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Outdoor Noise Propagation



- INTRODUCTION
- INPM - JASCO
- PROPAGATION MODELS
- SIMPLE RESULTS
- CONCLUSIONS

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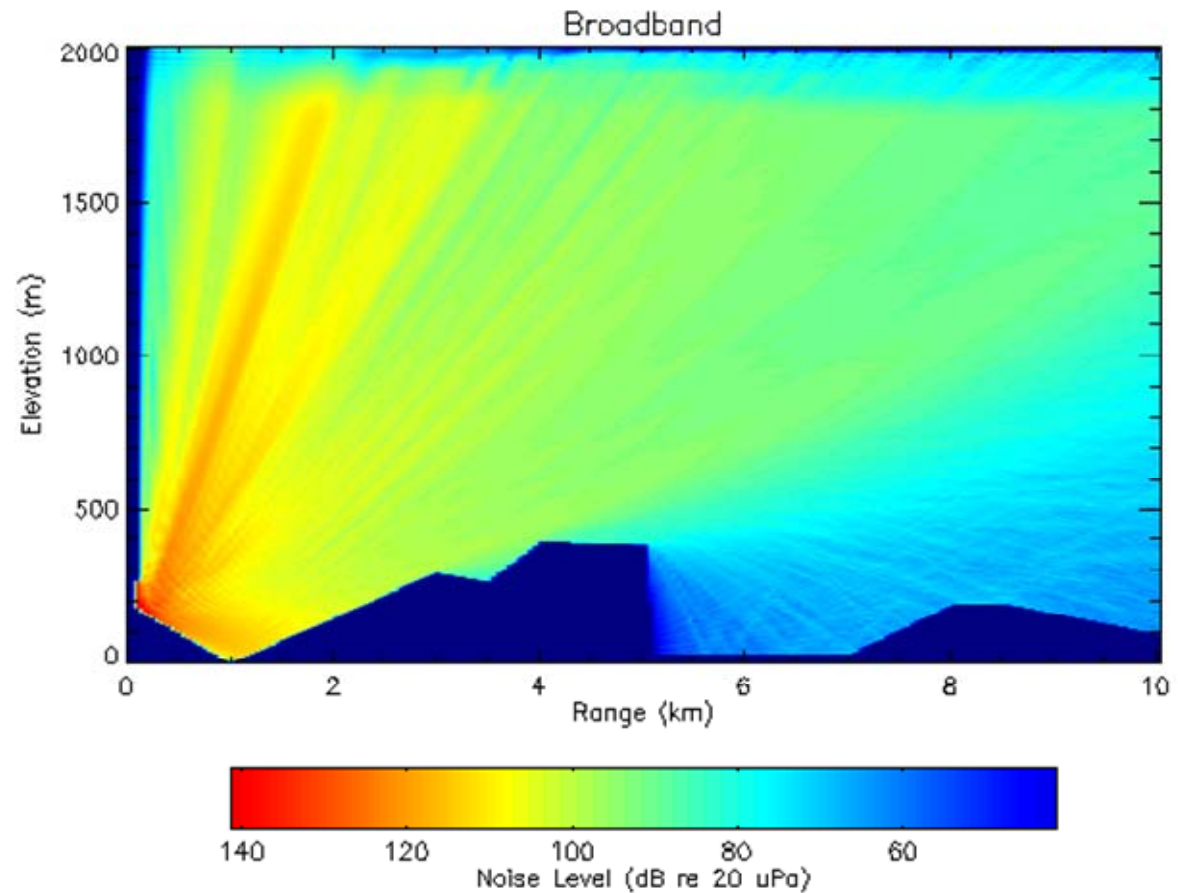
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- PWL
- ELEVATION DETAILS – dt0 and dt1
- ATMOSPHERIC DETAILS - BALLOON
- TURBULENCE
- GROUND DETAILS – flow resistivity

