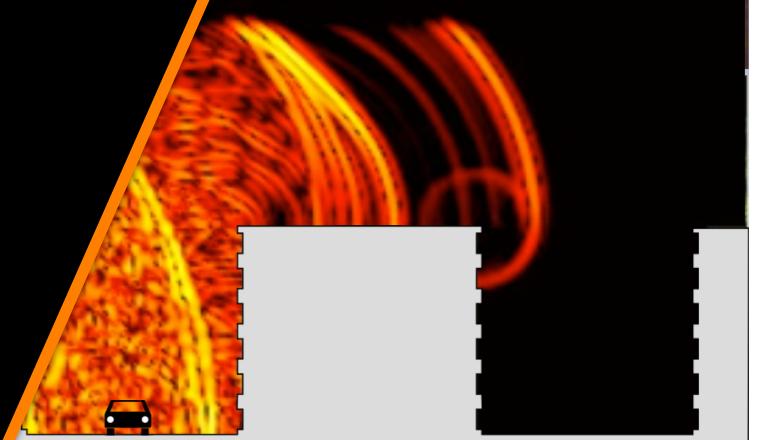


# Architectural Acoustics

Week 3: Fundamentals of Acoustics  
Lecture F.5-F.6

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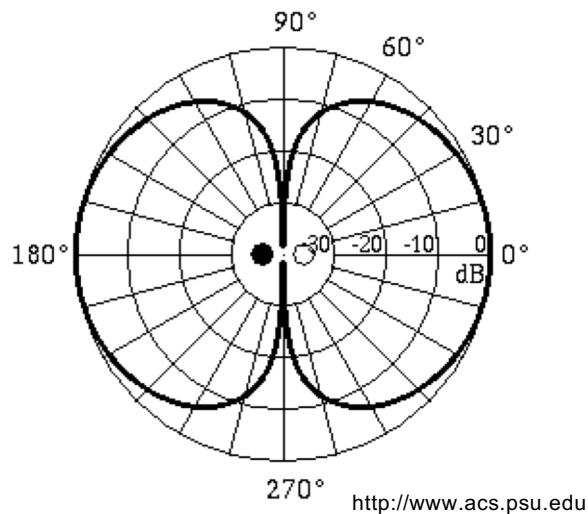
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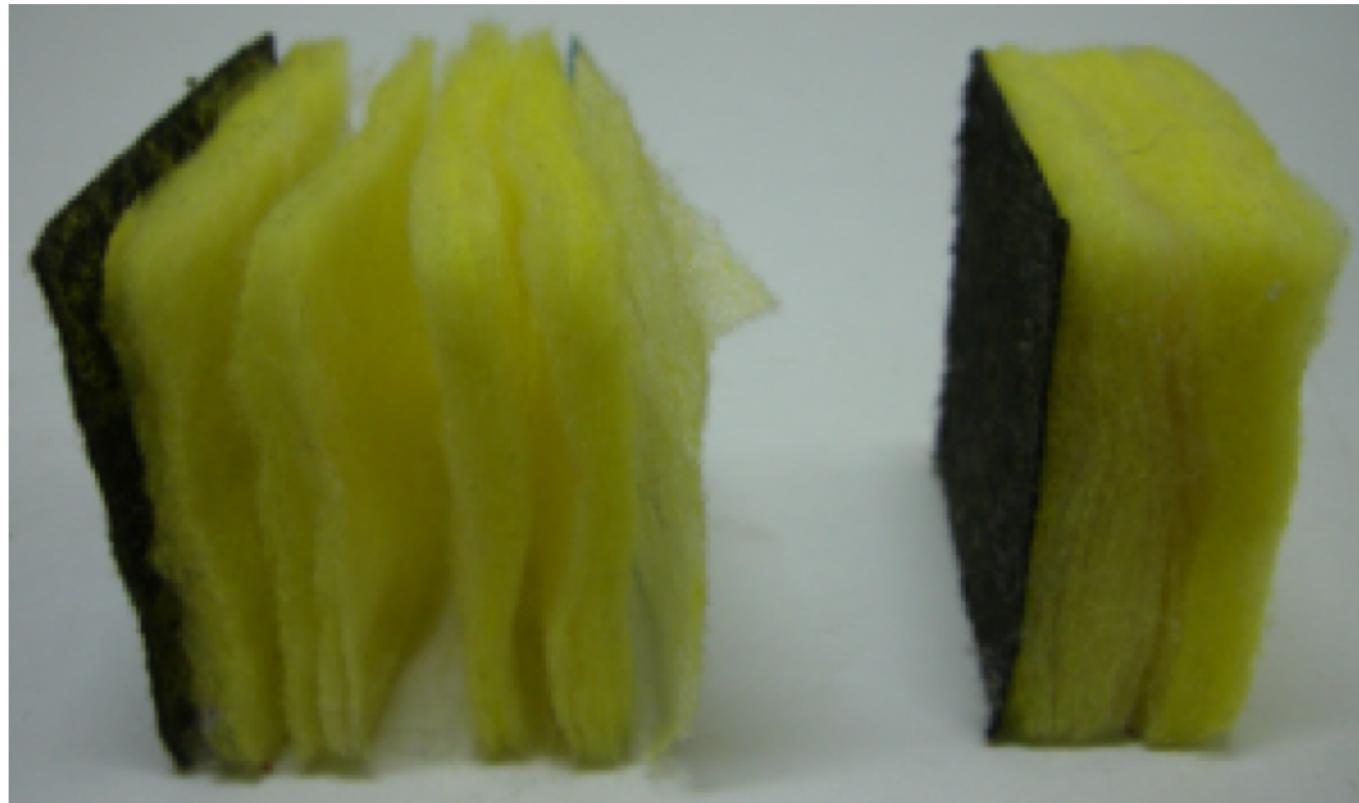
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# Acoustic attenuation



