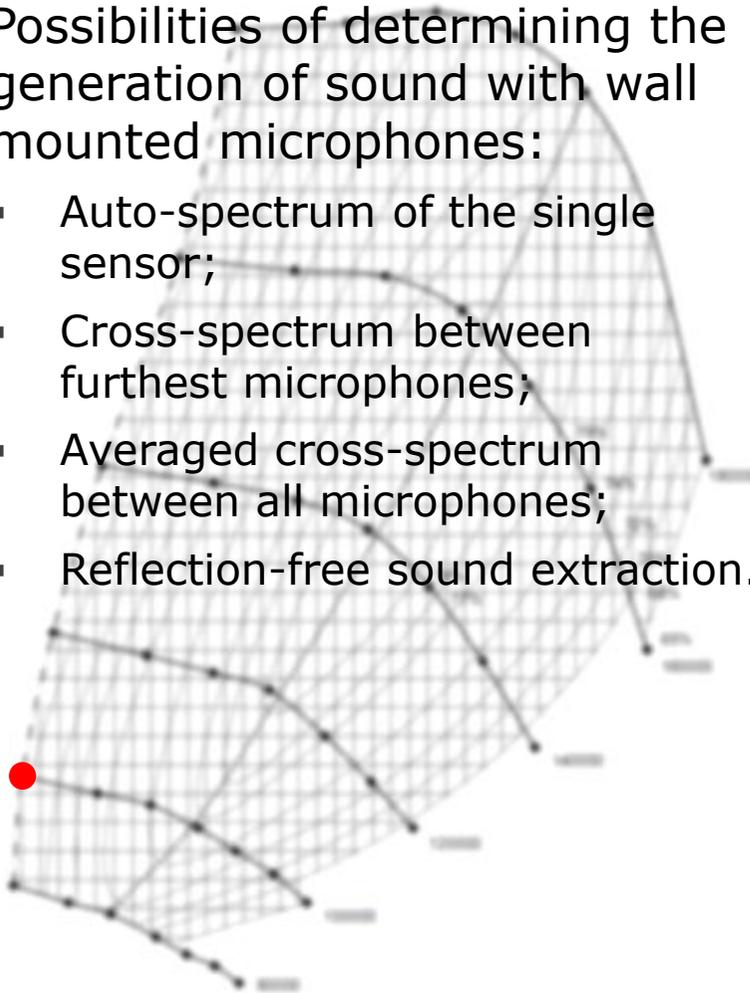


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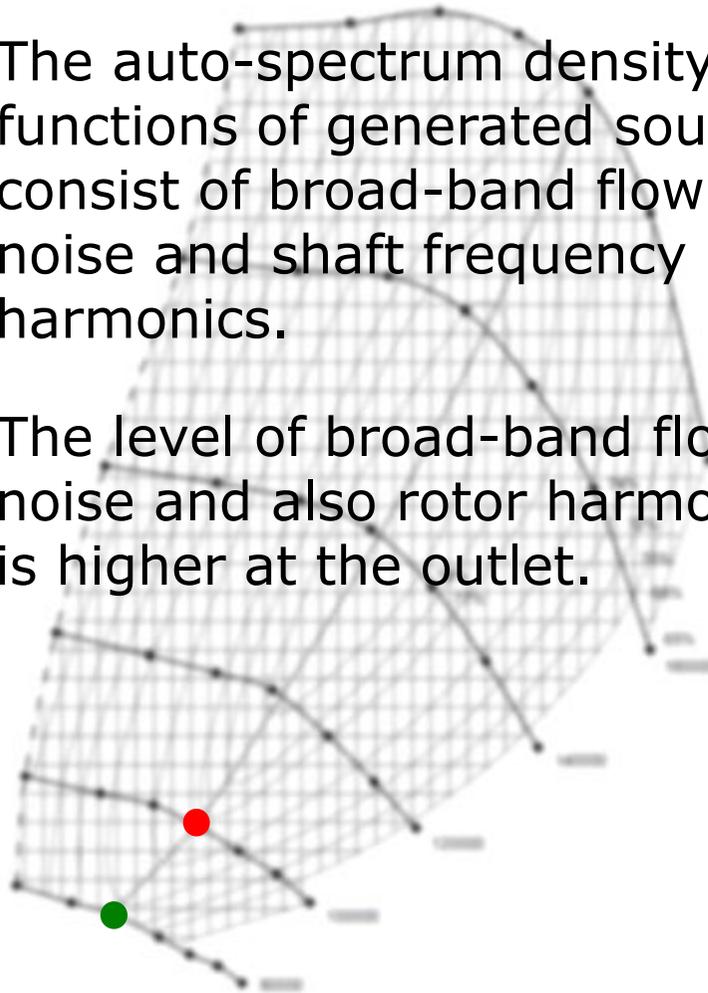
Sound generation of the compressor

- Possibilities of determining the generation of sound with wall mounted microphones:
 - Auto-spectrum of the single sensor;
 - Cross-spectrum between furthest microphones;
 - Averaged cross-spectrum between all microphones;
 - Reflection-free sound extraction.

