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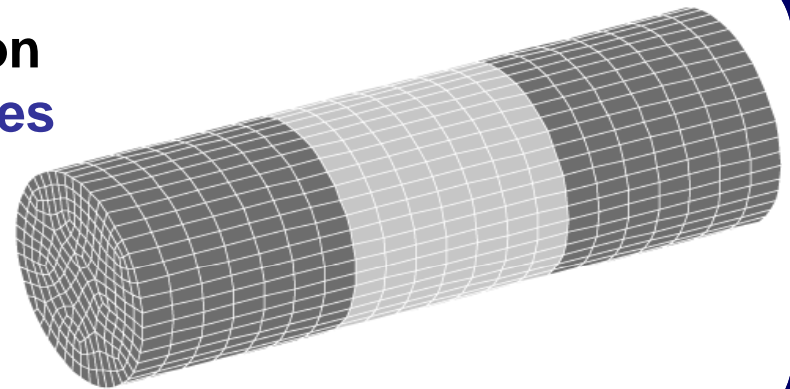
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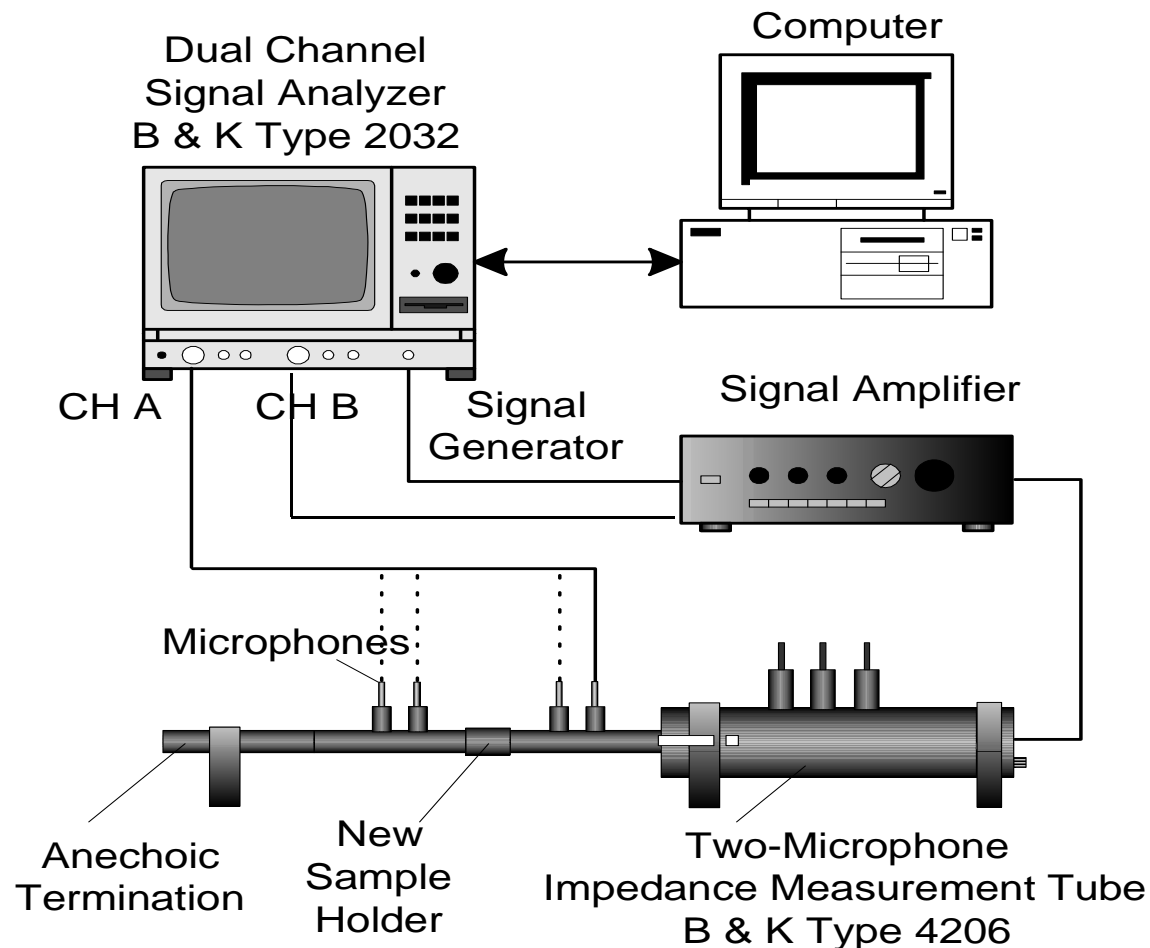


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# Introduction

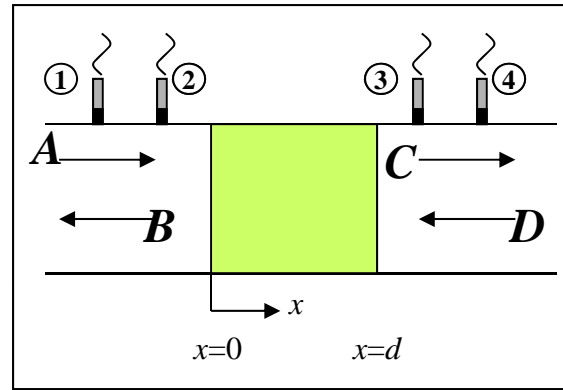
- **Why:** Investigation of edge constraint effect on samples placed in a modified standing wave tube (B. H. Song et al., JASA 1999, In Press; J. S. Bolton et al., SAE 1997).
- **How:** Comparison of TL and impedance measurements with FEM predicted results using an axisymmetric model COMET / SAFE (Y. J. Kang et al., JASA 1999). Demonstration of how the materials' mechanical and physical properties control TL
- **What:** Implications for design of low frequency noise control barriers following from constraint of porous lining materials around their edges.

# Experimental Setup High Frequency Tube



- **2.9 cm diameter samples, 7.5 cm deep**
- **Aviation grade glass fiber, 9.61 Kg/m<sup>3</sup>**

# Transfer Matrix Approach I



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

$$T_{11} = T_{22} \quad (\text{symmetry})$$

$$T_{11}T_{22} - T_{12}T_{21} = 1 \quad (\text{reciprocity})$$

**Four Equations**

- Solve for transfer matrix elements

## Transfer Matrix Approach II

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 + R_a \\ \frac{1 - R_a}{\rho_0 c_0} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_a e^{-jkd} \\ \frac{T_a e^{-jkd}}{\rho_0 c_0} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Anechoic Reflection Coefficient**

