Pass by Noise Regulation as ECE R41 and ECE R51

- Vehicle Exterior Noise Engineering -

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Vehicle Exterior Noise Engineering

- "Exterior Vehicle Noise Engineering" is used to ensure that the vehicle fulfils the legislation requirements on maximum Pass-by noise levels.
- The reference test is the standardised Pass-by noise measurement done on a test track fulfilling the standard’s specifications.
- The recent update of the ISO 362 Pass-by standard has resulted in a more realistic but also more complex test procedure, so engineering work is more and more done as Indoor tests, where test conditions are highly repeatable.
- It should be noted, that the upcoming electrical vehicle has started work on a standard for minimum Pass-by levels, see also section on Hybrid – Electrical vehicles.

Main methodologies used are Pass-by testing (track and indoor), Noise Source Indentification (holography, beamforming) and various Source - and Path trouble-shooting tools used for in-depth contribution analysis.
Exterior Vehicle Noise Engineering

Driven by Pass-by legislation

Process:

**INITIAL INVESTIGATION**
- Field Pass-by
- Indoor Pass-by

**EXTERNAL SOURCE MAPPING**
- Holography
- Beamforming

**ROOT SOURCE CONTRIBUTION**
- Coherent Contribution
- Indoor Pass-by (modified vehicle)
- Source Path Contribution

**CONFORMANCE VALIDATION**
- Field Pass-by
Test Layout: Field and Indoor Pass-by

Field Pass-by Test

Indoor Pass-by in Semi-Anechoic Chamber

Microphone, L  Microphone, R

Vehicle Length = L

Microphone Spacing: 1 m
Pass-by noise sources

Increasing noise in the environment drives legislation to require lower pass-by levels

Powertrain (engine, intake, exhaust) is a main contributor to the pass-by noise

Typical sources contributing to Pass-by levels
figure 3 respective contributions of propulsion (engine) noise and tyre/road (rolling) noise for light vehicles (continuous line) and heavy vehicles (dashed line) on a dense surface.
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Standard and Regulation

Standard: Define how to measure in terms of conditions, facilities, environment, and procedure, i.e. ISO ####

Regulation: Define the noise limits based on the standard, in terms of physical unit, local situation, and requirement, i.e. UNECE/R ##

“ISO 362 defines the Pass-by test procedure as standard measurement, and R51/41 regulates the limits of sound level of the vehicle exterior noise, measured by ISO 362 standard procedure.”

- UNECE/R51, R41 Test Conditions & Limitations
Classification of Vehicles

- Category L: 4 wheels or less

- Category M: 4 wheels or more (passenger vehicles)
  - M1: less than 8 seats except driver’s seat
  - M2: more than 8 seats except driver’s, max. 5 tons
  - M3: more than 8 seats except driver’s, max. 5 tons or more

- Category N: 4 wheels or more (cargo vehicles)
  - N1: maximum allowance load 3.5 tons or less
  - N2: maximum allowance load 3.5 tons to 12 tons
  - N3: maximum allowance load 12 tons or more

ISO 362-1: Category M, N
ISO 362-2: Category L
**Category L**

- **L1, L2**: Mopeds – ISO 9645
- **L3**: Two-wheeled motor vehicles with an engine cylinder capacity greater than 50 cm³ or maximum speed greater than 50 km/h
- **L4**: Three-wheeled motor vehicles with an engine cylinder capacity greater than 50 cm³ or maximum speed greater than 50 km/h, the wheels being attached asymmetrically along the longitudinal vehicle axis
- **L5**: Three-wheeled motor vehicles with an engine cylinder capacity greater than 50 cm³ or maximum speed greater than 50 km/h, having a gross vehicle mass rating not exceeding 1 000 kg and wheels attached symmetrically along the longitudinal vehicle axis
- **L6**: Four-wheeled vehicles whose unladen mass is not more than 350 kg, not including the mass of the batteries in the case of electric vehicles, whose maximum design speed is not more than 45 km/h, and whose engine cylinder capacity does not exceed 50 cm³ for spark (positive) ignition engines, or whose maximum net power output does not exceed 4 kW in the case of other internal combustion engines, or whose maximum continuous rated power does not exceed 4 kW in the case of electric engines
- **L7**: Four-wheeled vehicles, other than those classified for the category L6, whose unladen mass is not more than 400 kg (550 kg for vehicles intended for carrying goods), not including the mass of the batteries in the case of electric vehicles, and whose maximum continuous rated power does not exceed 15 kW
ISO 362 Test Method

Meteorological conditions
5 ~ 40 °C, < 5 m/sec

Background noise
less 10 dB (15 dB recom.)