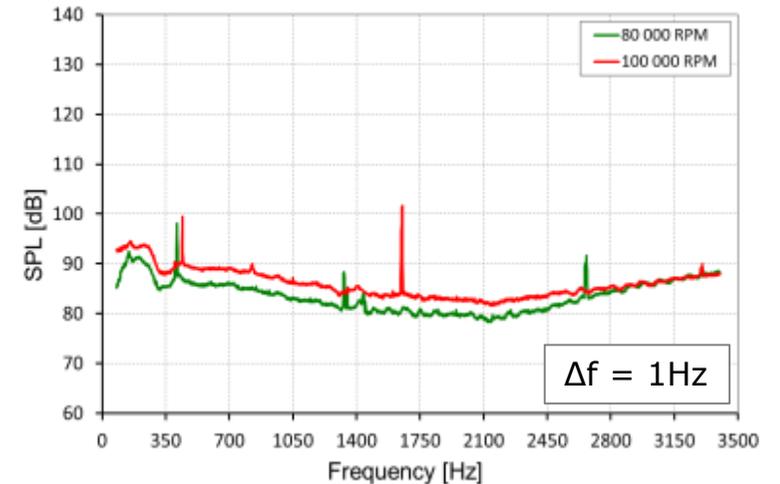


Results: Sound generation

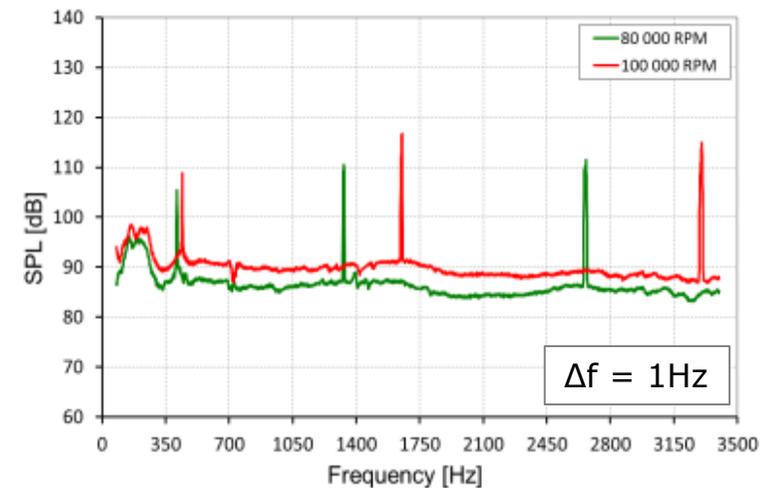
- The auto-spectrum density functions of generated sound consist of broad-band flow noise and shaft frequency harmonics.
- The level of broad-band flow noise and also rotor harmonics is higher at the outlet.



Inlet Sound Generation at Peak Efficiency Line

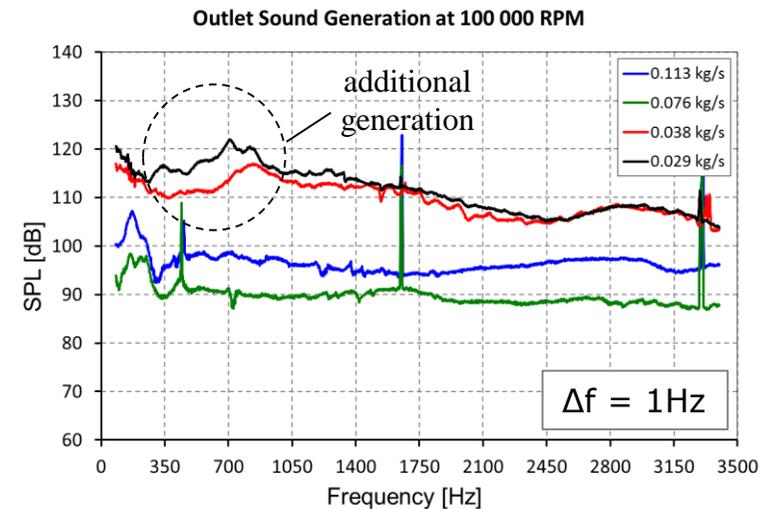
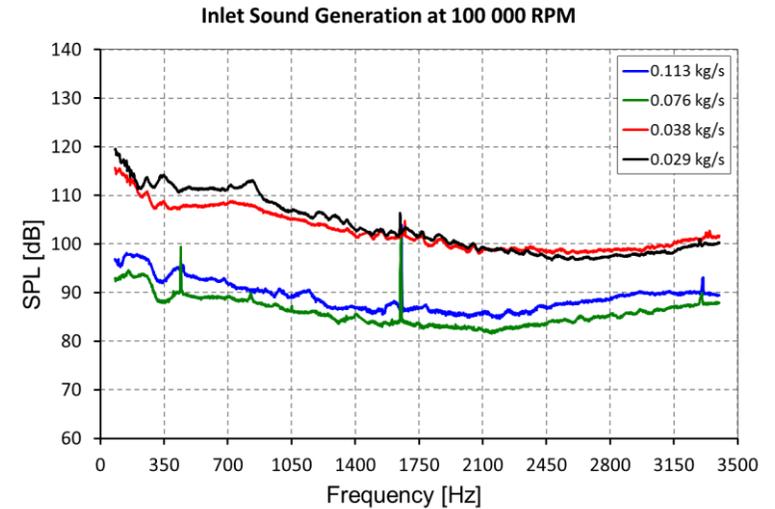
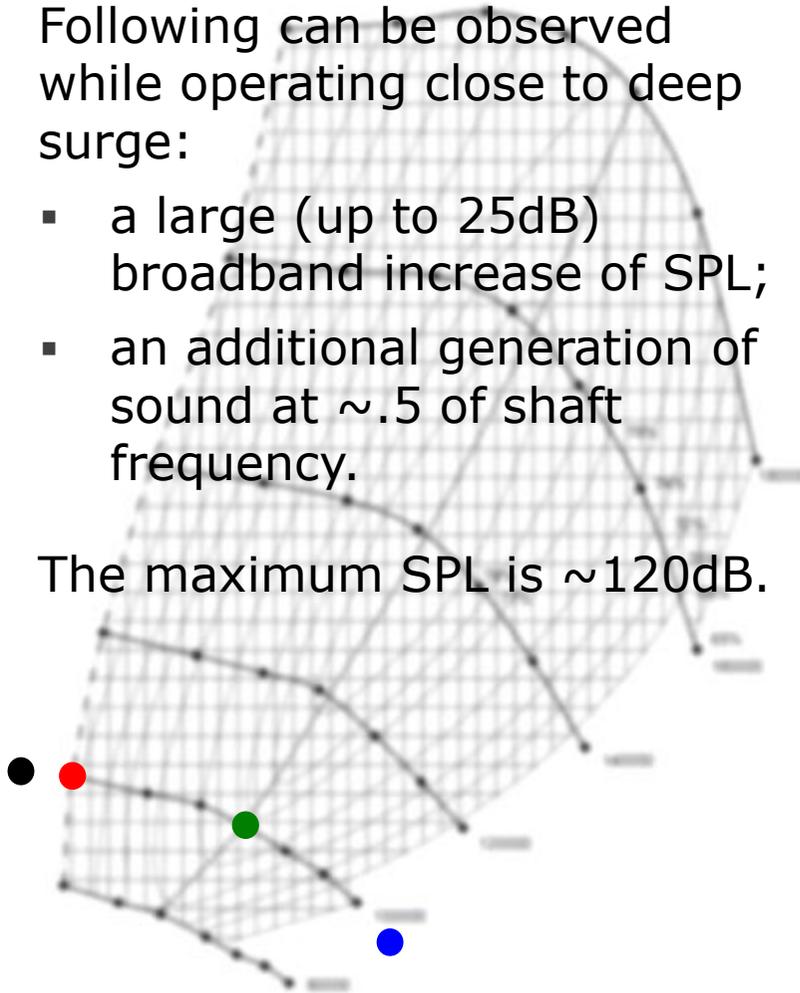


