

Headphone on an Artificial Ear

In this tutorial a headphone is simulated in a typical measurement setup. As headphones are closely coupled to the ear, it is not representative to measure their sensitivity in an acoustic free-field in the classical setup used for loudspeakers. The measurement requires the use of artificial heads and ears to accurately represent the usage conditions. This model shows the coupling of a circumaural headphone to a generic artificial ear.

To model all components in a headphone, this tutorial uses several physics and features. The foam is modeled with the Poroelastic Waves interface and coupled to Pressure Acoustics, Frequency Domain interface for the air domains. The Interior Perforated Plate condition is used to model the perforated plates and meshes in the headphone casing. The artificial ear is coupled to a simplified ear canal and the impedance of the ear drum is specifically considered in the model. The dynamic speaker driver is modeled through a lumped approach following Ref. 1.

Lumped representations of drivers are well known and widely used in the industry. The parameters that characterize the low-frequency performance of a loudspeaker, commonly known as the Thiele-Small or the small-signal parameters, are obtained from Ref. 2. This lumped model is coupled to the 3D pressure acoustics model describing the surrounding air domain using the Interior Lumped Speaker Boundary condition.

Note: Many of the working principles of the lumped speaker model are described in the Lumped Loudspeaker Driver model. Application Library path Acoustics_Module/ Electroacoustic Transducers/lumped loudspeaker driver.

Model Definition

GEOMETRY

A schematic section of the model is shown in Figure 2. The pinna (peach color) is obtained from a 3D scan of an actual human ear. The ear canal has been idealized as a cylinder of 7.5 mm diameter and 19.8 mm length. The pinna and ear canal have been rotated to maintain the headphone oriented in global coordinates. The acoustic domain is shown in three regions; the pressure chamber (blue) the external domain (light blue) and the perfectly matched layer domain (dark blue). The driver is included in the model as its lumped equivalent (Electrical Circuit interface) enforcing a velocity on the diaphragm (yellow line). The pressure drop across the diaphragm is coupled back to the circuit. The different chambers of the acoustic domain are connected through perforated plates (green lines). The headphone casing (gray) is considered as rigid (the model can be extended to model the casing as an elastic structure). The foam (red) is a Poroelastic Waves domain completely fixed on the boundaries attached to the skin and the headphone casing.

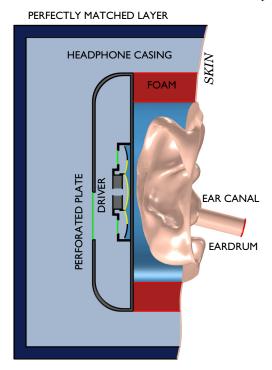


Figure 1: Schematic representation of the model.

PARAMETERS

The model parameters are given in the table below. The speeds defined in the table are used exclusively for the definition of the mesh size in the different domains. The value of 272 m/s is the speed of the fast pressure waves in the poroelastic waves (PELW) domain. The maximum mesh size $h_{\rm max}$ is in general given by

$$h_{\text{max}} = \frac{1}{5} \frac{\min(c_{i})}{f}$$

where c_i represents all the wave speed present in a model and f is the frequency. In a pure fluid there is just one speed of sound. By using the speed of the fast pressure waves in the PELW domain, we will be under-resolving the slow pressure waves and the shear waves in

the PELW domain. This is done here to reduce the model size when solving the tutorial model. Ideally, the mesh should consider the minimum of the pressure waves speeds (variables pelw.cp fast and pelw.cp slow) and shear waves (variable pelw.cs poro) in the PELW domain.

TABLE I: MODEL PARAMETERS.

VARIABLE	VALUE	DESCRIPTION
f_{\max}	20.0 kHz	Maximal frequency
$c_{ m air}$	343 m/s	Speed of sound in air
$c_{ m poro}$	272 m/s	Speed of wave to be resolved by the mesh (here the fast pressure wave speed in the PELW domain)

The model includes the driver of the headphone through a lumped equivalent. Thiele-Small parameters obtained from Ref. 2 are used in this model and listed in the table below.

TABLE 2: THIELE SMALL PARAMETERS.

VARIABLE	VALUE	DESCRIPTION
$R_{ m g}$	0.8 Ω	Cable resistance
$n_{ m e}$	0.7	Voice coil loss factor
$R_{ m E}$	124.3 Ω	Voice coil resistance
$L_{ m E}$	5.53 mH	Voice coil inductance (constant)
$C_{ m MS}$	2.51·10 ⁻³ m/N	Suspension compliance
$R_{ m MS}$	12.9·10 ⁻³ N·s/m	Suspension mechanical losses
$M_{ m MD}$	314.9 μg	Moving mass (voice coil and diaphragm)
BL	4.56 T·m	Force factor, flux density (B) times coil length (L)
V_0	$200\sqrt{2}$ mV	Driving voltage (peak)

The model includes a set of perforated plates connecting the different chambers of the headset. The perforated plate parameters used in the model are shown in the table below.

TABLE 3: PERFORATED PLATE PARAMETERS.

VARIABLE	VALUE	DESCRIPTION
Rad_{p1}	10 mm	Radius of the perforated plate I
n_1	I	Number of circles defining the plate I
$d_{ m h1}$	0.5 mm	Diameter of the holes in plate I
$t_{ m p1}$	0.5 mm	Thickness of perforated plate I
$N_{ m h1}$	150	Number of holes in the perforated plate I

TABLE 3: PERFORATED PLATE PARAMETERS.

VARIABLE	VALUE	DESCRIPTION
Rad_{p2}	6 mm	Radius of the perforated plate 2
n_2	4	Number of circles defining the plate 2
$d_{ m h2}$	0.5 mm	Diameter of the holes in plate 2
$t_{ m p2}$	0.5 mm	Thickness of perforated plate 2
$N_{ m h2}$	200	Number of holes in the perforated plate 2
Rad_{p3}	6 mm	Radius of the perforated plate 3
n_3	4	Number of circles defining the plate 3
$d_{ m h3}$	0.5 mm	Diameter of the holes in plate 3
$t_{ m p3}$	0.5 mm	Thickness of perforated plate 3
$N_{ m h3}$	300	Number of holes in the perforated plate 3

Each of the Interior Perforated Plate condition uses an area porosity derived from the parameters listed previously.