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# Acoustic attenuation

Acoustic attenuation:  
Conversion of acoustic energy into heat

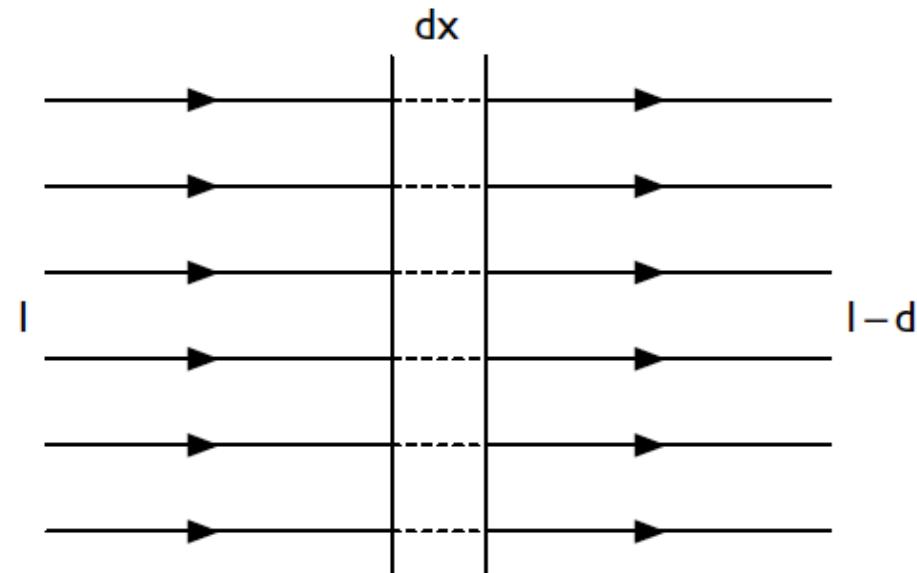


Figure 4.6 Attenuation of a plane wave.

