

Noise control and prediction technologies for sustainable aviation

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Future challenges (1)

For years population mobility has increased because of more and quicker transportation systems. In the States, the Joint Planning and Development Office (JPDO) is currently developing a new system NextGen to increase the air traffic by a factor 3 in 2025.

Reducing noise sources is critical to achieve such a goal as the JPDO indicates that without a substantial effort the number of people exposed to high noise levels will grow significantly.



Future challenges (2)

In large cities population has increased so much and so fast that the airport area becomes surrounded by the city and more and more people are exposed to high noise levels daily (*health issue*).



Aircraft acoustic certification



Evolution of aircraft noise



Aircraft noise sources

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An aircraft is a complex set of acoustic sources, a problem of interactions, of transmission and propagation

Engine noise sources



Hierarchy of engine noise sources



At take-off, the dominant sources are the jet and the fan

<u>At approach</u>, the dominant source is **the fan** and more and more *the turbine*



Source: Julliard, IROQUA Technical seminar, 2006

Strong variations with engine types

Strong variations of pressure levels around an engine (strong directivity)



Turbojet noise dominated by single-flux high-speed jet (aft)

Noise of a typical 1990s engine



pass ratio dominated by fan (forward) and jet (aft)

Noise generation and propagation in a turboengine



Source: Julliard, IROQUA Technical seminar, 2006

Conservation equations in a fluid

Mass conservation: (continuity equation):

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\rho \ u_i \right) = 0 \quad ou \quad \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \bullet \left(\rho \ \vec{u} \right) = 0$$

Momentum conservation:

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial u_j}{\partial t} + u_i \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \tau_{ij}}{\partial x_j} \quad ou \quad \rho \frac{D\vec{u}}{Dt} = -\nabla p + \nabla \bullet \vec{\vec{\tau}}$$

Energy or entropy conservation:

$$\rho T \left(\frac{\partial s}{\partial t} + u_i \frac{\partial s}{\partial x_i} \right) = -\frac{\partial q}{\partial x_i} + \tau_{ij} \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \quad ou \quad \rho T \left(\frac{\partial s}{\partial t} + \vec{u} \bullet \nabla s \right) = -\nabla \bullet \vec{q} + \vec{\tau} \cdot \nabla \vec{u}$$

Need to solve them directly (DNS) to extract the sound.

For high Reynolds number flows, URANS can provide tones and LES the broadband component.

Linearized Euler Equations

Linearized Euler equations in a **non-uniform** fluid ($p_0, \rho_0, s_0, u_0...$) within a mean steady field:

Mage

 $\frac{\partial p}{\partial t}$

Mass:

$$\frac{\partial \rho'}{\partial t} + \vec{u}_0 \bullet \nabla \rho' + \vec{u}' \bullet \nabla \rho_0 + \rho_0 \nabla \bullet \vec{u}' + \rho' \nabla \bullet \vec{u}_0 = 0 \quad (1)$$
Momentum:

$$\frac{\rho_0 \left(\frac{\partial \vec{u}'}{\partial t} + \vec{u}_0 \bullet \nabla \vec{u}' + \vec{u}' \bullet \nabla \vec{u}_0 \right) + \rho' \vec{u}_0 \bullet \nabla \vec{u}_0 = -\nabla p' \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{\rho'}{t} + \vec{u}_0 \bullet \nabla p' + \vec{u}' \bullet \nabla p_0 = c_0^2 \left(\frac{\partial \rho'}{\partial t} + \vec{u}_0 \bullet \nabla \rho' + \vec{u}' \bullet \nabla \rho_0 + \left(\frac{p'}{p_0} - \frac{\rho'}{\rho_0} \right) \vec{u}_0 \bullet \nabla \rho_0 \right)$$

Its simplifies to a general wave equation in a uniform fluid at rest.

Otherwise numerical integration is still needed!

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Still cumbersome and computationally intensive

Lighthill's equation

Lighthill's acoustic analogy

(sound produced by a local turbulent spot of turbulence, 1952)





Far-field observer

The problem reduces to simpler linear acoustic propagation,

- ➡ For the observer, the flow field is replaced by equivalent sources radiating in a medium at rest.
- The problem then boils down to the definition of equivalent sources (*aerodynamic*).