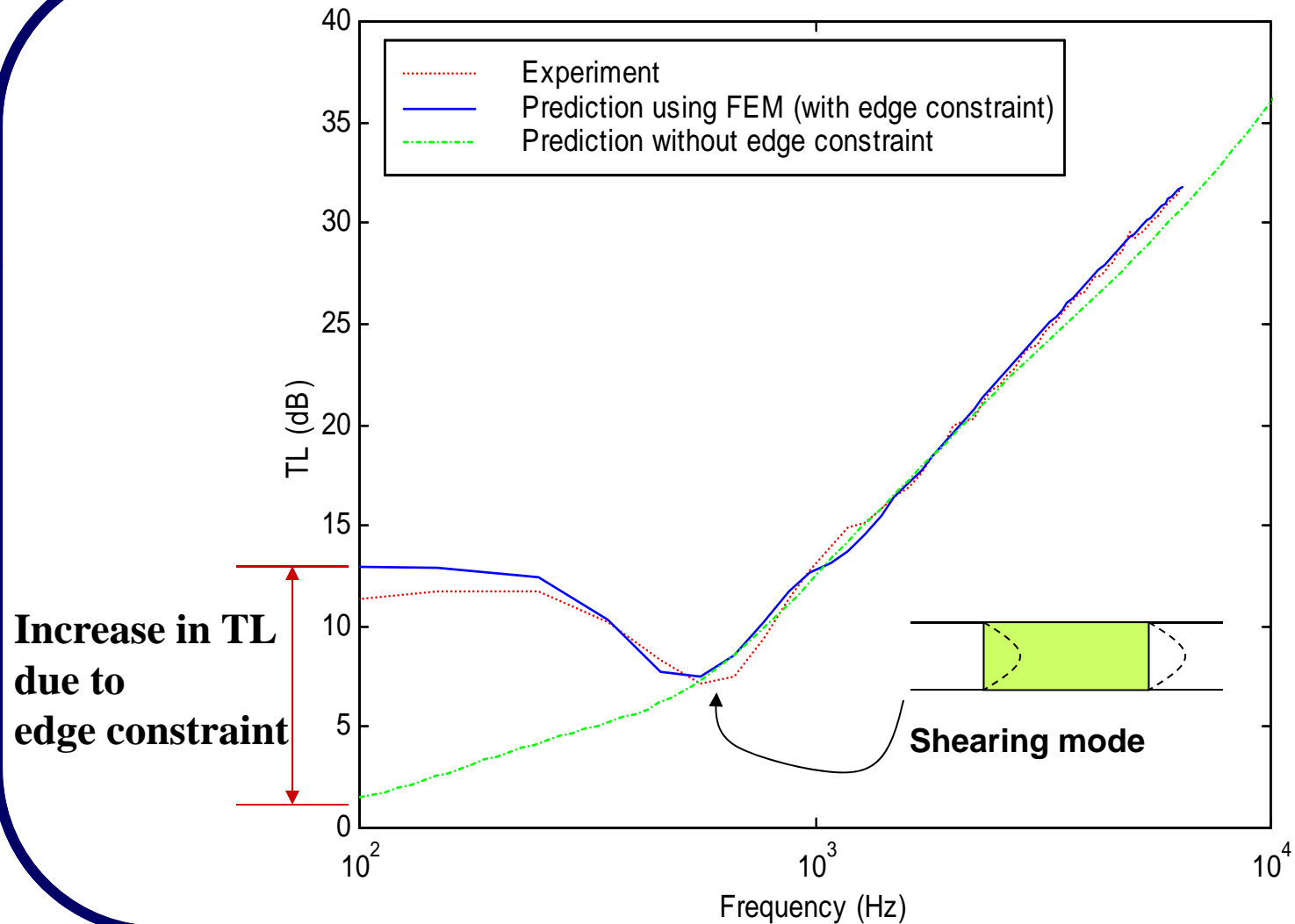
$$R_a = \frac{T_{11} + \frac{T_{12}}{\rho_0 c} - \rho_0 c T_{21} - T_{22}}{T_{11} + \frac{T_{12}}{\rho_0 c} + \rho_0 c T_{21} + T_{22}} \quad \rightarrow \quad \alpha = 1 - |R_a|^2$$

$$Z_n = \frac{1 + R_a}{1 - R_a}$$

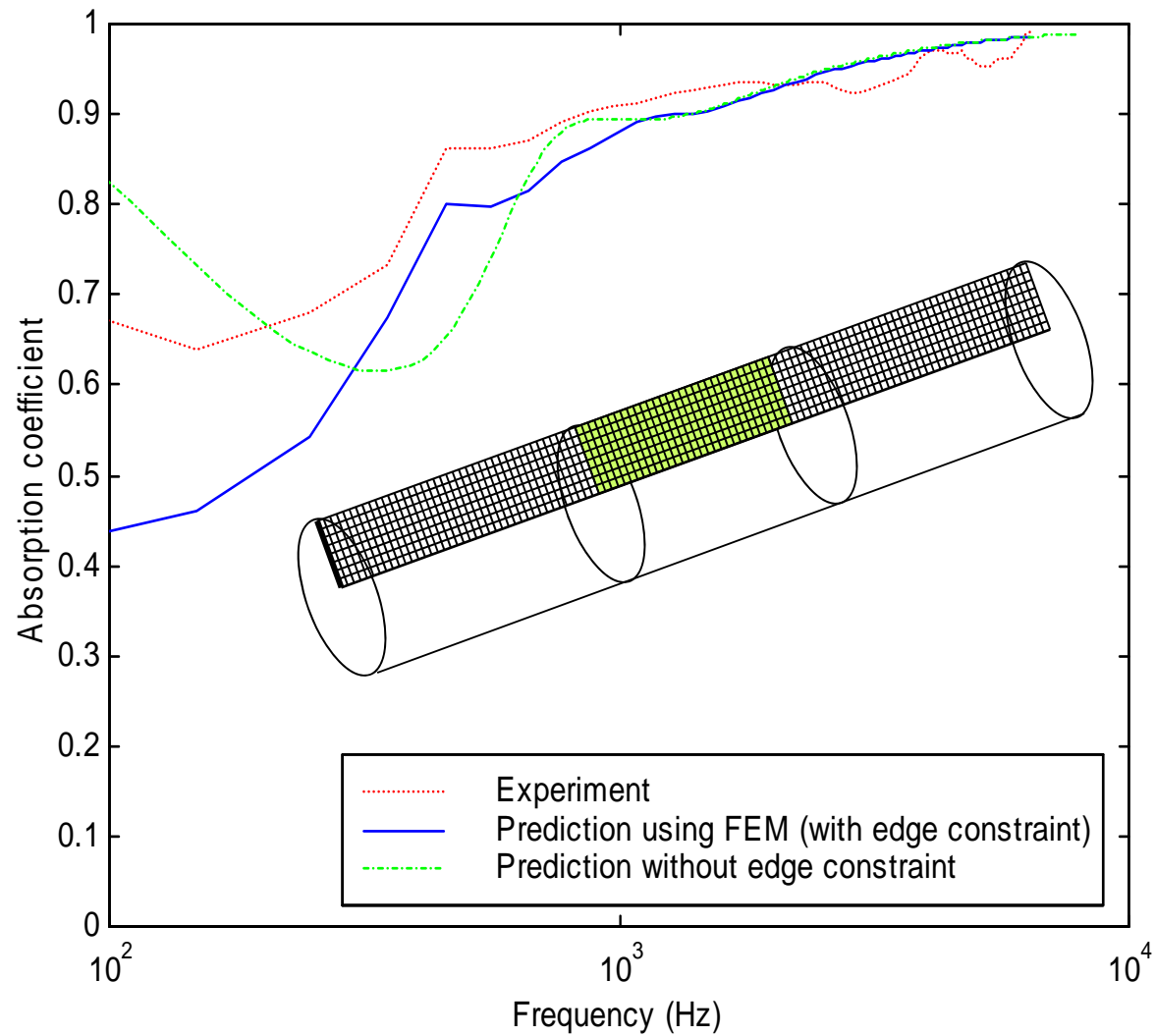
- Anechoic Transmission Coefficient**

$$T_a = \frac{2 e^{jkd}}{T_{11} + \frac{T_{12}}{\rho_0 c} + \rho_0 c T_{21} + T_{22}} \quad \rightarrow \quad TL = 10 \log(1/|T_a|^2)$$