Table 1 — Correction applied to an individual measured test value

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<th>10</th>
<th>11</th>
<th>12</th>
<th>13</th>
<th>14</th>
<th>greater than or equal to 15</th>
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<td>Correction, in dB</td>
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Number of measurements
four consecutive measurements
ISO 362:2014 Test Procedure

Acceleration Test
4 Consecutive Measurements

Acceleration, Gear Weighting Factor

Accelerated Vehicle Noise Level

Constant Speed Test
4 Consecutive Measurements

Constant Speed Vehicle Noise Level

Report Noise Level
Regulations & Limit Values

Regulation 41, Noise emissions motorcycles (L Category)

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Noise Limit Values in Regulation R41

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<th>Limit value for L_{urban} in dB(A)</th>
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# Regulations & Limit Values

## Regulation 51, Noise emissions of M and N Categories of vehicles

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<td>Passenger’s car no more than 9 seats, goods-carrying car less than 2 tons</td>
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<td>Greater than 2 tons, not exceeding 3.5 tons</td>
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Acceleration Test

50 km/h at 0 meter

ISO 362:1998
ISO 362:2007
ASEP (Additional Sound Emission Provisions)

- ASEP is introduced to ensure pass by compliance in relevant driving scenarios

- ASEP is only applicable for the vehicles of categories M1, N1, L3

Example of ASEP procedure for Regulation 51 (see Reg. 51, Appendix 7 for details):
- 4 additional pass-by runs are required for every gear ratio, that leads to acceptable test results
  
  Run 1: \( P_1 \)  
  \( V_{aa} = 20 \text{km/h} \) (min) stable acceleration (no gearshift) \( \) (if not stable then \(+5 \text{ km/h}\)  
  Run 4: \( P_4 \)  
  \( V_{bb} = 80 \text{km/h} \) (max)  
  Run 2,3: \( P_2, P_3 \)  
  \( V_{bb,j} = V_{bb,1} + ((j - 1) / 3) \times (V_{bb,4} - V_{bb,1}) \) for \( j = 2 \) and \( 3 \)

- The results of each run \( L_{kj} \), where \( k \) is gear selection and \( j \) is run no, shall not exceed the limits below:
  \( L_{kj} \leq L_{\text{ASEP}_{kj}} + 2 \text{dB(A)} \)
  where, \( L_{\text{ASEP}_{kj}} \) is the standard pass by run SPL corrected for engine RPM – and gear ratio slopes
Measurement Conditions of ASEP for M1, N1

Vehicle Speed : \( V_{aa_{ASEP}} \leq 20 \text{km/h} \)

Acceleration : \( a_{WOT_{ASEP}} \leq 4 \text{m/sec}^2 \)

Engine Speed : \( n_{bb_{ASEP}} \leq 2.0 \times \text{pmr}^{0.222} \times s \) or \( n \leq 0.9 \times s \), which is lowest
\( \text{pmr} = \) the power to mass ratio in kW/t
\( s = \) the rated engine speed

Vehicle Speed :
if \( n_{bb_{ASEP}} \) is reached in one gear \( V_{bb_{ASEP}} \leq 70 \text{km/h} \)
in all other cases \( V_{bb_{ASEP}} \leq 80 \text{km/h} \)

Gears : \( k \leq \) highest gear measured in Annex II
\( k \) not first gear

Covering 99% of all the urban driving conditions
Measurement Procedure of ASEP

Four Runs of Each Gear $P_1$, $P_2$, $P_3$, $P_4$

Determination of Anchor Point $(L_{\text{anchor}, i}, n_{\text{anchor}, i})$

Calculation of $L_{\text{ASEP}, kj}$ Measurement $j$, Gear $k$

Calculation of $L_{\text{urban ASEP}}$

$L_{\text{anchor}, i} = L_{\text{WOT}, i, \text{annex II}}$

$n_{\text{anchor}, i} = n_{\text{bb, WOT}, i, \text{annex II}}$

$V_{\text{anchor}, i} = V_{\text{bb, WOT}, i, \text{annex II}}$

$L_{\text{ASEP}, kj} = L_{\text{anchor}, k} + (\text{Slope}_k - Y) * (n_{\text{bb, k, j}} - n_{\text{anchor, k}})/1000$