Ffowcs Williams & Hawkings' analogy (1969)



Solid body in motion in air: $f(\vec{x},t)=0$



J.E. Ffowcs Williams



Jet noise

(Lighthill, Ribner, etc...)



The jet is the first example of mixing noise (success of Lighthill's analogy)

Jet noise mechanisms



- Sources distributed downstream of the nozzle
- Sound scaling as U⁸ or U³ (U exhaust, jet velocity).
- Source strength depends on unsteady turbulent mixing
- Large noise data bases available for single and coaxial cold and hot jets (spectral models proposed by Tam, Viswanathan)

Comparaison between subsonic and supersonic turbulent jets





D'après Viswanathan, 1994



Fig. 2 Typical far-field noise spectrum of an imperfectly expanded supersonicjet, measured at 30-deg inlet angle, showing the three principal noise components. Data from Seiner! Nozzle design Mach number 2.0. Jet Mach number 1.5.

D'après Tam, 1995

Impact of BPR technology on jet noise

- The sound nuisance of an engine can be estimated by the noise footprint on the ground (EPNdB), compared to the number of passengers.
- The switch to dual-stream engine with a small then a large by-pass ratio has allowed reducing noise significantly. The reduction of ejection speeds by increasing diameters allow reducing mixing noise according to 8th power law.
- Moreover, the dual-stream technology also allow reducing shear (softer mixing).



According to the French civil aviaiion

Ultra High By-Pass Ratio (UHBR)





Approach:

- BPR>10
- Reduce jet exhaust velocities
- Increase mass flow to achieve thrust

Potential noise reduction:

Jet mixing noise - 5 to 10 dB

Key Issues:

- Increased installation drag and weight - engine is bigger in diameter
- Fan mechanical design larger fan blades

Sources: Rushwald, Airport Noise Symposium 2002 Whurr from R&R, ETC 2013 keynote

Jet noise control

Concept: Modify the turbulent structure of the jet; promote faster mixing of jet exhaust; Minimize turbulence creation in mixing process

- Forced mixers for buried nozzles
- Chevrons for short cowl
- Deployable tabs (SMA)
- Offset and scarfed nozzles
- Other flow control devices...

Potential noise reduction:

Jet mixing noise - 2 to 4 dB

Key Issues:

- More effective at lower BPR
- Aerodynamic losses reduces thrust, increases fuel consumption
- Mechanical design structural integrity, vibration





Sources: Rushwald, Airport Noise Symposium 2002 Astley, Omega AOR Workshop 2008

Jet Noise Prediction -1



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Sanjose et al, AIAA 2011; Fosso et al, AIAA 2012





Two main directions of noise emission (30° & 90°) Proper turbulence development in the shear layers & jet

Jet Noise Prediction -2

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Enhanced mixing (much finer scales at nozzle exits) Strong streamwise vorticity induced by lobes

Jet Noise Prediction -3





Turbomachinery/Surface noise



<u>Note</u>: the contribution of broadband noise from solid walls can represent half of the fan noise. Given its random nature an isolated profile is initially enough.

Broadband airfoil noise mechanisms

On a profile, the pressure fluctuations or unsteady loading induced on the surface by a vortical field (turbulent, random) can yield many mecanisms:



NB: the variation of vorticity spreads over about one characteristic vortex length

Airfoil/bluff body noise predictions



LNS

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Airframe noise mechanisms

Main contributors:

- Landing gears
 - turbulent wakes of landing gears and struts
 - surface pressure fluctuations on these structures
 - fuselage turbulent BL passing over wheel-well cavities (cavity noise)
- High lift slats and flaps
 - scattering of BL turbulent
 eddies over their trailing edges
 - Turbulence impact on leading edges
 - turbulent flow over and in the vicinity of flap side-edge

Scaling of these sources~ U⁶





Source: Astley, Omega AOR Workshop 2008

Airframe noise control

Approach: Improved aerodynamics & low speed performance

- Fairings and simplified design of landing gears
- Liners for leading edge slots
- Brushes and porous edge treatments for flaps
- slat cove fillers

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Possible Flow control







Sources: Rushwald, Airport Noise Symposium 2002; Envia, ARMD Technical seminar, 2007