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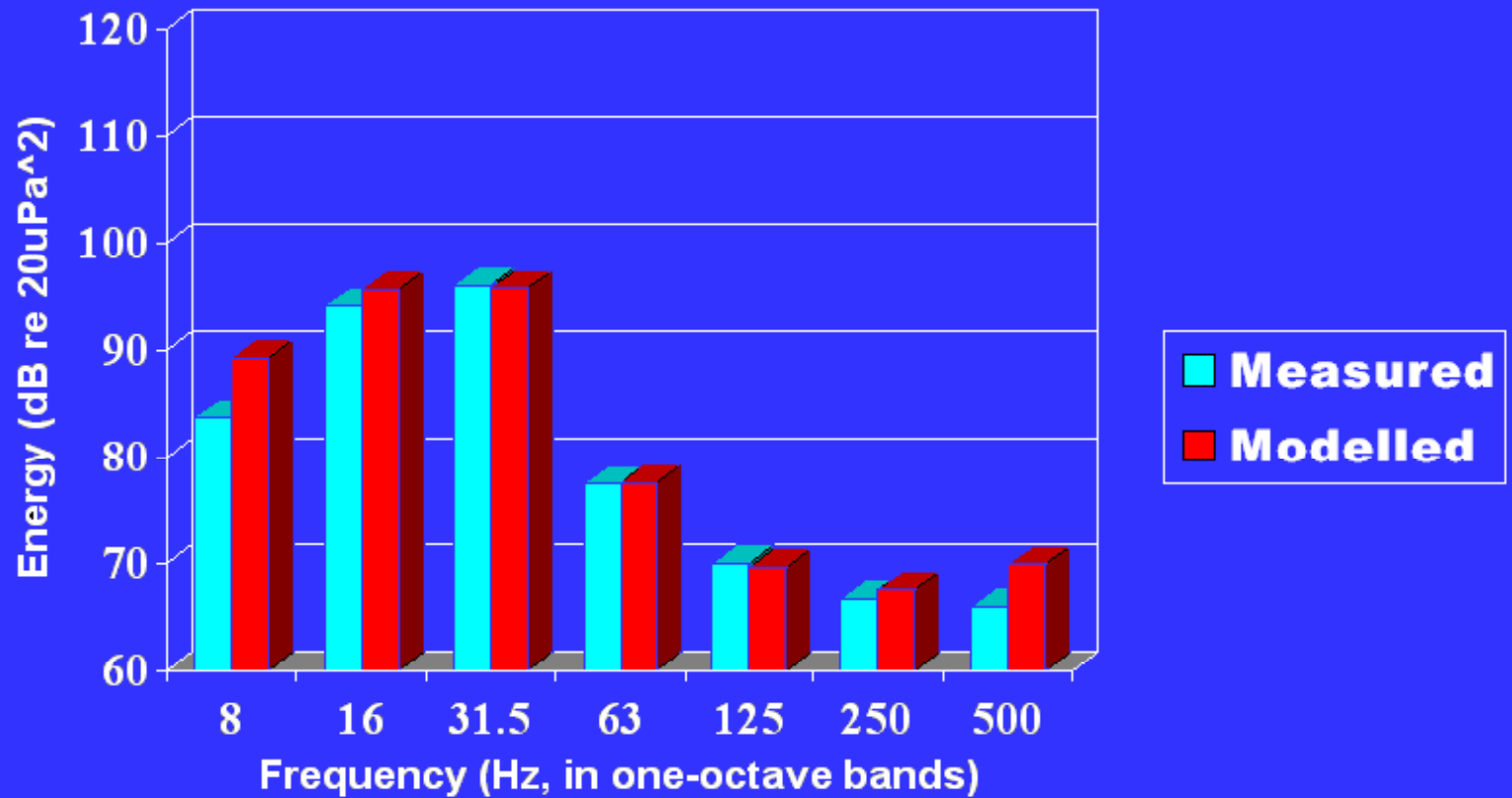
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6 lb explosive charge as recorded at 1.6km range. Propagation is over Land