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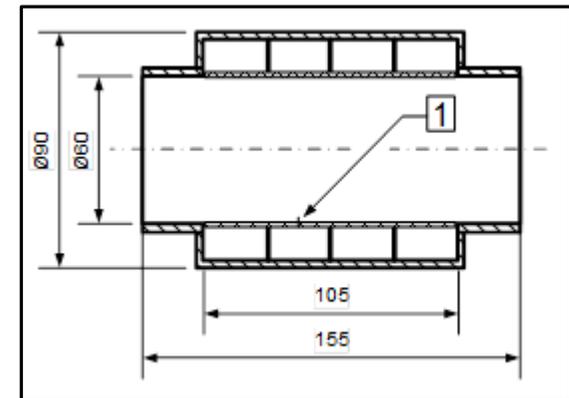
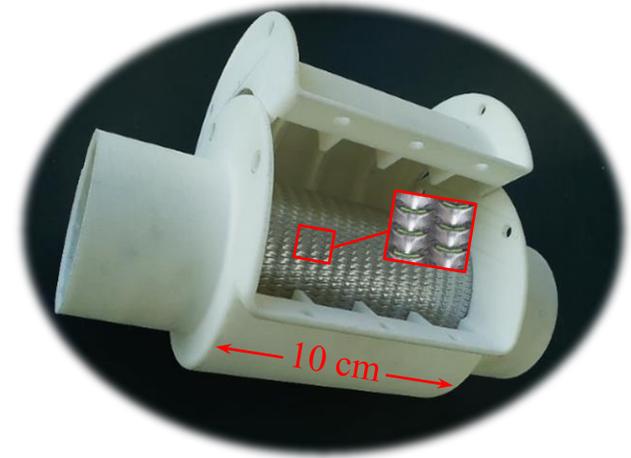
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Concept of compact silencer

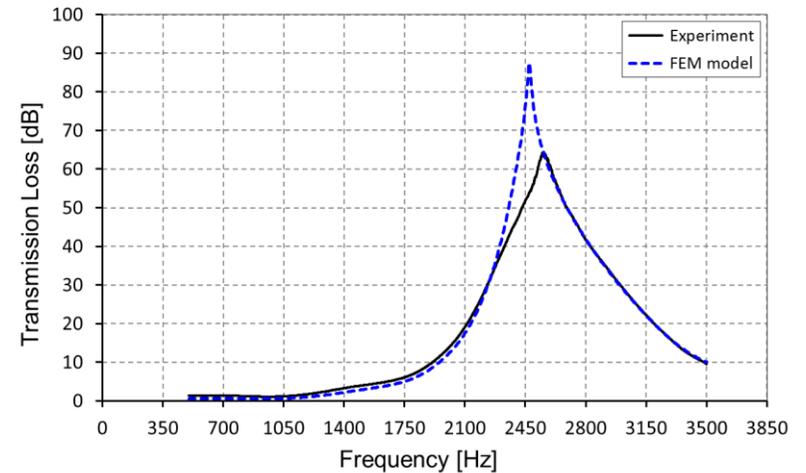
- Lightweight and compact noise control solution for flow duct applications (e.g. compressors).
- Consist of straight-flow channel with included acoustic **resistance** and **locally reacting cavity**.
- The prototype silencer employs the custom Acustimet™ MPP.
- The acoustic performance is controlled by the acoustic impedance of the locally reacting surface.