# Anechoic Transmission Loss

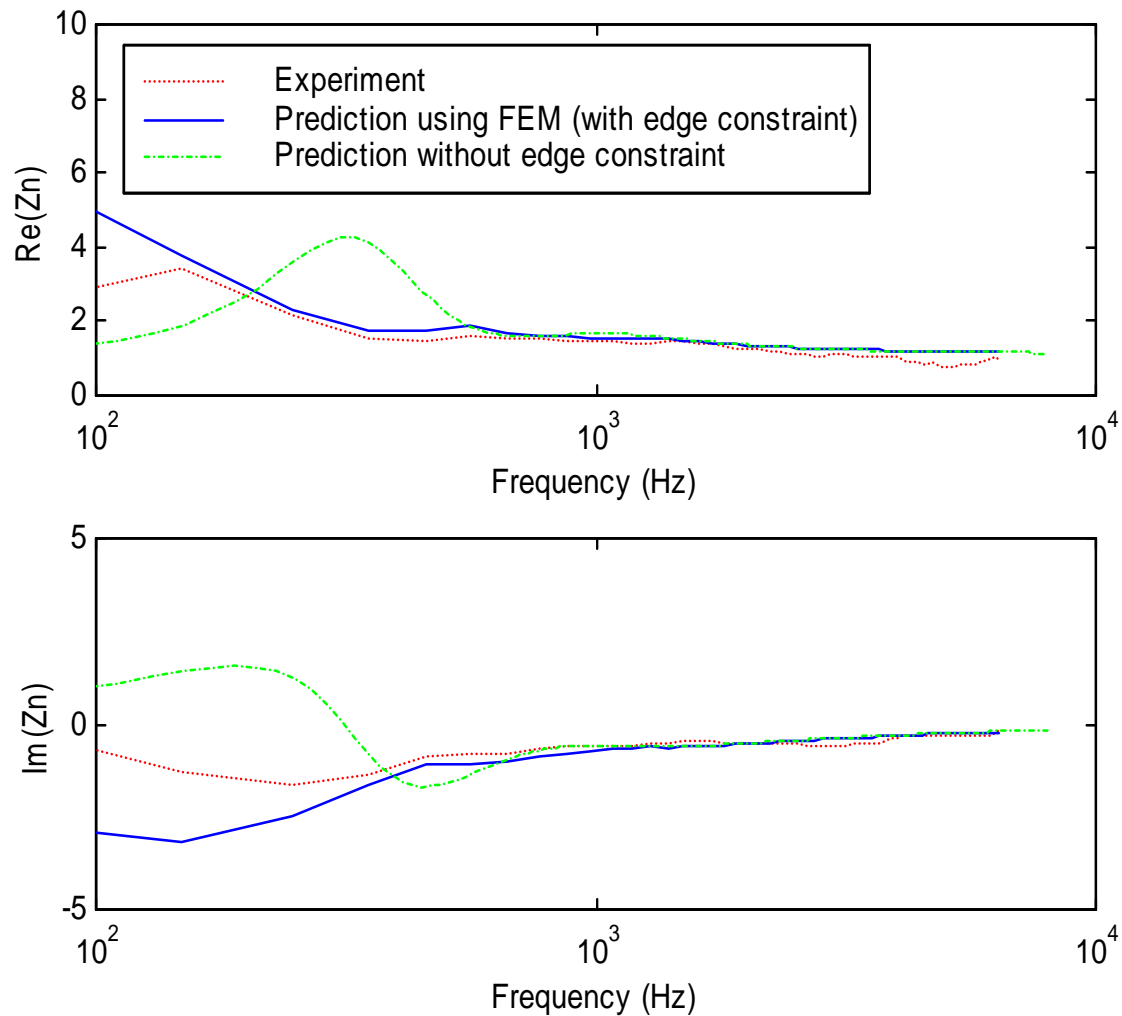


# Anechoic Absorption Coefficient





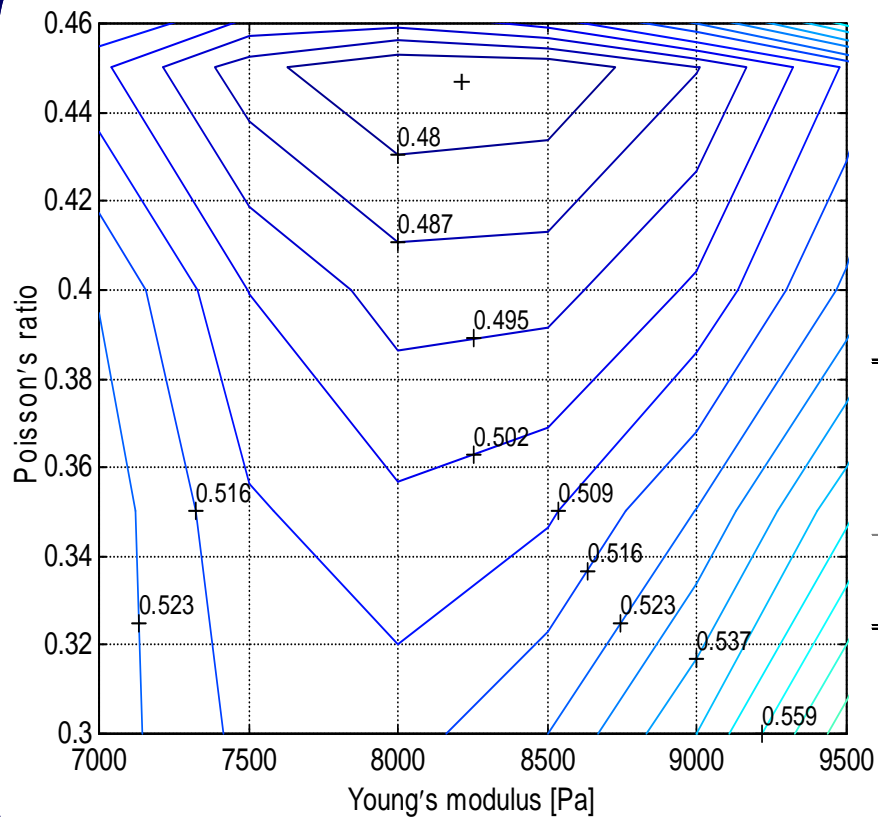
# Surface Normal Impedance



- **Change from mass-like reactance to stiffness reactance**

# Estimation of Material Mechanical Properties

## • Error surface



+ Minimum location

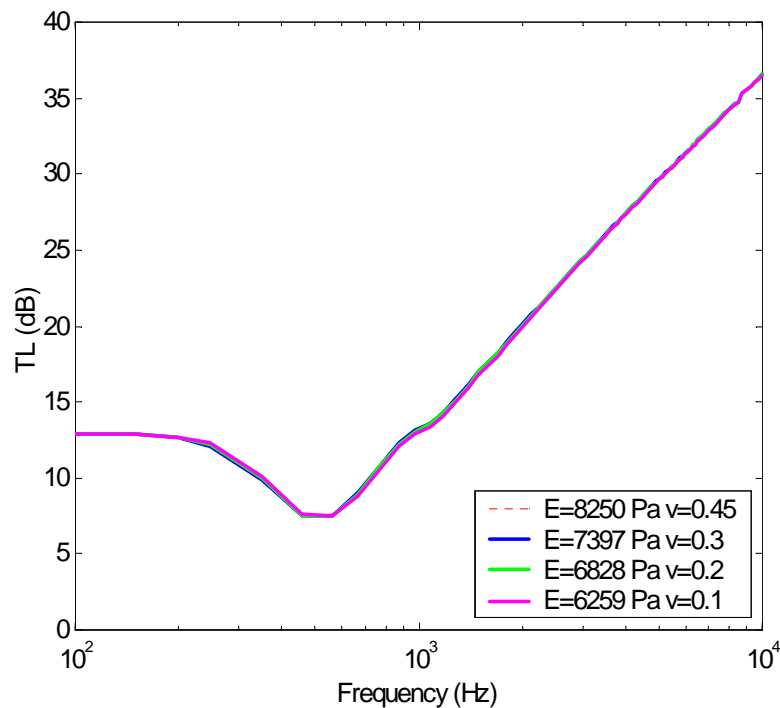
## • Objective Function

$$J = \sum_i \frac{|\alpha_{m_i} - \alpha_{FEM_i}|^2}{\alpha_{m_i}^2} + \sum_i \frac{|\text{TL}_{m_i} - \text{TL}_{FEM_i}|^2}{\text{TL}_{m_i}^2}$$