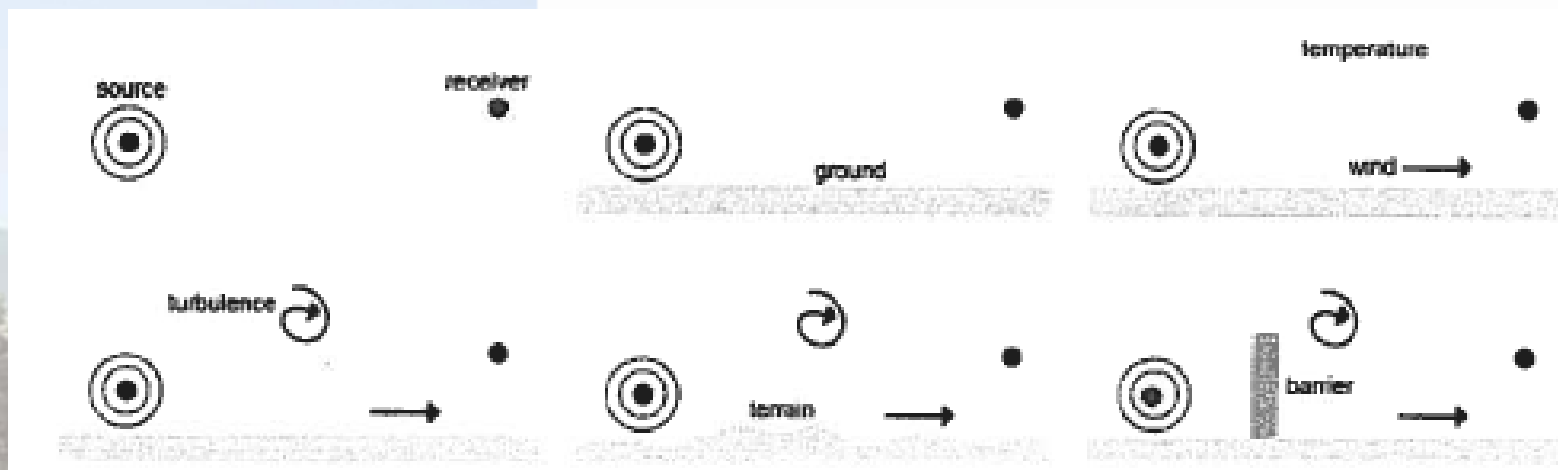


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PROPAGATION PARAMETERS



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- ENGINEERING METHODS
 - APPROXIMATE SEMI-ANALYTICAL METHODS
 - NUMERICAL METHODS

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APPROXIMATE SEMI-ANALYTICAL METHODS

- INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS
- SIMPLE ANALYTICAL SOLUTIONS OF WAVE EQUATIONS
- TRACKING OF METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS
- SIMPLE RAY TRACING METHODS

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NUMERICAL METHODS

- DIRECTION SOLUTION OF THE WAVE EQUATION
- FFP – PE METHODS
- SPECIFIC METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS
- NON-COMPLEX LEVEL TERRAIN CONDITIONS

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ENGINEERING METHODS

- ISO 9613 – PARTS 1 AND 2
- CONCAVE
- BRITISH STANDARD BS5228
- HARMONOISE-NORD2000

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ISO 9613 – PARTS 1 AND 2

$$L_T(DW) = L_w + D_c - A$$

$$A = A_{div} + A_{atm} + A_{gr} + A_{bar} + A_{misc}$$

A_{div} is the attenuation due to geometric divergence = **A1**;

A_{atm} is the attenuation due to atmospheric absorption = **A2**;

A_{gr} is the attenuation due to the ground effect = **A3**;

A_{bar} is the attenuation due to a barrier or topographic features = **A5**;

A_{misc} is the attenuation due to propagation through foliage, industrial sites, and housing.

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HARMONOISE AND NORD2000

- SPL IN 1/3 OCTAVE BANDS 25 Hz – 10 kHz
- FACTORS SOLVED SEPARATELY (MINUSED)
- BRITISH STANDARD BS5228

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HARMONOISE AND NORD2000

- A1 SAME
- A2 ISO9613(1) AND ADJUST FOR OCTAVE BANDS
- A3 - DELANEY AND BAZELY IMPEDANCE PARAMETER
- A4 – RAY PROPAGATION SOLUTIONS
- A5 – SEGMENTATION AND BETTER RESOLUTION

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WAVE MODEL

- WAVE SOLUTION
- BETTER GROUND EFFECT
- NO METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS

$$p(x, y, z) = \frac{e^{ikR_1}}{4\pi R_1} + R_p \frac{e^{ikR_2}}{4\pi R_2} + \left[(1 - R_p) F(w) \right] \frac{e^{ikR_2}}{4\pi R_2}$$

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EXAMPLE – ENGINEERING METHODS

Frequency, Hz	63	125	250	500	1000	2000	4000	8000	dB(A)
Octave band sound power level, dB	118	113	109	106	103	99	92	82	108