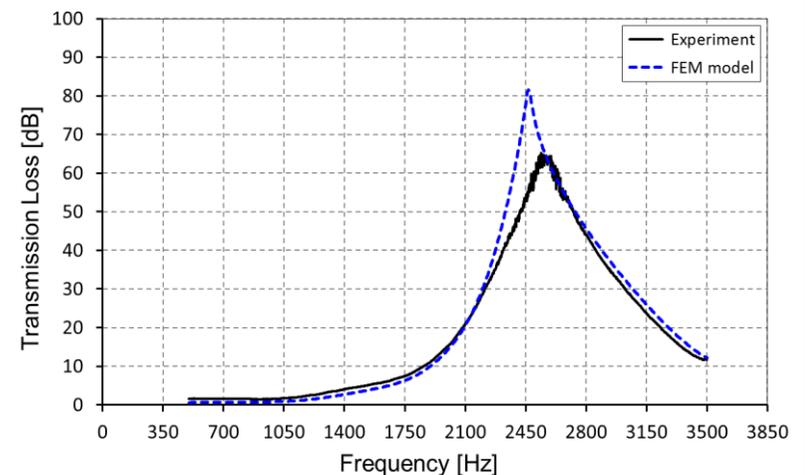
Improved FEM model

- Improvements are:
 - ✓ Full 3D → 2D with axisymmetric boundary condition.
 - ✓ Inhomogeneous Helmholtz equation → convective wave equation (“plug flow”).
 - ✓ Modified grazing flow models for the acoustic transfer impedance of the Acustimet™ micro-perforated panels.
 - ✓ Cavity baffles included in the geometry.
- The model can predict the acoustic performance reasonably well.

Transmission Loss in absence of flow



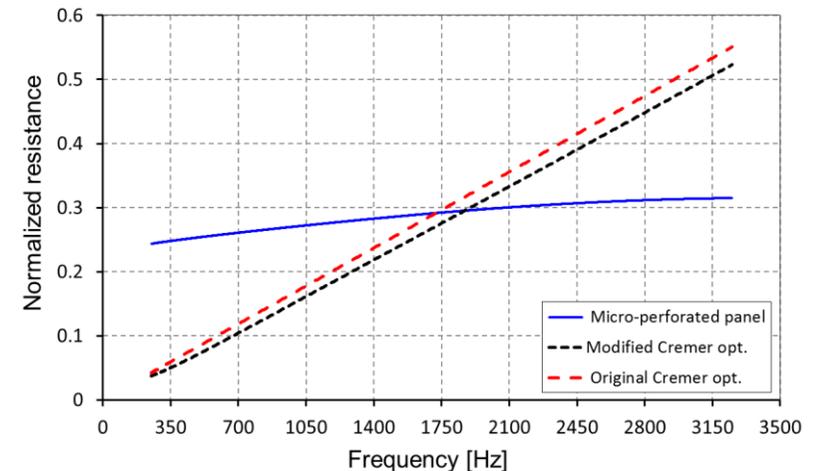
Transmission Loss for Mach number 0.042



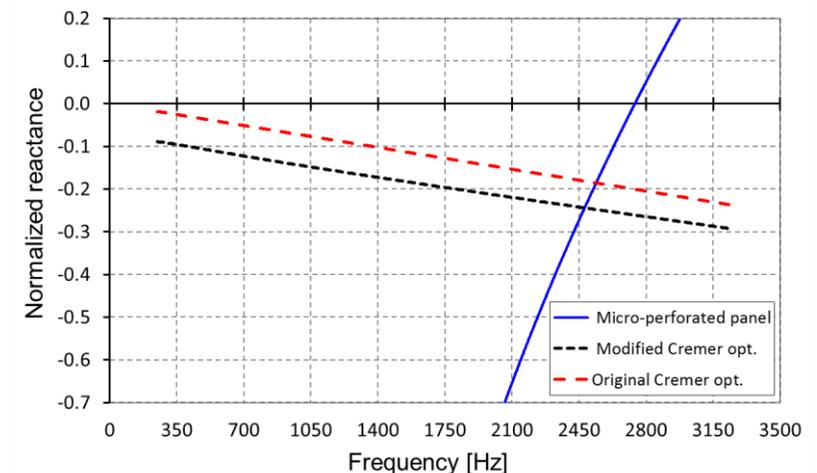
Modified optimal impedance model

- The assumption of very high frequency (i.e. well cut-on acoustic modes) is eliminated.
- In order to obtain modified Cremer impedance, the boundary condition equation has to be solved numerically.
- Difference in the optimal impedance result will grow with **mean flow Mach number**.

