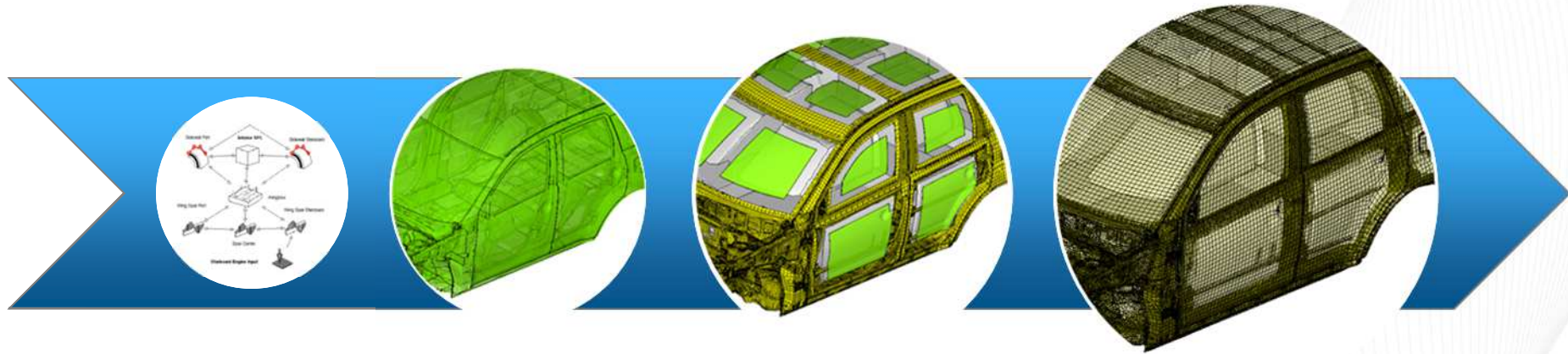


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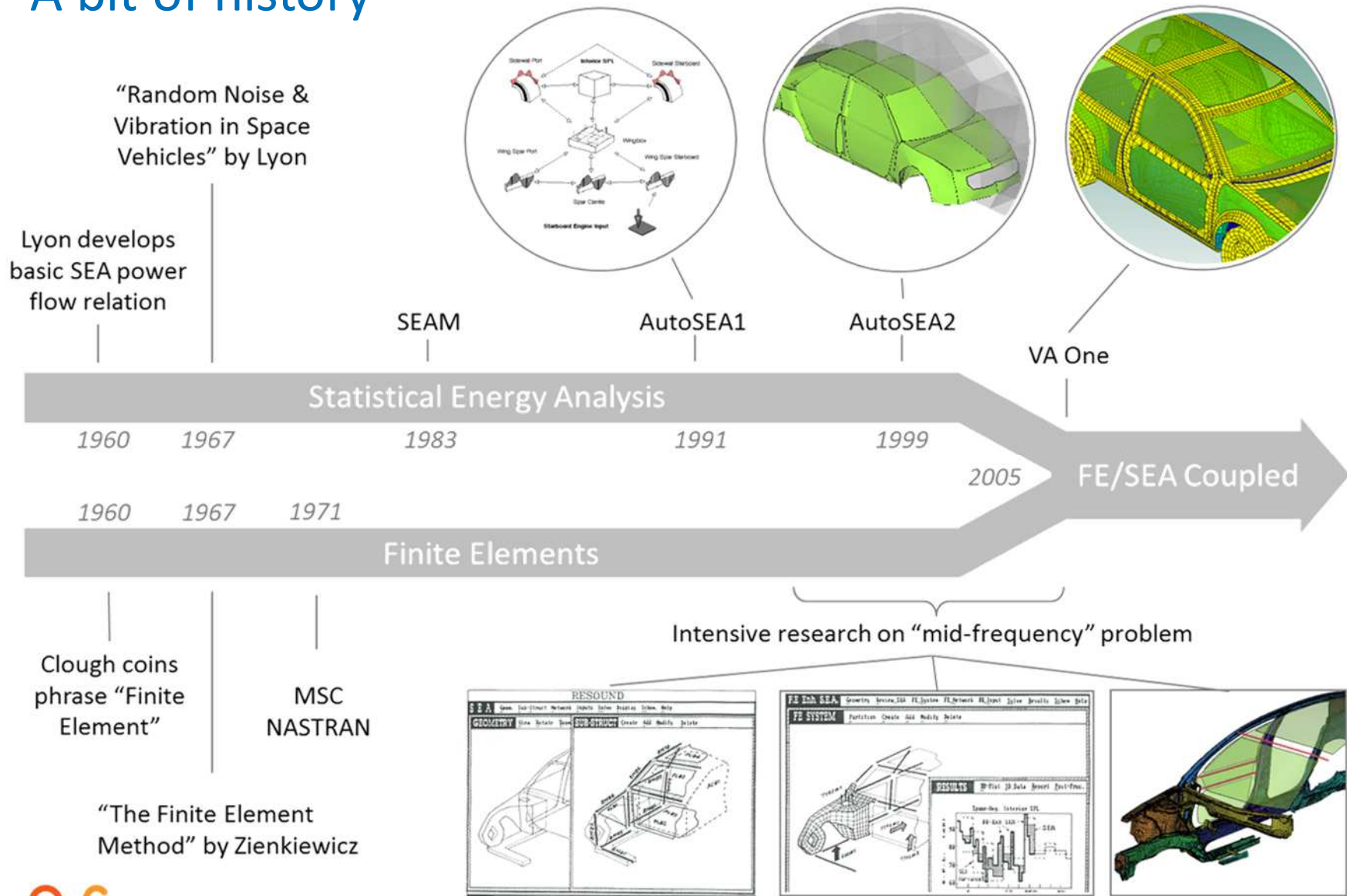
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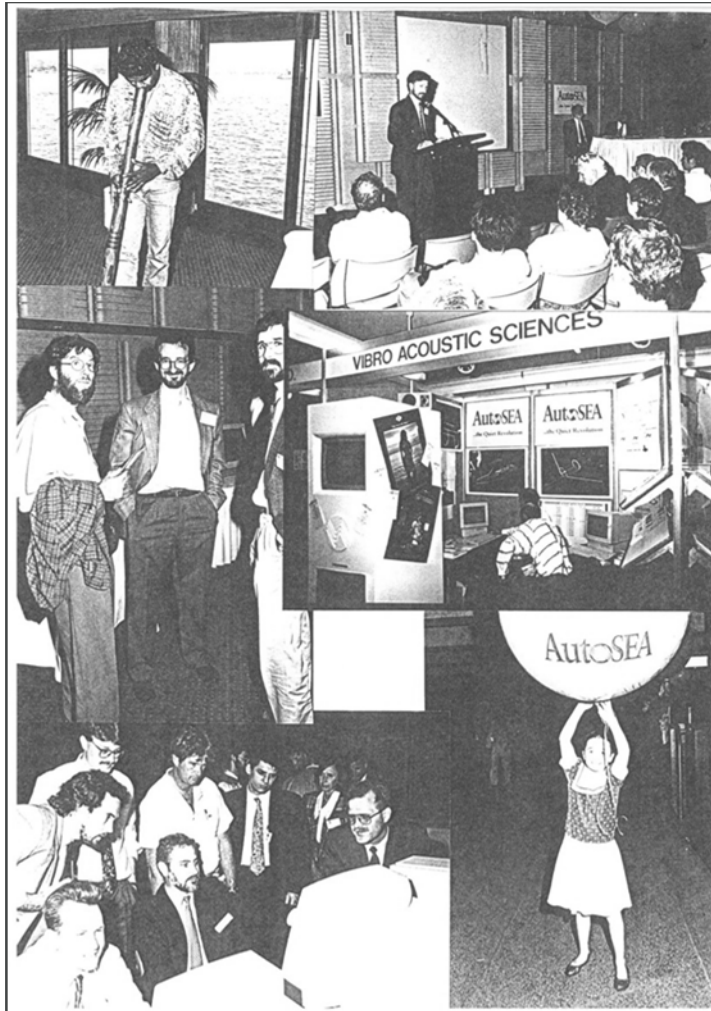
AutoSEA 1 product launch

Internoise 1991, Sydney Australia



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..the Quiet Revolution

..engineering design for noise quality.

AutoSEA

AutoSEA represents the evolution of structural acoustic design from the noise and vibration test lab, to the computer-aided engineering (CAE) design world. It provides the first fully graphical, object-oriented implementation of the method of Statistical Energy Analysis.

