

Transducer Sound Radiation

Learning Objectives

Planar Immersion Transducer

on-axis near field - far field

radiation into solid-normal incidence, plane interface

diffraction correction

Spherically focused transducer

on axis field

focal spot size

radiation into solid-normal incidence, plane interface

diffraction correction

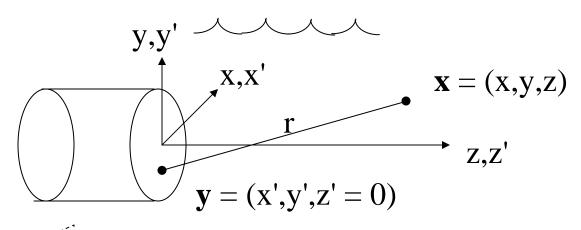
Learning Objectives (continued)

Contact P-wave transducer on a solid wave types present directivity functions

Angle beam shear wave transducer

Overview of beam theories

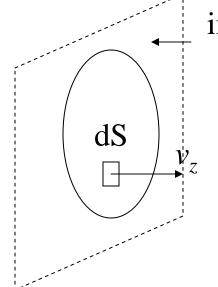
Plane piston transducer radiating into a fluid



infinite baffle

Can show that each area element that is in motion acts like a source of spherical waves:

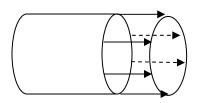
$$dp(x,y,z,\omega) = \frac{-i\omega\rho v_z(x',y',\omega)dS}{2\pi} \frac{\exp(ikr)}{r}$$



Adding up all such sources over the face of the transducer gives the Rayleigh-Sommerfeld Integral

$$p(x, y, z, \omega) = \frac{-i\omega\rho}{2\pi} \int_{S} \frac{v_z(x', y', \omega) \exp(ikr)}{r} dS(\mathbf{y})$$

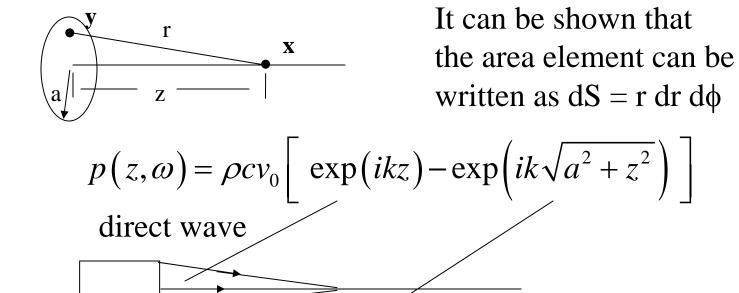
If we let $v_z(x',y',\omega) = v_0(\omega)$ (piston model)



$$\Rightarrow p(x, y, z, \omega) = \frac{-i\omega\rho v_0(\omega)}{2\pi} \int_{S} \frac{\exp(ikr)}{r} dS(\mathbf{y})$$

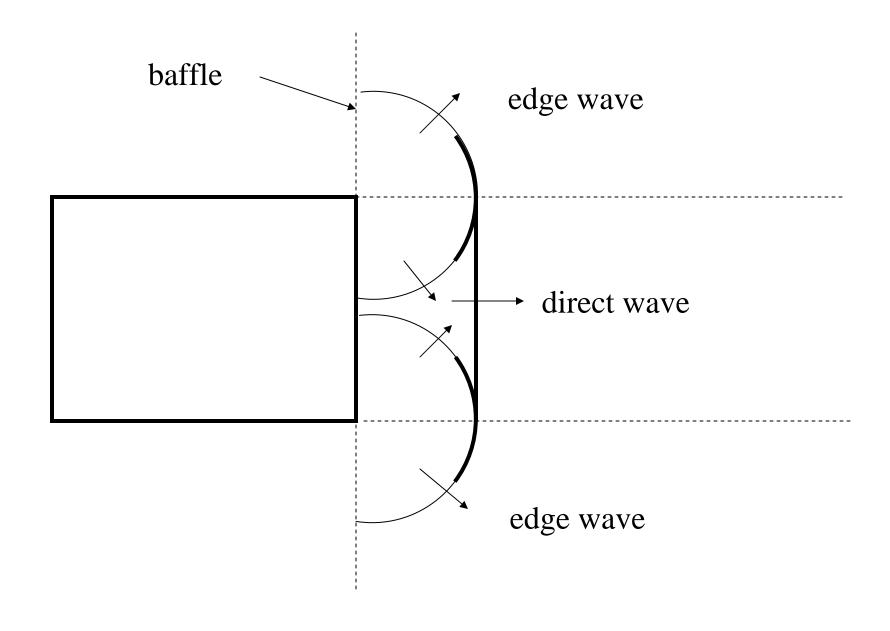
$$p(\mathbf{x}, \omega) = \frac{-i\omega\rho v_0}{2\pi} \int_{S} \frac{\exp(ikr)}{r} dS(\mathbf{y})$$