The porous material parameters used are those for a generic foam with parameters taken from Ref. 3. The model does not include any compression or prestressing of the foam. Getting a general constitutive model, that predict how all porous properties change with local compression or deformation, is extremely difficult. To include the effects of prestress will typically rely on measuring the porous properties under various compression/ deformation states to get local material values. This can, for example, be achieved in impedance tube measurements as shown in Ref. 4, where an optimization is used to fit the material parameters to the test data. In general it should be noticed that good material data is important for the quality of numerical simulations.

BOUNDARY CONDITIONS

The model makes use of two of the **Physiological** impedance models, described in the Acoustics Module User's Guide, to accurately represent the skin (Human skin) and the eardrum (Human ear drum). The boundaries of the model that included the skin impedance condition are shown in Figure 2.

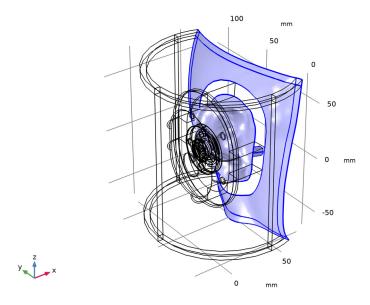


Figure 2: Boundaries of the acoustic domain with skin impedance.

Details about the lumped driver approach used in this model are found in the Lumped Loudspeaker Driver model and in the Modeling Instructions below. The perforated plates of the headset modeled through the Interior Perforated Plate condition, is described in detail in the Acoustics Module User's Guide in the Theory For The Interior Impedance Models section.

The sound pressure level on the skin (on and around the ear) at four different frequencies is shown in Figure 3. At the lowest frequencies the effect of the foam is clearly visible, where the large transition in SPL is seen.

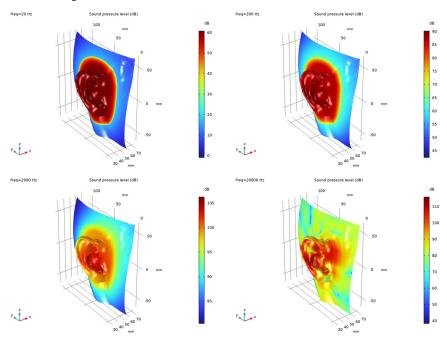


Figure 3: Sound pressure level at the skin at different frequencies.

The average sound pressure level at the eardrum is shown in Figure 4. This model has been solved on a high performance computer (HPC) with a finer mesh to capture the slow pressure waves and the shear waves. These results are imported and compared to the current model. The results of this finer meshed model show good agreement at low frequency (as all pressure waves are correctly resolved at low frequency in both models) but show significant differences as the frequency increases. The model requires about 28 GB of RAM to solve with the coarse mesh (used in the model) while it requires about 100 GB to solve with the default solver on the HPC system (single node). The model setup and the mesh can easily be modified to resolve all wave speed by modifying the parameter cporo from 272[m/s] (fast pressure wave speed) to 96[m/s] (shear wave speed, the slowest wave).

Although it is not shown in this tutorial, it is possible to explore the effect the perforates/ meshes have on the sound pressure level by modifying the Interior Perforated Plate parameters.

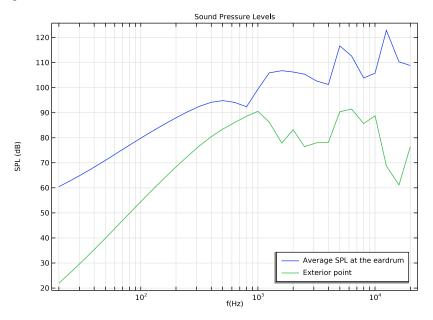


Figure 4: Sound pressure level at the eardrum.

Notes About the COMSOL Implementation

As described previously, and in the Modeling Instructions below, only the fast pressure waves have been considered while choosing the mesh size in the PELW domain. This has been done to limit the size of the model and make sure that the model can run on a computer with 32 GB of RAM. The solver setup in the model uses an iterative solver while the fine mesh model has been solved using a direct solver. It is very important to use a tight relative tolerance in the stationary solver (for this model 2e-7 is a good choice) when working with iterative solvers. It is good practice to do a convergence analysis on the relative tolerance until the results remain unaltered.

The PML in the model is set up using the **User defined** option for the **Geometry Type**. This is the case as the automatic detection fails when the PML is only part of a cylindrical layer (and is cut using a complex surface). Three PML region have been defined with different expressions for the **Distance function**. One definition for the top, one for the sides, and one for the corners. The distance function is a mathematical expression that describes the

distance from the inner PML boundary to the outer boundary. The distance function variable, pml1.dDist, is shown in Figure 5.

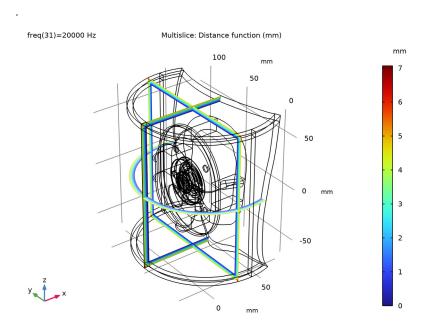


Figure 5: PML distance function.

References

- 1. Lumped Loudspeaker Driver Model Documentation, from the COMSOL Application Library.
- 2. C. A. Poldy, "Headphones," in J. Borwick, Loudspeaker and Headphone Handbook, 3rd ed. Focal Press, 2001.
- 3. J. F. Allard and N. Atalla, Propagation of Sound in Porous Media, Modeling Sound Absorbing Materials, 2nd Edition, Wiley, 2009.
- 4. Impedance Tube Parameter Estimation with Data Generation, from the COMSOL Application Library.

Application Library path: Acoustics Module/Electroacoustic Transducers/ headphone_artificial_ear

Modeling Instructions

From the File menu, choose New.

NEW

In the New window, click Model Wizard.

MODEL WIZARD

- I In the Model Wizard window, click **3D**.
- 2 Click **Done**.

GLOBAL DEFINITIONS

Model parameters

- I In the Model Builder window, under Global Definitions click Parameters I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Parameters, type Model parameters in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Parameters section. Click Load from File.
- 4 Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file headphone_artificial_ear_parameters.txt.

Perforated plates parameters

- I In the Home toolbar, click Pi Parameters and choose Add>Parameters.
- 2 In the Settings window for Parameters, type Perforated plates parameters in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Parameters section. Click **Load from File**.
- 4 Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file headphone artificial ear plates.txt.

Thiele-Small Parameters

- I In the Home toolbar, click Pi Parameters and choose Add>Parameters.
- 2 In the Settings window for Parameters, type Thiele-Small Parameters in the Label text field.

