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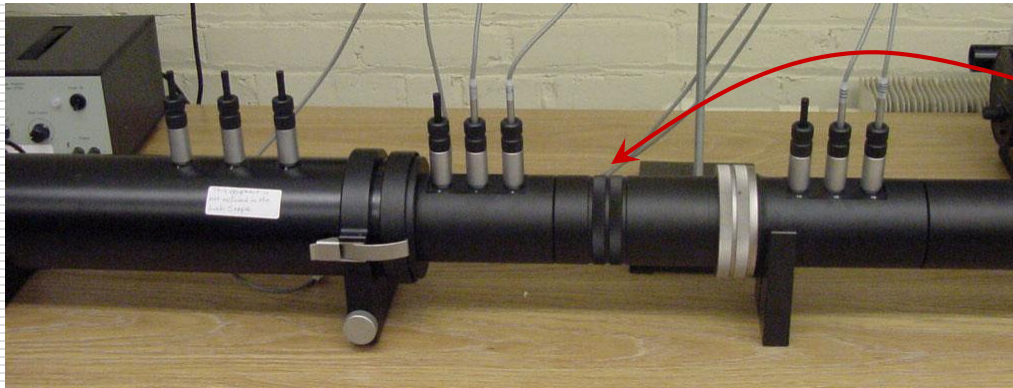
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# Objectives

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- ❑ Procedures for measuring the normal incidence transmission loss of porous material are now available

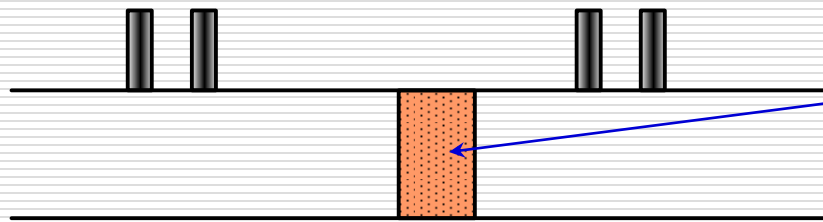


- ❑ Can normal incidence information be used to estimate random incidence transmission loss



# Overall Approach

1. Use 4-mic TL tube to estimate characteristic properties of porous materials

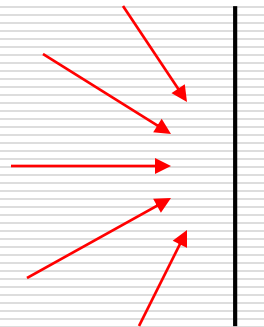


Estimate

-Complex density  $\rho_p$

-Complex wave number  $k_p$

2. Use  $k_p$  and  $\rho_p$  in theoretical prediction of random incidence TL



\* Approach works only for porous materials that can be modeled as effective fluids

# Introduction

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## 1. 4-mic transmission loss tube

- Transfer matrix method and two-load method
- In this study, the transfer matrix method was applied
- Mid-size impedance tube (d:63.5 cm) was used

## 2. Normal impedance prediction

- Measurements in one configuration used to predict performance in other configurations

## 3. Random incidence TL prediction

- Closer to real application
- No simple relationship with normal incidence TL

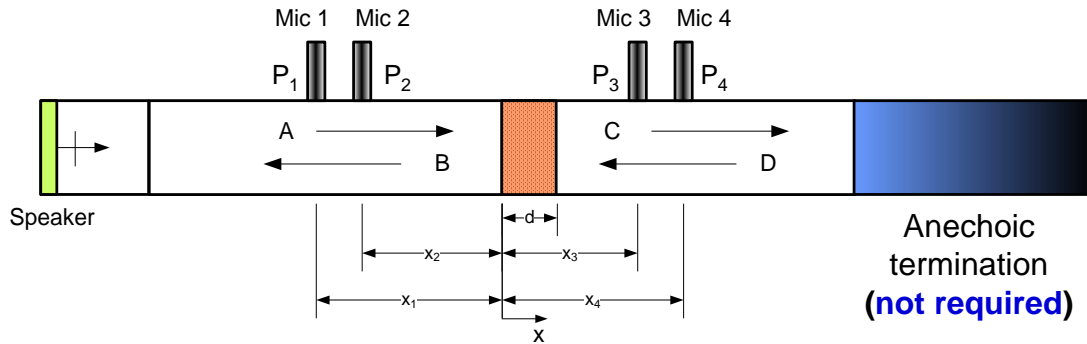
# 1-1 Transfer Matrix Method (Song and Bolton JASA 2000)

$$P_1 = (Ae^{-jkx_1} + Be^{jkx_1})e^{j\omega t}$$

$$P_2 = (Ae^{-jkx_2} + Be^{jkx_2})e^{j\omega t}$$

$$A = \frac{j(P_1e^{jkx_2} - P_2e^{jkx_1})}{2\sin k(x_1 - x_2)}$$

$$B = \frac{j(P_2e^{-jkx_1} - P_1e^{-jkx_2})}{2\sin k(x_1 - x_2)}$$



$$P_3 = (Ce^{-jkx_3} + De^{jkx_3})e^{j\omega t}$$

$$P_4 = (Ce^{-jkx_4} + De^{jkx_4})e^{j\omega t}$$

$$C = \frac{j(P_3e^{jkx_4} - P_4e^{jkx_3})}{2\sin k(x_3 - x_4)}$$

$$D = \frac{j(P_4e^{-jkx_3} - P_3e^{-jkx_4})}{2\sin k(x_3 - x_4)}$$

- Sound pressure and velocity relationship

$$\begin{bmatrix} P \\ V \end{bmatrix}_{x=0} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P \\ V \end{bmatrix}_{x=d}$$