$$-dI = mIdx$$

$$I(x) = I_0 e^{-mx}$$

# Acoustic attenuation

$$p(x, t) = \hat{p} e^{-mx/2} e^{j(\omega t - kx)}$$

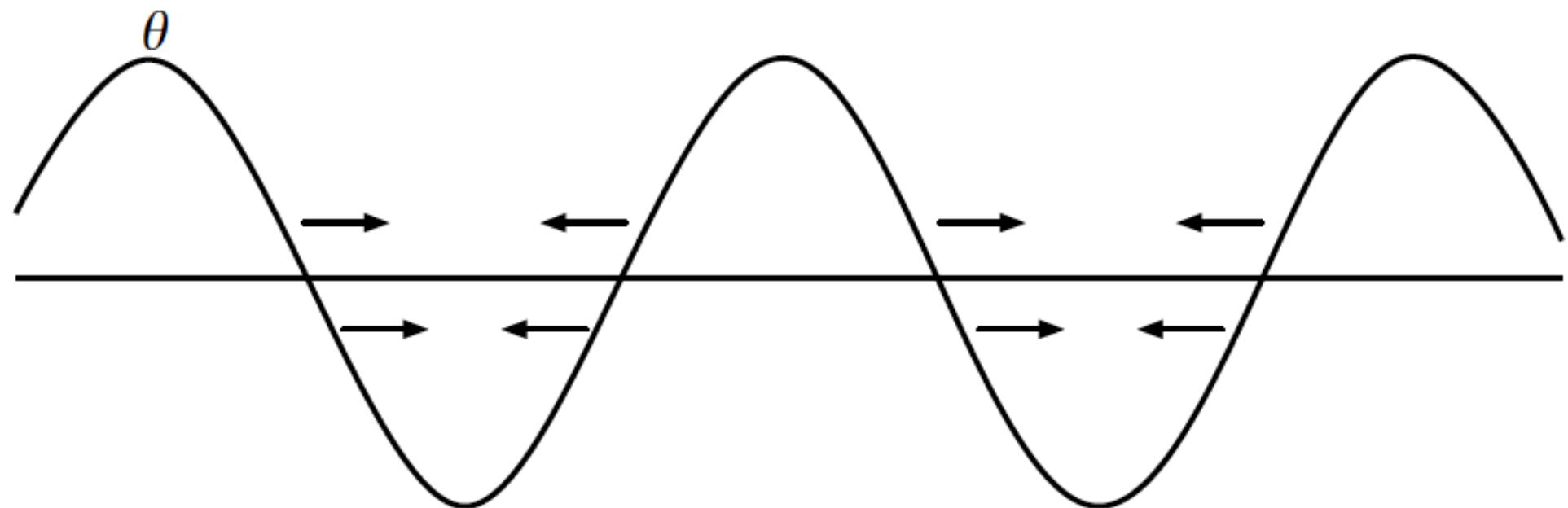
$$\underline{k} = k - j \frac{m}{2}$$

$$p(x, t) = \hat{p} e^{j(\omega t - \underline{k}x)}$$

$m$  Attenuation constant

# Acoustic attenuation: 2 types

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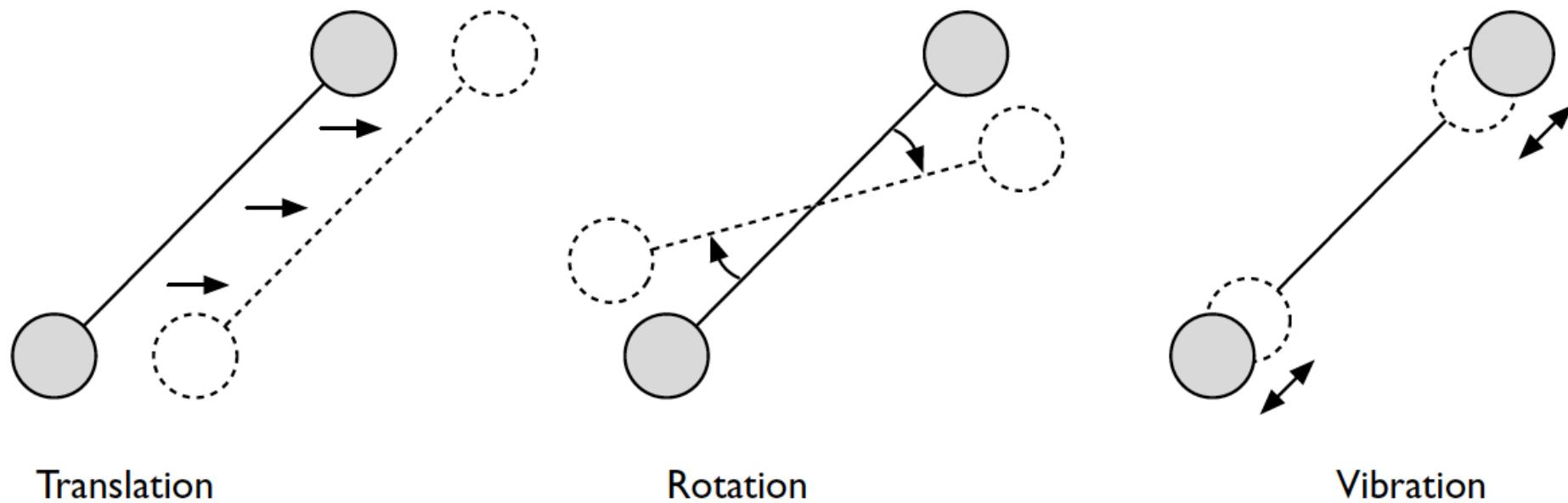
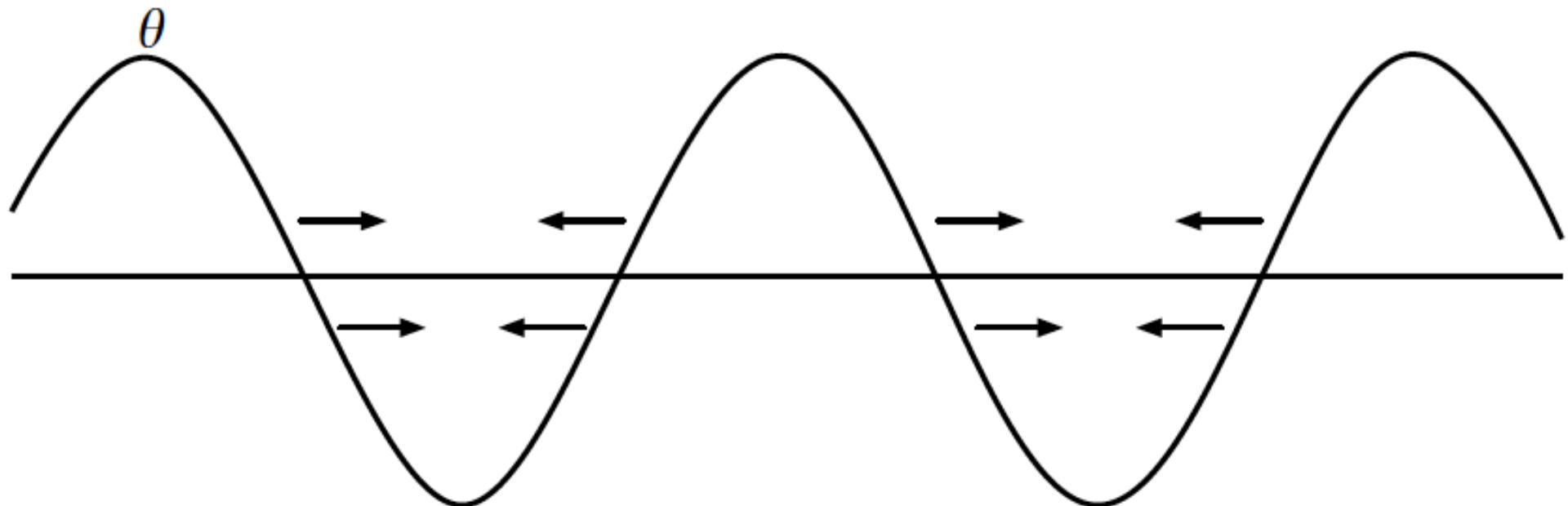


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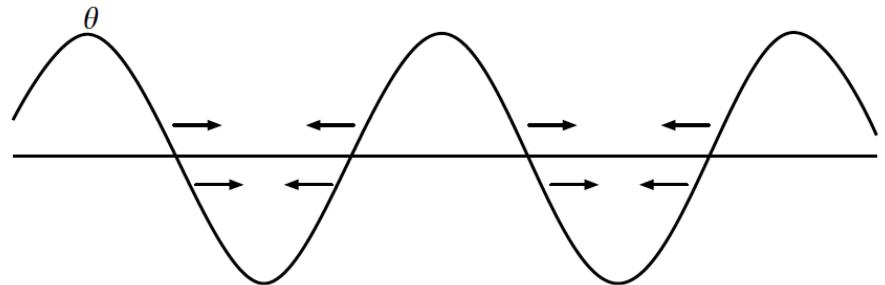


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$$\theta = T_0 \frac{\kappa - 1}{\kappa} \frac{p}{p_0}$$



$\theta$  Sound temperature

$\kappa$  Adiabatic heat constant

# Acoustic attenuation: classical attenuation

- Thermal attenuation constant

$$m_{th} = \frac{\kappa - 1}{\kappa} \frac{\nu \omega^2}{\rho_0 c C_v c^3}$$

$\nu$  Heat conductivity of propagation medium

- Viscous attenuation constant

$$m_{vis} = \frac{4\eta\omega^2}{3\rho_0 c^3}$$

$\eta$  Viscosity of propagation medium

# Acoustic attenuation: molecular attenuation

- If a gas is in equilibrium, the thermal energy stored in translation, rotation and vibration
- When a sound wave passes by, there is will be a new equilibrium state of energy storage, and it has be redistributed among the three kinds of motion (with translation first)