Acoustic resistance for Mach number 0.042

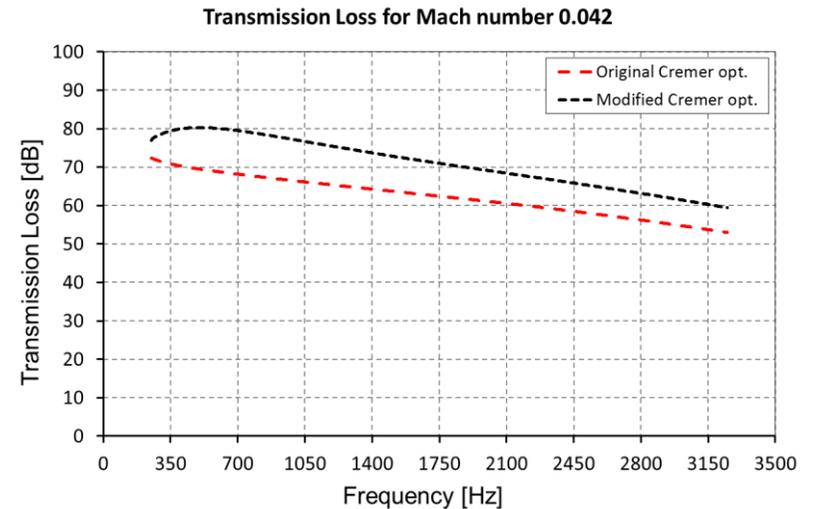


Acoustic reactance for Mach number 0.042



Modified optimal impedance model

- The modified Cremer impedance model will result in the higher dissipation and TL.



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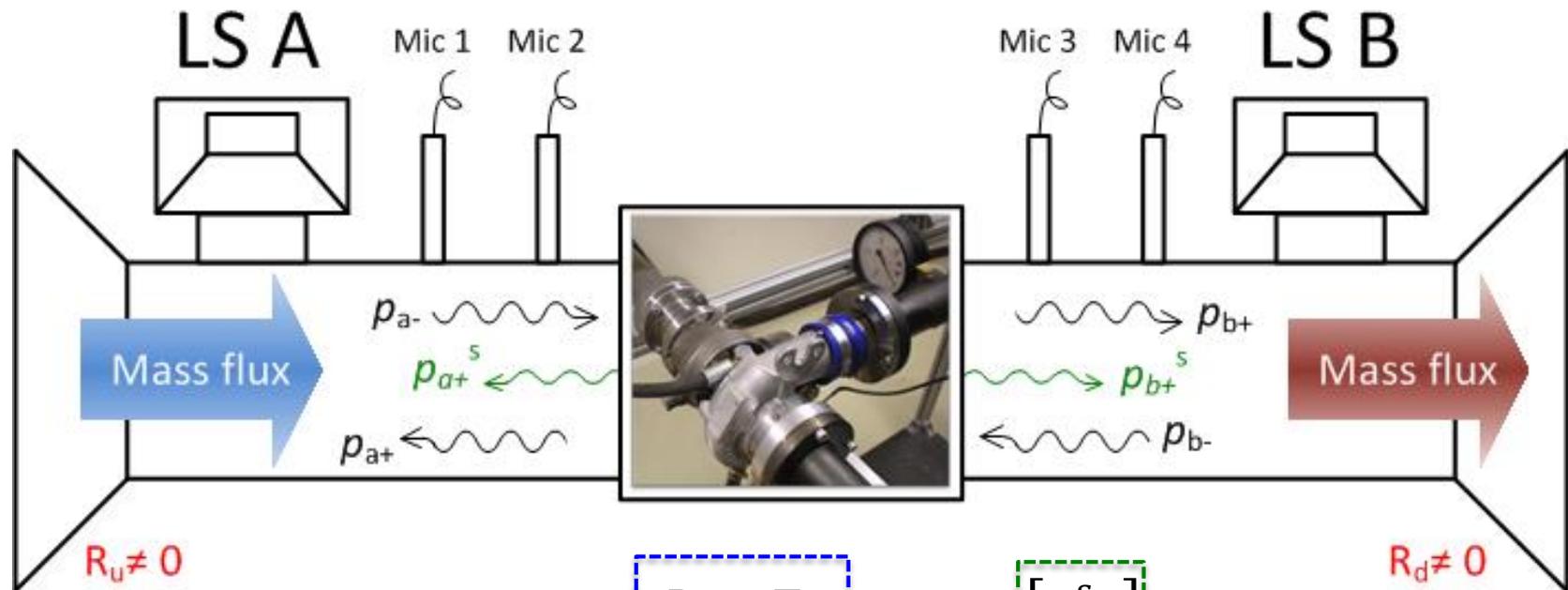
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Acoustic 2-port formulation