- 3 Locate the Parameters section. Click **Load from File**.
- **4** Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file headphone_artificial_ear_ts_parameters.txt.

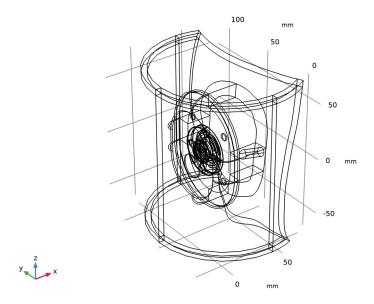
GEOMETRY I

- I In the Model Builder window, under Component I (compl) click Geometry I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Geometry, locate the Units section.
- 3 From the Length unit list, choose mm.
 Import the model geometry from file by following these steps.

Import I (impl)

- I In the Home toolbar, click Import.
- 2 In the Settings window for Import, locate the Import section.
- 3 Click **Browse**.
- **4** Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file headphone_artificial_ear_geometry.mphbin.
- 5 Click Import.
- 6 Click the **Zoom Extents** button in the **Graphics** toolbar.

7 Click the Wireframe Rendering button in the Graphics toolbar. The figure below shows the model geometry.



The following steps create the selections that will be used to define the model.

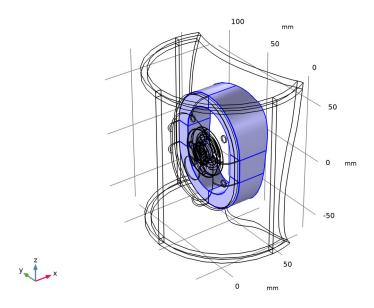
DEFINITIONS

Foam

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click 🔓 **Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type Foam in the Label text field.

3 Select Domains 15–20 only.

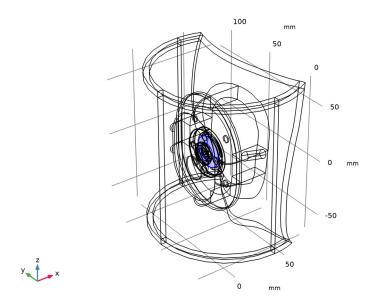
The selection should look like this.



Moving membrane positive

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **\(\bigcap_{\text{a}} \) Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type Moving membrane positive in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Input Entities section. From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.

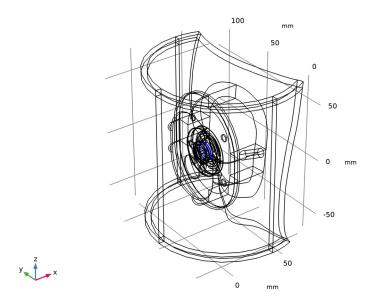
4 Select Boundaries 150, 152, 156, and 158 only. The selection should look like this.



Moving membrane negative

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click 堶 **Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type Moving membrane negative in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Input Entities section. From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.

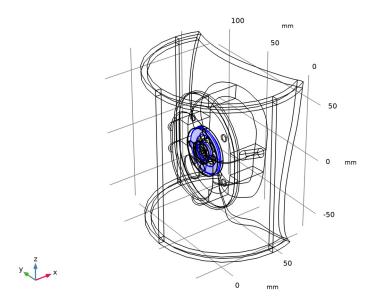
4 Select Boundaries 151, 153, 157, and 159 only. The selection should look like this.



Interior sound hard boundary

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **\(\bigcap_{\text{a}} \) Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type Interior sound hard boundary in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Input Entities section. From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.

4 Select Boundaries 126–129, 146–149, 154, 155, 160, and 161 only. The selection should look like this.

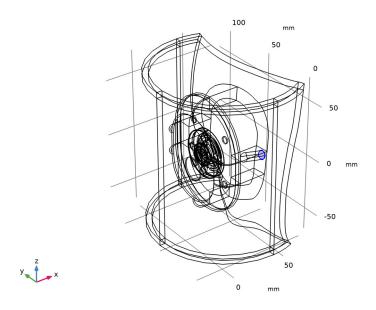


Eardrum

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **\(\bigcap_{\text{a}} \) Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type Eardrum in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Input Entities section. From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.

4 Select Boundary 333 only.

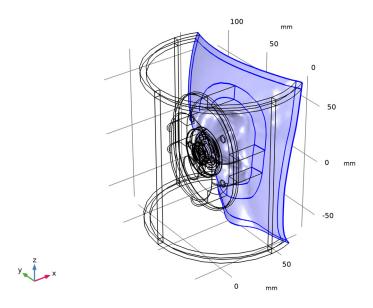
The selection should look like this.



Skin with PML

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **\(\big|_{\text{a}} \) Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, locate the Input Entities section.
- 3 From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.
- 4 In the Label text field, type Skin with PML.

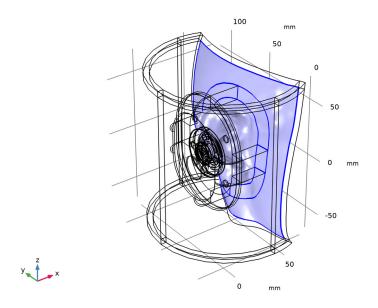
5 Select Boundaries 289, 316–332, 334, and 335 only. The selection should look like this.



Skin without PML

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **\(\bigcap_{\text{a}} \) Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type Skin without PML in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Input Entities section. From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.

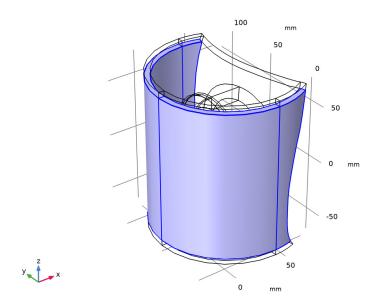
4 Select Boundaries 289, 317–322, and 324–328 only. The selection should look like this.



PML sides

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **\(\bigcap_{\text{a}} \) Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type PML sides in the Label text field.

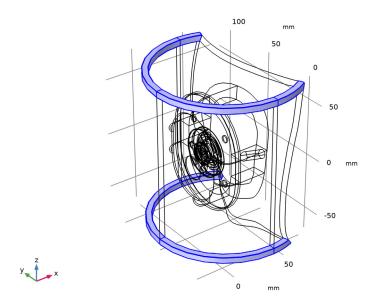
3 Select Domains 3, 4, 22, and 25 only. The selection should look like this.



PML corners

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **\(\big|_{\bigsq} Explicit. \)**
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type PML corners in the Label text field.