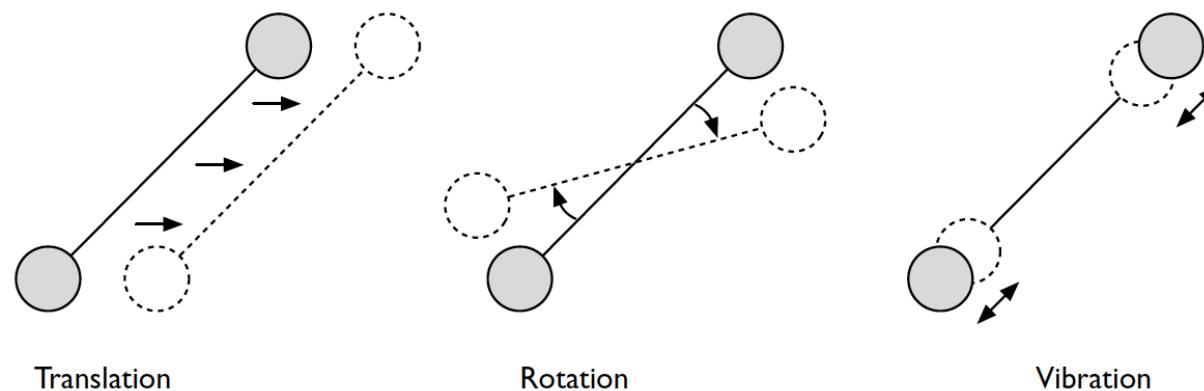


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# Acoustic attenuation: molecular attenuation

- Molecular attenuation

$$m_{rel} \sim \frac{\omega\tau}{1 + (\omega\tau)^2}$$

$\tau$

Relaxation time of propagation medium

- Speed of sound slightly dependent on frequency, dispersion!

# Acoustic attenuation

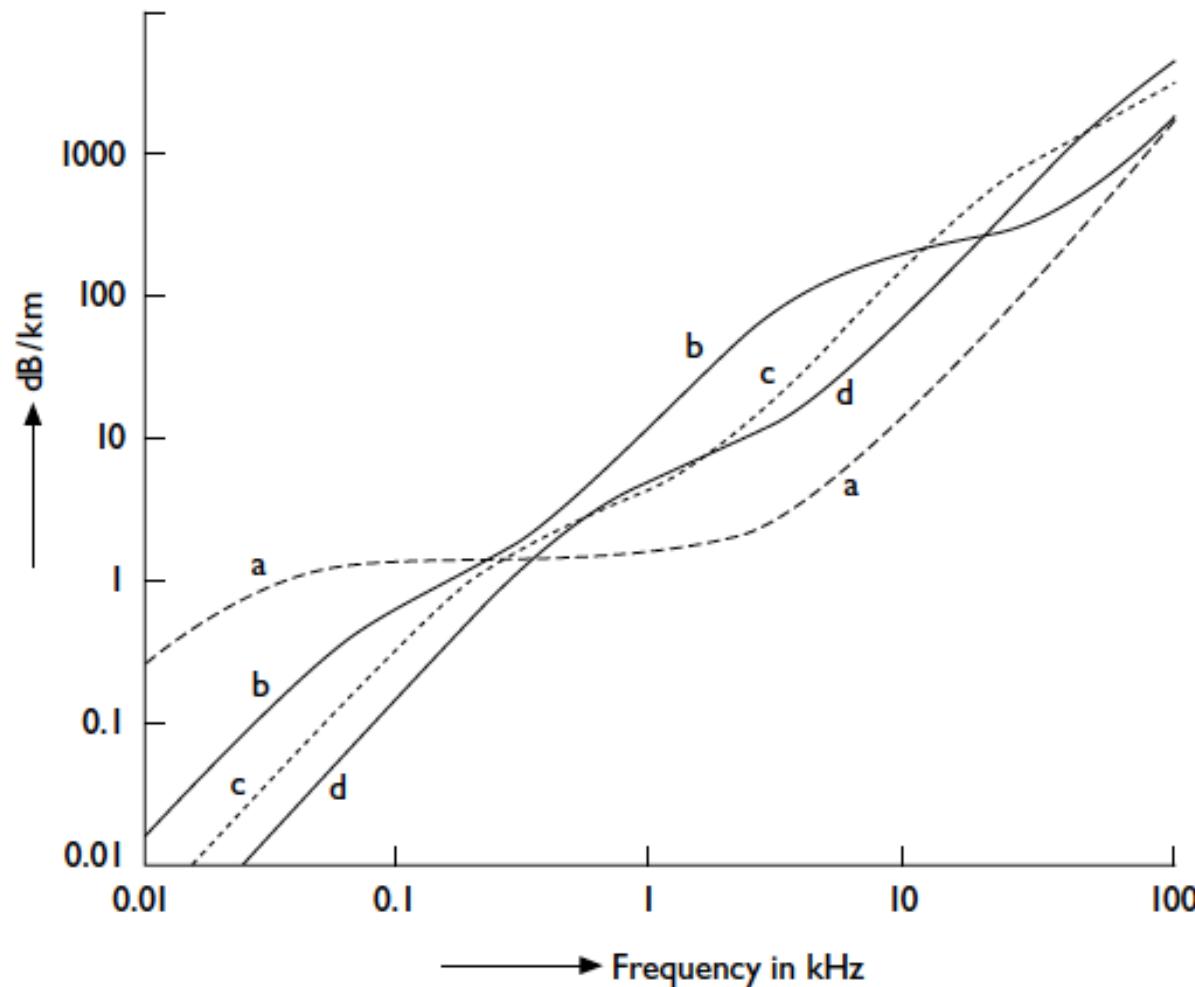


Figure 4.12 Attenuation of air (in dB/km) at 20°C and normal pressure. Parameter: relative humidity: (a) 0%, (b) 10%, (c) 40%, (d) 100%.