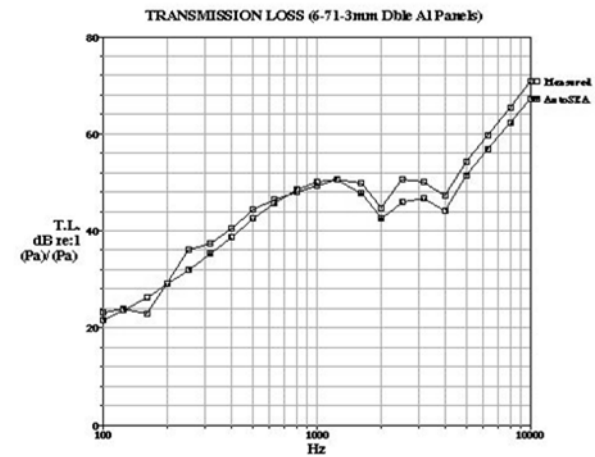
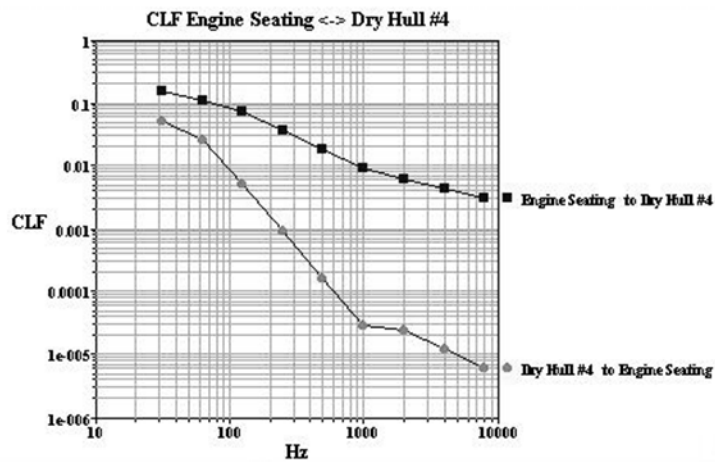
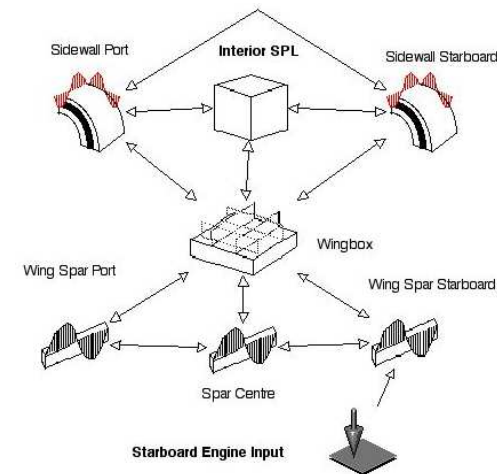
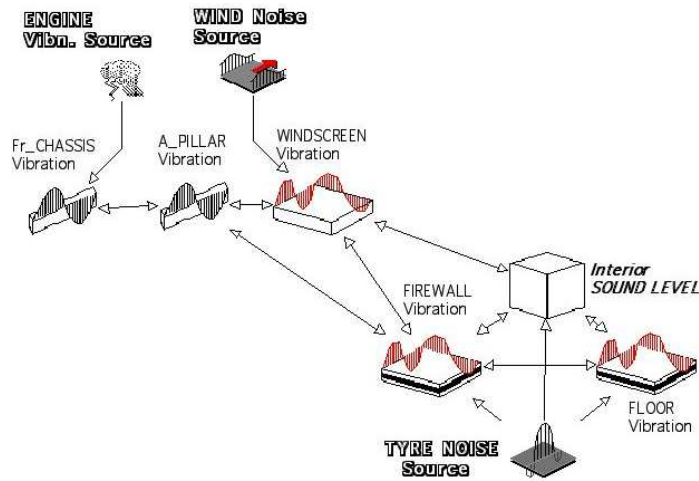
AutoSEA provides "Systems Analysis" tools for optimising the acoustic and vibrational quality of almost any product, from consumer whitegoods to architectural environments. It is especially popular with automotive, aerospace and ship building companies concerned with noise paths through complex structures.

Dr. Ken Hews-Taylor, Manager of Acoustics & Mechanics, C.S.I.R.O. Division of Applied Physics said; "AutoSEA enables you to predict and analyse sound and vibration levels in a complex structure, given a number of sources of energy input".