3 Select Domains 1, 2, 5, 6, 21, 23, 24, and 26 only. The selection should look like this.

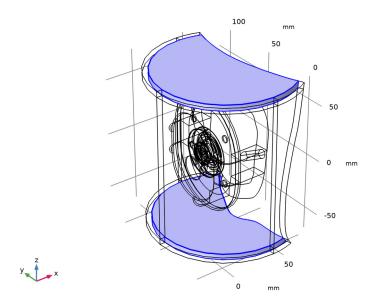


PML caps

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **\(\bigcap_{\text{a}} \) Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type PML caps in the Label text field.

3 Select Domains 7 and 9 only.

The selection should look like this.

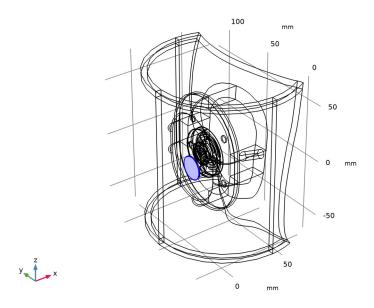


Perforated plate I

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **\(\bigcap_{\text{a}} \) Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type Perforated plate 1 in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Input Entities section. From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.

4 Select Boundary 32 only.

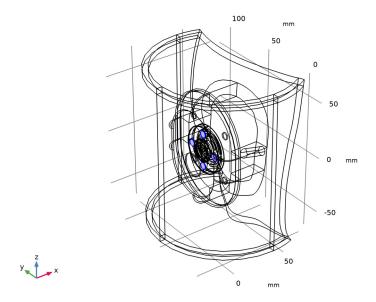
The selection should look like this.



Perforated plate 2

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **\(\bigcap_{\text{a}} \) Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type Perforated plate 2 in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Input Entities section. From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.

4 Select Boundaries 88, 95, 98, and 113 only. The selection should look like this.

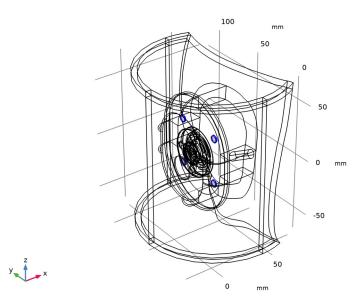


Perforated plate 3

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **\(\bigcap_{\text{a}} \) Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type Perforated plate 3 in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Input Entities section. From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.

4 Select Boundaries 272, 273, 282, and 283 only.

The selection should look like this.



All Domains

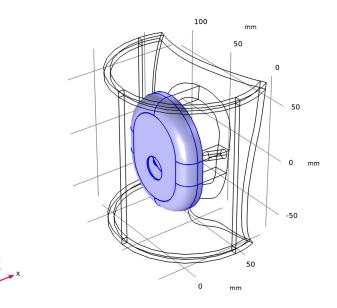
- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **\(\bigcap_{\text{a}} \) Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type All Domains in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Input Entities section. Select the All domains check box.

Plastic casing

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **\(\frac{1}{2} \) Explicit**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Explicit, type Plastic casing in the Label text field.

3 Select Domains 10 and 12 only.

The selection should look like this.



Air with PML

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click $\stackrel{\text{\tiny non}}{\buildrel \buildrel \bui$
- 2 In the Settings window for Difference, type Air with PML in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Input Entities section. Under Selections to add, click + Add.
- 4 In the Add dialog box, select All Domains in the Selections to add list.
- 5 Click OK.
- 6 In the Settings window for Difference, locate the Input Entities section.
- 7 Under Selections to subtract, click + Add.
- 8 In the Add dialog box, in the Selections to subtract list, choose Foam and Plastic casing.
- 9 Click OK.

Air without PML

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click $\stackrel{\text{\tiny Defi}}{\buildrel \buildrel \bu$
- 2 In the Settings window for Difference, type Air without PML in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Input Entities section. Under Selections to add, click + Add.

- 4 In the Add dialog box, select Air with PML in the Selections to add list.
- 5 Click OK.
- 6 In the Settings window for Difference, locate the Input Entities section.
- 7 Under Selections to subtract, click + Add.
- 8 In the Add dialog box, in the Selections to subtract list, choose PML sides, PML corners, and PML caps.
- 9 Click OK.

Air boundaries

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **Union**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Union, type Air boundaries in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Geometric Entity Level section. From the Level list, choose Boundary.
- 4 Locate the Input Entities section. Under Selections to add, click + Add.
- 5 In the Add dialog box, in the Selections to add list, choose Eardrum, Skin with PML, Perforated plate 1, Perforated plate 2, and Perforated plate 3.
- 6 Click OK.

Moving membrane

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **Holion**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Union, type Moving membrane in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Geometric Entity Level section. From the Level list, choose Boundary.
- 4 Locate the Input Entities section. Under Selections to add, click + Add.
- 5 In the Add dialog box, in the Selections to add list, choose Moving membrane positive and Moving membrane negative.
- 6 Click OK.

Meshed domains without PML and foam

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **Difference**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Difference, type Meshed domains without PML and foam in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Input Entities section. Under Selections to add, click + Add.
- 4 In the Add dialog box, select All Domains in the Selections to add list.
- 5 Click OK.
- 6 In the Settings window for Difference, locate the Input Entities section.
- 7 Under Selections to subtract, click + Add.

- 8 In the Add dialog box, in the Selections to subtract list, choose Foam, PML sides, PML corners, PML caps, and Plastic casing.
- 9 Click OK.

PML

- I In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **I Union**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Union, type PML in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Input Entities section. Under Selections to add, click + Add.
- 4 In the Add dialog box, in the Selections to add list, choose PML sides, PML corners, and PML caps.
- 5 Click OK.

Model variables

- I In the Model Builder window, right-click Definitions and choose Variables.
- 2 In the Settings window for Variables, type Model variables in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Variables section. Click **Load from File.**
- **4** Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file headphone_artificial_ear_variables.txt.

ADD PHYSICS

- I In the Home toolbar, click open the Add Physics window.
- 2 Go to the Add Physics window.
- 3 In the tree, select AC/DC>Electrical Circuit (cir).
- 4 Click Add to Selection in the window toolbar.
- 5 In the Home toolbar, click Add Physics to close the Add Physics window.