- Symmetric sample

$$T_{11} = T_{22}, \quad T_{11}T_{22} - T_{12}T_{21} = 1$$

- Transmission loss

$$TL = 20\log_{10}(1/|T|)$$

$$T_{11} = \frac{P|_{x=d} V|_{x=d} + P|_{x=0} V|_{x=0}}{P|_{x=0} V|_{x=d} + P|_{x=d} V|_{x=0}}$$

$$T_{12} = \frac{P|_{x=0}^2 - P|_{x=d}^2}{P|_{x=0} V|_{x=d} + P|_{x=d} V|_{x=0}}$$

$$T_{21} = \frac{V|_{x=0}^2 - V|_{x=d}^2}{P|_{x=0} V|_{x=d} + P|_{x=d} V|_{x=0}}$$

$$T_{22} = \frac{P|_{x=d} V|_{x=d} + P|_{x=0} V|_{x=0}}{P|_{x=0} V|_{x=d} + P|_{x=d} V|_{x=0}}$$

where  $T_a = \frac{2e^{jkd}}{T_{11} + (T_{12} / \rho_0 c) + \rho_0 c T_{21} + T_{22}}$

- Transfer matrix

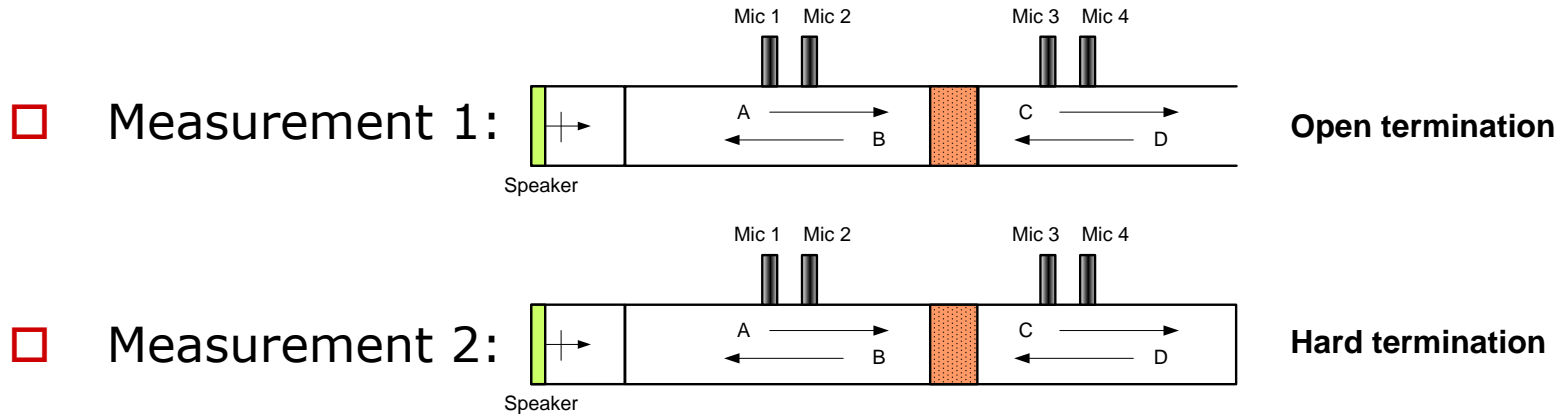
$$\begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos k_p d & j\rho_p c_p \sin k_p d \\ j \sin k_p d / \rho_p c_p & \cos k_p d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} k_p = \frac{1}{d} \cos^{-1} T_{11} \\ \rho_p = \frac{1}{c_p} \sqrt{\frac{T_{12}}{T_{21}}} \end{cases}$$

Property of material

Limp or rigid porous material

# 1-2 Two Load Method (Munjjal)



$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{Measurement 1} \\
 \text{Measurement 2}
 \end{array}
 \left\{ \begin{array}{l}
 \left[ \begin{array}{l} P_1 \\ V_1 \end{array} \right]_{x=0} \\
 \left[ \begin{array}{l} P_2 \\ V_2 \end{array} \right]_{x=0}
 \end{array} \right. = \begin{array}{c}
 \left[ \begin{array}{cccc}
 T_{11} & T_{12} & 0 & 0 \\
 T_{21} & T_{22} & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & T_{11} & T_{12} \\
 0 & 0 & T_{21} & T_{22}
 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{l} P_1 \\ V_1 \\ P_2 \\ V_2 \end{array} \right]_{x=d}
 \end{array}$$

4 equations in 4 unknowns

- Solve for  $T_{11}$ ,  $T_{12}$ ,  $T_{21}$ ,  $T_{22}$
- Advantage: no requirement that sample be symmetric
- Disadvantage: twice as many measurements