$L_{\text{ASEP}, kj} = L_{\text{anchor}, k} + (\text{Slope}_k + Y) * (n_{\text{bb, k, j}} - n_{\text{anchor, k}})/1000$

Evaluation of $L_{kj}$

$L_{kj} \leq L_{\text{ASEP, k, j}} + x$

$k_{\text{P, ASEP}} = 1 - (a_{\text{urban}} / a_{\text{WOT test ASEP}})$

$L_{\text{urban measured ASEP}} = L_{\text{WOT ASEP}} - k_{\text{P, ASEP}} * (L_{\text{WOT ASEP}} - L_{\text{CRS}})$

$L_{\text{urban normalized}} = L_{\text{urban measured ASEP}} - L_{\text{urban}}$

$L_{\text{urban ASEP}} = L_{\text{urban normalized}} - (0,15 * (V_{\text{bb ASEP}} - 50))$
Target Conditions

- Four test runs in each gear selection
- P1 with $V_{aa_1} = 20$ km/h
- P4 with $V_{bb_4} = 70$ km/h or 80 km/h
- P2, P3 Runs are:

$$V_{bb_j} = V_{bb_1} + ((j-1)/3)(V_{bb_4} - V_{bb_1}), j=2, 3$$

Where, $V_{bb_1} = $ Vehicle Speed at BB of test run P1
$V_{bb_4} = $ Vehicle Speed at BB of test run P4
Tolerance for $V_{bb_j} = \pm 3$ km/h
Measurement Procedure of ASEP

For every separate test run the following parameters shall be determined and noted:

- The maximum A-weighted sound pressure level of the both sides of the vehicle indicated during each passage of the vehicle between the two lines AA and BB, mathematically rounded to the first decimal place. \( L_{\text{wot},kj} \). If a sound peak obviously out of character with the general sound pressure level is observed, the measurement shall be discarded. Left and right side may be measured simultaneously or separately.

- The vehicle speed readings at AA and BB shall be reported with the first significant digit after the decimal place. \( V_{\text{aa,kj}}; V_{\text{bb,kj}} \)

- If applicable, the engine speed readings at AA and BB shall be reported as a full integer value. \( n_{\text{aa,kj}}; n_{\text{bb,kj}} \)

- The calculated acceleration shall be determined in accordance to the formulas in annex II \( a_{\text{WOT,test},kj} \).
Determinaton of Anchor Points in each Gear selection

Lower Anchor Point: Measurement in gear i, the maximum sound level \( L_{WOTi} \), the reported engine speed \( n_{WOTi} \) and vehicle speed \( V_{WOTi} \) at BB of gear ratio i of the acceleration test in Annex II.

\[
L_{anchor,i} = L_{WOTi, annex II} \\
n_{anchor,i} = n_{bb,WOTi, annex II} \\
V_{anchor,i} = V_{bb,WOTi, annex II}
\]

For measurements in gear ratio \( i+1 \) the anchor point consists of the maximum sound level \( L_{WOTi+1} \), the reported engine speed \( n_{WOTi+1} \) and vehicle speed \( V_{WOTi+1} \) at BB of gear ratio \( i+1 \) of the acceleration test in Annex II.

\[
L_{anchor,i+1} = L_{WOTi+1, annex II} \\
n_{anchor,i+1} = n_{bb,WOTi+1, annex II} \\
V_{anchor,i+1} = V_{bb,WOTi+1, annex II}
\]
Calculation of Slope

\[
\text{Slope}_k = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{s} (n_j - \bar{n})(L_i - \bar{L})}{\sum_{j=1}^{s} (n_j - \bar{n})^2} \quad \text{(in dB/1000 rpm)}
\]