Bulk density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Measured / Predicted Flow resistivity (MKS Rayls/m)	Porosity	Tortuosity	Young's modulus (Pa)	Loss factor	Poisson ratio
9.61	24400 / 40000	0.99	1.1	8250	0.5	0.45

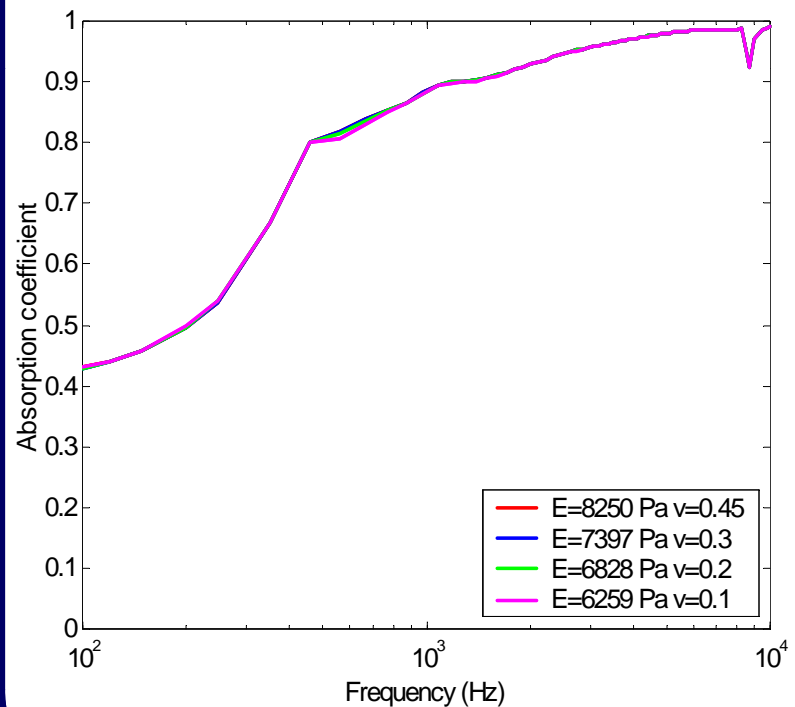
## Transmission Loss

- **Shear modulus** controls minimum location in TL curve



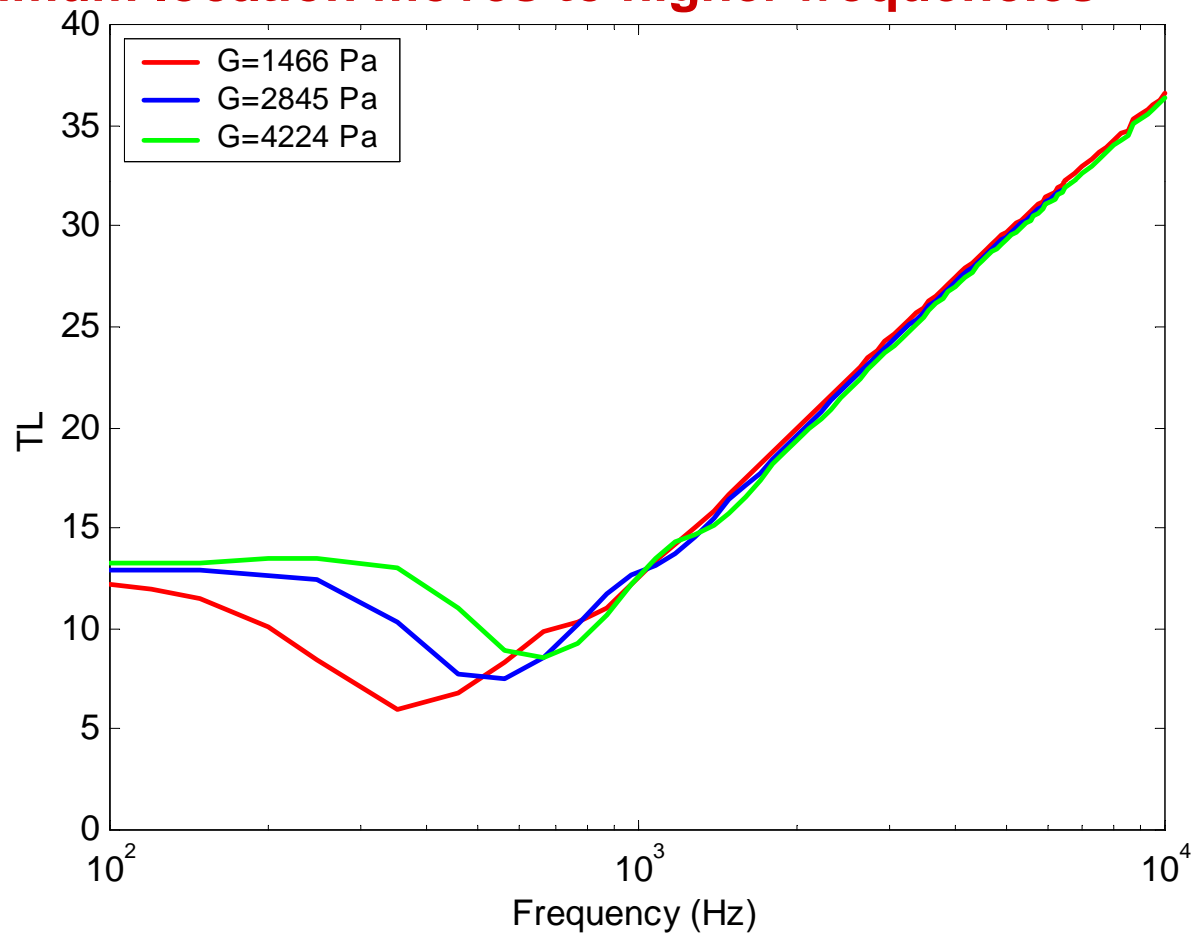
## Absorption Coefficient

- $G = E/2(1+\nu)$   
= 2845 Pa



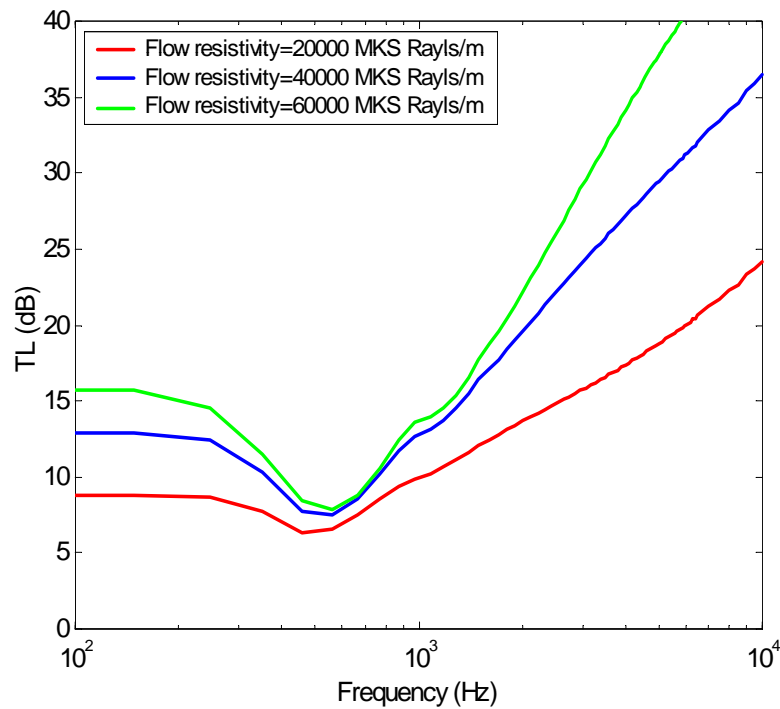
## Variation of Shear Modulus

- **As shear modulus increases, the minimum location moves to higher frequencies**