# 1-3 Materials

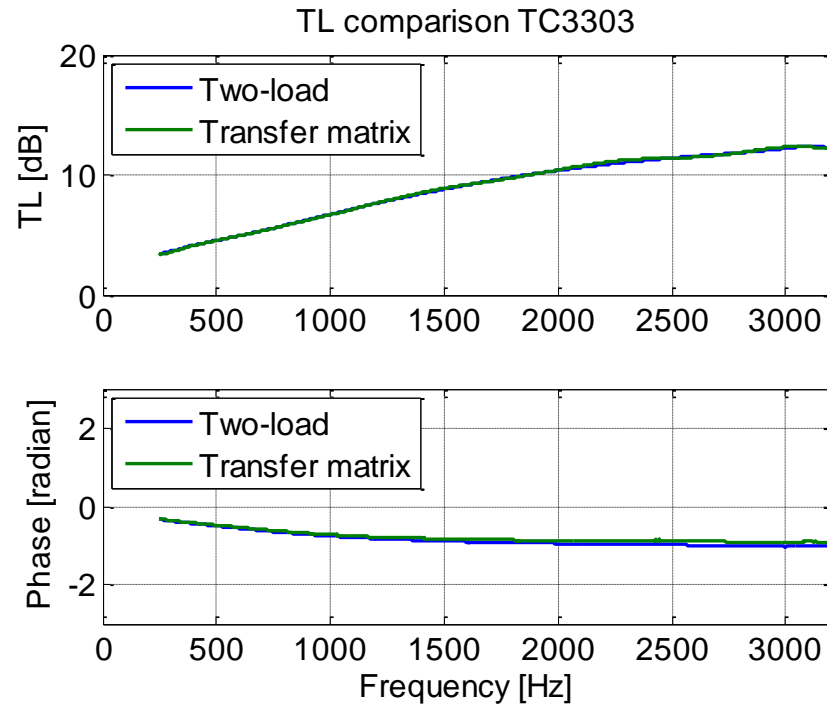
- THL3
  - polyester staple fibers
  - Lower density than TC3303
  - Lower TL and absorption coefficient
  - Thinner than TC3303
  
- TC3303
  - blown micro fibers with mix of polypropylene and polyester staple fibers



	THL3	TC3303
Thickness [cm]	3.95	4.98
Mass per unit area [g/m <sup>2</sup> ]	156	376



# 1-4 Two-Load and Transfer Matrix Methods

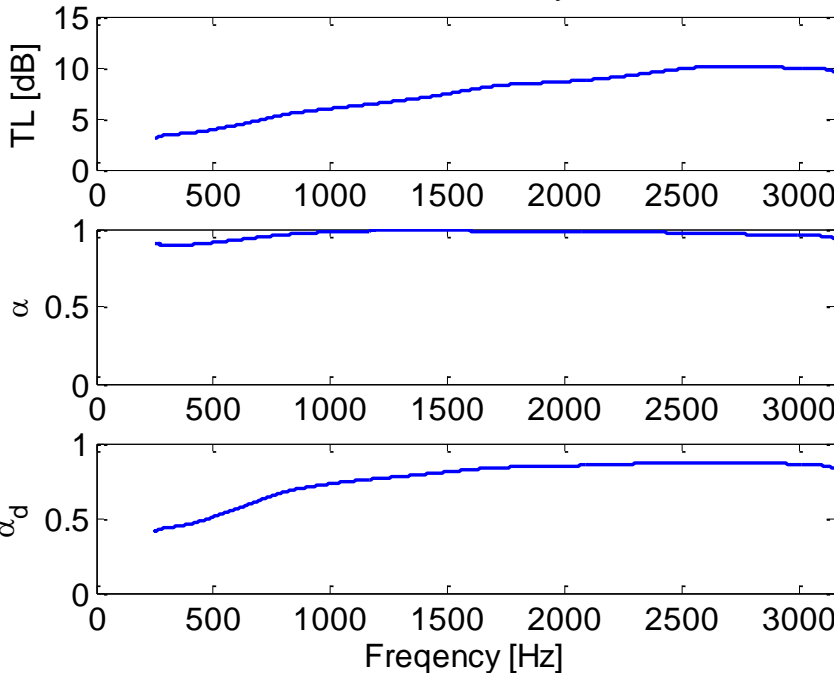
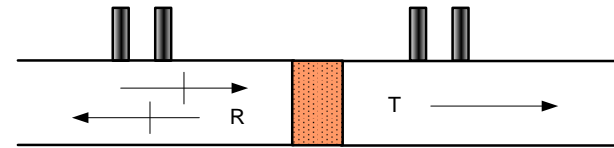


- ❑ Two-load and transfer matrix methods show perfect agreement both on magnitude and phase.
- ❑ Two-load method needs two different terminations with and without a sample: Total of four measurements are required

# 1-5 Typical Results

For anechoically terminated sample

TC3303 with 2 layers



$$TL = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{1}{|T_a|^2} \right)$$

$$T_a = \frac{2e^{jkd}}{T_{11} + (T_{12} / \rho_0 c) + \rho_0 c T_{21} + T_{22}}$$

