

# SOUND RADIATION BY THE COLOURED NOISE EXCITED VISCOELASTIC SHALLOW SHELLS

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# Abstract

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# **INTRODUCTION**

Shallow shells are commonly used as constructional elements in cages of heavy duty machines. These elements, are sources of structural noise radiated during the machine operation. In the previous authors' papers the analysis of influence of curvature of the shallow shell elements on the level of their structural vibrations for different kinds of excitation (deterministic: harmonic, polyharmonic; random: white and coloured noise) were discussed [5, 6, 7, 8, 9]. In the presented paper the method based on the acoustic power radiated by the shell was applied to estimate the sound radiated by randomly excited shallow shells with different radii of curvatures. The estimations are valid for the acoustic far-field.

# MATHEMATICAL DESCRIPTION OF VIBRATION

#### Geometry, equations of motion, boundary conditions, solution

Let us consider the vibrating shallow shell with internal viscoelastic damping. As shallow shell it is understood a shell for whom for every point connected to its middle surface, the angle between tangent plane and its perpendicular projection on the plane is enough small [10] i.e. is smaller than about 18 deg [15]. The other definition says that for shallow shell the ratio between strzalka and the characteristic dimension l = min(a, b) is smaller than 0.2 [3] (see Fig.1).



Figure 1: Geometry of shallow shell

The Voigt-Kelvin model of damping was assumed. The detailed description of the model are given in the paper [9]. Some theoretical background of the applied shell models can be found in [2, 10, 13, 14]. The geometry of shallow shell is shown in Fig.1. The inertial components which represents the motion in tangential directions of the middle surface are neglected in the model. Moreover it is assumed that the velocity components in the in-plane equations of motion are neglected, and the only excitation in the Oz direction are taken into account. The excitation has the form of surface distributed function, which is multiplication of the two components: constant value  $z_0$  and the randomly variabled time function f(t). The obtained set of equations of motion have the forms (1), where the symbols denote: u, v, w – displacements in directions Ox, Oy and Oz respectively,  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  – radii of main curvatures, h – thickness, E – Young modulus,  $\nu$  - Poisson ratio, D – bending stiffness, B – in-plane stiffness,  $\varepsilon$  - viscous damping coefficient,  $\rho$  - material density.

$$\frac{\partial^{2} u}{\partial x^{2}} + \frac{1-\nu}{2} \frac{\partial^{2} u}{\partial y^{2}} + \frac{1+\nu}{2} \frac{\partial^{2} v}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{w}{R_{x}} + \nu \frac{w}{R_{y}}\right) \\
+ \varepsilon \frac{\partial^{2} \dot{u}}{\partial x^{2}} + \varepsilon \frac{1-\nu}{2} \frac{\partial^{2} \dot{u}}{\partial y^{2}} + \varepsilon \frac{1+\nu}{2} \frac{\partial^{2} \dot{v}}{\partial x \partial y} + \varepsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\dot{w}}{R_{x}} + \nu \frac{\dot{w}}{R_{y}}\right) - \frac{\rho h}{B} \ddot{u} = 0 \\
\frac{\partial^{2} v}{\partial y^{2}} + \frac{1-\nu}{2} \frac{\partial^{2} v}{\partial x^{2}} + \frac{1+\nu}{2} \frac{\partial^{2} u}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{w}{R_{y}} + \nu \frac{w}{R_{x}}\right) \\
+ \varepsilon \frac{\partial^{2} \dot{v}}{\partial y^{2}} + \varepsilon \frac{1-\nu}{2} \frac{\partial^{2} \dot{v}}{\partial x^{2}} + \varepsilon \frac{1+\nu}{2} \frac{\partial^{2} \dot{u}}{\partial x \partial y} + \varepsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\dot{w}}{R_{y}} + \nu \frac{\dot{w}}{R_{x}}\right) - \frac{\rho h}{B} \ddot{v} = 0 \\
\frac{\partial^{4} w}{\partial x^{4}} + 2 \frac{\partial^{4} w}{\partial x^{2} \partial y^{2}} + \frac{\partial^{4} w}{\partial y^{4}} + \frac{12}{h^{2}} \left(\frac{1}{R_{x}} + \frac{\nu}{R_{y}}\right) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{12}{h^{2}} \left(\frac{1}{R_{y}} + \frac{\nu}{R_{x}}\right) \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \\
+ \frac{12}{h^{2}} \left(\frac{1}{R_{x}^{2}} + \frac{1}{R_{y}^{2}} + \frac{2\nu}{R_{x}R_{y}}\right) w + \varepsilon \frac{\partial^{4} \dot{w}}{\partial x^{4}} + 2\varepsilon \frac{\partial^{4} \dot{w}}{\partial x^{2} \partial y^{2}} + \varepsilon \frac{\partial^{4} \dot{w}}{\partial y^{4}} + \frac{12}{h^{2}} \varepsilon \left(\frac{1}{R_{x}} + \frac{\nu}{R_{y}}\right) \frac{\partial \dot{u}}{\partial x} \\
+ \frac{12}{h^{2}} \varepsilon \left(\frac{1}{R_{y}} + \frac{\nu}{R_{x}}\right) \frac{\partial \dot{v}}{\partial y} + \frac{12}{h^{2}} \varepsilon \left(\frac{1}{R_{x}^{2}} + \frac{1}{R_{y}^{2}} + \frac{2\nu}{R_{x}R_{y}}\right) \dot{w} + \frac{\rho h}{D} \ddot{w} = \frac{1}{D} z_{0} f(t)
\end{cases}$$
(1)