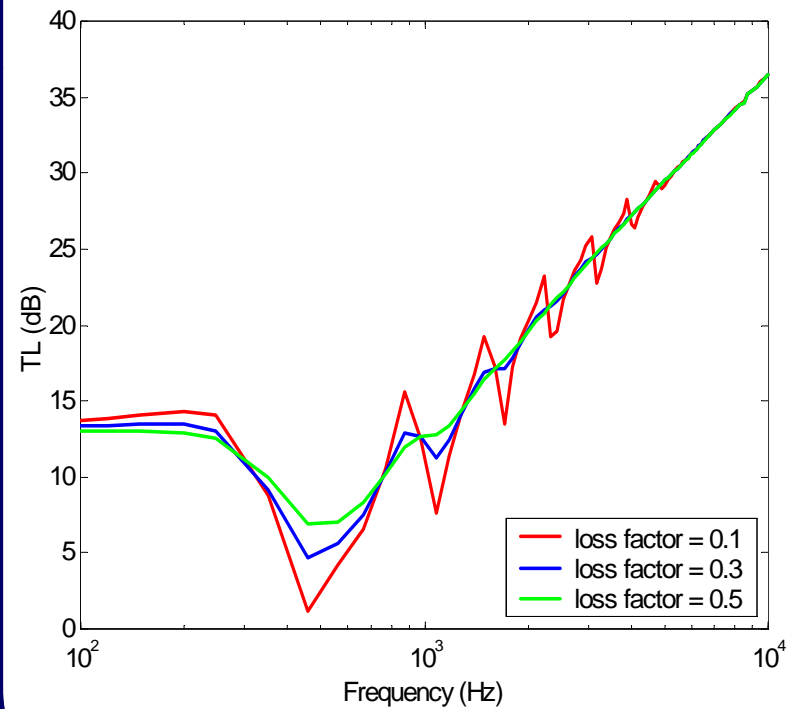
## Flow Resistivity

- Flow resistivity controls TL in low and high frequency limit



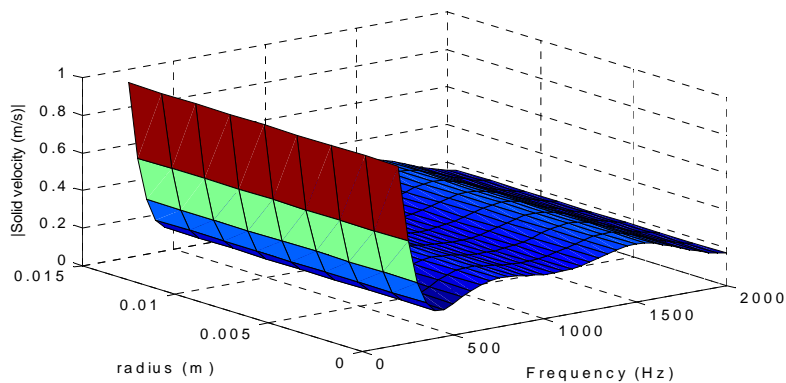
## Loss Factor

- Loss factor controls depth of TL minimum

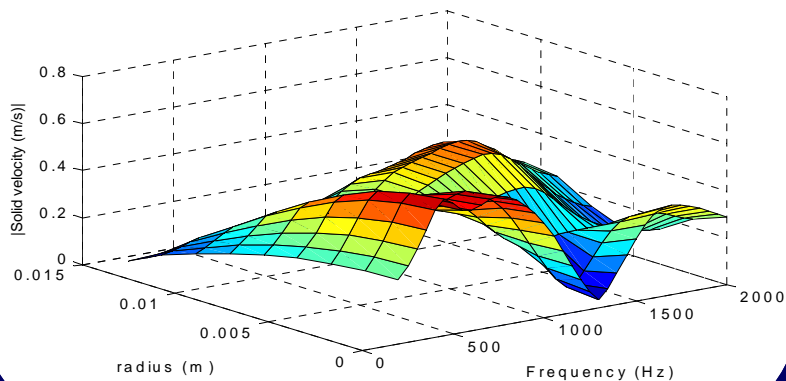


# Axial Particle Velocity at the Front of Sample

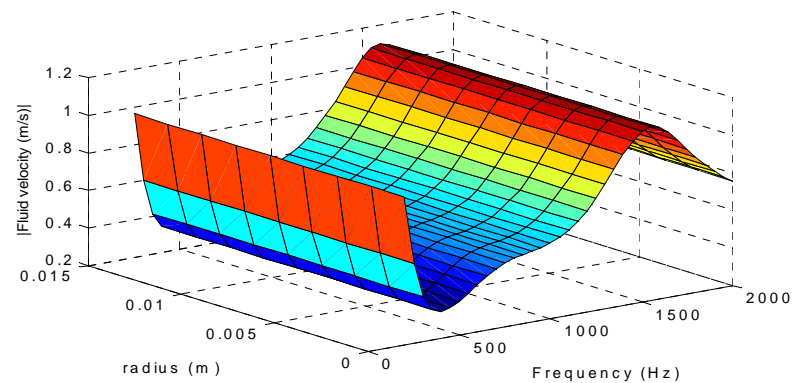
- **Solid phase (unconstrained)**