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ISO 9613-2	56.1	50.8	46.0	42.9	38.8	32.3	16.6	-	45
Wave Solution	58.4	52.5	44.6	40.3	38.7	31.6	20.8	-	44
Harmonoise	58.6	52.8	45.0	40.0	39.7	33.5	17.6	4.9	44



500 m; 1.5 m above hard ground

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ISO 9613-2	56.1	47.8	40.9	38.9	37.0	30.8	15.1	-	42
Wave Solution	59.7	52.0	43.3	40.4	37.1	30.0	18.9	-	43
Harmonoise	59.9	52.2	43.8	40.5	38.0	31.3	21.1	4.8	44



500 m; 1.5 m above grassland

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ISO 9613-2	46.5	41.0	35.4	31.1	25.3	14.0	-	-	33
Wave Solution	49.2	43.8	39.0	32.3	19.1	16.2	3.3	-	34
Harmonoise	49.4	44.1	39.6	33.1	19.0	19.1	3.4	4.9	35



1500 m; 1.5 m above hard ground

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Frequency, Hz	63	125	250	500	1000	2000	4000	8000	dB(A)
ISO 9613-2	46.5	36.8	30.4	27.1	23.5	12.5	-	-	29
Wave Solution	46.8	39.4	30.9	24.8	25.5	14.2	3.4	-	30
Harmonoise	47.1	39.8	31.5	25.0	26.6	17.0	5.7	4.9	31



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EXAMPLE – EXACT METHODS

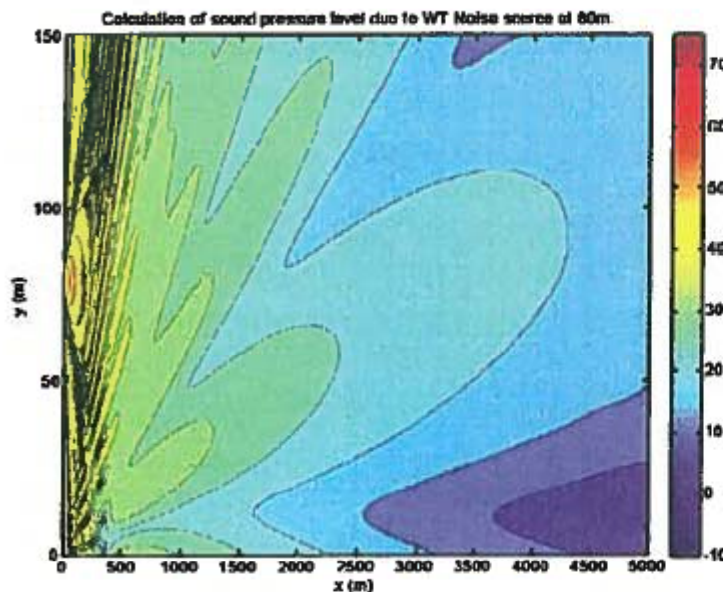
$$2ik_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} + k_0^2 (n^2(r, z) - 1)u = 0$$



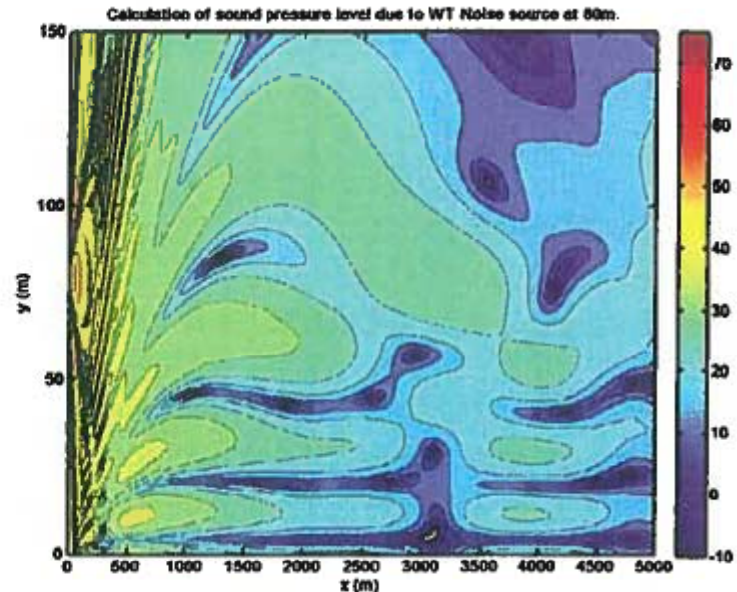
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EXAMPLE – EXACT METHODS