Expressed in terms of  
T-matrix elements

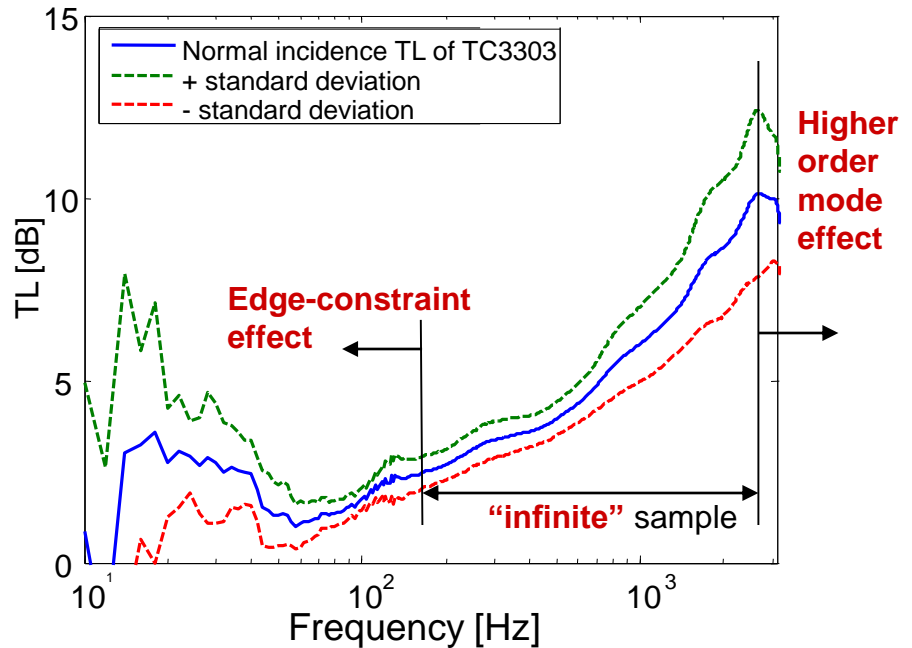
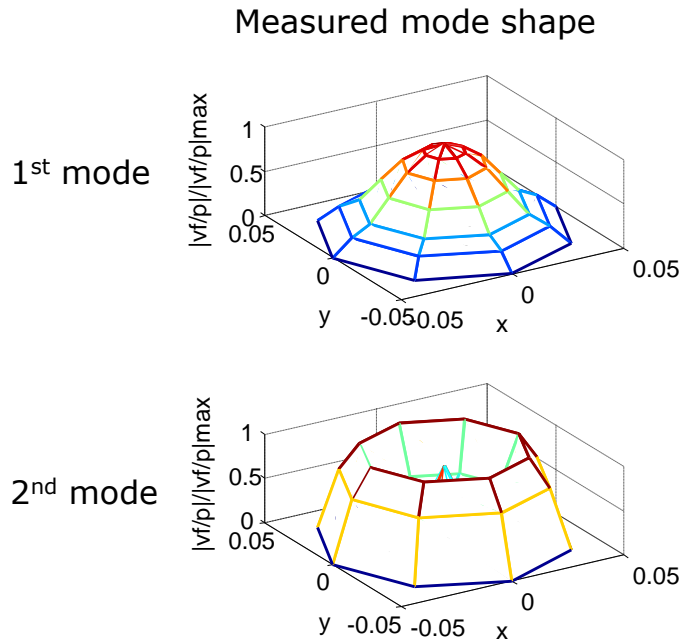
$$\alpha = 1 - |R_a|^2$$

$$R_a = \frac{T_{11} + (T_{12} / \rho_0 c) - \rho_0 c T_{21} - T_{22}}{T_{11} + (T_{12} / \rho_0 c) + \rho_0 c T_{21} + T_{22}}$$

$$\alpha_d = 1 - |R_a|^2 - |T_a|^2$$

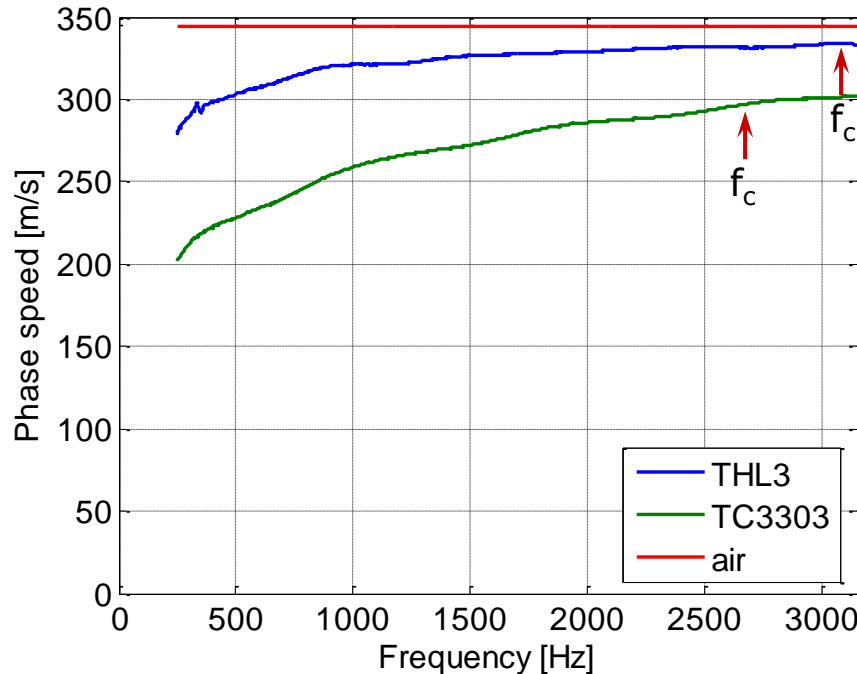
- $\alpha_d$  represents the fraction of the incident energy dissipated within the sample