For on-axis response of a circular transducer of radius, a

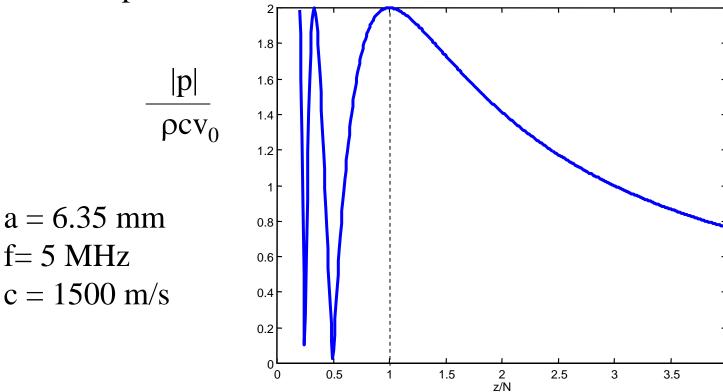


edge waves

Direct and edge waves as seen for a pulsed transducer



on-axis pressure:



Near field distance $N=a^2/\lambda$



Maxima: z = N/(2m+1) m = 0,1,2,...

Minima: z = N/2n n = 1,2,3,...

Example: for a 5 MHz, 1/2 in. diameter transducer radiating into water N = 5 in. (approx.)

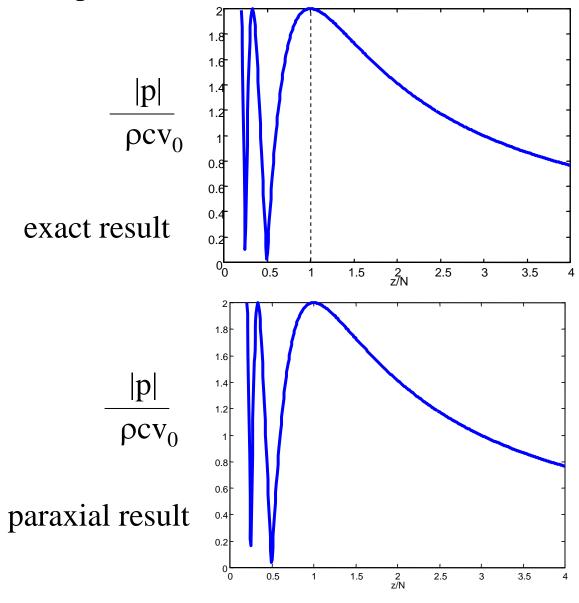
Paraxial approximation: a/z <<1

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{c|c} a & \\ \hline & z \\ \hline \end{array}} \qquad \sqrt{a^2 + z^2} \cong z \left(1 + \frac{a^2}{2z^2} + \dots \right)$$

on-axis pressure:

plane wave
$$C_1(a, \omega) = \rho c v_0 \exp(ikz) \left[1 - \exp\left(\frac{ika^2}{2z}\right) \right]$$
plane wave $C_1(a, \omega, z)$
diffraction correction

on-axis pressure:



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function p = on\_axis(zN, A,c,F)
% exact on axis pressure from a piston source
%radiating into a fluid. A is radius in mm, c the
% wavespeed of the fluid in m/sec, F the frequency in MHz,
% zN is the distance in the fluid divided by the near field
%distance a^2/lamba (lamba is the wavelength)
al = 1000*A*F/c; % a/lamba
ka = 2*pi*al; % ka for the transducer
kz = ka*al*zN;
ke = 2*pi*(al^2).*sqrt(zN.^2 + (1/al)^2);
p = \exp(i*kz) - \exp(i*ke);
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function p = par_on_axis(zN, A, c, F)
% paraxial axis pressure from a piston source
%radiating into a fluid. A is radius in mm, c the
% wavespeed of the fluid in m/sec, F the frequency in MHz,
% zN is the distance in the fluid divided by the near field
% distance a^2/lamba
al= 1000*A*F/c; % a/lamba
ka = 2*pi*al; % ka for the transducer
kz = ka*al*zN;
ke = ka./(2*al.*zN);
p = \exp(i*kz).*(1 - \exp(i*ke));
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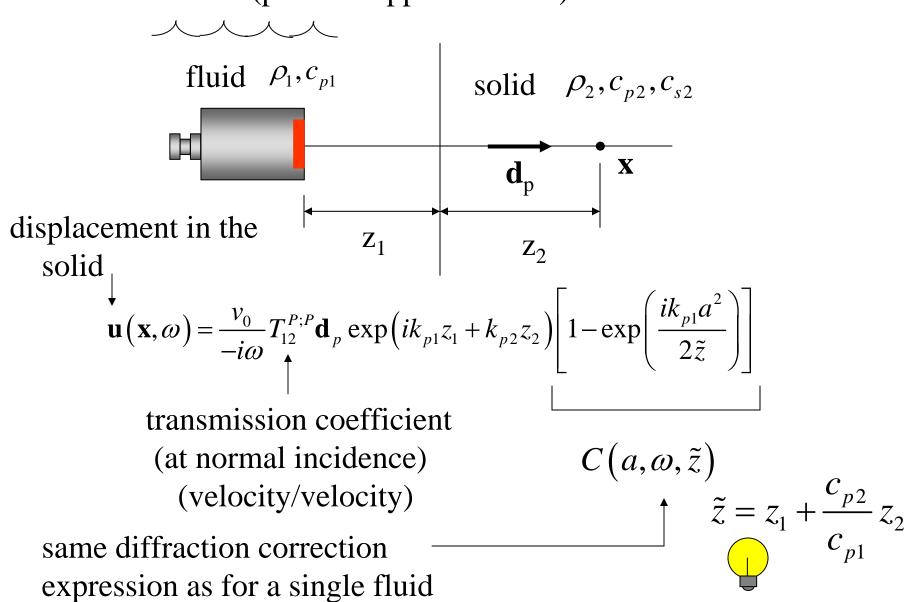
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MAT> z = linspace(.2, 4,500);

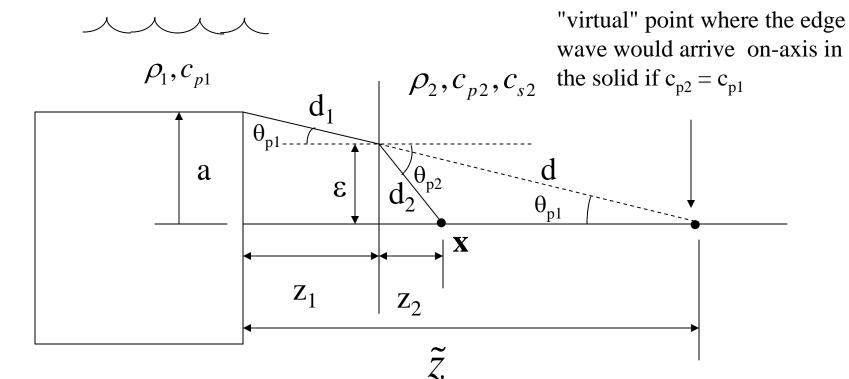
MAT> p = on_axis(z,6.35,1500,5);

MAT> plot(z, abs(p))

MAT> xlabel('z/N')
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On-axis response at normal incidence to a plane interface (paraxial approximation)





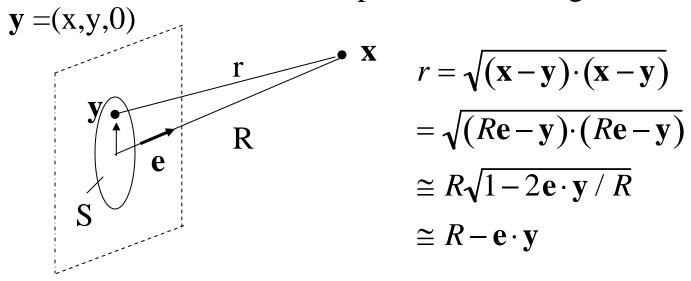
$$\varepsilon = d_2 \sin \theta_{p2} = d \sin \theta_{p1} \quad \text{so} \quad d = \frac{\sin \theta_{p2}}{\sin \theta_{p1}} d_2 = \frac{c_{p2}}{c_{p1}} d_2$$

which gives, in the paraxial approximation

$$\frac{a^2}{\tilde{z}} \cong \frac{a^2}{d_1 + d} = \frac{a^2}{d_1 + \frac{c_2}{c_1} d_2} \cong \frac{a^2}{z_1 + \frac{c_2}{c_1} z_1}$$

Far-field beam of a planar piston transducer

The far-field is usually defined as z > 3N - also called the "spherical wave region"



$$p(\mathbf{x},\omega) = \frac{-i\omega\rho v_0}{2\pi} \frac{\exp(ikR)}{R} \int_{S} \exp(-ik\mathbf{e}\cdot\mathbf{y}) dxdy$$

Define the 2-D spatial Fourier transform of
$$\Theta$$
, where $\Theta = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{in } S \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

as

$$F(e_{x}, e_{y}, \omega) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{2}} \iint_{S} \exp(-ip_{x}x - ip_{y}y) dxdy \qquad p_{x} = ke_{x}$$

