

# Design of a recorder flute

## Goal

Design a recorder flute dimensioning the bore, the last two finger holes, the flue channel and the instrument mouth.

## First component: resonator

The resonator is shaped as a cone whose conical semiangle is  $0.75^\circ$ . The instrument is aimed at being a treble recorder, with a length of 0.45m. For the sake of simplicity we consider that only two finger holes are present.

### Question 1

Find the diameter of the cone at the resonator head and foot so that the note produced when all the finger holes are closed is F4 (349.23 Hz).

### Question 2

Find the position of the last finger hole (i.e. the one closest to the resonator foot) in order to produce the note G4 (392 Hz) when it is open.

### Question 3

Find the position of the second last finger hole in order to produce the note A4 (440 Hz) when the two finger holes are open.

## Second component: flue channel and mouth

The instrument is aimed at producing a spectrum whose centroid is at 2.0 kHz when the pressure difference between the player mouth and the flue channel entrance is 62 Pa.

### Question 4

Find the flue channel thickness that complies with the above specifications. For this pair of thickness and jet velocity, compute the Reynolds number  $Re$  and assess the jet regime that is undergoing at the flue channel exit and in the instrument mouth (laminar, turbulent, etc).

### Question 5

Consider that the flue channel length is 20 mm. Find the thickness of the boundary layer at the flue channel exit for the specifications defined above (Question 4).

### Question 6 (difficult question for extra points, and some degrees of freedom are purposely left to the student)

Dimension the instrument mouth length  $W$  so that the jet receptivity at the labium is able to produce a sound pressure level at the resonator foot is 90 dB.

## Important information

Deadline: send the report by January 09, 2021.

Difficulty coefficient: 3.0 (question 1 to 5). Question 6 will add some extra points to the grade achievable with questions 1 to 5.