ELECTRICAL CIRCUIT (CIR)

Voltage Source I (VI)

- I Right-click Component I (compl)>Electrical Circuit (cir) and choose Voltage Source.
- 2 In the Settings window for Voltage Source, locate the Node Connections section.
- **3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Label	Node names
n	0

4 Locate the **Device Parameters** section. In the $v_{\rm src}$ text field, type V0.

Resistor I (RI)

- I In the Electrical Circuit toolbar, click Resistor.
- 2 In the Settings window for Resistor, locate the Node Connections section.
- **3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Label	Node names
Р	1
n	2

4 Locate the **Device Parameters** section. In the R text field, type R_g .

Resistor 2 (R2)

- I In the Electrical Circuit toolbar, click Resistor.
- 2 In the Settings window for Resistor, locate the Node Connections section.
- **3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Label	Node names
Р	2
n	3

4 Locate the **Device Parameters** section. In the R text field, type R E.

Inductor I (LI)

- I In the Electrical Circuit toolbar, click Old Inductor.
- 2 In the Settings window for Inductor, locate the Node Connections section.
- **3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Label	Node names
P	3
n	4

4 Locate the **Device Parameters** section. In the L text field, type L_E.

Resistor 3 (R3)

- I In the Electrical Circuit toolbar, click Resistor.
- 2 In the Settings window for Resistor, locate the Node Connections section.

3 In the table, enter the following settings:

Label	Node names
Р	3
n	4

4 Locate the **Device Parameters** section. In the R text field, type Rp_E.

Inductor 2 (L2)

- I In the **Electrical Circuit** toolbar, click **ODD Inductor**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Inductor, locate the Node Connections section.
- **3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Label	Node names
Р	6
n	7

4 Locate the **Device Parameters** section. In the L text field, type M_MD[H/kg].

Current-Controlled Voltage Source I (HI)

- I In the Electrical Circuit toolbar, click 🔄 Current-Controlled Voltage Source.
- 2 In the Settings window for Current-Controlled Voltage Source, locate the **Node Connections** section.
- **3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Label	Node names
Р	4
n	0

- 4 Locate the Current Measurement section. From the Measure current for device list, choose Inductor 2 (L2).
- 5 Locate the **Device Parameters** section. In the **Gain** text field, type BL[m/Wb*ohm].

Current-Controlled Voltage Source 2 (H2)

- I In the Electrical Circuit toolbar, click **Current-Controlled Voltage Source**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Current-Controlled Voltage Source, locate the Node Connections section.

3 In the table, enter the following settings:

Label	Node names
Р	6
n	0

- **4** Locate the **Device Parameters** section. In the **Gain** text field, type BL[m/Wb*ohm].
- 5 Locate the Current Measurement section. From the Measure current for device list, choose Resistor 2 (R2).

Resistor 4 (R4)

- I In the Electrical Circuit toolbar, click Resistor.
- 2 In the Settings window for Resistor, locate the Node Connections section.
- **3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Label	Node names
Р	7

4 Locate the **Device Parameters** section. In the R text field, type R MS[ohm/kg*s].

Capacitor I (CI)

- I In the Electrical Circuit toolbar, click Capacitor.
- 2 In the Settings window for Capacitor, locate the Node Connections section.
- **3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Label	Node names
Р	8

4 Locate the **Device Parameters** section. In the C text field, type $C_MS[F*N/m]$.

External I vs. U I (IvsUI)

- I In the Electrical Circuit toolbar, click External I vs. U.
- 2 In the Settings window for External I vs. U, locate the Node Connections section.

3 In the table, enter the following settings:

Label	Node names	
P	9	
n	0	

The Electric potential selection is done once the Interior Lumped Speaker Boundary has been added in pressure acoustics. The coupling between the circuit and the acoustics domain will then be automatic.

ADD PHYSICS

- I In the Electrical Circuit toolbar, click and Physics to open the Add Physics window.
- 2 Go to the Add Physics window.
- 3 In the tree, select Acoustics>Pressure Acoustics>Pressure Acoustics, Frequency Domain (acpr).
- 4 Click Add to Selection in the window toolbar.
- 5 In the Home toolbar, click Add Physics to close the Add Physics window.

PRESSURE ACOUSTICS, FREQUENCY DOMAIN (ACPR)

- I In the Settings window for Pressure Acoustics, Frequency Domain, locate the Domain Selection section.
- 2 From the Selection list, choose Air with PML.

Eardrum Impedance

- I Right-click Component I (compl)>Pressure Acoustics, Frequency Domain (acpr) and choose Impedance.
- 2 In the Settings window for Impedance, type Eardrum Impedance in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Boundary Selection section. From the Selection list, choose Eardrum.
- 4 Locate the Impedance section. From the Impedance model list, choose Physiological.
- 5 From the list, choose Human ear drum.

Skin impedance

- I In the Physics toolbar, click **Boundaries** and choose **Impedance**.
- 2 In the Settings window for Impedance, type Skin impedance in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Boundary Selection section. From the Selection list, choose Skin with PML.
- 4 Locate the Impedance section. From the Impedance model list, choose Physiological. The selection should look like Figure 2.

Interior Sound Hard Boundary (Wall) I

- I In the **Physics** toolbar, click **Boundaries** and choose Interior Sound Hard Boundary (Wall).
- 2 In the Settings window for Interior Sound Hard Boundary (Wall), locate the **Boundary Selection** section.
- 3 From the Selection list, choose Interior sound hard boundary.

Interior Perforated Plate 1

- I In the Physics toolbar, click **Boundaries** and choose Interior Perforated Plate.
- 2 In the Settings window for Interior Perforated Plate, locate the Boundary Selection section.
- 3 From the Selection list, choose Perforated plate 1.
- **4** Locate the **Interior Perforated Plate** section. In the d_h text field, type dh1.
- **5** In the $t_{\rm p}$ text field, type tp1.
- **6** In the σ text field, type sigma1.

Interior Perforated Plate 2

- I In the Physics toolbar, click **Boundaries** and choose Interior Perforated Plate.
- 2 In the Settings window for Interior Perforated Plate, locate the Boundary Selection section.
- 3 From the Selection list, choose Perforated plate 2.
- **4** Locate the **Interior Perforated Plate** section. In the d_h text field, type dh2.
- **5** In the t_p text field, type tp2.
- **6** In the σ text field, type sigma2.

Interior Perforated Plate 3

- In the Physics toolbar, click **Boundaries** and choose Interior Perforated Plate.
- 2 In the Settings window for Interior Perforated Plate, locate the Boundary Selection section.
- 3 From the Selection list, choose Perforated plate 3.
- **4** Locate the **Interior Perforated Plate** section. In the d_h text field, type dh3.
- **5** In the $t_{\rm p}$ text field, type tp3.
- **6** In the σ text field, type sigma3.