# Spherical waves

- Wave equation in polar coordinates

$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial p}{\partial r} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial t^2}$$

- Recall the 1D wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial t^2}$$

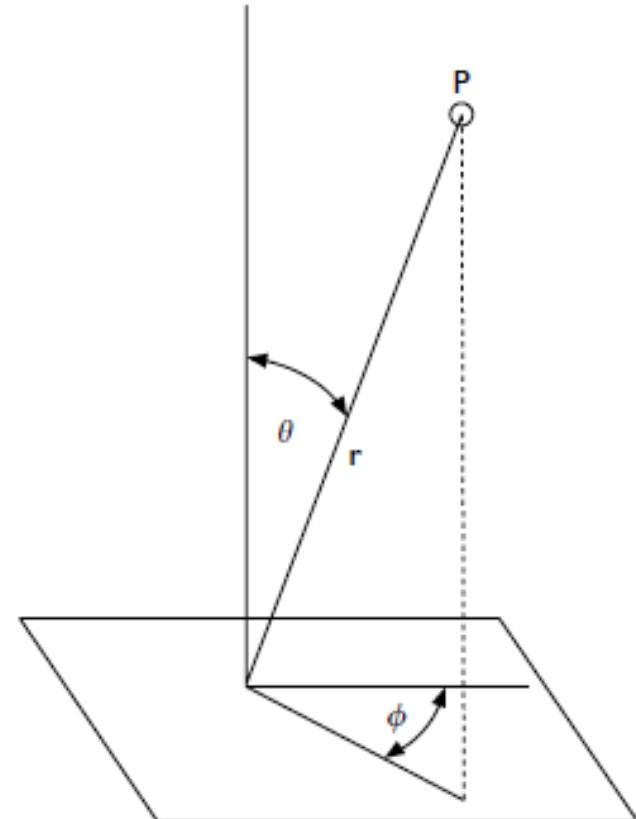


Figure 5.2 Spherical polar coordinates.

# Spherical waves

- Pressure solution to wave equation in polar coordinates (point source solution)

$$p(r, t) = \frac{A}{r} e^{j(\omega t - kr)}$$

- Velocity solution ...

$$v_r = \frac{p}{\rho_0 c} \cdot \left( 1 + \frac{1}{jkr} \right)$$

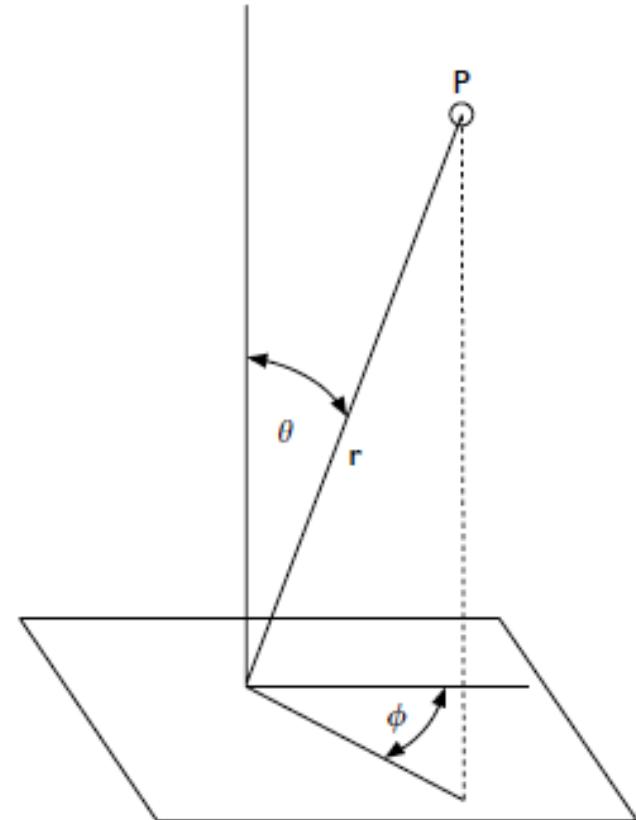
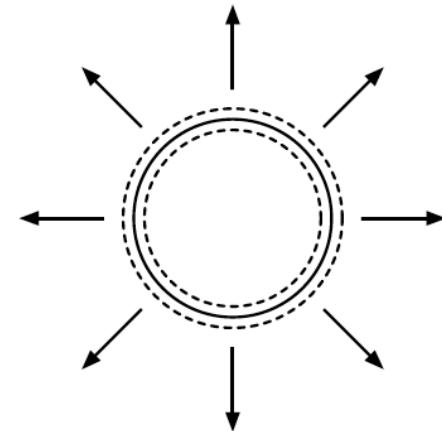


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- For breathing sphere

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# Breathing sphere impedance