# 1-6 Normal incidence TL (average of 10 measurements)



- Because of leakage problem, two layers were used for normal incidence TL test.
- Edge-constraint effects appear at low frequencies in the measurements
- Higher duct modes appear in sample around 3 kHz and cause increased standard deviation

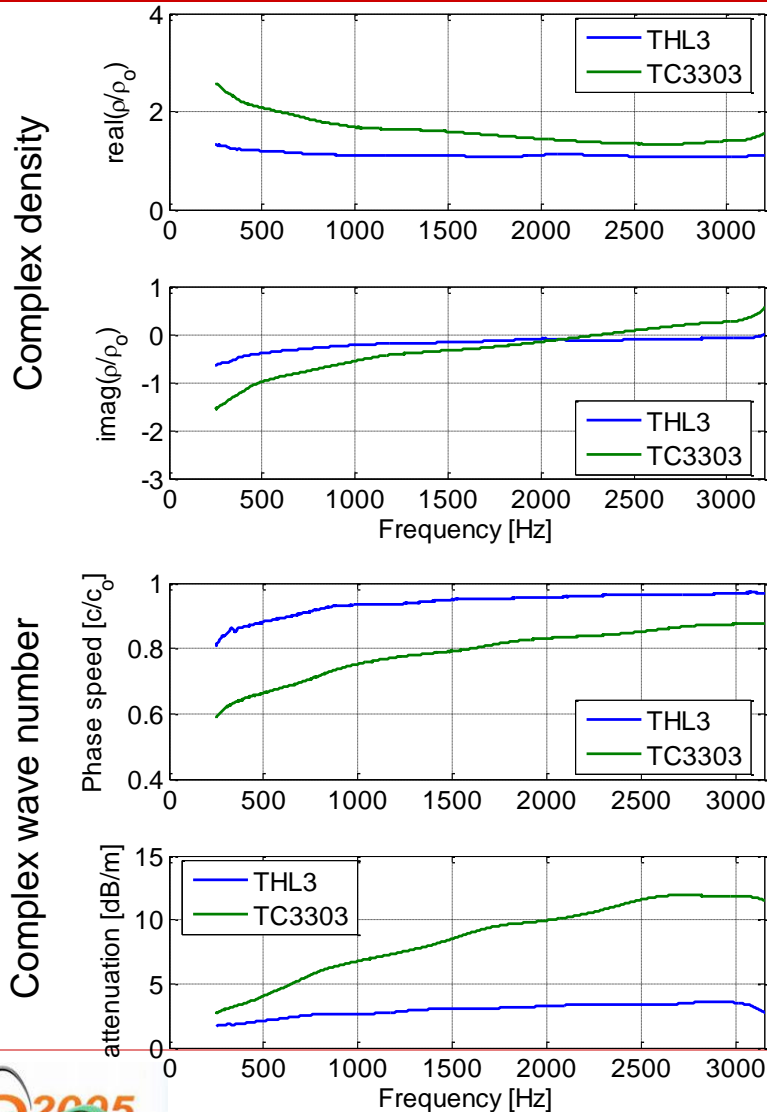
# 1-7 Higher Order Modes in Samples



$$f_c = \frac{1.84 \times c_p}{2\pi r}$$

- Since wave speed in porous materials is subsonic, higher order modes may “cut-on” in the sample at lower frequencies than in the tube
  - TC3303 – accurate at frequencies < 2700 Hz
  - THL3 – accurate at frequencies < 3100 Hz
- This effect limits high frequency accuracy of the measurements

# 1-8 Complex Density and Complex Wave Number



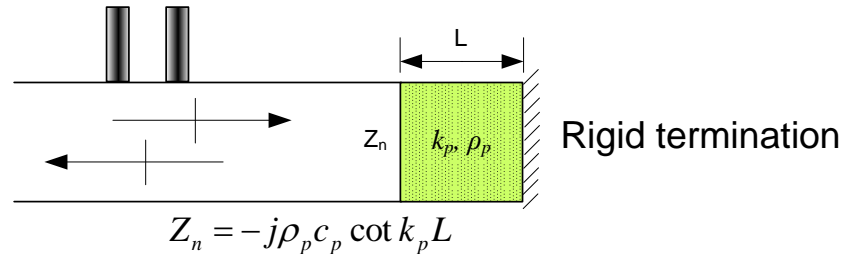
□ Normalized complex densities show that TC3303 has higher density