Interior Lumped Speaker Boundary I

- I In the **Physics** toolbar, click **Boundaries** and choose Interior Lumped Speaker Boundary.
- 2 In the Settings window for Interior Lumped Speaker Boundary, locate the **Boundary Selection** section.
- 3 From the Selection list, choose Moving membrane.
- 4 Locate the Speaker Geometry section. From the e_{ax} list, choose User defined.

ELECTRICAL CIRCUIT (CIR)

External I vs. U I (IvsUI)

- I In the Model Builder window, under Component I (compl)>Electrical Circuit (cir) click External I vs. U I (IvsUI).
- 2 In the Settings window for External I vs. U, locate the External Device section.
- 3 From the V list, choose Voltage from lumped speaker boundary (acpr/ilsb1).

ADD PHYSICS

- I In the Home toolbar, click Add Physics to open the Add Physics window.
- 2 Go to the Add Physics window.
- 3 In the tree, select Acoustics>Elastic Waves>Poroelastic Waves (pelw).
- 4 Click Add to Selection in the window toolbar.
- 5 In the Home toolbar, click and Physics to close the Add Physics window.

POROELASTIC WAVES (PELW)

- I In the Settings window for Poroelastic Waves, locate the Domain Selection section.
- 2 From the Selection list, choose Foam.

Fixed Constraint I

- I Right-click Component I (compl)>Poroelastic Waves (pelw) and choose the boundary condition Porous Matrix Conditions>Fixed Constraint.
- **2** Select Boundaries 260, 262, 265, 274, 278, 284, 318–322, and 326 only.

MULTIPHYSICS

Acoustic-Porous Boundary I (abb1)

I In the Physics toolbar, click Multiphysics Couplings and choose Boundary>Acoustic— Porous Boundary.

- 2 In the Settings window for Acoustic-Porous Boundary, locate the Boundary Selection section.
- 3 From the Selection list, choose All boundaries.

The following steps define the PML used in the model. The number of stretching directions and the distance function are defined manually to make sure that the PML works as intended.

DEFINITIONS

Perfectly Matched Layer I (pml1)

- I In the Definitions toolbar, click M. Perfectly Matched Layer.
- 2 In the Settings window for Perfectly Matched Layer, locate the Domain Selection section.
- 3 From the Selection list, choose PML sides.
- 4 Locate the Geometry section. From the Type list, choose User defined.
- **5** In the table, enter the following settings:

	Distance function (m)	Thickness (m)
Direction I	sqrt((x-40[mm])^2+(y-50[mm])^2)- 60[mm]	5[mm]

6 Locate the Scaling section. In the PML scaling curvature parameter text field, type 3.

Perfectly Matched Layer 2 (pml2)

- I In the Definitions toolbar, click M Perfectly Matched Layer.
- 2 In the Settings window for Perfectly Matched Layer, locate the Domain Selection section.
- 3 From the Selection list, choose PML caps.
- 4 Locate the Geometry section. From the Type list, choose User defined.
- **5** In the table, enter the following settings:

	Distance function (m)	Thickness (m)
Direction I	abs(z)-65 [mm]	5[mm]

6 Locate the Scaling section. In the PML scaling curvature parameter text field, type 3.

Perfectly Matched Layer 3 (pml3)

- I In the Definitions toolbar, click M. Perfectly Matched Layer.
- 2 In the Settings window for Perfectly Matched Layer, locate the Domain Selection section.
- **3** From the **Selection** list, choose **PML corners**.

- 4 Locate the Geometry section. From the Type list, choose User defined.
- 5 From the Number of stretching directions list, choose 2.
- **6** In the table, enter the following settings:

	Distance function (m)	Thickness (m)
Direction I	sqrt((x-40[mm])^2+(y-50[mm])^2)- 60[mm]	5[mm]
Direction 2	abs(z)-65 [mm]	5[mm]

7 Locate the Scaling section. In the PML scaling curvature parameter text field, type 3.

ADD MATERIAL

- I In the Home toolbar, click **Add Material** to open the Add Material window.
- 2 Go to the Add Material window.
- 3 In the tree, select Built-in>Air.
- 4 Click Add to Component in the window toolbar.

MATERIALS

Air - Domains

- I In the Settings window for Material, type Air Domains in the Label text field.
- 2 Locate the Geometric Entity Selection section. From the Selection list, choose Air with PML.

POROELASTIC WAVES (PELW)

Poroelastic Material I

- I In the Model Builder window, under Component I (compl)>Poroelastic Waves (pelw) click Poroelastic Material I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Poroelastic Material, locate the Fluid Properties section.
- 3 From the Fluid material list, choose Air Domains (mat I).

ADD MATERIAL

- I Go to the Add Material window.
- 2 In the tree, select Built-in>Air.
- 3 Click Add to Component in the window toolbar.
- 4 In the Home toolbar, click **‡ Add Material** to close the **Add Material** window.

MATERIALS

Air - Boundaries

- I In the Settings window for Material, type Air Boundaries in the Label text field.
- 2 Locate the Geometric Entity Selection section. From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.
- 3 From the Selection list, choose Air boundaries.

Foam

- I In the Model Builder window, right-click Materials and choose Blank Material.
- 2 In the Settings window for Material, type Foam in the Label text field.
- **3** Locate the **Geometric Entity Selection** section. From the **Selection** list, choose **Foam**.
- **4** Locate the **Material Contents** section. In the table, enter the following settings:

Property	Variable	Value	Unit	Property group
Tortuosity factor	tau_iso; tauii = tau_iso, tauij = 0	1.18	1	Poroacoustics model
Flow resistivity	Rf_iso; Rfii = Rf_iso, Rfij = 0	34000[N* s/m^4]	Pa·s/m²	Poroacoustics model
Viscous characteristic length	Lv_iso ; Lvii = Lv_iso, Lvij = 0	60[um]	m	Poroacoustics model
Poisson's ratio	nu	0.3	1	Young's modulus and Poisson's ratio
Shear modulus	G	500[kPa]	N/m²	Bulk modulus and shear modulus
Density	rho	30[kg/ m^3]	kg/m³	Basic
Porosity	epsilon	0.85	1	Basic
Thermal characteristic length	Lth	87[um]	m	Poroacoustics model
Isotropic structural loss factor	eta_s	0.015	I	Basic

In this model the mesh is set up manually. Proceed by directly adding the desired mesh component. Make sure that the model is correctly resolved in the frequency range.

MESH I

Free Tetrahedral I

In the Mesh toolbar, click A Free Tetrahedral.