With \( \bar{L} = \frac{1}{5} \sum_{j=1}^{n} L_j \);
\( \bar{n} = \frac{1}{5} \sum_{j=1}^{n} n_j \);

where \( n_j \) = engine speed measured at line BB

Calculation of the linear noise level increase expected for each measurement

The sound level \( L_{\text{ASEP},kj} \) for measurement point \( j \) in gear \( k \) shall be calculated using the engine speeds measured for each measurement point, using the slope relative to the specific anchor point for each gear ratio.

\[
L_{\text{ASEP},kj} = L_{\text{anchor},k} + (\text{Slope}_k \cdot Y) \times \frac{(n_{bb,kj} - n_{\text{anchor},k})}{1000}, \text{ for } n_{bb,kj} \leq n_{\text{anchor},k}
\]

\[
L_{\text{ASEP},kj} = L_{\text{anchor},k} + (\text{Slope}_k \cdot Y) \times \frac{(n_{bb,kj} - n_{\text{anchor},k})}{1000}, \text{ for } n_{bb,kj} > n_{\text{anchor},k}
\]

\( Y = 1 \)
Interpretation of Result

Every individual noise measurement shall be evaluated.

The sound level of every specified measurement point shall not exceed the limits given below:

\[ L_{kj} \leq L_{ASEP_{kj}} + x \]

- \( x = 3 \text{ dB}(A) \) for vehicle with a non-lockable automatic transmission or non-lockable CVT
- \( x = 2 \text{ dB}(A) + \text{limit value} - L_{\text{urban}} \) of Annex II for all other vehicles

If the measured sound level at a point exceeds the limit, two additional measurements at the same point shall be carried out to verify the measurement uncertainty. The vehicle is still in compliance with ASEP, if the average of the three valid measurements at this specific point fulfils the specification.
Calculation of $L_{\text{urban ASEP}}$

(a) calculate $a_{\text{WOT test ASEP}}$

(b) determine the vehicle speed $(V_{\text{bb ASEP}})$ at BB during the $L_{\text{WOT ASEP}}$ test;

(c) calculate $k_{\text{ASEP}}$ as follows: $k_{\text{ASEP}} = 1 - (a_{\text{urban}} / a_{\text{WOT test ASEP}})$ Test results where $a_{\text{WOT test ASEP}}$ are less than or equal to $a_{\text{urban}}$ shall be disregarded.

(d) calculate $L_{\text{urban measured ASEP}}$ as follows: $L_{\text{urban measured ASEP}} = L_{\text{WOT ASEP}} - k_{\text{ASEP}} * (L_{\text{WOT ASEP}} - L_{\text{CRS}})$
For further calculation, use the $L_{\text{urban}}$ from Annex II without rounding, including the digit after the decimal (xx.x).

(e) calculate $L_{\text{urban normalized}}$ as follows: $L_{\text{urban normalized}} = L_{\text{urban measured ASEP}} - L_{\text{urban}}$

(f) calculate $L_{\text{urban ASEP}}$ as follows: $L_{\text{urban ASEP}} = L_{\text{urban normalized}} - (0,15 * (V_{\text{bb ASEP}} - 50))$

(g) compliance with sound level limits: $L_{\text{urban ASEP}}$ shall be less than or equal to 3,0 dB.
Measurement Procedure of ASEP

Four Runs of Each Gear $P_1$, $P_2$, $P_3$, $P_4$

- $L_{anchor,i} = L_{WOT,i, annex II}$
- $n_{anchor,i} = n_{bb,WOT,i, annex II}$
- $V_{anchor,i} = V_{bb,WOT,i, annex II}$

Determination of Anchor Point ($L_{anchor}$, $n_{anchor}$)

- $L_{ASEP,k,j} = L_{anchor,k} + (Slope_k - Y) * (n_{bb,k,j} - n_{anchor,k})/1000$
- $L_{ASEP,k,j} = L_{anchor,k} + (Slope_k + Y) * (n_{bb,k,j} - n_{anchor,k})/1000$

Calculation of $L_{ASEP,k,j}$ for Gear $k$, Measurement $j$

Evaluation of $L_{kj}$
$L_{kj} \leq L_{ASEP,k,j} + x$

Calculation of $L_{urban ASEP}$

$$k_{P ASEP} = 1 - (a_{urban} / a_{WOT test ASEP})$$

$$L_{urban measured ASEP} = L_{WOT ASEP} - k_{P ASEP} * (L_{WOT ASEP} - L_{CRS})$$

$$L_{urban normalized} = L_{urban measured ASEP} - L_{urban}$$

$$L_{urban ASEP} = L_{urban normalized} - (0.15 * (V_{bb ASEP} - 50))$$
Measurement Conditions of ASEP for L3 (PMR>50)