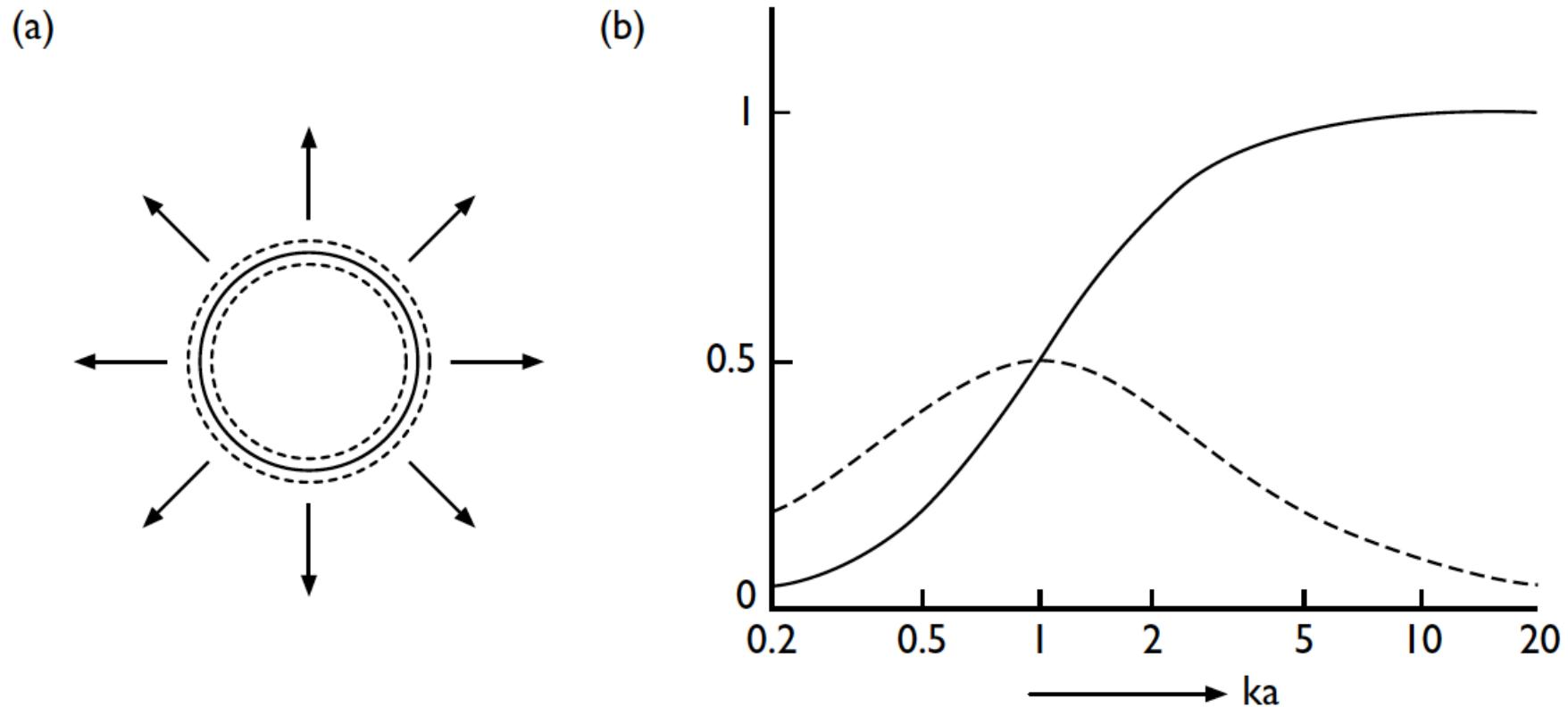


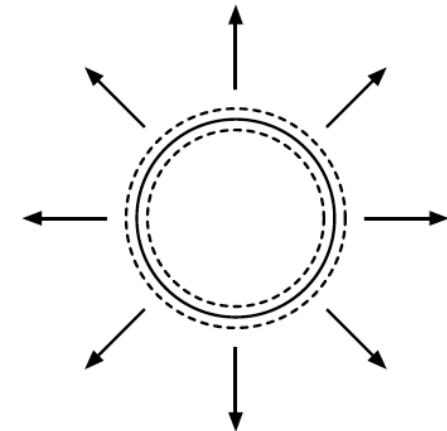
Figure 5.10 Breathing sphere: (a) schematically, (b) normalized radiation impedance (solid line: real part  $R_r/SZ_0$ , broken line: imaginary part  $X_r/SZ_0$ ).

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- Radiated power

$$R_r = S\rho_0c \frac{(ka)^2}{1 + (ka)^2} .$$

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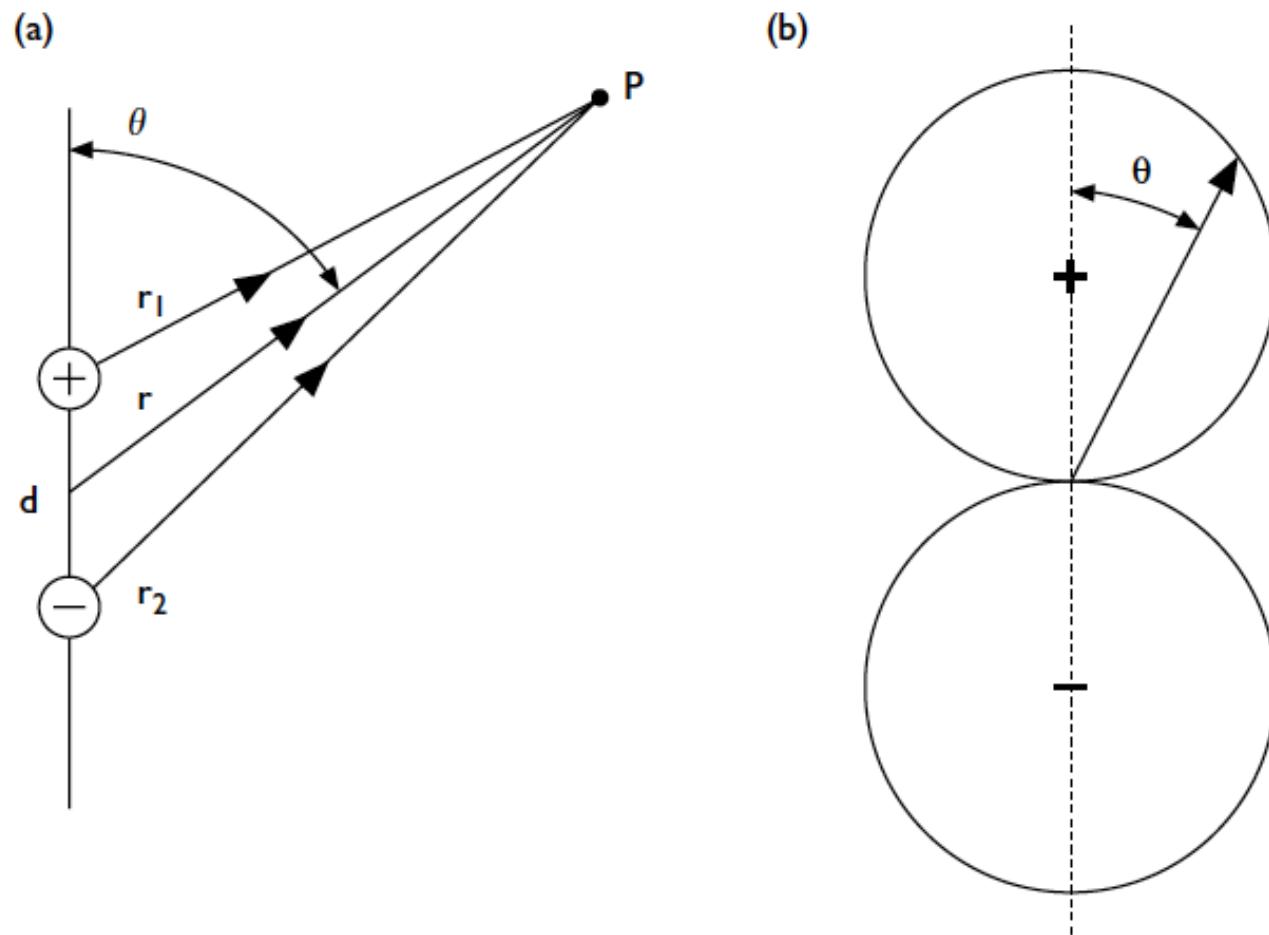
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# Dipole