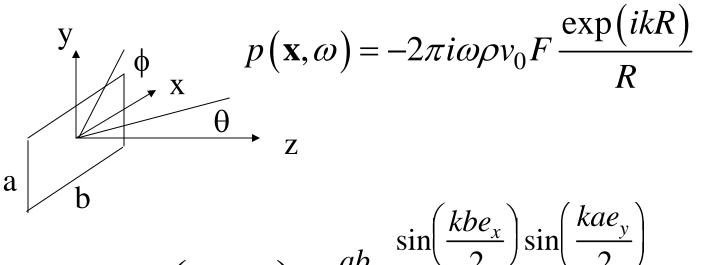
$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{2}} \iint_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \Theta(x.y) \exp(-ip_{x}x - ip_{y}y) dxdy \qquad p_{y} = ke_{y}$$

Then the far field pressure can be written as

$$p(\mathbf{x},\omega) = -2\pi i\omega\rho v_0 F(e_x, e_y, \omega) \frac{\exp(ikR)}{R}$$

angular beam profile spherical wave

Rectangular Piston Transducer



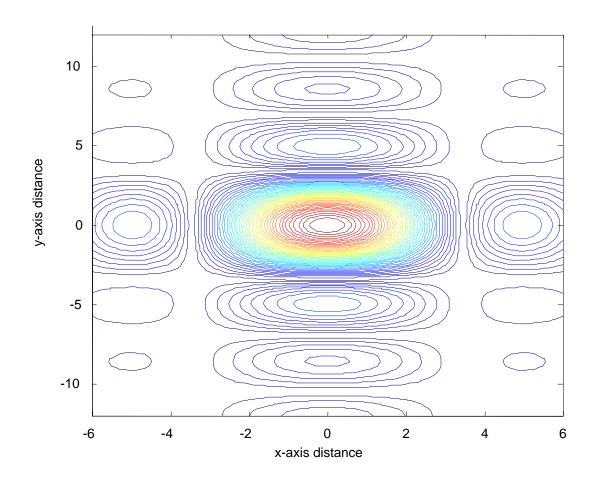
$$F(e_x, e_y, \omega) = \frac{ab}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{kbe_x}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{kae_y}{2}\right)}{\left(\frac{kbe_x}{2}\right)\left(\frac{kae_y}{2}\right)}$$

In spherical coordinates

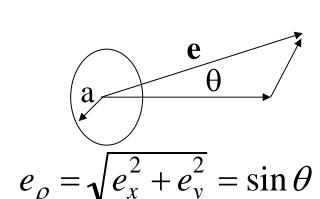
$$e_x = \sin\theta\cos\phi$$

$$e_{v} = \sin \theta \sin \phi$$

Example far-field pattern of a rectangular transducer

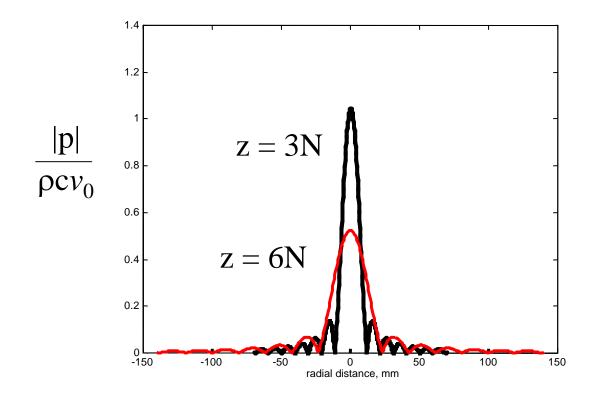


Circular Piston Transducer



$$p(\mathbf{x}, \omega) = -2\pi i\omega \rho v_0 F \frac{\exp(ikR)}{R}$$
$$F(e_x, e_y, \omega) = \frac{a^2}{2\pi} \frac{J_1(ke_\rho a)}{(ke_\rho a)}$$

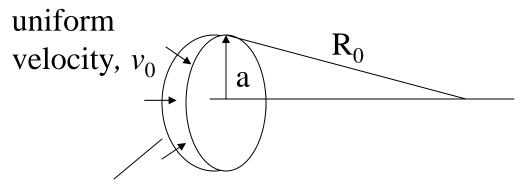
$$F(e_x, e_y, \omega) = \frac{a^2}{2\pi} \frac{J_1(ke_\rho a)}{(ke_\rho a)}$$