Size

- I In the Model Builder window, click Size.
- 2 In the Settings window for Size, locate the Element Size section.
- **3** Click the **Custom** button.
- 4 Locate the Element Size Parameters section. In the Maximum element size text field, type lambda_air/5.
- 5 In the Minimum element size text field, type 1 [mm].
- 6 In the Maximum element growth rate text field, type 1.4.
- 7 In the Curvature factor text field, type 0.5.
- 8 In the Resolution of narrow regions text field, type 1.
- 9 Click Pauld Selected.

Mapped I

- I In the Mesh toolbar, click \triangle More Generators and choose Mapped.
- **2** Select Boundaries 261, 264, 267, 276, 281, and 288 only.

Size 1

- I Right-click Mapped I and choose Size.
- 2 In the Settings window for Size, locate the Element Size section.
- **3** Click the **Custom** button.
- 4 Locate the Element Size Parameters section.
- 5 Select the Maximum element size check box. In the associated text field, type lambda poro/7.5.

All the waves propagating in the poroelastic waves (PELW) domain should be considered for the determination of the mesh size. The parameter cporo uses the slowest wave speed in the PELW, in this case the shear waves. Use 7.5 elements per wavelength to make sure that the shear waves are correctly resolved.

Swebt 1

- I In the Mesh toolbar, click A Swept.
- 2 In the Settings window for Swept, locate the Domain Selection section.
- 3 From the Geometric entity level list, choose Domain.

4 From the Selection list, choose Foam.

Size 1

- I Right-click Swept I and choose Size.
- 2 In the Settings window for Size, locate the Element Size section.
- **3** Click the **Custom** button.
- 4 Locate the Element Size Parameters section.
- **5** Select the **Maximum element size** check box. In the associated text field, type lambda poro/7.5.

Free Tetrahedral I

- I In the Model Builder window, under Component I (compl)>Mesh I click Free Tetrahedral I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Free Tetrahedral, locate the Domain Selection section.
- **3** From the **Geometric entity level** list, choose **Domain**.
- 4 From the Selection list, choose Meshed domains without PML and foam.

Size 1

- I Right-click Free Tetrahedral I and choose Size.
- 2 In the Settings window for Size, locate the Geometric Entity Selection section.
- 3 From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.
- 4 From the Selection list, choose Interior sound hard boundary.
- **5** Locate the **Element Size** section. Click the **Custom** button.
- 6 Locate the Element Size Parameters section.
- 7 Select the Maximum element size check box. In the associated text field, type 2.0[mm].
- 8 Click III Build All.

Swebt 2

- I In the Mesh toolbar, click A Swept.
- 2 In the Settings window for Swept, locate the Domain Selection section.
- 3 From the Geometric entity level list, choose Domain.
- 4 From the Selection list, choose PML.

Distribution I

- I Right-click Swept 2 and choose Distribution.
- 2 In the Settings window for Distribution, locate the Distribution section.

- 3 In the Number of elements text field, type 10.
- 4 Click III Build All.

ADD STUDY

- I In the Home toolbar, click Add Study to open the Add Study window.
- 2 Go to the Add Study window.
- 3 Find the Studies subsection. In the Select Study tree, select General Studies> Frequency Domain.
- 4 Click Add Study in the window toolbar.
- 5 In the Home toolbar, click Add Study to close the Add Study window.

STUDY I

Steb 1: Frequency Domain

- I In the Settings window for Frequency Domain, locate the Study Settings section.
- 2 Click Range.
- 3 In the Range dialog box, choose ISO preferred frequencies from the Entry method list.
- 4 In the Start frequency text field, type 20.
- 5 In the Stop frequency text field, type 20000.
- 6 From the Interval list, choose 1/3 octave.
- 7 Click Replace.

Solution I (soll)

- 2 In the Model Builder window, expand the Solution I (soll) node. Enable the suggested iterative solver and compute.
- 3 In the Model Builder window, expand the Study I>Solver Configurations> Solution I (soll)>Stationary Solver I node.
- 4 Right-click Study I>Solver Configurations>Solution I (soll)>Stationary Solver I> Suggested Iterative Solver (GMRES with GMG and Direct Precond.) (apb1) and choose Enable.
- 5 In the Study toolbar, click **Compute**.

RESULTS

Acoustic Pressure (acpr)

Click the Go to Default View button in the Graphics toolbar.

Cut Point 3D I

- I In the Results toolbar, click Cut Point 3D.
- 2 In the Settings window for Cut Point 3D, locate the Point Data section.
- 3 In the x text field, type -10[mm].
- 4 In the y text field, type 50[mm].
- 5 In the z text field, type 0.
- 6 Click Plot.

Surface 1

- I In the Model Builder window, expand the Acoustic Pressure (acpr) node.
- 2 Right-click Surface I and choose Delete.

Acoustic Pressure (acpr)

- I In the Model Builder window, under Results click Acoustic Pressure (acpr).
- 2 In the Settings window for 3D Plot Group, click to expand the Selection section.
- 3 From the Geometric entity level list, choose Domain.
- 4 Select Domains 8, 11, and 13–20 only.
- 5 Select the Apply to dataset edges check box.

Multislice 1

- I In the Acoustic Pressure (acpr) toolbar, click More Plots and choose Multislice.
- 2 In the Settings window for Multislice, locate the Expression section.
- 3 In the Expression text field, type if (isnan(acpr.p_t),pelw.p_t,acpr.p_t).
- 4 Select the **Description** check box. In the associated text field, type Total acoustic pressure.
- 5 Locate the Coloring and Style section. Click Change Color Table.
- 6 In the Color Table dialog box, select Wave>Wave in the tree.
- 7 Click OK.
- 8 In the Settings window for Multislice, locate the Coloring and Style section.
- **9** From the Scale list, choose Linear symmetric.

10 In the Acoustic Pressure (acpr) toolbar, click Plot.

The plot should look like this.

Surface I

- I In the Model Builder window, expand the Sound Pressure Level (acpr) node.
- 2 Right-click Surface I and choose Delete.

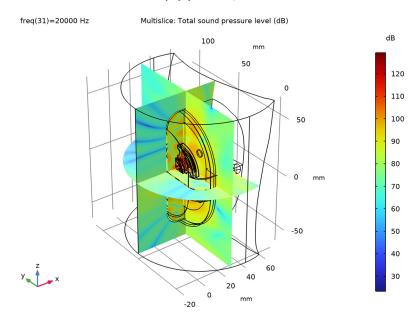
Sound Pressure Level (actr)

- I In the Model Builder window, under Results click Sound Pressure Level (acpr).
- 2 In the Settings window for 3D Plot Group, locate the Selection section.
- 3 From the Geometric entity level list, choose Domain.
- **4** Select Domains 8, 11, and 13–20 only.
- 5 Select the Apply to dataset edges check box.