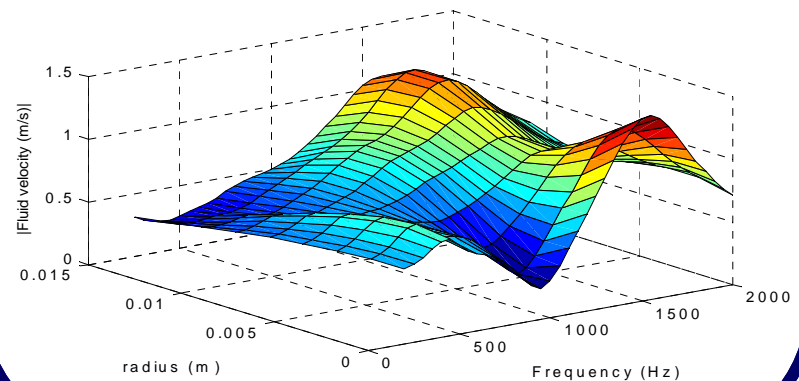
- **Solid phase (constrained)**



- **Fluid phase (unconstrained)**

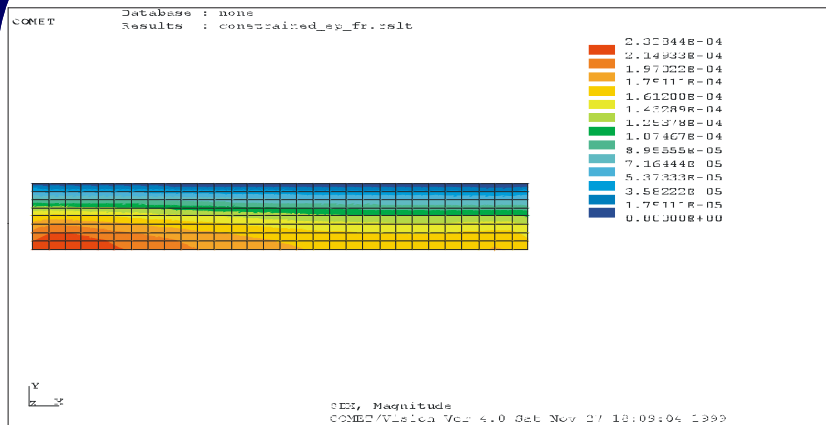


- **Fluid phase (constrained)**

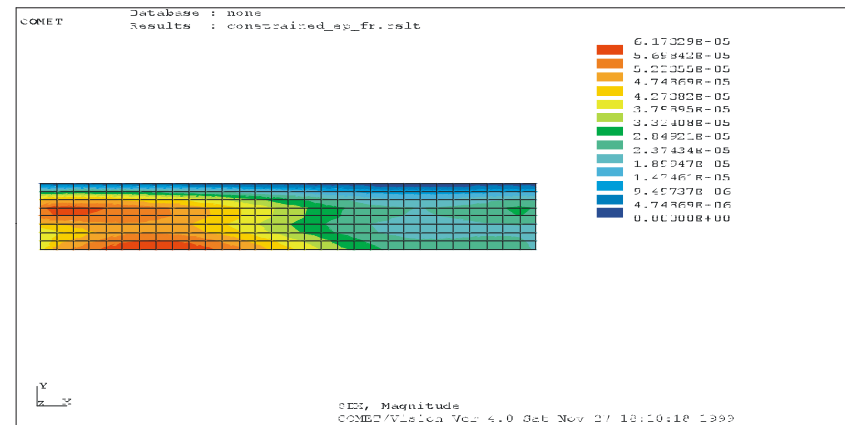


# Solid Phase of Constrained Sample (SDX)

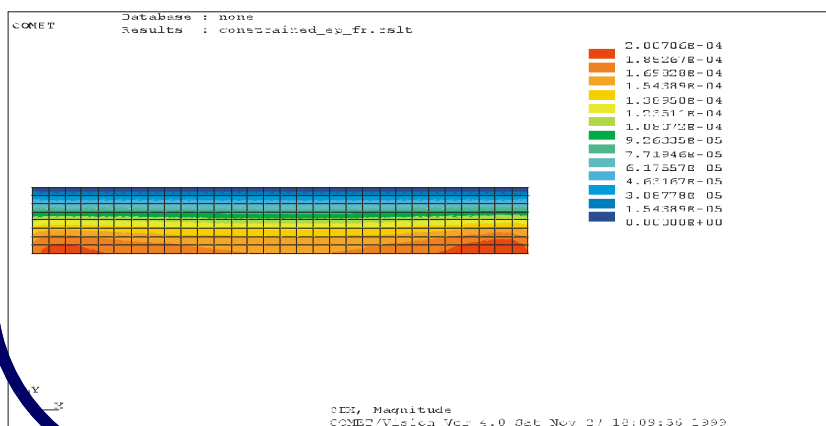
## • 200 Hz



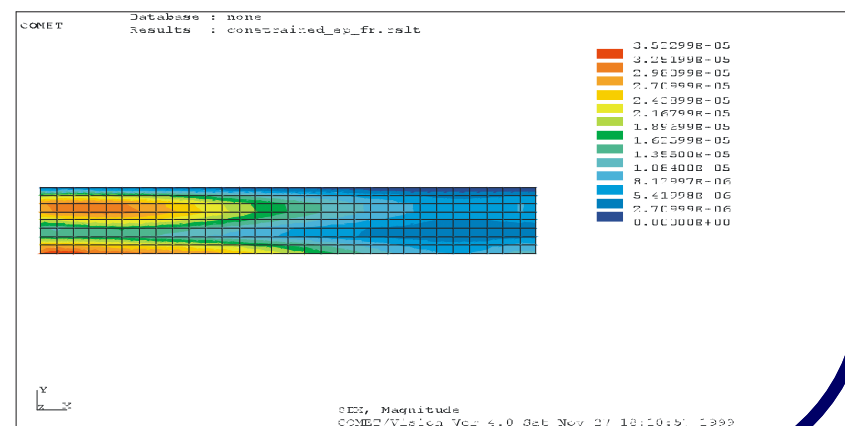
## • 1100 Hz



## • 500 Hz

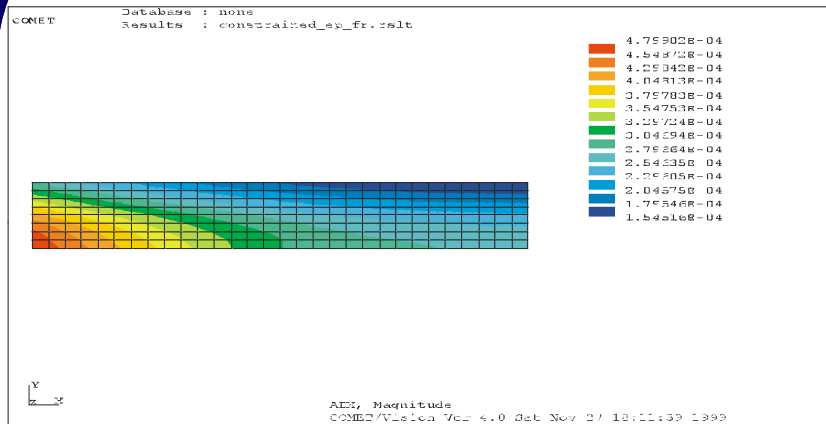