Vehicle Speed: \( V_{aa_{ASEP}} \geq 20\text{km/h}, \quad V_{bb_{ASEP}} \leq 80\text{km/h} \)

Engine Speed:
- \( n_{aa_{ASEP}} \geq 0.1 \times (s-n_{idle})+n_{idle} \)
- \( n_{bb_{ASEP}} \) shall not exceed
  - \( 0.85 \times (s-n_{idle})+n_{idle} \) if \( pmr \leq 66 \)
  - \( 3.4 \times pmr^{-0.33}(s-n_{idle}) \) if \( pmr > 66 \)

\( pmr \) = the power to mass ratio in kW/t
\( s \) = the rated engine speed

- Automatic Transmission with non-lockable gear ratio exempted
Target Conditions

- Two additional test runs
- P1 with $V_{pp,1} = 50\text{km/h}$
- P2 with $V_{bb,2} \leq 80\text{km/h}$
  
  \[
  n_{bb, ASE} \text{ shall not exceed (applicable to } 2^{nd}, 3^{rd}, 4^{th} \text{ gear)}
  \]
  \[
  0.85 * (s-n_{idle}) + n_{idle} \quad \text{pmr} \leq 66
  \]
  \[
  3.4 * \text{pmr}^{-0.33} * (s-n_{idle}) \quad \text{pmr} > 66
  \]
  \[
  \text{pmr} = \text{the power to mass ratio in kW/t}
  \]
  \[
  s = \text{the rated engine speed}
  \]

Limit Levels

- $L_{wot,(i)} + (0 * (n_{pp} - n_{wot,(i)}/1000)+3$ for $n_{pp} < n_{wot,(i)}$
- $L_{wot,(i)} + (5 * (n_{pp} - n_{wot,(i)}/1000)+3$ for $n_{pp} \geq n_{wot,(i)}$

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- $L_{wot,(i)} + (1 * (n_{pp} - n_{wot,(i)}/1000)+3$ for $n_{pp} < n_{wot,(i)}$
- $L_{wot,(i)} + (5 * (n_{pp} - n_{wot,(i)}/1000)+3$ for $n_{pp} \geq n_{wot,(i)}$
M, N Category

Test room requirements

- General
Hemi-anechoic space with the same effective propagation characteristics as an open space.

- Room dimensions
The minimum-room-length (external dimension) should be chosen as follows: 20m (original length of test track) + length of longest vehicle to be tested + 2 x thickness of absorbing elements + 2 x \( \frac{3}{4} \) of the wavelength of the cut-off frequency (2 x distance from the outer microphones to the absorbing walls)

The width of the room is dependent on whether it is a single-sided facility or a dual-sided facility.

- Acoustical qualification of the room
The free field should meet the demands of ISO 3745. The low-frequency cut-off is dependent of the lowest frequency of interest. Additional to ISO 3745 the free field conditions along the measuring microphones must be fulfilled and documented.

level being measured in the test cell (see 8.5).

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**ISO 362-3**: Measurement of noise emitted by accelerating road vehicles - Engineering method – Indoor Test Method

- **Condition of the floor**
  The absorption-coefficient of the floor must be less or equal as defined in ISO 10844.
  Acoustical coupling of cavities must be avoided.
  - **Cooling, ventilation, air temperature, exhaust gas management**
    The room-temperature must be within the limits as defined in ISO 362-1 (5° - 40°C).
    Vehicle-cooling must be managed in a way that the measurements are not influenced by noise emitted by the cooling-system.
    The exhaust system of the vehicle must be fully exposed to the acoustic space.
- **Background noise**
  In accordance with ISO 362 the unit should be designed to be quiet enough to be 15 dB below the lowest maximum

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- **Dynamometer requirements**
  - **Type of texture (rollers)**
    The texture of the rollers must be rough enough to transfer the torque of the tested vehicle under the required conditions.
  - **Diameter of the rollers**
    The diameter of the rollers of a 4-wheel-dyno is limited by the shortest wheelbase of the objects to be tested.
  - **Reproducibility of the pass-by-dynamic**
    The response time of the dyno must be equal or lower than the response time of the vehicle under testing conditions.
  - **2-wheel-operation or 4-wheel-operation**
    Under discussion
  - **Noise emission limit under operating conditions**
    The noise, emitted by the roller bench under operating conditions (without vehicle on the rollers) inclusive the noise caused by air handling, vehicle cooling, etc., must be low enough not to influence the expected noise levels of interest.