Multislice 1

- I In the Sound Pressure Level (acpr) toolbar, click More Plots and choose Multislice.
- 2 In the Settings window for Multislice, locate the Expression section.
- 3 In the Expression text field, type if (isnan(acpr.Lp), pelw.Lp t,acpr.Lp).
- 4 Select the **Description** check box. In the associated text field, type Total sound pressure level.
- 5 Click to expand the Coloring and Style section. Click | Change Color Table.
- 6 In the Color Table dialog box, select Rainbow>Rainbow in the tree.
- 7 Click OK.
- 8 In the Settings window for Multislice, locate the Coloring and Style section.
- **9** From the **Scale** list, choose **Linear**.
- **10** Click to expand the **Quality** section. From the **Resolution** list, choose **Finer**.

II In the Sound Pressure Level (acpr) toolbar, click **Plot**.



ADD PREDEFINED PLOT

- I In the Home toolbar, click Windows and choose Add Predefined Plot.
- 2 Go to the Add Predefined Plot window.
- 3 In the tree, select Study I/Solution I (soll)>Pressure Acoustics, Frequency Domain> Sound Pressure Level (acpr).
- 4 Click Add Plot in the window toolbar.
- 5 In the Home toolbar, click Add Predefined Plot to close the Add Predefined Plot window.

RESULTS

Sound Pressure Level on Manikin Surface

- I In the Settings window for 3D Plot Group, type Sound Pressure Level on Manikin Surface in the Label text field.
- 2 Click to expand the Title section. From the Title type list, choose Manual.
- 3 In the Title text area, type Sound pressure level (dB).
- 4 In the Parameter indicator text field, type freq=eval(freq) Hz.

5 Locate the Plot Settings section. Clear the Plot dataset edges check box.

Selection 1

- I In the Model Builder window, expand the Sound Pressure Level on Manikin Surface node.
- 2 Right-click Surface I and choose Selection.
- 3 In the Settings window for Selection, locate the Selection section.
- 4 From the Selection list, choose Skin without PML.

Surface 1

Right-click **Surface I** and choose **Duplicate**.

Surface 2

- I In the Model Builder window, click Surface 2.
- 2 In the Settings window for Surface, locate the Expression section.
- 3 In the Expression text field, type pelw.Lp.

The image should look like Figure 3.

- 4 Click to expand the Inherit Style section. From the Plot list, choose Surface 1.
- 5 In the Sound Pressure Level on Manikin Surface toolbar, click **Tool** Plot.

Sound Pressure Levels

- I In the Home toolbar, click **Add Plot Group** and choose ID Plot Group.
- 2 In the Settings window for ID Plot Group, type Sound Pressure Levels in the Label text field.
- 3 Click to expand the Title section. From the Title type list, choose Label.
- 4 Locate the **Plot Settings** section.
- 5 Select the x-axis label check box. In the associated text field, type f (Hz).
- 6 Select the y-axis label check box. In the associated text field, type SPL (dB).
- 7 Locate the Legend section. From the Position list, choose Lower right.

Average SPL at the eardrum

- I In the Sound Pressure Levels toolbar, click \sim More Plots and choose Octave Band.
- 2 In the Settings window for Octave Band, type Average SPL at the eardrum in the **Label** text field.
- 3 Locate the Selection section. From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.
- 4 From the Selection list, choose Eardrum.
- 5 Locate the Plot section. From the Quantity list, choose Continuous power spectral density.

- 6 In the Sound Pressure Levels toolbar, click Plot.
- 7 Click to expand the **Legends** section. Select the **Show legends** check box.
- 8 Find the **Include** subsection. Select the **Label** check box.
- **9** Clear the **Solution** check box.
- **10** Clear the **Description** check box.

Exterior boint

- I In the Model Builder window, right-click Sound Pressure Levels and choose Point Graph.
- 2 In the Settings window for Point Graph, type Exterior point in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Data section. From the Dataset list, choose Cut Point 3D 1.
- 4 Locate the y-Axis Data section. In the Expression text field, type acpr. Lp.
- 5 In the Sound Pressure Levels toolbar, click **Plot**.
- 6 Click to expand the **Legends** section. Select the **Show legends** check box.
- 7 Find the Include subsection. Select the Label check box.
- 8 Clear the **Point** check box.
- **9** Clear the **Solution** check box.
- 10 In the Sound Pressure Levels toolbar, click Plot.

The image should look like Figure 4.

Perfectly Matched Layer Distance Function

- I In the Home toolbar, click <a> Add Plot Group and choose 3D Plot Group.
- 2 In the Settings window for 3D Plot Group, type Perfectly Matched Layer Distance Function in the Label text field.
- 3 Locate the Color Legend section. Select the Show units check box.

Multislice 1

- I In the Perfectly Matched Layer Distance Function toolbar, click More Plots and choose Multislice.
- 2 In the Settings window for Multislice, locate the Expression section.
- 3 In the Expression text field, type pml1.dDist.
- 4 Locate the Coloring and Style section. Click Change Color Table.
- 5 In the Color Table dialog box, select Rainbow>Rainbow in the tree.
- 6 Click OK.
- 7 In the Settings window for Multislice, locate the Coloring and Style section.

- 8 From the Scale list, choose Linear.
- 9 In the Perfectly Matched Layer Distance Function toolbar, click Plot.
- **10** Right-click **Multislice I** and choose **Duplicate**.

Multislice 2

- I In the Model Builder window, click Multislice 2.
- 2 In the Settings window for Multislice, locate the Expression section.
- 3 In the Expression text field, type pml2.dDist.
- 4 Click to expand the **Title** section. From the **Title type** list, choose **None**.
- 5 Click to expand the Inherit Style section. From the Plot list, choose Multislice 1.
- 6 Right-click Multislice 2 and choose Duplicate.

Multislice 3

- I In the Model Builder window, click Multislice 3.
- 2 In the Settings window for Multislice, locate the Expression section.
- 3 In the Expression text field, type sqrt(pml3.dDist1^2+pml3.dDist2^2).
- 4 In the Perfectly Matched Layer Distance Function toolbar, click **Plot**. The image should look like Figure 5.