## • 1800 Hz

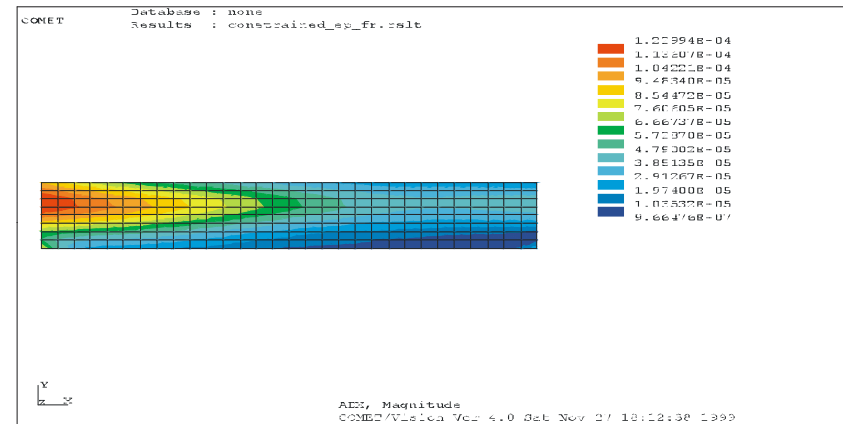


# Fluid Phase of Constrained Sample (ADX)

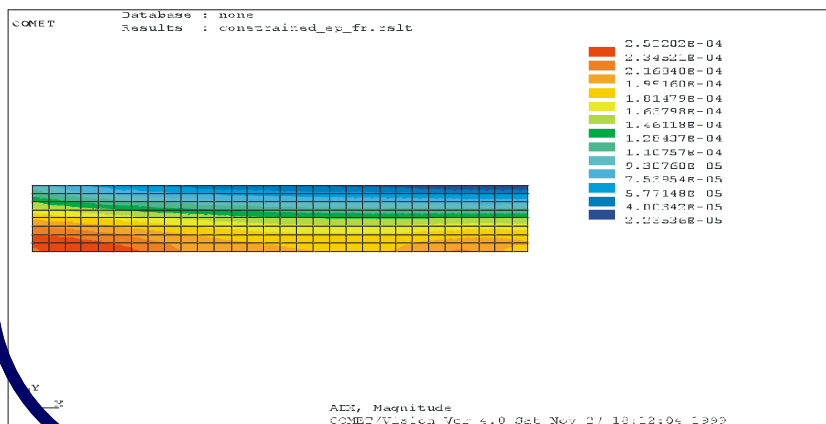
## • 200 Hz



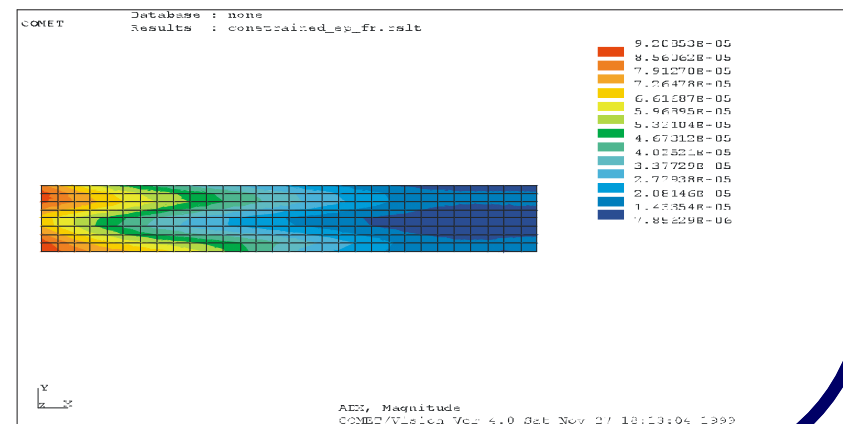
## • 1100 Hz



## • 500 Hz



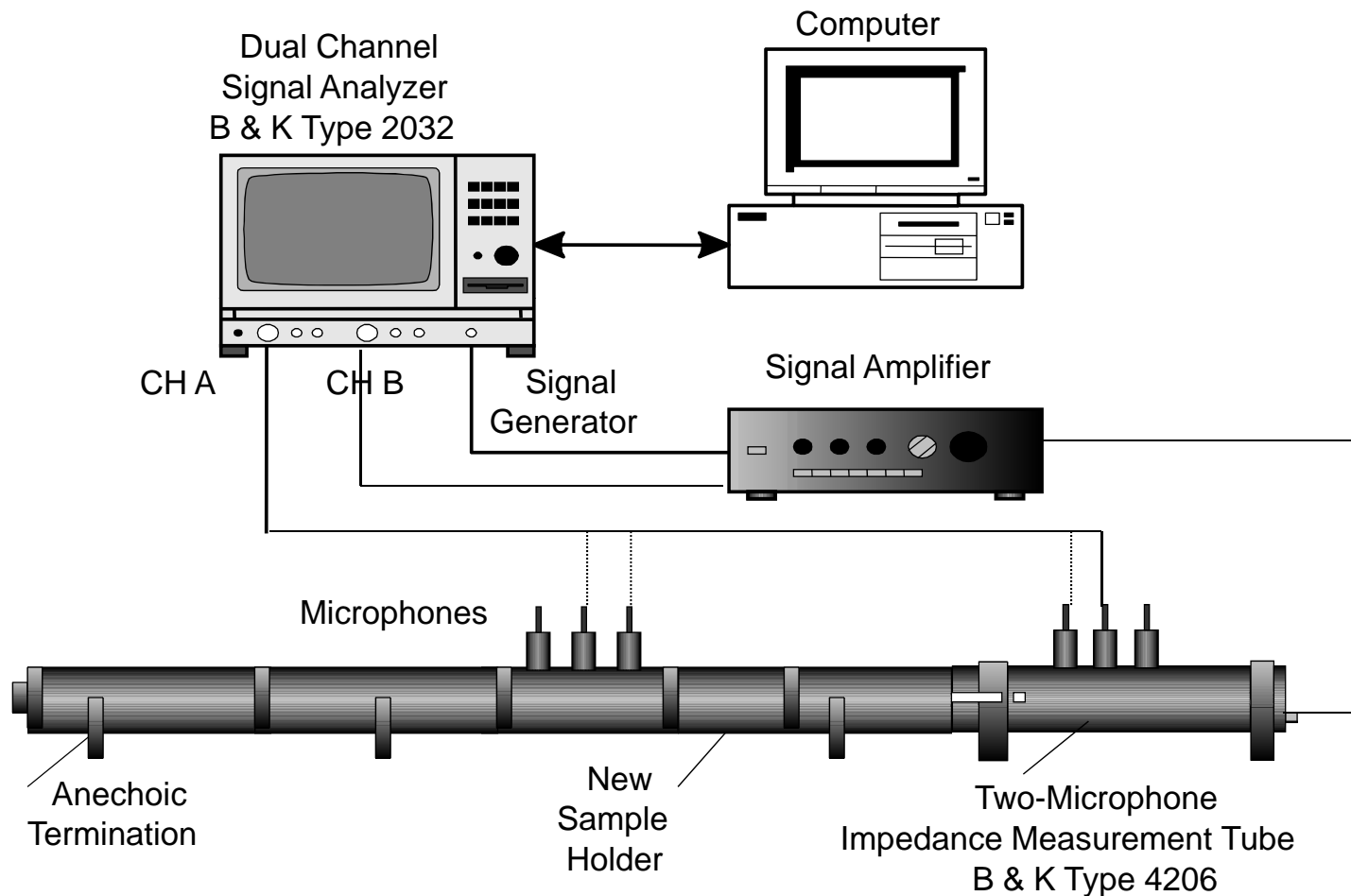
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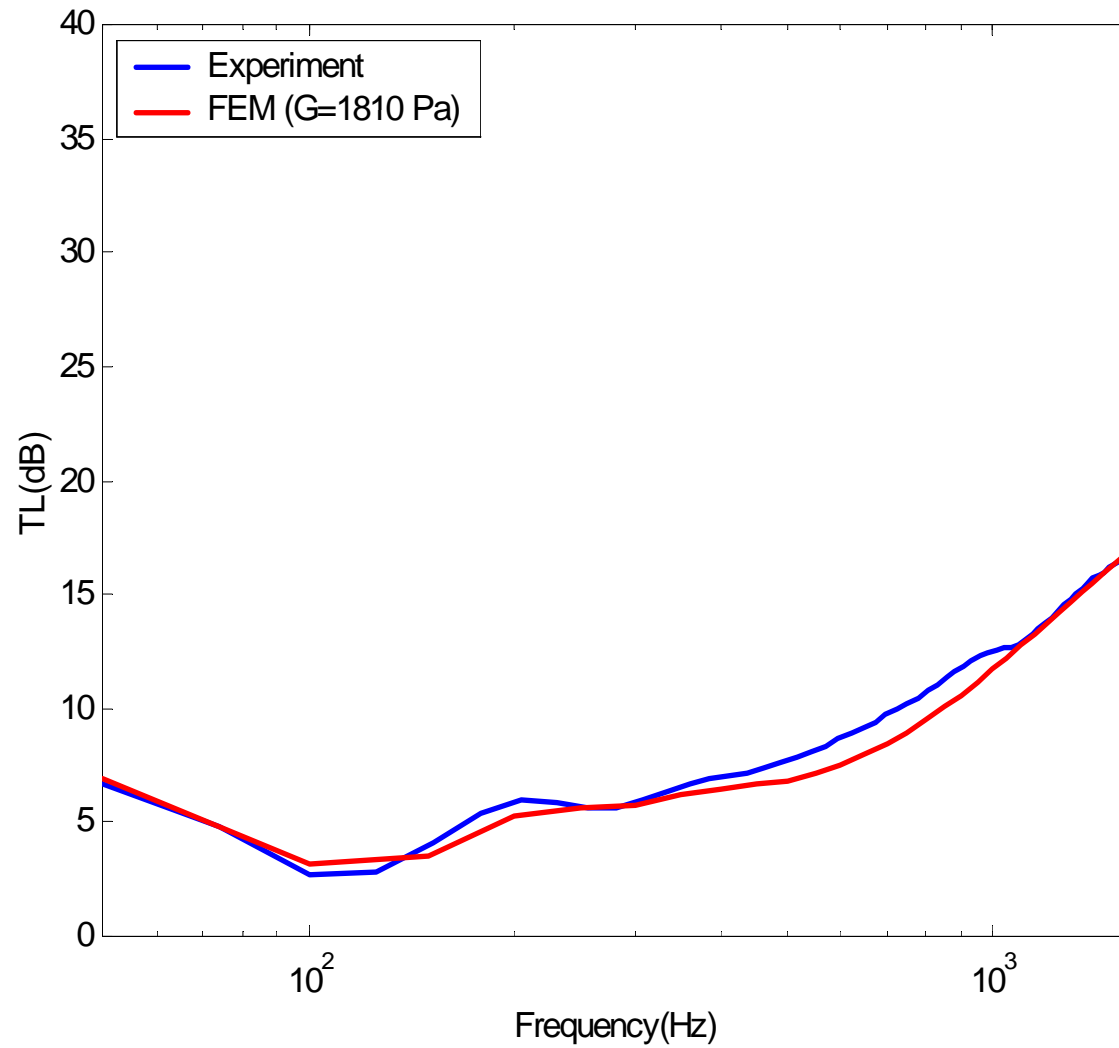
# Effect of Sample Size