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- **Test procedures**
  - **General**
  Acoustic data from each of the measuring microphones are acquired and stored to computer memory as time histories. At the same time, data are acquired to quantify the vehicle speed and engine speed during the test. These various sources of information are combined, based on a trigger signal relating to line AA' of the test track when the accelerator throttle is applied.

  - **Microphone array – Hard- and Software**
  It must be ensured that the calculating method of the Overall Sound Pressure Level is able to deliver values within certain accuracy every 0.2m along the test track (the minimum requirement is 30 readings per second). Therefore the density of the microphones must be coordinated with the algorithm of the calculation method.

  - **Test-object fixing system**
  The fixing system should be small enough to avoid disturbance of the sound field

  - **Conditions of the vehicle**
  Same as ISO 362

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ISO 16254: Acoustics — Measurement of Minimum Noise Emitted by Road Vehicles

- **Field Test**
- **Full vehicle indoor hemi anechoic testing**

Cut-off frequency of 100 Hz or lower. The test facility shall meet requirements of ISO 3745, Annex A, or ISO 26101, when published.

In the vicinity of the microphone, there shall be no obstacle that could influence the acoustic field and no person shall remain between the microphone and the noise source. The meter observer shall be positioned so as not to influence the meter reading.
Test Report

- Reference to this International Standard;
- Details of the test site, site orientation and weather conditions including wind speed, air temperature, wind direction, barometric pressure, and humidity; or if an indoor facility is used, description of the facility including dimensions and cut-off frequency of facility;
- The type of measuring equipment, including the windscreen;
- The A-weighted sound pressure level typical of the background noise;
- The identification of the vehicle, its engine, its transmission system, including available transmission ratios, size and type of tires, tire pressure, tire production type, power, test mass, vehicle length and location of the reference point;
- The auxiliary equipment of the vehicle, where appropriate, and its operating conditions;
- All valid A-weighted sound pressure level values measured for each test, listed according to the side of the vehicle and the direction of the vehicle movement on the test site;
- All valid frequency measurements for each test;
- The technology content of the vehicle’s propulsion system (e.g. internal combustion engine, stop/start, battery electric, hybrid, plug-in hybrid, extended-range electric, fuel cell);
- Any special test or vehicle conditions or settings reflective of the technology content listed in above.

* NOT RELEASED YET, Coming soon

Free field (over reflecting plane) conditions

Not drawn to scale

Mic Left

50 m

10% Absorption: Propagation Area

8% Absorption: Driving Lane

Min. of 3m wide
And 40m long

7.5m from road centrel ine

Microphones positioned 1.2m above ground directed horizontally normal to track centrel ine

Drive Lane

Propagation area

Test Area 20m
4.4 Proving the requirements

For sound absorption, texture, geometrical and stiffness compliance, the first point shall be chosen randomly (not on the same axis) and the subsequent measurements shall be performed at 5 m intervals to cover the whole track.

All measurements shall be made along the total length of the drive lane in each wheel track.

For checking the surface properties of the propagation area, take at least two measurements randomly chosen on each side.

In addition, sound absorption of the propagation area shall be measured at both sides of the drive lane at half way of the microphone location in the vicinity of the line PP'.
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Field Pass-by

- Turnkey system for pass-by measurements
- Scalable solution from Low cost Conformance Test System to advanced solution with complete data collection in one pass-by measurement:
  - noise and vibration spectra, orders, position, velocity, RPM and throttle (gas pedal) position along with other parameters
- Fulfils the latest ISO 362 revision
- Simple 3 step operation makes the systems very easy to use:
  - Acquisition Setup, Session Setup, Measure
Field Pass-by 2: Ground station with 2 Channel telemetry

Testing of Motorcycles

Ground station

2 Signals from the vehicle via telemetry

Also available with LAN-Xi front-end
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Noise Source Identification (NSI) Introduction

• The objective of NSI is to identify the major noise sources on an object in terms of:
  
  – Position
    – From where is noise radiated?
  – Frequency content
    – What are the characteristics of the noise?
  – Quantify contributions
    – How important is it?
  – Root causes
    – What is its origin?
  – Impact
    – What effect does it have?

