Evaluation of infrasound in-situ calibration method on a 3-month measurement campaign

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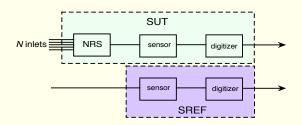
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IMS study

In the framework of the calibration program, a study was conducted with the following theoretical and practical results:

- closed form expression for the asymptotic probability distributions of the spectrum ratio which is the base of the estimation;
- sizing the statistic of test for the magnitude square coherence (MSC) level;
- introducing a weighted estimator of the system under test (SUT) response based on the estimated value of the MSC;
- proposal of a filter bank analysis for the SUT estimation;
- providing a simple wind coherence model which explains an observed artefact of the noise reduction system (NRS), in relation with the wind velocity;
- Evaluation on a measurement campaign at station IS26 during several months.

Measurement chain [Kramer and al., ITW2015]



- the objective is the calibration of the SUT, which consists of the NRS, the sensor and a digitizer, based on the knowledge of the system of reference (SREF);
- 2 kinds of signals: acoustic and non acoustic (typically wind) with different ranges of velocity;
- non spatially coherent signals are called "noise";
- acoustic signal is spatially coherent, in all frequency band of interest, regarding the size of the SUT.

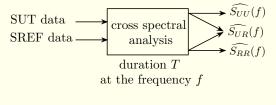
Undetermined problem

The model of signals writes:

$$\begin{cases} s_{\text{sut}}(t) &= g_{\text{sut}}(t) \star (s(t) + w_{\text{sut}}(t)) \\ s_{\text{sref}}(t) &= g_{\text{sref}}(t) \star (s(t) + w_{\text{sref}}(t)) \end{cases}$$

- problem is underdetermined: 4 unknowns for 2 observations;
- but with stationarity, uncorrelated noises, and "almost 0-noise" time segments, the problem is well-determined
- the MSC provides a way to test "almost 0-noise" time segments;
- theoretical results show that, to get an accuracy of $\pm 5\%$ on the gain, we need an MSC value greater than 0.96;
- but because only an estimate of the MSC is available, we have to threshold at about 0.98.

Performing process



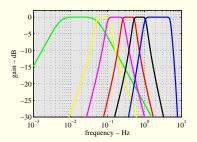
$$\begin{cases} s_{\rm sut}(t) & \approx g_{\rm sut}(t) \star s(t) \\ s_{\rm sref}(t) & \approx g_{\rm sref}(t) \star s(t) \end{cases}$$

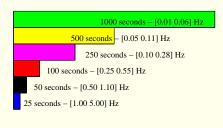
For stationary and "almost 0-noise" time segments we have:

$$\widehat{G_{\mathrm{sut}}}(f) \approx G_{\mathrm{sref}}(f) \times \frac{\widehat{S_{\mathrm{UU}}}(f)}{\widehat{S_{\mathrm{UR}}}(f)}$$

Manage the stationarity

 In relationship with the resolution but also to take into account the lack of stationarity on real dataset, we have considered a sequence of 6 durations in decreasing order with the frequency. A pre-filtering is also performed.





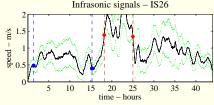
Sizing is empirically performed on real data; we have observed that the sizing is not critical.

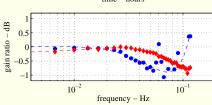
NRS effect

If v denotes the wind velocity, the ratio $\frac{v}{t}$ [Alcoverro, al., JASA, 2002]. Therefore

- at very low frequency, the wind appears as spatially coherent for all SUT/SREF inlets. Therefore everything occurs as there is NO noise, and the MSC is almost 1.
- at high frequency, the wind appears as spatially NON coherent. Therefore the NRS plays its role to reduce the noise,
- around 0.8 Hz, a small part of the wind appears as spatially coherent for a few NRS inlets. Therefore a small dip artefact is observed.

can be interpreted as a "wavelength"





Deployment [A.Kramer, al., ITW2015]

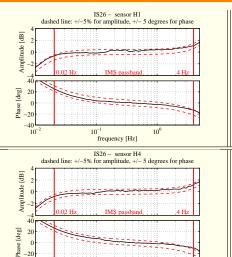
- 8 SUTs with 18 meter wind noise reduction system, each of them with 96 inlets;
- 8 SREFs have been deployed on May 2015;
- each reference sensor has been calibrated in the lab;
- wind velocity and direction are available at H1.