Senior Staff Engineer with Ford Motor Company's Alpha Group in the United States, Mr Paul Geck said; "The SEA method has the potential to improve our structural-acoustic design and to save weight normally added by costly interior trim. Energy methods such as AutoSEA are also expected to reduce our product development time".

AutoSEA 1 product launch

Internoise 1991, Sydney Australia



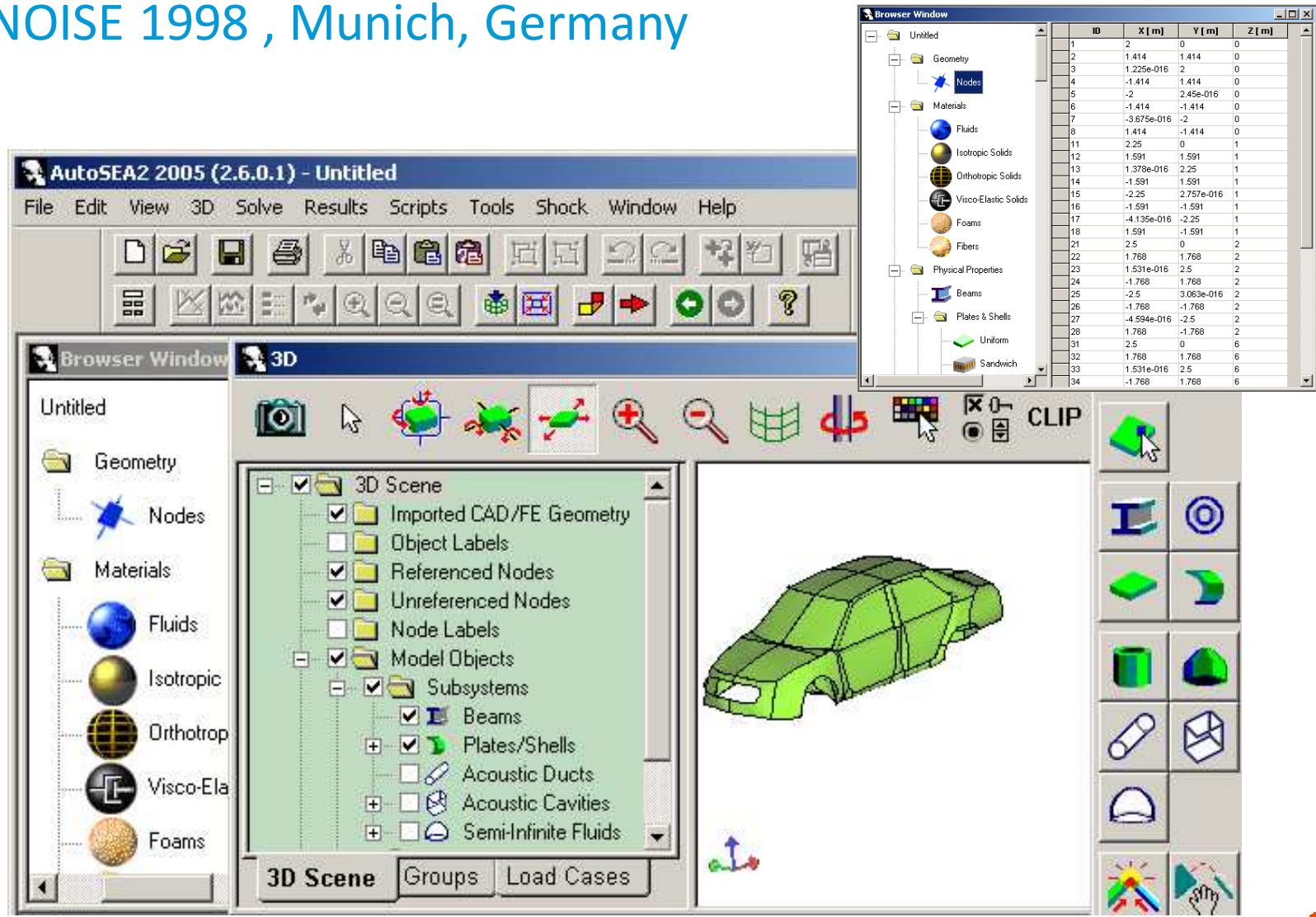
AutoSEA 2 product launch