Prediction of landing gear noise



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Fan noise mechanisms



 $BPF = N \Omega$



Periodic events – Tones

- Rotor alone BPF, 2BPF,..
- Shock related buzz saw tones
- Rotor-stator interaction tones
- Inflow distortion tones

Random events – broadband noise

- Rotor and stator self noise
- Rotor-stator interaction noise
- Blade tip interaction noise
- Inflow distortion (turbulent gusts)

Fan speed optimization (geared fans)

Approach:

- Match fan tip speed to engine bypass ratio
- Reduce fan tip speed to minimize aerodynamic shocks ahead of fan rotor blades

Potential noise reduction:

- Fan tone noise 2 to 4 dB
- Fan broadband noise 1 to 3 dB

Key Issues:

- Aerodynamic performance of fan, compressor and LP turbine
- Geared Fan Penalties: weight, efficiency, maintenance, reliability & cost
- Broadband noise (white noise) limits possible reductions



Pratt & Whitney PW1000G

Fan noise control

At Source

- Low noise fan and OGV optimized for tones and buzz, optimization driven by 3D CFD
- Rotor sweep to minimize shocks ahead of fan blades
- Stator sweep and lean to reduce unsteady load & radiation efficiency
- Porous stator vanes

Potential noise reduction:

- Fan tone intake noise 2 to 4 dB
- Fan tone exhaust noise 1 to 3 dB

By acoustic/flow control

- Optimized and improved liner configurations for intake and bypass ducts and tip casing
- Active stators (plasma/MEMS)
- Blade tip blowing & VG on vanes





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Goldstein's acoustic analogy (1976)



Annular duct Green's function





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Fan Noise Predictions

Approach:

- Develop advanced computational models for predicting aerodynamics and noise of fan system
- Improved semi-analytic parametric design for BB





Posson et al., JFM 2010, vol.663; JSV 2010, vol.329

Analytical Fan BBN Predictions



Posson: good prediction upstream but low downstream Hanson: good prediction except at low frequencies

Numerical Fan Noise Predictions

URANS for tonal noise



LES for broadband noise



De Laborderie *et al, AIAA 2012* De Laborderie *et al, CFD-Canada 2013*

Potentially strong differences between URANS & LES Tonal and BB noise sources for Golstein's analogy Direct near-field acoustics

Combustion noise



Combustion indirect noise

Temperature fluctuations



Pressure fluctuations

LES in a combustion chamber (1 sector)



Ratio between direct and indirect noise



Modern turboengines (pressure ratio between 30 and 40)



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Open rotor noise



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Helicopter tail and main rotor





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Solution to FWH equation in free space

With the free field Green's function...

$$c_{0}^{2} \rho'(\vec{x},t) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial x_{i} \partial x_{j}} \int_{\mathcal{G}_{e}} \left[\frac{T_{ij}}{R|1 - M_{r}|} \right] d\vec{\eta}$$

$$-\frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} \int_{S} \left[\frac{P_{i}}{R|1 - M_{r}|} \right] dS_{\vec{\eta}} - \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{S} \left[\frac{\rho_{0} V_{n}}{R|1 - M_{r}|} \right] dS_{\vec{\eta}}$$

 $R = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{R} \end{vmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Distance to} \\ \text{the observer} \end{vmatrix}$ $M_r = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{V_s} \end{vmatrix} \cos \theta / c_0 \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Relatif Mach} \\ \text{number} \end{aligned}$ $\vec{P} \quad Pressure of blade on fluid$

S Surface

 $V_n = \vec{V_s} \cdot \vec{n}$ Normal velocity

The solution is expressed in a reference frame relative to the surfaces in motion. The sources are described in this reference frame. The surface kinematics (Doppler factor and normal speed) are defined w.r.t. a fixed reference frame of the observer. **The behavior of sources is clearly separated from their entrainment movement**. The bracket means an evaluation at the retarded time.



Strong wake-interaction on R2 and potential interaction on R1 Strong tip and horse-shoe vortices: secondary sources

New engine architectures



Improvement of fuel consumption

Will open rotors meet the future noise specifications (ACARE 2020 goals) ?

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Subsonic Fixed Wing Project Goals



Source: Envia, ARMD Technical seminar, 2007

N+1 Aircraft Noise Gains



Source: Envia, ARMD Technical seminar, 2007

N+2 Aircraft Noise Gains





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