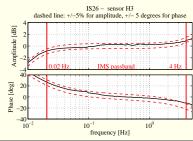
PTS requirements

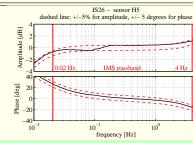
PTS specifications are:

- bandwidth [0.02-4] Hz;
- $\pm 5\%$ on the response magnitude, i.e. ± 0.43 in dB scale;
- the calibration is required at least once a year;
- no requirement on the phase but ... $\pm 5^{\circ}$ as for seismic requirements.

Averaging on a few months









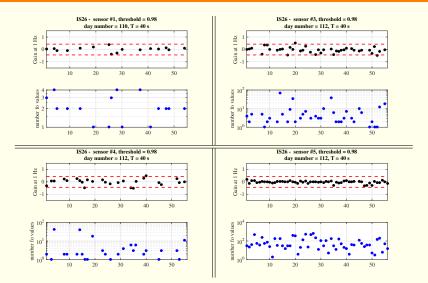
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frequency [Hz]

10⁰

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Temporal stability of successive gains at $1\ \mathrm{Hz}$ averaged on $2\ \mathrm{days}$



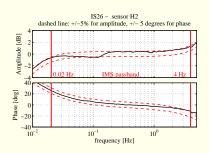
Conclusions

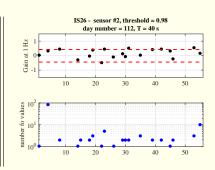
Conclusions:

- The numerical results obtained on a large campaign of measurements fully validate the calibration method;
- The experimental results obtained by couples of 2 days show a high stability in full agreement with the PTS requirements:

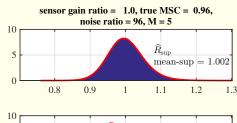
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Ratio probability distribution

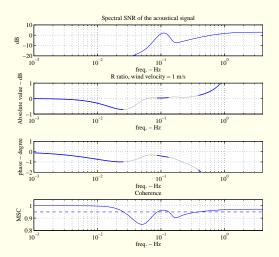


$$\widehat{R}_{\text{sup}} = \frac{\widehat{S}_{UU}}{|\widehat{S}_{RU}|}$$

$$\widehat{R}_{\text{inf}} = \frac{|\widehat{S}_{UR}|}{\widehat{S}_{RR}}$$

- $\widehat{R}_{inf} = 0.962$ 0.8 0.9 1 1.1 1.2 1.3
- True spectrum ratio : 1
- Power noise ratio: 96
- the r.v. $\widehat{R}_{\sup} \geq \widehat{R}_{\inf}$, but the true ratio could be outside ...;
- the r.v. \widehat{R}_{\sup} and \widehat{R}_{\inf} are biased w.r.t. the true ratio;
- ullet the r.v. $\widehat{R}_{\mathrm{sup}}$ and $\widehat{R}_{\mathrm{inf}}$ are not independent;
- the r.v. $\alpha_1 \widehat{R}_{\sup} + \alpha_2 \widehat{R}_{\inf}$ is also biased; we have no way to chose α_i , except if we know the true power ratio.

NRS effect simulation



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$$\begin{array}{c|c} x_{1}, \dots, x_{2000} & x_{2001}, \dots, x_{4000} & x_{4001}, \dots, x_{6000} & x_{6001}, \dots, x_{8000} & x_{8001}, \dots, x_{10000} \\ \hline x_{1001}, \dots, x_{3000} & x_{3001}, \dots, x_{5000} & x_{5001}, \dots, x_{7000} & x_{7001}, \dots, x_{9000} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

- If we have N=2000 samples the resolution is $F_s/N=0.01$ Hz. Therefore there is a possibility to decimate if the bandwidth is B<0.01. But for sake of simplicity, we keep the common value F_s to all filters of the bank (no decimation).
- For each frequency bin, an averaging is applied on the L=9 segments. If a few number of bins is required the fft algorithm is not needed.