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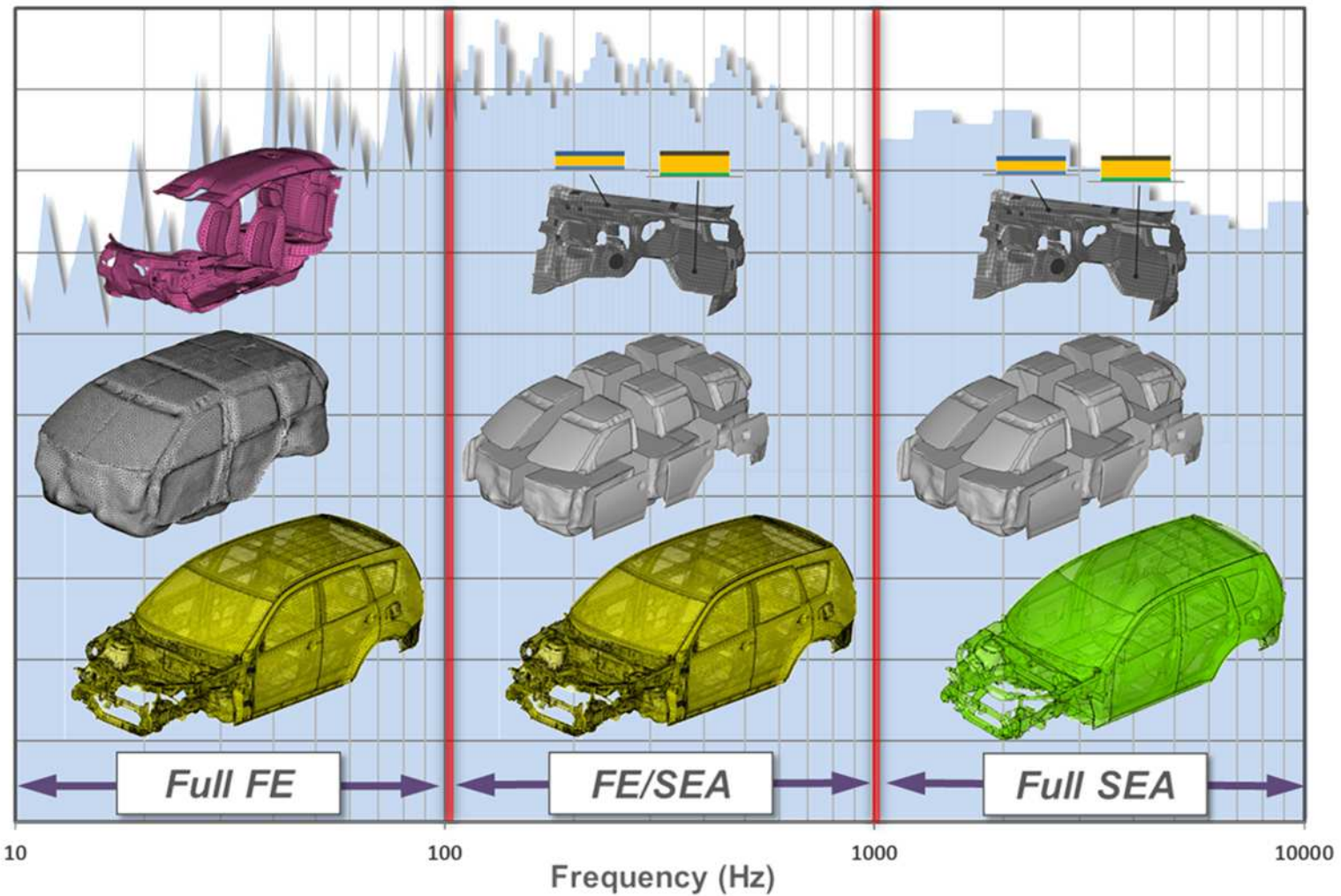
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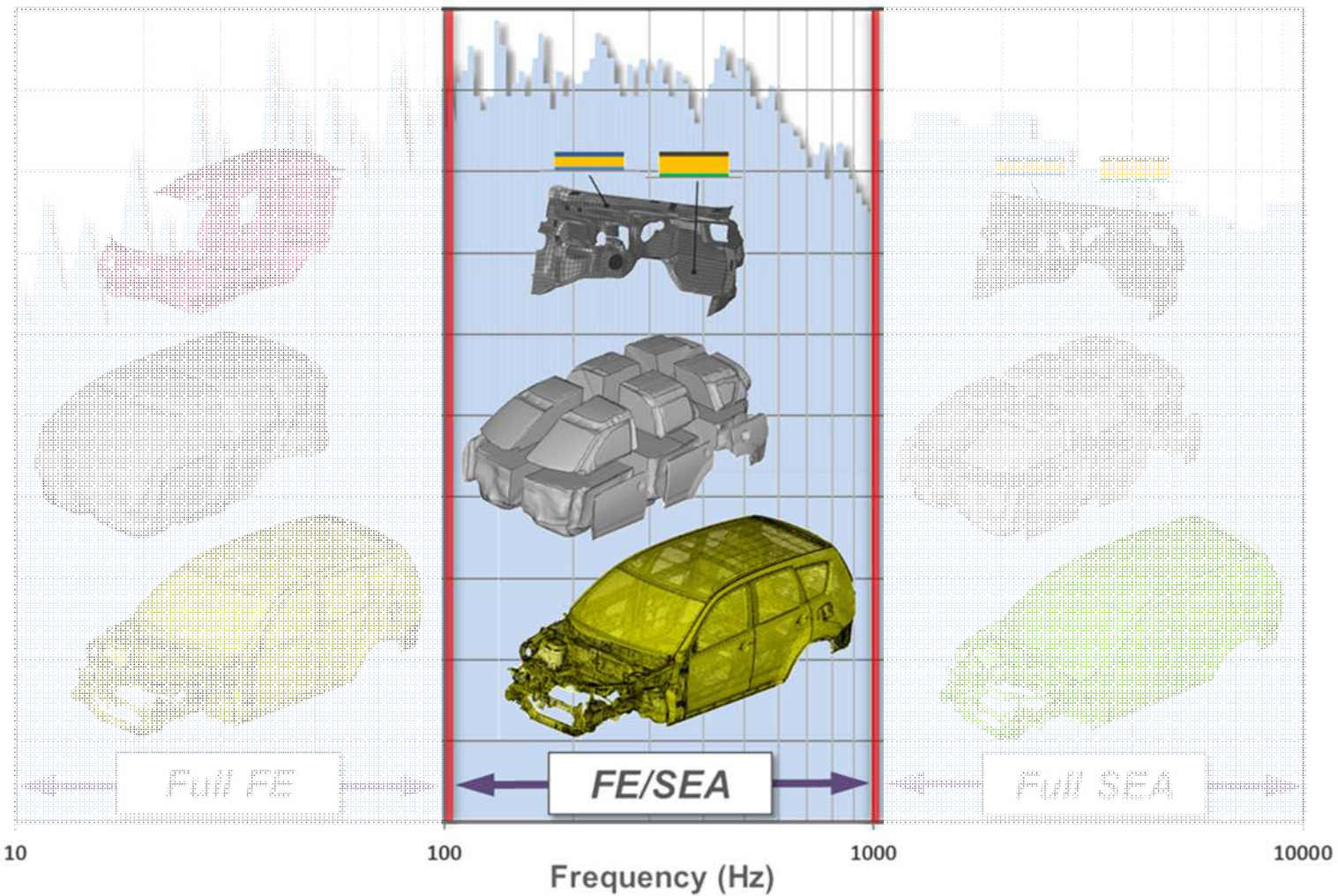
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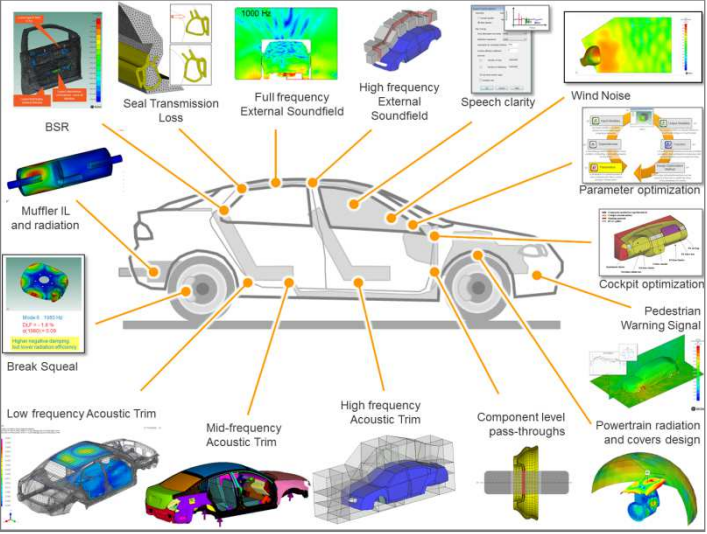
