On time domain methods for Computational Aeroacoustics

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Noise prediction by linear acoustic wave propagation

Noise source modelling + Noise propagation $\downarrow^{\downarrow}_{\forall}$ FW-H equation Kirchhoff integral Linearized Euler Equations Green's function

Time Domain Wave Packet (TDWP) method





sinusoidal wave (single frequency)

wave packet (broadband and mulch-frequency)

Proposed broadband acoustic test pulse function for source:



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Advantages of Time Domain Wave Packet (TDWP) method

- One computation for all frequencies (within numerical resolution) for linear problems
- Ability to synthesize broadband noise sources
- Acoustic source has a short time duration, so computation is more efficient than driving a time domain calculation to a time periodic state
- Separation of acoustic and hydrodynamic instability waves becomes possible

Long numerical transient state is avoided

Application Examples

1. Sound propagation through shear flows

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- 2. Vortical gust-blade interaction
- 3. Duct sound radiation problem

1. Sound source in a jet flow (a CAA Benchmark problem)



Single frequency source function:

$$S(x,y,t) = \sin(\Omega t) e^{-(\ln 2)(B_x \times^2 + B_y y^2)}$$

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Instability wave in a shear flow



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Instability wave in duct radiation computation



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Time Domain Wave Packet (TDWP) method

Separation of acoustic and instability waves:



Acoustic and instability waves travel at different speeds. An acoustic wave packet has a short time duration, it will be separated from the instability wave in time domain calculation, here $t_1 < t_2 < t_3$.

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Time Domain Wave Packet approach



Single frequency source function:

$$S(x,y,t) = \sin(\Omega t) e^{-(\ln 2)(B_x x^2 + B_y y^2)}$$

TDWP source function:

$$S(x, y, t) = \Psi(t)e^{-(|n_2|(B_x \times^2 + B_y y^2))}$$

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Frequency domain solution recovered by FFT

(Symbol: analytical; Line: computation)



2. Vortical gust-blade interaction



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Vortical gust imposition in TDWP



Example of time domain solution

(v-velocity and pressure, $\bar{u}_0 = 0.45$)



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Frequency domain solution by FFT (u-velocity and pressure)



Frequency domain solution (pressure magnitudes)



3. Duct mode imposition in TDWP



Pressure equation at in-flow region:

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + \bar{u}_0 \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \gamma \bar{p}_0 \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) = \phi_{mn}(y, z) \Psi(t) e^{-\sigma x^2}$$

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Example of time domain solution



Duct mode wave packet—exact solution



 $p(x, y, z, t) = \phi_{mn}(y, z)\hat{P}(x, t)$

$$\hat{P}(x,t) = \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \int_{-X}^{X} \int_{-T}^{T'} J_0\left(\bar{\lambda}_{mn}\sqrt{(t-\bar{t}')^2 - \bar{x}^2}\right) \frac{D}{Dt} \left[\Psi(t')e^{-\sigma x'^2}\right] dx' dt$$

$$\hat{P}(x,\omega) = \begin{cases} \frac{\omega^2}{2} \int_{-X}^{X} \int_{-T}^{T'} \frac{e^{-\bar{x}}\sqrt{\lambda_{mn}^2 - \omega^2}}{\sqrt{\lambda_{mn}^2 - \omega^2}} e^{i\omega\bar{t}'} \frac{D}{Dt} \left[\Psi(t')e^{-\sigma_X'^2} \right] dx' dt' & 0 < \omega < \bar{\lambda}_{mn} \text{ (cut-off)} \\ \\ \frac{\omega^2}{2} \int_{-X}^{X} \int_{-T}^{T'} \frac{ie^{i\bar{x}}\sqrt{\omega^2 - \bar{\lambda}_{mn}^2}}{\sqrt{\omega^2 - \bar{\lambda}_{mn}^2}} e^{i\omega\bar{t}'} \frac{D}{Dt} \left[\Psi(t')e^{-\sigma_X'^2} \right] dx' dt' & 0 < \bar{\lambda}_{mn} < \omega \text{ (cut-on)} \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha = \sqrt{1 - M^2}, \ \beta = \frac{M}{1 - M^2}, \ \overline{t}' = t' - \beta(x - x'), \ \overline{x} = |x - x'|/\alpha^2$$

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Time history (line: numerical, symbol:theoretical)



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Frequency domain solution



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NASA/GE Fan Noise Source Diagnostic Test



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Pressure equation at in-flow region:

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Pressure field obtained by FFT at 2BPF, 61.7% design speed Mode (-10,2) introduced at source plane inside duct



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Pressure field obtained by FFT at 3BPF, 61.7% design speed

Mode (-10,2) introduced at source plane inside duct



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Pressure field obtained by FFT at 4BPF, 61.7% design speed Mode (-10,2) introduced at source plane inside duct







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Far-field modal transfer function (2BPF) $\hat{P}_{mn} = \frac{P_{mn}}{A_{mn}}$



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Reciprocity Condition (forward and adjoint problems)



$$\frac{P_{mn}(\mathbf{r}',\omega)}{A_{mn}} = \alpha_{mn} \frac{\tilde{A}_{mn}^*}{\tilde{P}(\mathbf{r}',\omega)}$$

$$\left(\alpha_{mn} = \int_{D} \tilde{\phi}_{mn}^{*} \boldsymbol{A} \phi_{mn} dS = 4\pi \left(\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial k}\right)_{mn} \int_{r_{H}}^{R} \phi_{mn}^{2}(r) r dr\right)$$

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Adjoint solution, frequency domain at 2BPF



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Adjoint solution, frequency domain at BPF



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Adjoint solution, frequency domain at 3BPF



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Reciprocity condition (2BPF) $\frac{P_{mn}}{A_{mn}} = \alpha_{mn} \frac{\tilde{A}_{mn}^*}{\tilde{P}}$





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Comparison of modal transfer function $\frac{P_{mn}}{A_{mn}} = \alpha_{mn} \frac{\tilde{A}_{mn}^*}{\tilde{P}}$





Modal detection 1

• Far-field pressure

$$p(\mathbf{r}, \omega) = \sum_{m,n} A_{mn}(\omega) \hat{P}_{mn}(\mathbf{r}, \omega)$$
$$A_{mn} = A_{mn}^{(r)} + i A_{mn}^{(i)} = \text{Amplitude}$$

 $\hat{P}_{mn} = Modal$ transfer function

• Assume duct modes have no interference:

$$|p(\mathbf{r},\omega)|^2 = \sum_{m,n} |A_{mn}(\omega)|^2 \left| \hat{P}_{mn}(\mathbf{r},\omega) \right|^2$$
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• Minimization:

$$\sum_{i=38}^{51} \left(\sum_{m,n} |A_{mn}|^2 \left| \hat{P}_{mn}(\mathbf{r}_i, \omega) \right|^2 - P_i^2(\omega) \right)^2 = MIN$$
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Far-field SPL



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Summary

- Time Domain Wave Packet formulation can be used to eliminate the initial long transient state that is often required in single frequency formulation
- Computational time is reduced due to shortened time duration of the wave packet; the wave packet method is preferred for linear propagation problems even if only solutions at a few frequencies are of interest
- Solution of the adjoint problem provides a useful tool for verifying the numerical results of Euler equations