(a) Neutral conditions. $f = 63$ Hz

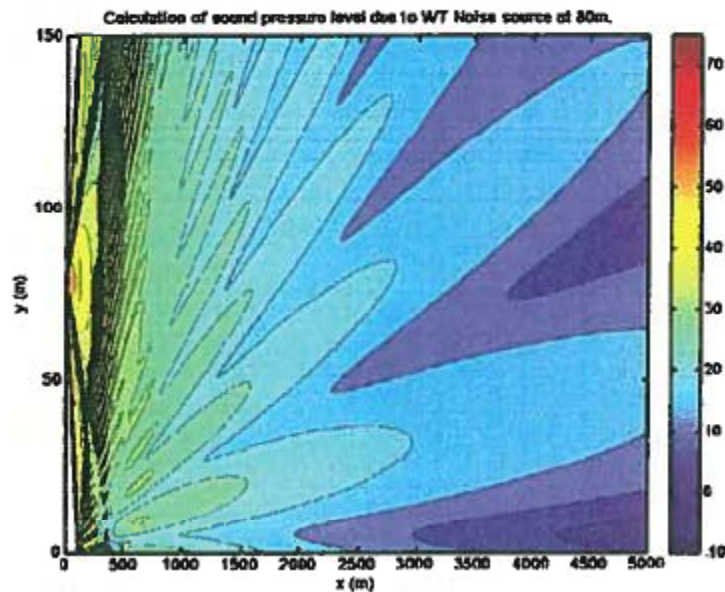


(b) Downwind conditions 8m/s at 10m. $f = 63$ Hz

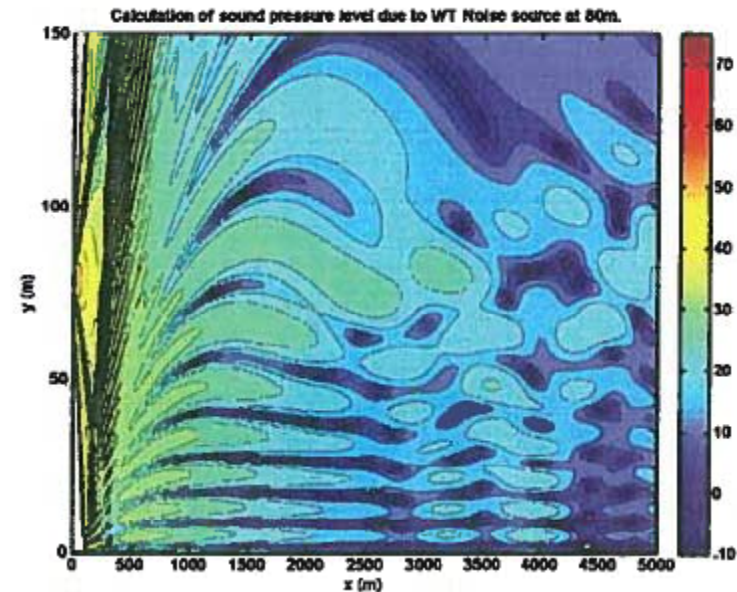
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EXAMPLE – EXACT METHODS



(c) Neutral conditions. $f = 125$ Hz



(d) Downwind conditions 8m/s at 10m. $f = 125$ Hz

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Characteristic	Engineering			Hybrid modelling methods		Numerical	
	NORD2000	HARMONOISE	ISO 9613	Approximate / analytical		PE	GFPE
				Ray tracing	WAVE		
Computing time (Present)	Fast	Fast	Fast	Fast	Fast	Slow	Medium
Accuracy (Relative)	High	High	Poor	Medium	Exact	Very good	Good
Ideal frequency range	All freq	All freq	All freq.	High frequency	All	Low frequency	Low and mid frequency
Range-dependent conditions	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES
Shadows and caustics	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Elevated sources	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO
Met Conditions	YES	YES	~	NO	NO	YES	YES
Banded freq	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO

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CONCLUSIONS

Any Questions?