The boundary condition of the shell have the following form: the simply supported one for bending vibrations (2) and the free-fixed one for the in-plane vibrations (3).

$$w(x, y, t)_{|x=0} = 0 \quad M_{x}(x, y, t)_{|x=0} = -D\frac{\partial^{2}w(x, y, t)}{\partial x^{2}}_{|x=0} = 0$$

$$w(x, y, t)_{|x=a} = 0 \quad M_{x}(x, y, t)_{|x=a} = -D\frac{\partial^{2}w(x, y, t)}{\partial x^{2}}_{|x=a} = 0$$

$$w(x, y, t)_{|y=0} = 0 \quad M_{y}(x, y, t)_{|y=0} = -D\frac{\partial^{2}w(x, y, t)}{\partial y^{2}}_{|y=0} = 0$$

$$w(x, y, t)_{|y=b} = 0 \quad M_{y}(x, y, t)_{|y=b} = -D\frac{\partial^{2}w(x, y, t)}{\partial y^{2}}_{|y=b} = 0$$

$$v(x, y, t)_{|x=0} = 0 \quad N_{x}(x, y, t)_{|x=0} = B[\frac{\partial u(x, y, t)}{\partial x} + \nu \frac{\partial v(x, y, t)}{\partial y}]_{|x=0} = 0$$

$$v(x, y, t)_{|x=a} = 0 \quad N_{x}(x, y, t)_{|x=a} = B[\frac{\partial u(x, y, t)}{\partial x} + \nu \frac{\partial v(x, y, t)}{\partial y}]_{|x=a} = 0$$

$$(2)$$

$$u(x,y,t)_{|y=0} = 0 \quad N_y(x,y,t)_{|y=0} = B\left[\frac{\partial v(x,y,t)}{\partial y} + \nu \frac{\partial u(x,y,t)}{\partial x}\right]_{|y=0} = 0$$

$$u(x,y,t)_{|y=b} = 0 \quad N_y(x,y,t)_{|y=b} = B\left[\frac{\partial v(x,y,t)}{\partial y} + \nu \frac{\partial u(x,y,t)}{\partial x}\right]_{|y=b} = 0$$

$$(3)$$

#### **Randomly excited vibrations**

When analysing the free vibrations case, it can be shown that the eigenfunctions for the (m, n) - th mode of flexural vibration can be written in the form (4) [4, 9].

$$w_{mn}(x,y) = \sin(\frac{m\pi}{a}x)\sin(\frac{n\pi}{b}y)$$
(4)

Let us assume that the time function f(t) is a random stationary process with zeroes average value  $\langle f(t) \rangle = 0$ , and well-known correlation function  $K_{ff}(t_1, t_2) = K_{ff}(\tau)$ ;  $\tau = t_2 - t_1$ . The solution of the problem for function of transversal vibrations w(x, y, t) can be written in the series form (5), with unknown functions of time  $S_{mn}(t)$ . Solving the problem for determining functions  $S_{mn}(t)$  in the way described in [9], the formula for unknown autocorrelation function  $K_{ww}$  takes the form (6). This formula is written as a function of unknown transfer functions  $h_{mn}(t)$ .

$$w(x, y, t) = \sum_{m, n=1, 3, 5, \dots}^{+\infty} w_{mn}(x, y) S_{mn}(t)$$
(5)

$$K_{ww}(t_1, t_2) = \frac{256}{\pi^4} \frac{z_0}{\rho^2 h^2} \sum_{m,n=1,3,5,\dots}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{mn} \sum_{j,k=1,3,5,\dots}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{jk} w_{mn}(x, y) w_{jk}(x, y) \cdot \int_{0}^{t_1} h_{mn}(t_1 - \tau_1) \int_{0}^{t_2} h_{jk}(t_2 - \tau_2) K_{ff}(\tau_1, \tau_2) d\tau_1 d\tau_2$$
(6)