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function [p, rho] = far_field(ang,A, c, F, RN)
% far_field computes the normalized far field pressure
% for a circular piston (omitting the exp(ikR) phase term)
% A is the radius of the transducer in mm, c the wavespeed
%in m/sec, F the frequency in MHz, and RN is
%the normalized radial distance in near field units.
% rho is the transverse distance (normal to z) in mm
ka = 2*pi*(1000*A*F/c);
al= 1000*A*F/c;
x = ka*sin(ang*pi/180);
rho =RN*(A*al)*sin(ang*pi/180);
p = -i*(ka/(al*RN))*besselj(1,x)./(x+eps*(x ==0));
MAT> ang = linspace(-10, 10,500);
MAT> [p,r] = far_field(ang,6.35,1500,5,3);
MAT > plot(r,abs(p), '--')
MAT> hold on
MAT> [p,r] = far_field(ang,6.35,1500,5,6);
MAT> plot(r,abs(p), 'red')
MAT> xlabel('radial distance, mm')
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Spherically Focused Piston Transducer Radiating Into a Fluid

O'Neil Model

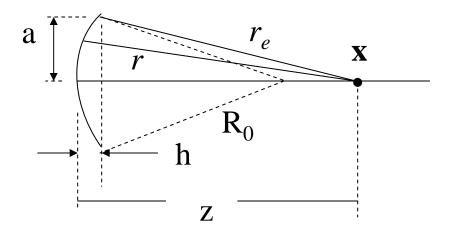


S_f ... spherical surface

$$p(\mathbf{x},\omega) = \frac{-i\omega\rho v_0}{2\pi} \int_{S_f} \frac{\exp(ikr)}{r} dS(\mathbf{y})$$

For **x** on the central axis

$$dS = r \; dr \; d\phi/q_0 \qquad q_0 = 1 \; \text{-} \; z/R_0$$



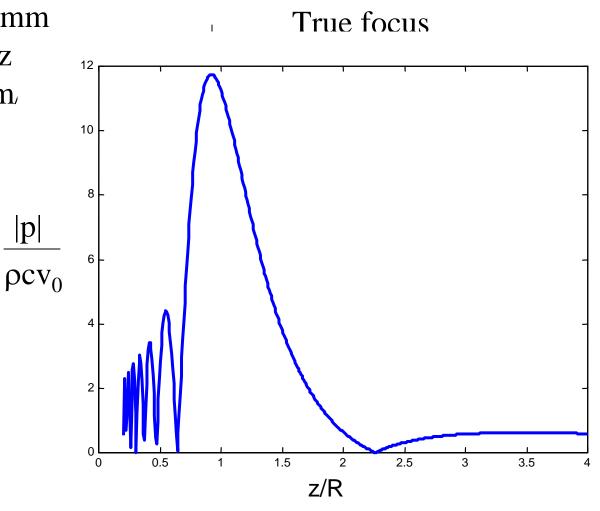
$$p(\mathbf{x}, \omega) = \frac{\rho c v_0}{q_0} \left[\exp(ikz) - \exp(ikr_e) \right]$$

$$r_e = \sqrt{(z-h)^2 + a^2}$$
 $h = R_0 - \sqrt{R_0^2 - a^2}$

on-axis pressure versus z/R_0 :