□ Phase speed:  $\frac{\omega}{\text{Re}\{k_p\}}$

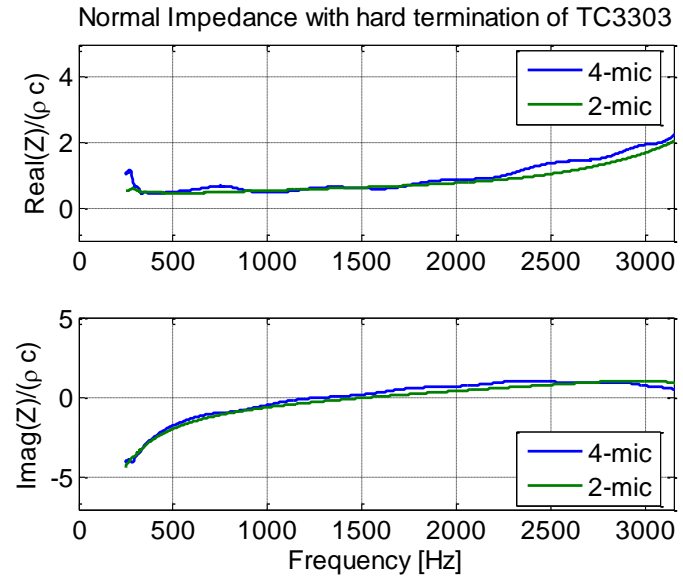
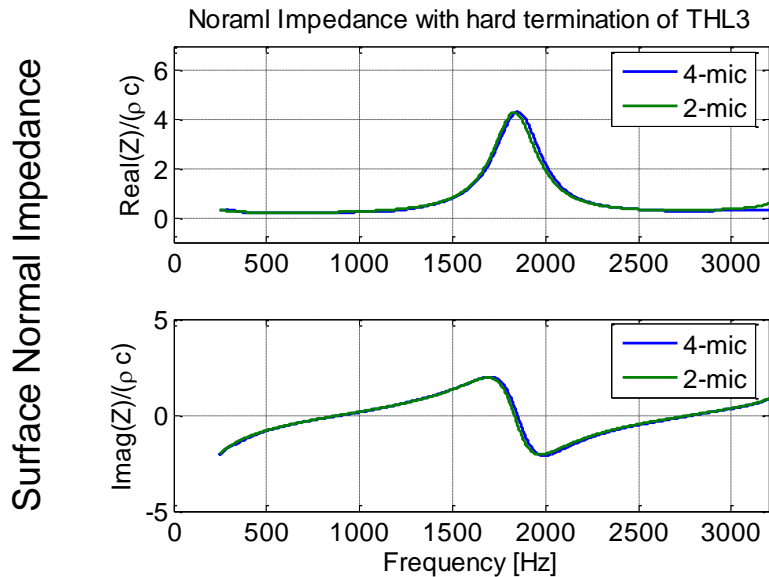
□ Attenuation per m:  $\text{Im}\{k_p\}$

□ These values can be used in SEA, FE predictions and plane wave predictions

# 2-1 Prediction of Hard Termination Impedance

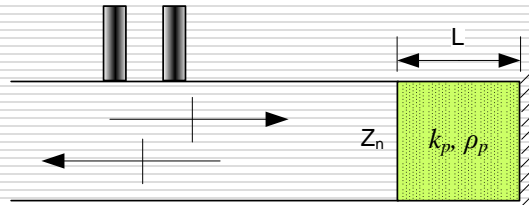


- Use values of  $k_p$  and  $\rho_p$  measured in 4-microhpone tube to predict properties of same material in different environment (e.g., hard backing) and compare with direct measurement



- Any known backing impedances can be accommodated

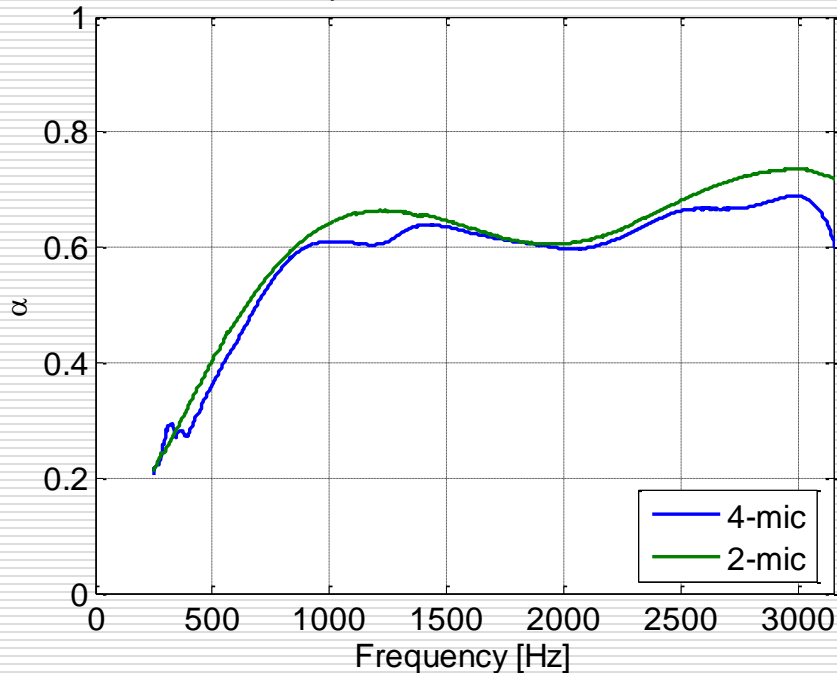
# 2-2 Prediction of Hard Termination Case Absorption coefficient