Dispersion of transversal displacements  $\sigma_w^2(t)$  can be obtained directly based on the correlation function of excitation function by assuming contition  $t_1 = t_2 = t$ . For such a case, the correlation function of the excitation process has a form (7). The integral of transfer functions  $h_{mn}$ , takes the form (9), where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the coefficients applied to define the form of coloured noise. When  $\alpha \to +\infty$ , it is obtained the limit case of the noise – the white nose. In the other case, for  $\alpha = 0$  it is obtained the harmonic, deterministic function.

$$K_{ff}(\tau_1, \tau_2) = e^{-\alpha |\tau_1 - \tau_2|} \cos(\beta(\tau_1 - \tau_2))$$
(7)

$$\sigma_w^2(x,y,t) = 2 \frac{256}{\pi^4} \frac{z_0^2}{\rho^2 h^2} \sum_{m,n=1,3,\dots}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{mn} w_{mn}(x,y) \sum_{j,k=1,3,\dots}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{jk} w_{jk}(x,y) \cdot \left\{ \int_0^t h_{mn}(t-\tau_1) \int_0^{\tau_1} h_{jk}(t-\tau_2) K_{ff}(\tau_1,\tau_2) d\tau_1 d\tau_2 \right\}$$
(8)

$$\int_{0}^{t_{1}} h_{mn}(t_{1}-\tau_{1}) \int_{0}^{t_{2}} h_{jk}(t_{2}-\tau_{2}) K_{ff}(\tau_{1},\tau_{2}) d\tau_{1} d\tau_{2} = \frac{\sin(\omega_{mn}\sqrt{1-\zeta_{mn}^{2}}) \sin(\omega_{jk}\sqrt{1-\zeta_{jk}^{2}})}{\beta^{2}+(\alpha+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})^{2}} \left\{ e^{-t(\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn}+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})} \left( \frac{(-1+e^{t(\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn}+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})})(\alpha+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})}{\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn}+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk}} + \frac{\beta^{2}-(\alpha-\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn})(\alpha+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})}{\beta^{2}+(\alpha-\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn})} \right) - e^{-t(\alpha+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})} \frac{(\beta^{2}-(\alpha-\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn})(\alpha+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk}))\cos(t\beta)+\beta(2\alpha-\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn}+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})\sin(t\beta)}{\beta^{2}+(\alpha-\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn})^{2}} \right\} + (9) \frac{\sin(\omega_{mn}\sqrt{1-\zeta_{mn}^{2}}) \sin(\omega_{jk}\sqrt{1-\zeta_{jk}^{2}}) e^{-t(\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn}+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})}}{(\beta^{2}+(\alpha+\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn})^{2}) (\beta^{2}+(\alpha-\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})^{2}) (\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn}+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})}}{\left\{ e^{t(\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn}+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})} \left(\beta^{2}+(\alpha+\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn})^{2}\right) (-\alpha+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})\right\} + (\alpha+\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn}) \left(\beta^{2}+(\alpha-\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})^{2}\right) + e^{t(\alpha+\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn})} (\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn}+\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})} ((-\beta^{2}+(\alpha+\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn})(\alpha-\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})))\cos(t\beta) + \beta(2\alpha+\omega_{mn}\zeta_{mn}-\omega_{jk}\zeta_{jk})\sin(t\beta)) \right\}$$

In the considered case, the dispersion of the normal displacements, can be written in the form (8). The complete function is defined after calcullation of integrals for suitable corelation function of random coloured noise type function of excitation.

The detailed form of the function can be obtained after assuming the suitable form of the correlation function of external excitation  $K_{ff}$ . For the analysed case of the coloured noise (7), it has the form (9).

Based on the given relationships, the calcullation of the dispersion of transversal displacements or velocty is possible.