$$p(r, t) = p_1 + p_2 = \frac{A}{r_1} e^{j(\omega t - kr_1)} - \frac{A}{r_2} e^{j(\omega t - kr_2)}$$

$$r_{1,2} = r \pm \frac{\bar{d}}{2} \cos \theta \quad \text{for } kd \ll 1$$

$$p(r, t) = \frac{j A \omega d}{rc} \cos \theta e^{j(\omega t - kr)}$$

# Linear array



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# Linear array

$$p(r, \alpha, t) = \frac{A}{r} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{jkd_n \sin \alpha} e^{j(\omega t - kr)}$$

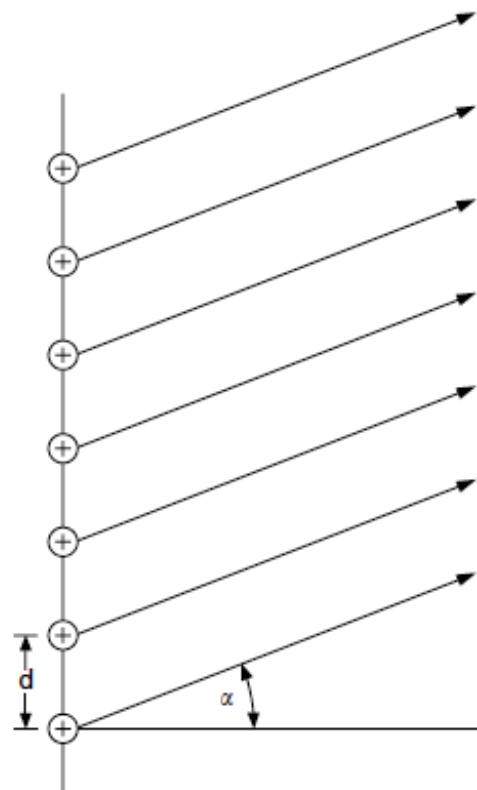


Figure 5.7 Linear array of point sources.