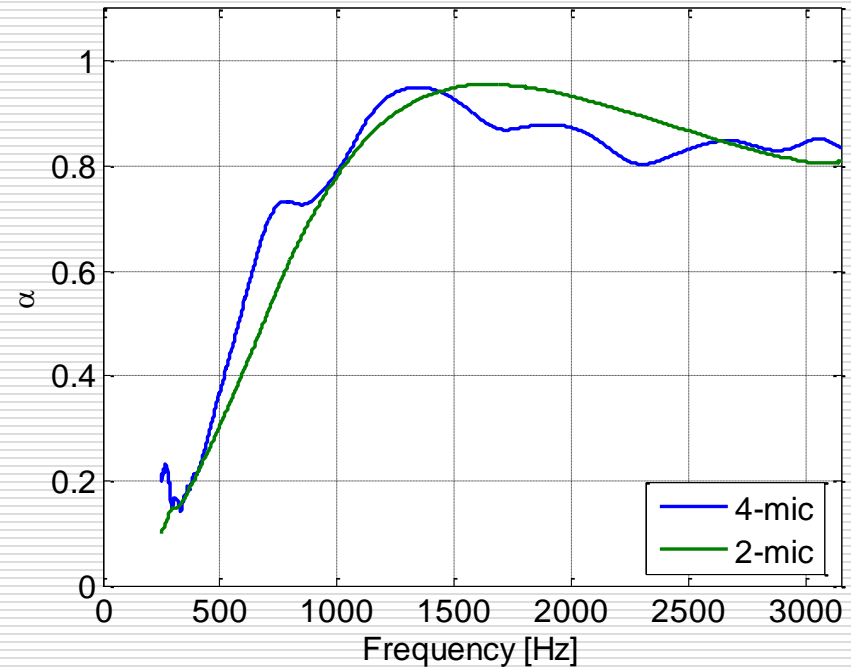
Rigid termination

$$R = \frac{Z_n - \rho_0 c}{Z_n + \rho_0 c} \quad \alpha = 1 - |R|^2$$

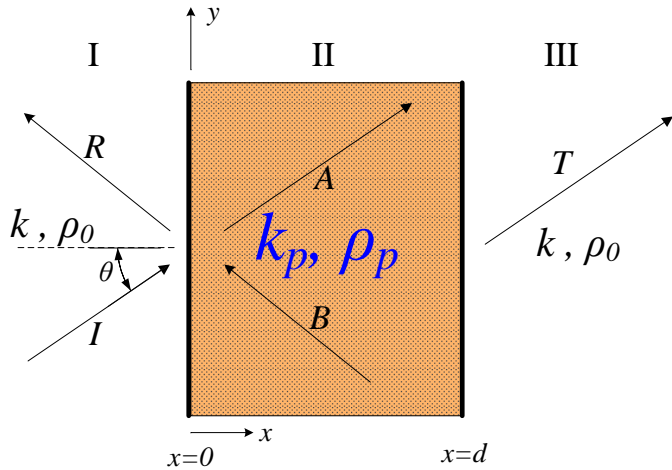
Absorption coefficient of THL3



Absorption coefficient of TC3303



# 3-1 Random Incidence Transmission Loss (for rigid or limp porous materials)



$$\text{Region I} \begin{cases} P_1 = e^{-jk_x x - jk_y y} + R e^{jk_x x - jk_y y} \\ U_{1x} = -\frac{1}{j\omega\rho_0} \frac{\partial P_1}{\partial x} = -\frac{1}{j\omega\rho_0} (-jk_x e^{-jk_x x - jk_y y} + jk_x R e^{jk_x x - jk_y y}) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Region II} \begin{cases} P_2 = A e^{-jk_{px} x - jk_{py} y} + B e^{jk_{px} x - jk_{py} y} \\ U_{2x} = -\frac{1}{j\omega\rho_p} \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial x} = -\frac{1}{j\omega\rho_p} (-jk_{px} A e^{-jk_{px} x - jk_{py} y} + jk_{px} B e^{jk_{px} x - jk_{py} y}) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Region III} \begin{cases} P_3 = T e^{-jk_x x - jk_y y} \\ U_{3x} = -\frac{1}{j\omega\rho_0} \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial x} = -\frac{1}{j\omega\rho_0} (-jk_x T e^{-jk_x x - jk_y y}) \end{cases}$$

$k_p$  and  $\rho_p$  can be acquired from normal incidence TL test

■ Transmission coefficient

$$T = \frac{2 \frac{\rho_p k_x}{\rho_0 k_{px}}}{e^{-j d k_x} \left\{ j \sin d k_{px} \left( \left( \frac{\rho_p k_x}{\rho_0 k_{px}} \right)^2 + 1 \right) + 2 \frac{\rho_p k_x}{\rho_0 k_{px}} \cos d k_{px} \right\}}$$