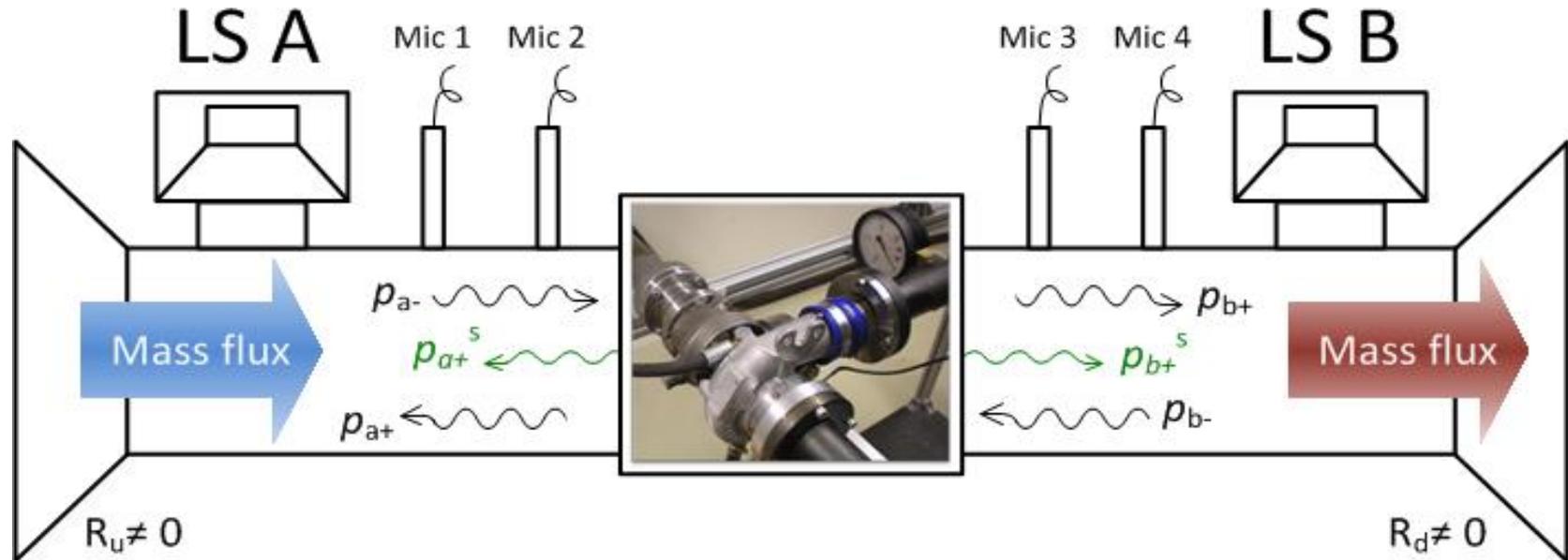


$$\begin{bmatrix} p_{a+} \\ p_{b+} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_a & T_b \\ T_a & R_b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_{a-} \\ p_{b-} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} p_{a+}^s \\ p_{b+}^s \end{bmatrix}$$

- The acoustical performance of a flow duct element is determined by the full 2-port model which consists both the **passive** and the **active** parts.

$$f_c = \frac{1.814 \cdot c}{\pi d}$$

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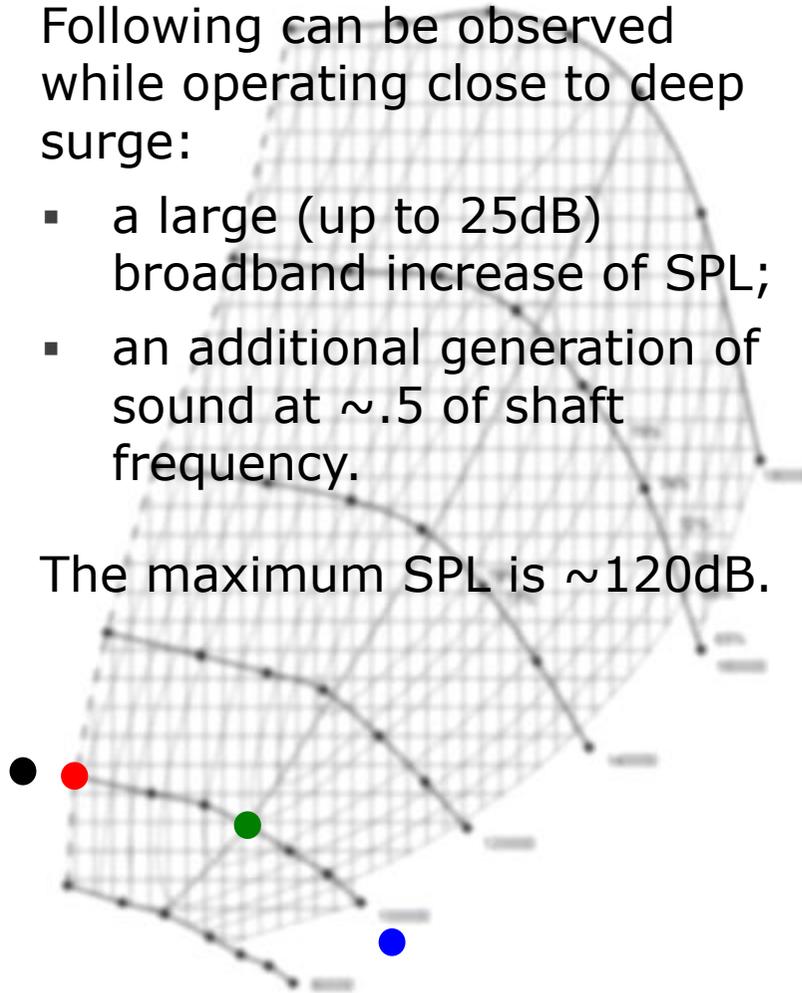