a = 6.35 mm $R_0 = 76.2 \text{ mm}$ f=10 MHzc = 1480 m

 $|\mathbf{p}|$



```
function p = focused_on_axis(zR, A,c,F,R)
% on axis pressure of a spherically focused probe
% as a function of the normalized distance, zR = z/R
%A, radius of the transducer in mm. R, focal length in mm.
%c, the wave speed in m/sec, and F the frequency in MHz
al=1000*A*F/c;
ka=2*pi*al;
zN = (R/A)*(1/al)*(zR);
kz=ka*al*zN;
kR=2000*pi*F*R/c;
kh=kR-sqrt(kR^2-ka^2);
kre=sqrt((kz-kh).^2+ka^2);
p = (\exp(i*kz) - \exp(i*kre))./(1-kz./kR);
MAT> z=linspace(.2,4,500);
MAT> p = focused_on_axis(z,6.35,1480,10,76.2);
MAT> plot(zr,abs(p))
MAT> xlabel('z/R')
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Paraxial Approximation

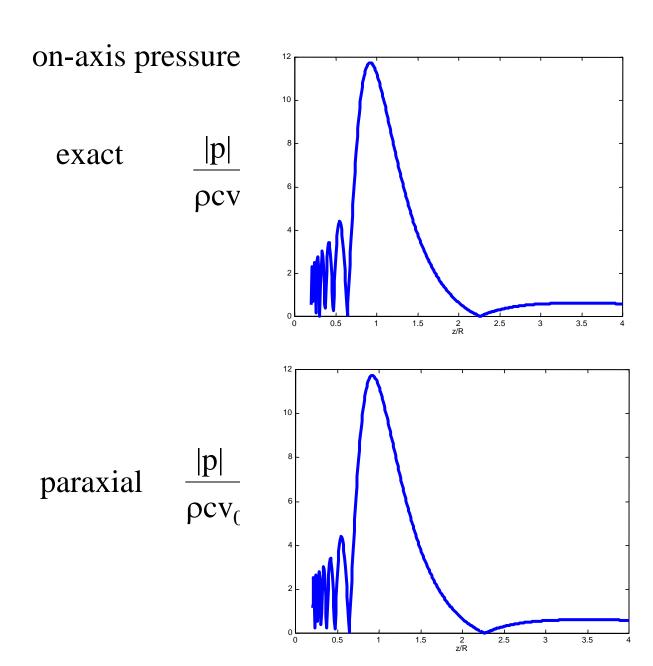
$$r_e \cong z + \frac{a^2 q_0}{2z}$$
 $q_0 = 1 - z/R_0$

on-axis pressure:

$$p(z,\omega) = \alpha v_0 \exp(ikz) \left\{ \frac{1}{q_0} \left[1 - \exp\left(\frac{ika^2 q_0}{2z}\right) \right] \right\}$$

plane wave

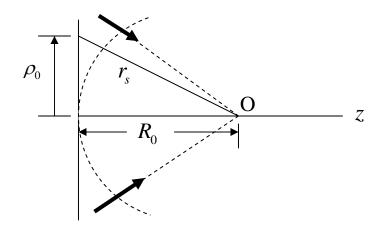
diffraction correction $C_1(a, z, R_0, \omega)$



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function p = par\_focused\_on\_axis(zR, A,c,F,R)
% on axis pressure of a spherically focused probe, paraxial approx.
% as a function of the normalized distance, zR = z/R
%A, radius of the transducer in mm. R, focal length in mm.
%c, the wave speed in m/sec, and F the frequency in MHz
al=1000*A*F/c;
ka=2*pi*al;
zN = (R/A)*(1/al)*(zR);
kz=ka*al*zN;
kR=2000*pi*F*R/c;
qo=1-kz./kR;
p = (1-\exp(i*ka*(A/R)*qo./(2*zR)))./qo;
MAT> z=linspace(.2,4,500);
MAT> p = par\_focused\_on\_axis(z,6.35,1480,10,76.2);
MAT> plot(zr, abs(p))
MAT> xlabel('z/R')
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Another way to model focusing (in the paraxial approximation)

suppose on a planar aperture we have a spherical wave propagating (generated by a lens, for example)