## Experimental Setup for Low Frequency Tube

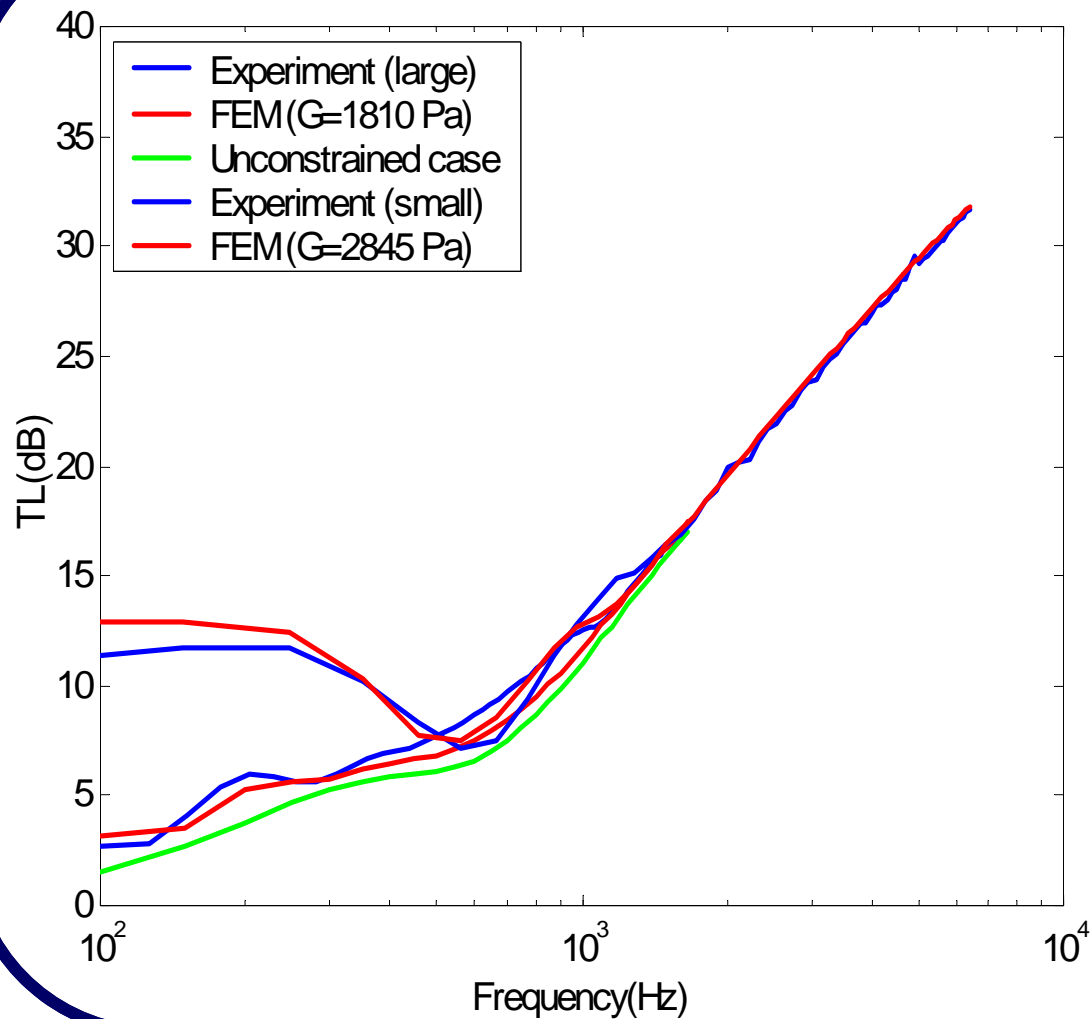


- **10 cm diameter samples, 7.5 cm deep**
- **Aviation grade glass fiber, 9.61 Kg/m<sup>3</sup>**

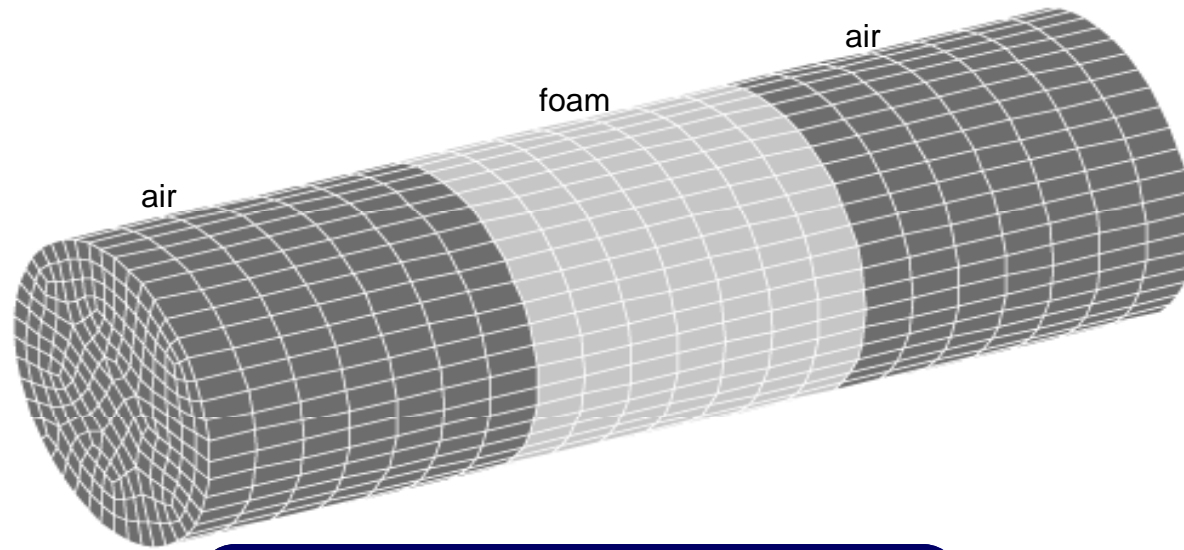
# Transmission Loss (50 Hz - 1600 Hz)



## Transmission Loss (100 Hz - 6400 Hz)



- 10 cm samples very nearly approximates unconstrained case



## Conclusions

- Acoustical performances of fibrous layers such as transmission loss and absorption coefficient are affected by constraint on the boundary of the samples.
- The edge constraint effect is well predicted by using poroelastic FEM model (COMET/SAFE).
- Light and stiff fibrous materials combined with edge constraint mechanisms may enable us to design, light, high performance low frequency noise control barriers.