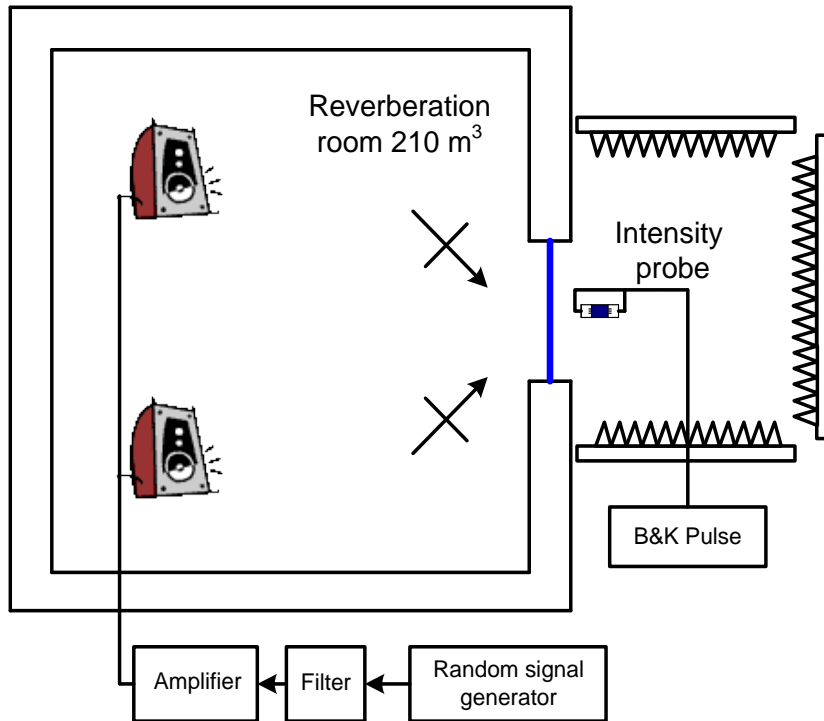
■ Transmission loss

$$TL = 10 \log_{10} (1 / \bar{\tau})$$

$$\text{where } \bar{\tau} = \int_0^{\pi/2} |T|^2 \sin 2\theta d\theta$$

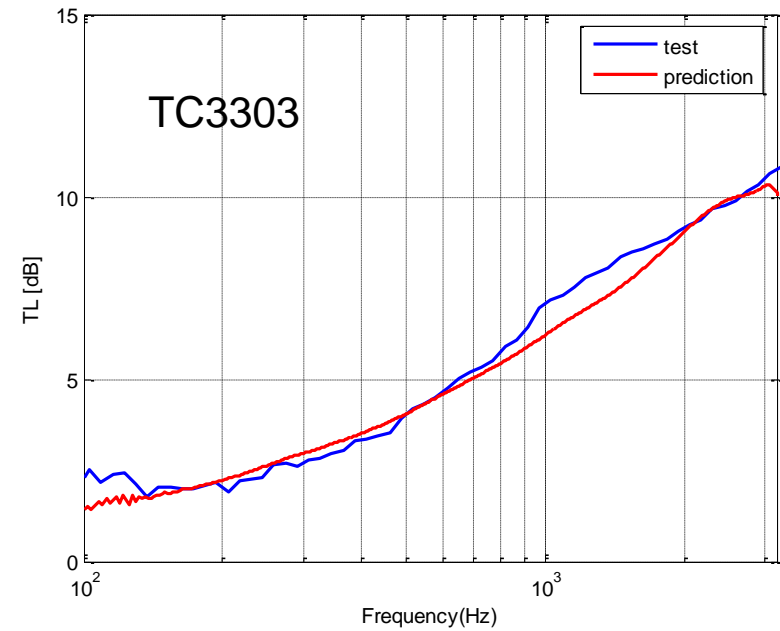
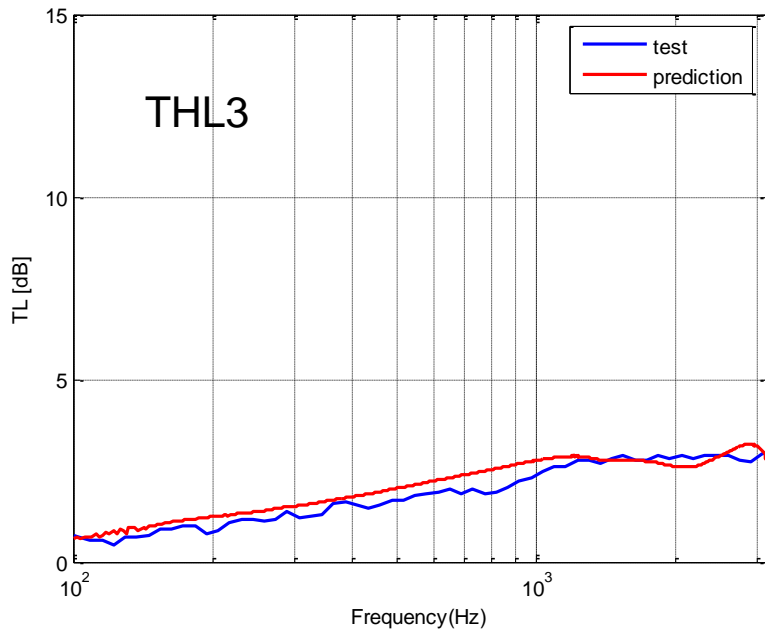


## 3-2 Test Setup of Random Incidence TL



- Test was performed in reverberation room with intensity probe with two different sized spacers.
- TL was calculated by averaging TL at 25 points over sample
- Two layers of each material were used

# 3-3 Random Incidence Transmission Loss



- Predictions based on complex density and wave number and direct measurements show excellent agreement

# Summary

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- Random incidence transmission loss and other acoustical properties (e.g., surface normal impedance) can be predicted by using complex wave number ( $k_p$ ) and complex density ( $\rho_p$ ) which can be acquired from normal incidence TL test (materials should be rigid or limp)
- Prediction and measurement of surface normal impedance and random incidence transmission loss showed good agreement with each other
- At low frequencies: measurements affected by edge-constraint effect
- At high frequencies: measurements affected by higher order mode propagation within the sample
- Transfer matrix and two-load method gave same results
- Transfer matrix method is more convenient than two-load method when the material is symmetric because a single measurement is sufficient