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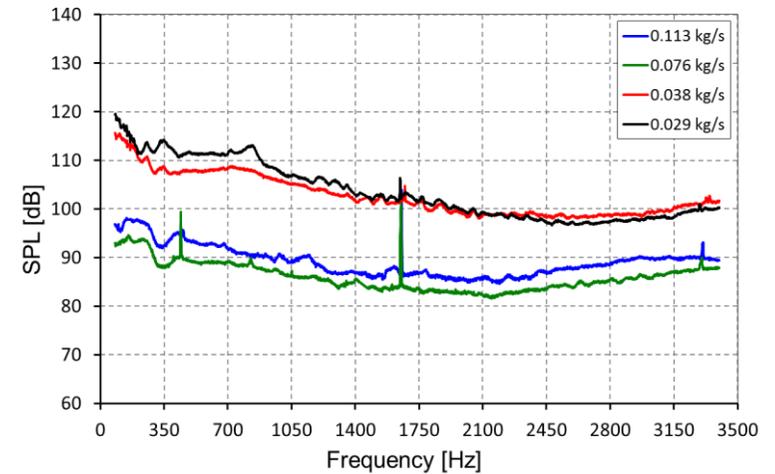
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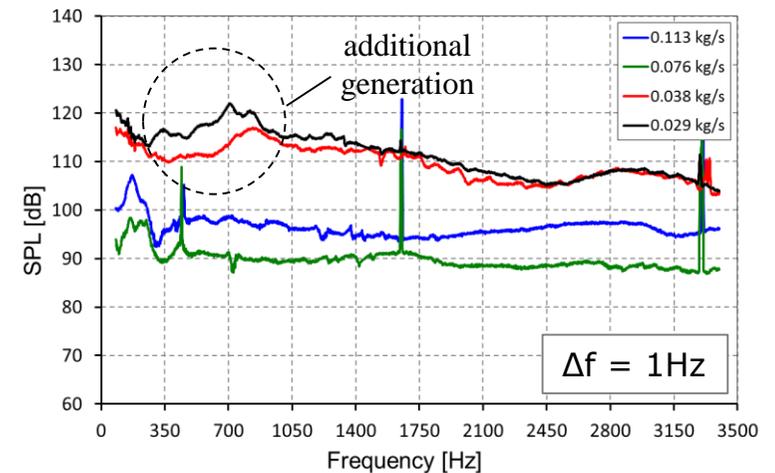
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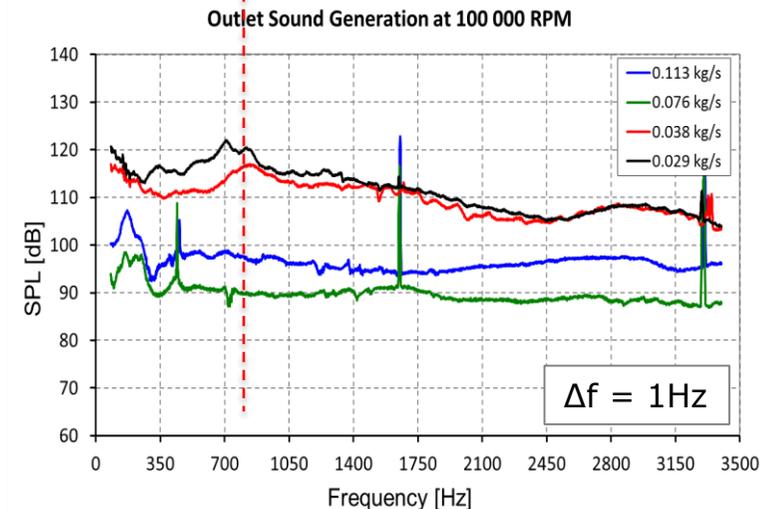
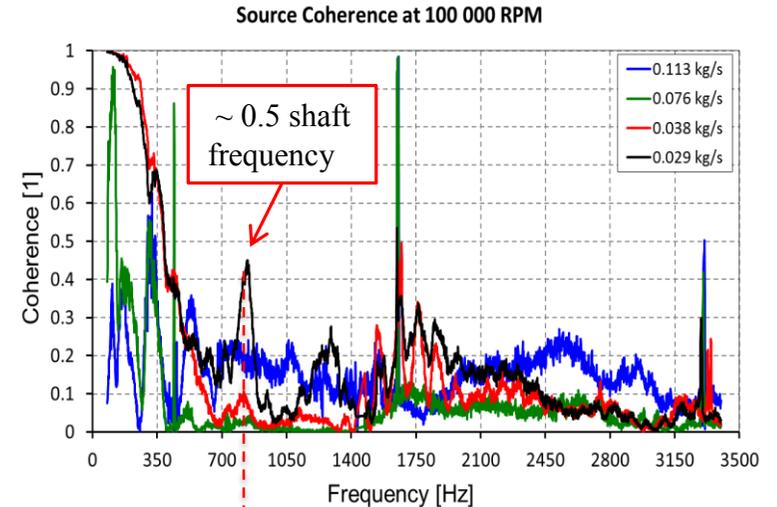
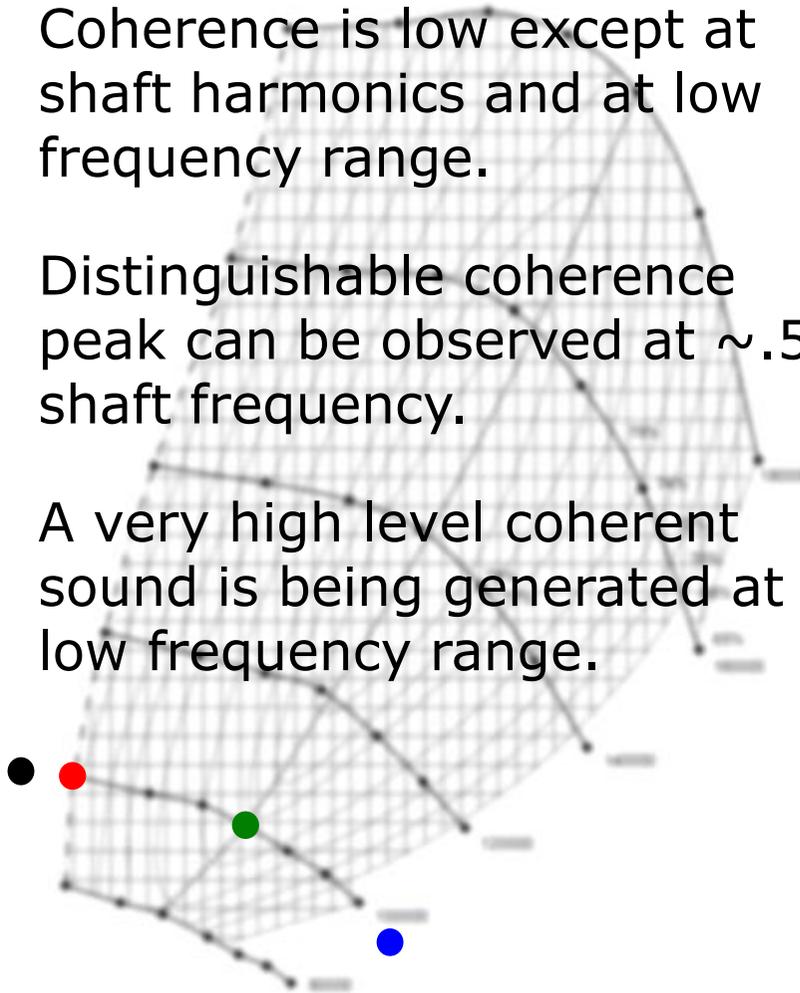