then on the aperture we have a phase given approximately in the paraxial approximation $(\rho_0/R_0 << 1)$ by

$$\exp\left(-ik\left[r_{s}-R_{0}\right]\right) = \exp\left[-ik\left[\sqrt{\rho_{0}^{2}+R_{0}^{2}}-R_{0}\right]\right]$$

$$\cong \exp\left(-ik\rho_{0}^{2}/2R_{0}\right)$$

Thus, suppose we use a Rayleigh-Sommerfeld model for a planar transducer and place this phase (in the paraxial approximation) in the integral:

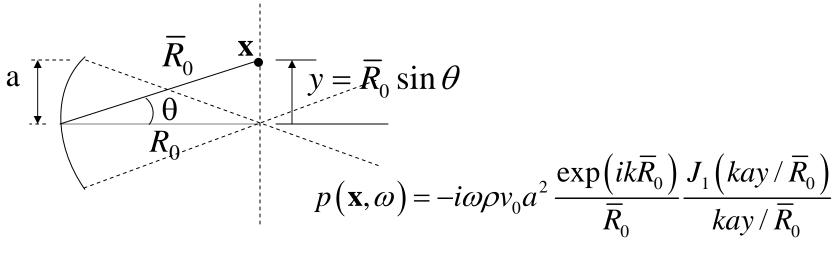
$$p(\mathbf{x},\omega) = \frac{-i\omega\rho \, v_0(\omega)}{2\pi} \iint_{S} \exp\left(-ik\rho_0^2 / 2R_0\right) \frac{\exp(ikr)}{r} dS$$

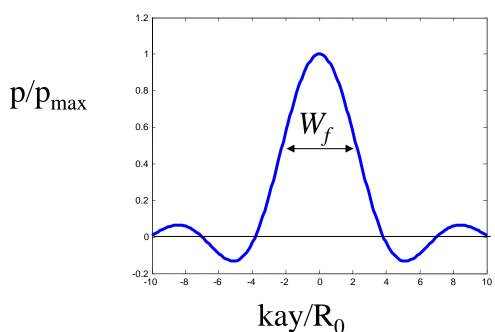
Using the paraxial approximation and evaluating this integral exactly for \mathbf{x} on the transducer axis gives for a circular transducer of radius a:

$$p(z,\omega) = \frac{\rho c v_0 \exp(ikz)}{q_0} \left[1 - \exp(ika^2 q_0 / 2z) \right]$$

Similarly, off-axis values will also represent those from a focused transducer

Wave field in the plane at the geometric focus of a spherically focused transducer

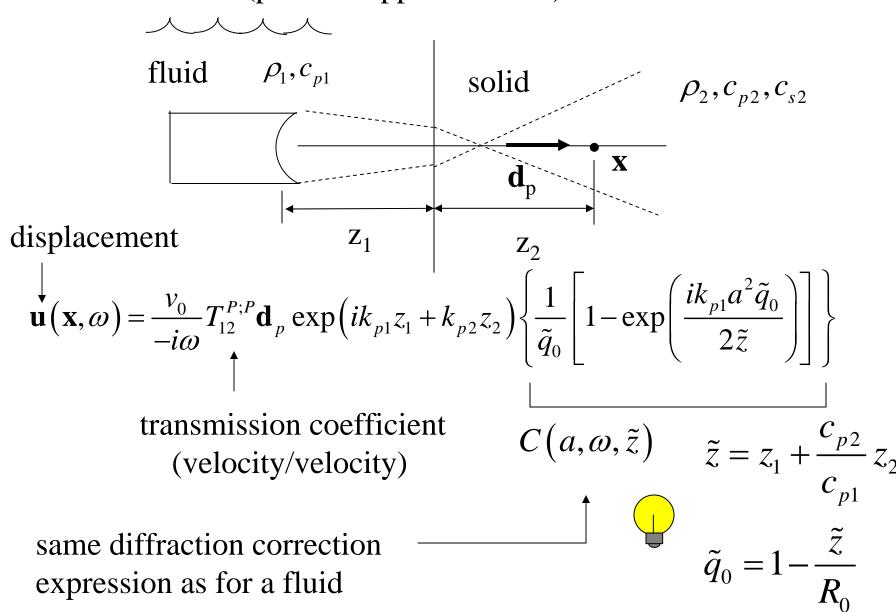




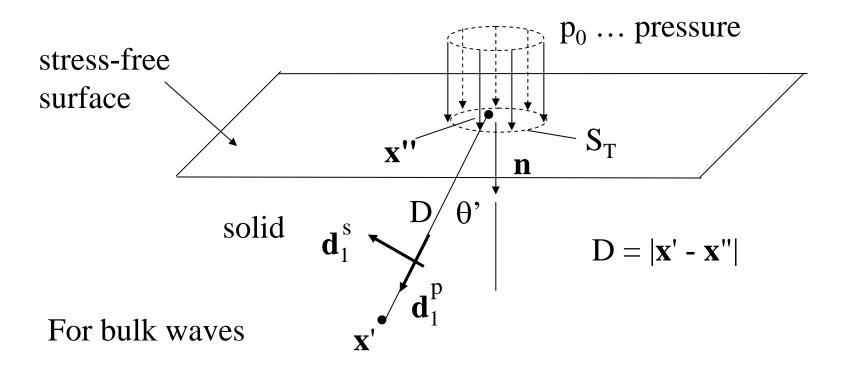
$$W_f \Big|_{6 dB} = 4.43 \frac{R_0}{ka} = 1.41 \lambda F$$

$$\lambda$$
 ... wavelength $F = R_0 / 2a$... transducer F number

On-axis response at normal incidence to an interface (paraxial approximation)



Contact P-wave Transducer Model



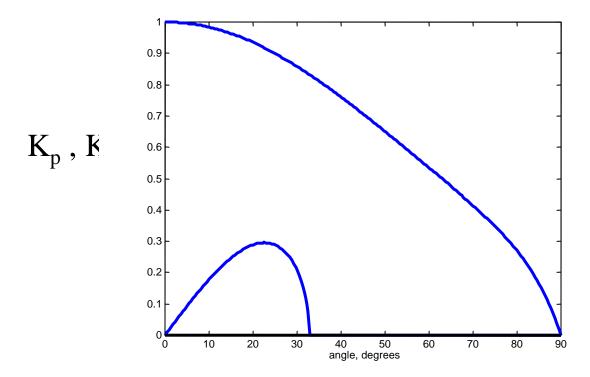
$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}',\omega) = \frac{p_0}{2\pi\rho_1 c_{s1}^2} \int_{S_T} K_s(\theta') \mathbf{d}_1^s \frac{\exp(ik_{s1}D)}{D} dS(\mathbf{x}'')$$
$$+ \frac{p_0}{2\pi\rho_1 c_{p1}^2} \int_{S_T} K_p(\theta') \mathbf{d}_1^p \frac{\exp(ik_{p1}D)}{D} dS(\mathbf{x}'')$$

Directivity functions

$$K_p(\theta') = \frac{\cos \theta' \kappa_1^2 \left(\kappa_1^2 / 2 - \sin^2 \theta'\right)}{2G(\sin \theta')}$$