# Loudspeaker array

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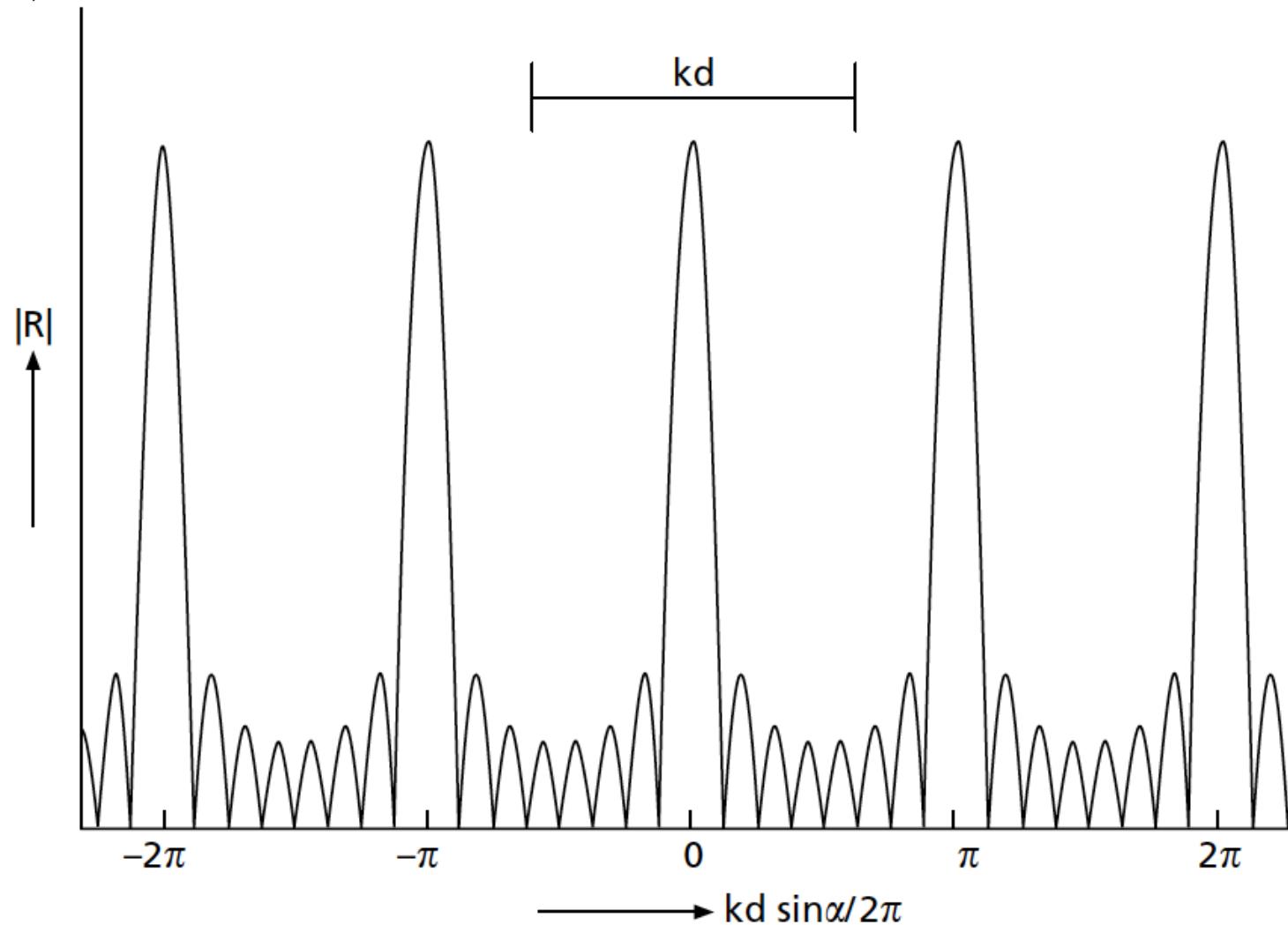
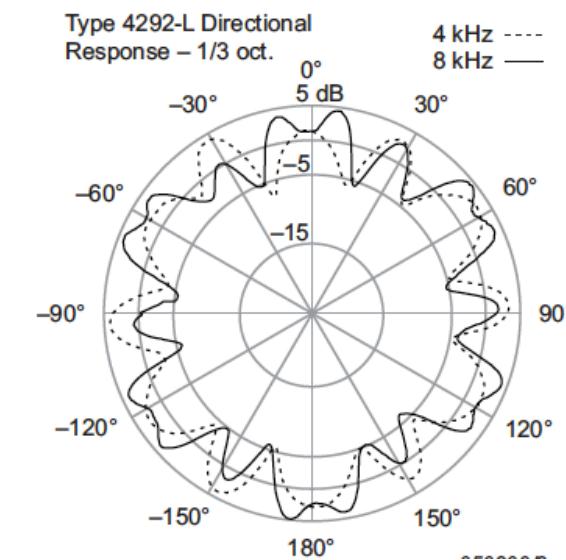
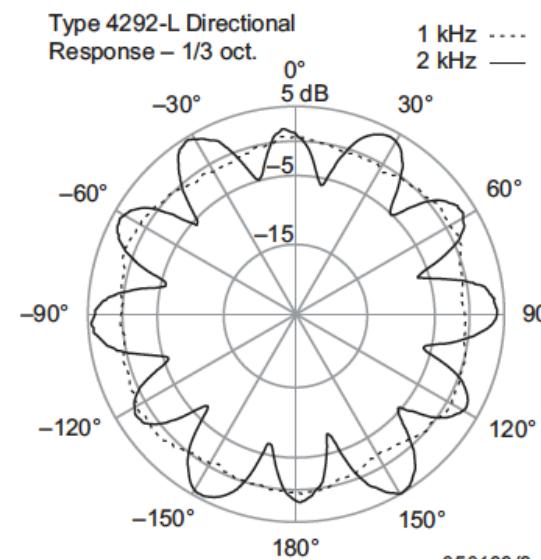


Figure 5.8 Directional factor (magnitude) of a linear array with eight elements.

# Piston



# Formulas week 3

$$p(x, t) = \hat{p} e^{-mx/2} e^{j(\omega t - \underline{k}x)} = \hat{p} e^{j(\omega t - \underline{k}x)} \quad (13)$$

$$\underline{k} = k - j \frac{m}{2} = \frac{\omega}{c} - j \frac{m}{2}$$

$$m_{th} = \frac{\kappa - 1}{\kappa} \frac{\nu \omega^2}{\rho_0 c C_v c^3} \quad \text{Thermal attenuation constant}$$

$$m_{vis} = \frac{4\eta\omega^2}{3\rho_0 c^3} \quad \text{Viscous attenuation constant}$$

$$m_{rel} \cdot \lambda = 2\pi\varepsilon \frac{\omega\tau}{1 + (\omega\tau)^2} \left( \frac{c}{c_0} \right)^2 \quad \text{Relaxation attenuation constant}$$

$$m_{rel} \sim \frac{\omega\tau}{1 + (\omega\tau)^2}$$

$$\theta = T_0 \frac{\kappa - 1}{\kappa} \frac{p}{p_0}$$

# Formulas week 3

## Spherical waves and sound radiation (chapter 5)

$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial p}{\partial r} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial t^2} \quad \text{Wave equation in polar coordinates}$$

$$p(r, t) = \frac{j\omega\rho_0\hat{Q}}{4\pi r} e^{j(\omega t - kr)} \quad \text{Point source solution} \quad (14)$$

$$v_r = \frac{p}{\rho_0 c} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{jkr}\right) \quad \text{Radial particle velocity}$$

$$P_r = 4\pi r^2 I = \frac{\rho_0 \omega^2 \hat{Q}^2}{8\pi c} \quad \text{Acoustic power from point source}$$

$$p(r, \theta, \phi, t) = \frac{A}{r} R(\theta, \phi) e^{j(\omega t - kr)} \quad \text{Sound pressure with directivity function} \quad (15)$$

$$L_P = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{P_r}{P_0} \right) dB$$

$$p(r, t) = \frac{j\omega\rho_0\hat{Q}}{4\pi} \left( \frac{e^{-jkr_1}}{r_1} - \frac{e^{-jkr_2}}{r_2} \right) e^{j\omega t} \quad \text{Dipole source solution} \quad (16)$$

$$p(r, \alpha, t) = \frac{A}{r} \sum_n^{N-1} e^{jkd_n \sin \alpha} e^{j(\omega t - kr)} \quad \text{Linear array}$$

$$Z_r = \frac{S\rho_0 c}{1 + 1/jka} \quad \text{Radiation impedance of breathing sphere}$$

$$R_r = S\rho_0 c \frac{(ka)^2}{1 + (ka)^2} \rightarrow \frac{\rho_0 S^2}{4\pi c} \cdot \omega^2 \quad \text{for } ka \ll 1$$

Radiation resistance of breathing sphere