#### Estimation of acoustic radiation

The knowledge of the dispersion of displacements in Oz direction gives possibility to estimate the dispersion of the sound pressure level in chosen control point in acoustic medium. The method of estimation is based on the analysis of sound power radiated by vibrating panel. The acoustic sound power can be estimated based on the simplified formula (10) [1]. On the other hand, the pressure in the far-field, can be estimated based on the formula (11) [11]. After suitable manipulations, based on the formulas (10) and (11), it is possible to estimate the averaged pressure level  $L_p$ . The applied symbols denote:  $\langle V_n^2 \rangle$  - squared normal velocity averaged over the shell surface,  $\rho_0$  – density of the acoustic medium, c – speed of sound in acoustic medium, S - area of the shell,  $S^*$  - area of the hemisphere with radius equal to approximate distance of the control point from the radiating panel,  $W_{rad}$  – sound power radiated by the shell,  $\sigma_{rad}$  – radiation efficiency coefficient,  $p_{av}$  – averaged sound pressure.

$$W_{rad} = \sigma_{rad} \,\rho_0 \, c \, S < \overline{V_n^2} > \tag{10}$$

$$\rho c W_{rad} = p_{av}^2 S^* \tag{11}$$

#### NUMERICAL EXAMPLE

Let us consider the shallow shell in the form of elliptical paraboloid made of steel, whose equation of middle surface has the form (12). Their projection on the xy plane has the form of a square a=b=1 m. The thickness is h=0.002 m, and the damping coefficient is equal  $\varepsilon = 0.001$ . The detailed values of geometrical and material parameters are the same like in [9]. The amplitude of excitation is equal to  $z_0 = 1N/m^2$ .

$$z(x,y) = f \left[1 - \frac{(2x-a)^2}{2a^2} - \frac{(2y-b)^2}{2b^2}\right]$$
(12)

The  $\beta$  parameter defining the colured noise was assumed as equal to  $60\frac{rad}{s}$ , which corresponds with the lowest natural frequencies for plate  $(f = 0, \omega_{(1,1)} = 61.6\frac{rad}{s})$ . The two group of estimation have been done. For the first one, the variable parameter was value of deflection f, and the second parameter defining the coloured noise  $\alpha$  was constant value equal to 0.1. The estimated values of the pressure dispersion levels in the control points distanced 1 m, 3 m

and 5 m over the centre of the middle surface, for different values of deflection f are given in Table 1. In the Table 2, values of the same parameters estimated in the same control points, but analysed for plate (deflection f = 0) and different values of parameter  $\alpha$ . The effect of increasing of the sound pressure level in accordance with increasing of the parameter  $\alpha$  is connected with different energy of the considered signals.

Table 1: Powered dispersion of transversal displacements and velocity, averaged over the surface of element, and dispersion of sound pressure in control points, for different values of deflection f, and constant value of parameter  $\alpha = 0.1$ .

f	$<\sigma_w^2>$	$<\sigma_{\dot{w}}^2>$	$L_{\sigma_p^2} \left[ dB \right]$		
[m]	$[m^2]$	$\left[\frac{m^2}{s^2}\right]$	R=1 m	R=3 m	<b>R=5</b> <i>m</i>
0	$5.635 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$8.589 \cdot 10^{-3}$	117.9	108.4	103.9
0.01	$4.948 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$9.291 \cdot 10^{-3}$	118.3	108.7	104.3
0.02	$3.991 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$8.445 \cdot 10^{-3}$	117.8	108.3	103.9
0.05	$6.796 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$2.934 \cdot 10^{-4}$	103.2	93.7	89.3
0.1	$1.884 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$9.585 \cdot 10^{-5}$	98.4	88.8	84.4
0.2	$1.231 \cdot 10^{-9}$	$6.354 \cdot 10^{-6}$	86.6	77.1	72.6

Table 2: Powered dispersion of transversal displacements and velocity, averaged over the surface of plate, and dispersion of sound pressure in control points, for variable value of parameter  $\alpha$ .

$\alpha$	$<\sigma_w^2>$	$<\sigma_{\dot{w}}^2>$	$L_{\sigma_p^2} \left[ dB \right]$		
[–]	$[m^2]$	$\left[\frac{m^2}{s^2}\right]$	R=1 m	R=3 m	R=5 m
0	$5.322 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$7.876 \cdot 10^{-3}$	117.5	108.0	103.6
0.05	$5.478 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$8.225 \cdot 10^{-3}$	117.7	108.2	103.7
0.1	$5.635 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$8.589 \cdot 10^{-3}$	117.9	108.4	103.9
1.0	$9.502 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.188 \cdot 10^{-2}$	121.3	111.8	107.3

## CONCLUSIONS

The results of analysis show an important influence of the shallow shell radii of middle surface curvatures on dispersion of the pressure in chosen control point in the acoustic surrounding medium.

With increasing of the shell radii of curvatures, which is connected with increasing the shell deflection f, the values of basic natural frequencies rapidly growths. The effect of increasing is stronly higher for the parameter of modal damping coefficient.

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