$$K_s(\theta') = \frac{\kappa_1^3 \cos \theta' \sin \theta' \sqrt{1 - \kappa_1^2 \sin^2 \theta'}}{2G(\sin \theta')}$$

$$G(x) = \left(x^2 - \kappa_1^2 / 2\right)^2 + x^2 \sqrt{1 - x^2} \sqrt{\kappa_1^2 - x^2} \qquad \kappa_1 = \frac{c_{p1}}{c_{s1}}$$



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function [kp,ks] = directivity(ang, cp, cs)
% computes the directivity functions for a p-wave contact
%transducer. ang is angle in degrees, cp, cs are p- and s-wave
%speeds
k = cp/cs;
angr = ang*pi/180;
x = \sin(angr);
c = cos(angr);
g=(x.^2 - k^2/2).^2 + x.^2.*sqrt(1 - x.^2).*sqrt(k^2 - x.^2);
kp = c.*(k^2).*(k.^2/2 -x.^2)./(2.*g);
ks = (k*x < 1).*c.*(k^3).*x.*sqrt(1 - k^2.*x.^2)./(2.*g);
MAT> x = linspace(0,90,200);
MAT> [kp,ks] = directivity(x, 5900, 3200);
MAT > plot(x, kp)
MAT> hold on
MAT > plot(x, ks)
MAT> xlabel('angle, degrees')
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For
$$\theta'$$
 small $K_p = 1$, $K_s = 0$

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}',\omega) = \frac{p_0 \mathbf{n}}{2\pi \rho_1 c_{p1}^2} \int_{S_T} \frac{\exp(ik_{p1}D)}{D} dS$$

Dp

Full set of waves:

integral contains direct and edge P-waves

D^p ... Direct P-wave

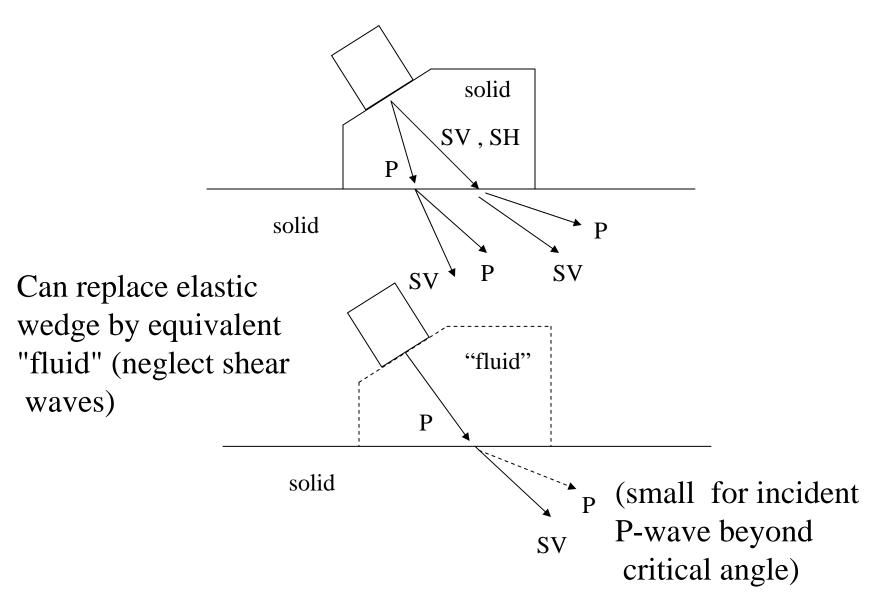
E^p ... Edge P-wave

Es ... Edge S-wave

H ... Head wave

R ... Rayleigh wave

Angle Beam Shear Wave Transducer Model



Numerically Intense Models

EFIT - Langenberg

Finite Elements - Lord

Boundary Elements - Rizzo

Edge Elements - Schmerr, Lerch

Surface Integral Models

Generalized Point Source -Spies

Rayleigh- Sommerfeld + High Freq. Asymptotics

- Schmerr, Lhemery, others

Line Integral Models

Boundary Diffraction Wave - Schmerr, Lerch

Other Basis Function Models
Gauss-Hermite Models - Thompson, Gray, Newberry,
Minachi, Margetan

Multi- Gaussian Models Minachi, Spies, Schmerr and Rudolph, Cerveny (Seismology)

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