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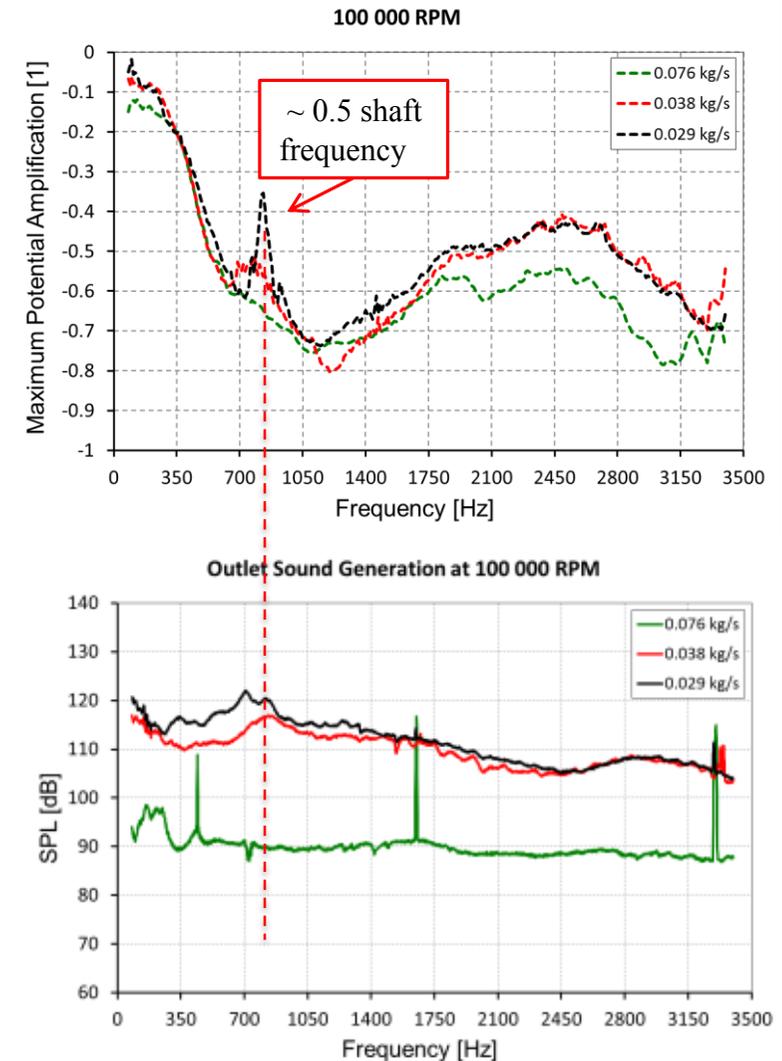
Compactness of a source

- Coherence is low except at shaft harmonics and at low frequency range.
- Distinguishable coherence peak can be observed at $\sim .5$ shaft frequency.
- A very high level coherent sound is being generated at low frequency range.



Surge initiation by acoustic field?

- In case of reflective boundaries, the generated sound is sent back to the compressor.
- At ~ 0.5 of shaft frequency the incident sound energy will be dissipated regardless the local amplification.
- At very low frequency the generated sound energy can accumulate in the system
 - and potentially have a significant effect to flow conditions.



Surge initiation by acoustic field?

- Negligible dissipation in low frequency range strongly depending on the incident sound field.
- The outlet excitation amplitude becomes dominant in cases of locally low dissipation.