Using an accelerometer or HATS reference for correlation
Noise Source Identification: technologies and uses

• The versatile PULSE Array Acoustics Suite supporting a number of acoustic Beamforming and Holography technologies covers a wide range of use cases:
  - large and small test objects
  - stationary and moving noise sources
  - analysis at stationary conditions; vs rpm/speed/position/crank angle
  - mapping of sound pressure/ power/intensity/Sound Quality Metrics

• Exterior noise engineering applications
  - Moving Source Beamforming ("Pass-by")
  - Holography investigations of powertrains
    - Analysis vs rpm, crank angle etc
  - Holography investigations of tyres
Road Vehicles, Moving Source Beamforming Introduction

- ISO SPL vs Position calculation from an array microphone
- Contour plot showing sound pressure level as a function of vehicle position on track
- Preview in calculation Setup speeds up the analysis process
- Validation of Total Contribution vs ISO SPL
- A-weighting both in calculation and in display
- Line diagram showing maximum sound pressure levels as a function of vehicle position on track
- Multiple planes showing 3D mapping of data. This representation is only relevant for vehicles with open structures such as trucks
Road Vehicles, Moving Source Beamforming: System setup

- Road Vehicle Moving Source Beamforming used as a stand-alone system
- Can also be combined with standardised Pass by test
Example: Mapping versus Position

Test Process

- Prepare system incl. easy to carry and set up lightweight array system
- Record microphone signals as vehicle is passing by
- Process and analyze data
  - Inspect spectrum at max SPL
  - Select critical frequency range
  - Select important radiation areas
  - Map noise radiation in critical frequency range of selected areas vs position

Frequency selection
Contribution analysis
ISO reference curve

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Moving Source Beamforming Summary

Noise Mapping versus vehicle position

Mapping of planes from the side, front and top of the vehicle

Time domain implementation of beamforming

Doppler corrected results
Component Contribution analysis

Easy comparison with pass-by ISO 362 measurements
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Indoor Pass-by testing

Purpose
To make a simple and reliable tool for development, troubleshooting

Function
Must also be available in rooms where the size does not allow to set up the microphones in 7.5m distance from the center-line

Assumptions
The noise is coming from one point (i.e. acoustical center) independent of frequency
Microphones are placed in the far field so the distance law can be used i.e. for every doubling of distance the level will decrease with 6dB

Corrections
To make better comparison with the real measurement Doppler effect correction is used
Tyre noise correction delivers more accurate representation of tyre noise
Conventional Indoor Pass-by

- Large hemi-anechoic room
- Pass-by result: Total vehicle vs position (level or spectra)
Indoor Pass-by using Simple Vehicle Model

- Smaller hemi-anechoic room
- Pass-by result: Total vehicle vs position (level or spectra)

Assumptions:

1) Noise coming from one acoustical center – can be one center per side - independent of frequency

2) Microphone arrays placed in far-field
   Arrays can be straight lines or curved to support room geometry
The time signals from the individual pass-by array microphones are added together and Doppler corrected to synthesize the two (left and right) ISO microphone signals.

A normal Pass-by calculation is subsequently done on the synthesized signals.
Tyre Noise Correction of Indoor Pass-by data

1. Test: Indoor Pass-by Run-up w. Tyre noise on C/D
2. Test: Indoor Pass-by Coast – down w. Tyre noise on C/D (x-axis aligned)
3. Result: Indoor Pass-by Run-up on C/D without Tyre noise
4. Test: Tyre noise Coast Down at Proving Ground (X-axis aligned)
5. Result: Indoor Pass-by Run-up with Tyre noise correction

The tyre noise measured on the chassis dyno is replaced with tyre noise measured on the test track.

Benefit:
Evaluate the Pass-by noise from a range of tyres on one vehicle by applying tyre noise from track tests to Indoor results.
Why Indoor Pass-by testing

- Indoor Pass-by testing cannot yet replace the field conformance test, but the method offers a number of advantages in the product development phase
  - Repeatable
  - Flexible
  - Fast
  - Easy to use
  - Precise Test Condition, Engine and Vehicle conditions
  - Stable Test Environments
  - Easy Comparison
  - Contribution Analysis of Vehicle Components
  - ...and Indoor!
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Pass-by: Comparison of Indoor vs Field Pass-by Results

Similar results is standardised Field Pass-by and Indoor Pass-by Tests
Indoor Pass-by: Comparison of microphone spans

Time domain method:
Same result with half the number of microphones

Microphone Span: 1m vs 2m
Indoor Pass-by: Validation of Distance Correction

Distance correction using extrapolation

Accurate Results in smaller rooms!
Different Microphone Distances Evaluation (7.5, 6.5, 5.5m, Motorcycle)

SPL Left Side

Spectra Left Side

Speed Profile

Engine RPM Profile
Indoor Pass-by:

- Main conclusions:
  - Indoor system can accurately reproduce results from proving ground tests
  - Indoor system has higher reproducibility of tests
  - High reproducibility is particularly a challenge with the test procedure outlined in the new ISO 362 standard

Joint Paper with Nissan, JSAE 2008
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Source Path Contribution (driver’s position):
Determine accurately the NVH contribution at the driver’s position

- Source Path Contribution (SPC) is a set of methods for estimating and ranking noise & vibration contributions between sources and receivers by analyzing the source levels and noise paths
- SPC answers these questions:
  - Which inputs are important?
  - Which noise paths are most critical?
  - How do noise paths interact?
  - Is it a system (path) or source problem?

Source-path-receiver concept
Measurement of acoustical path sensitivities
Reciprocal method using volume velocity source
Source Path Contribution (SPC): Pass by position

Contributions from the noise sources can also be accurately estimated at the ISO Pass-by positions.
Indoor Pass-by: with optional Contribution analysis

Indoor Pass-by with Contribution Analysis

Contribution Analysis (Exterior Source Path Contribution)
- Perform efficient, year round Pass
  By development by ranking contributions from the main noise sources
  » Results in the ISO microphone positions vs vehicle position and speed
  » Sum of contributions may be compared with measured total to validate component contributions
  » System designed for routine testing done by technicians
Indoor Pass-by/Contribution Analysis

Truck example:
Noise source contributions to the Pass-by positions

- Exterior noise modeling using SPC (time-domain)
- Pass-by result: Total vehicle level and source contributions

- Source: acoustic point sources model
- Path: airborne path from source to receiver
- Contribution: at PB receivers
Indoor Pass-by / Contribution Analysis

**Truck example:**
Overall and Individual Source Contributions:
Engine and Gearbox are main contributors at max SPL

**Data validation:**
Comparison of sum of contributions with total reference measurement gives certainty in results
Indoor Pass-by/Contribution Analysis: Summary

- Comprehensive, integrated Indoor Pass-by / Contribution analysis solution
  - Can be configured to various room sizes
  - Tyre Noise Correction allows substitution with tyre noise measured on track
  - Time domain processing allows handling of transients and aural evaluation of contributions
  - Sum of contributions may be compared with measured total to validate component contributions
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Exterior Noise Summary:
Conformance, Diagnostics, Contribution Analysis, Sound Quality

• Field pass-by:
  – 3 steps easy to use, flexible and robust
    – Cars, trucks, motorcycles, tyres...

• (Field) Beamforming Pass-by:
  – Fast, Powerful source localisation
    – Developed in cooperation with Truck mfg

• Indoor Pass-by / Exterior SPC:
  – Easy, Accurate contribution analysis
    – developed in cooperation with car mfg
    – Cars, trucks, motorcycles

• Exterior Sound Simulator:
  – When Sound Quality is critical
Conclusion

- Legislation and technology drive the limits for exterior noise emissions.

- High value business so accuracy and reliability is essential.

- Complex sources to investigate thus different advanced techniques are used to identify them in the Pass-by scenario.
  - Beamforming and Source Path Contribution

- Manufacturers want to know which source is the next problem
  - Not only the primary source is of interest

- With the start of EV/Hybrids exterior noise design is becoming sound quality design, but the approach is used for conventional powertrain vehicles as well.