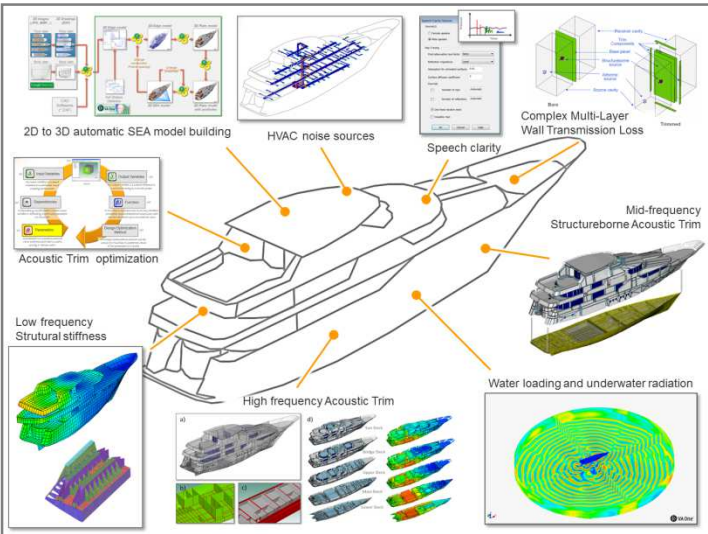
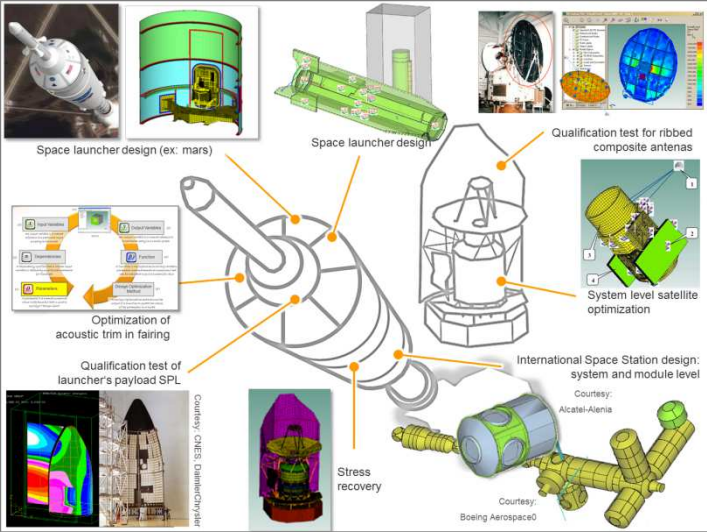
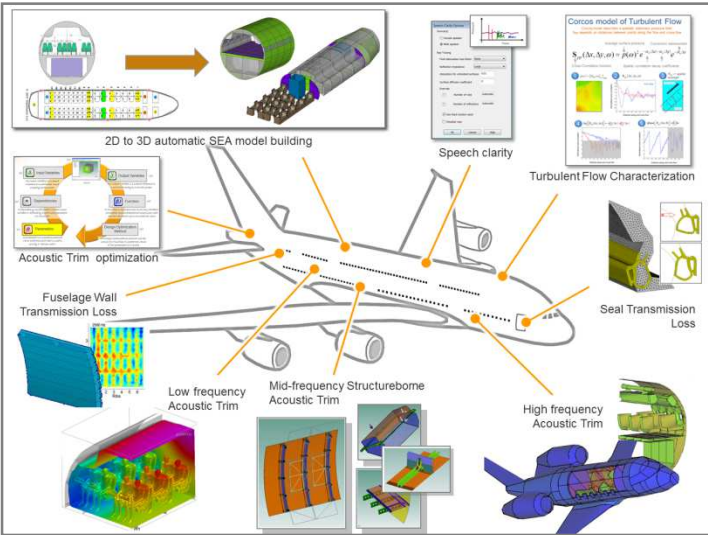


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Wide range of application worldwide

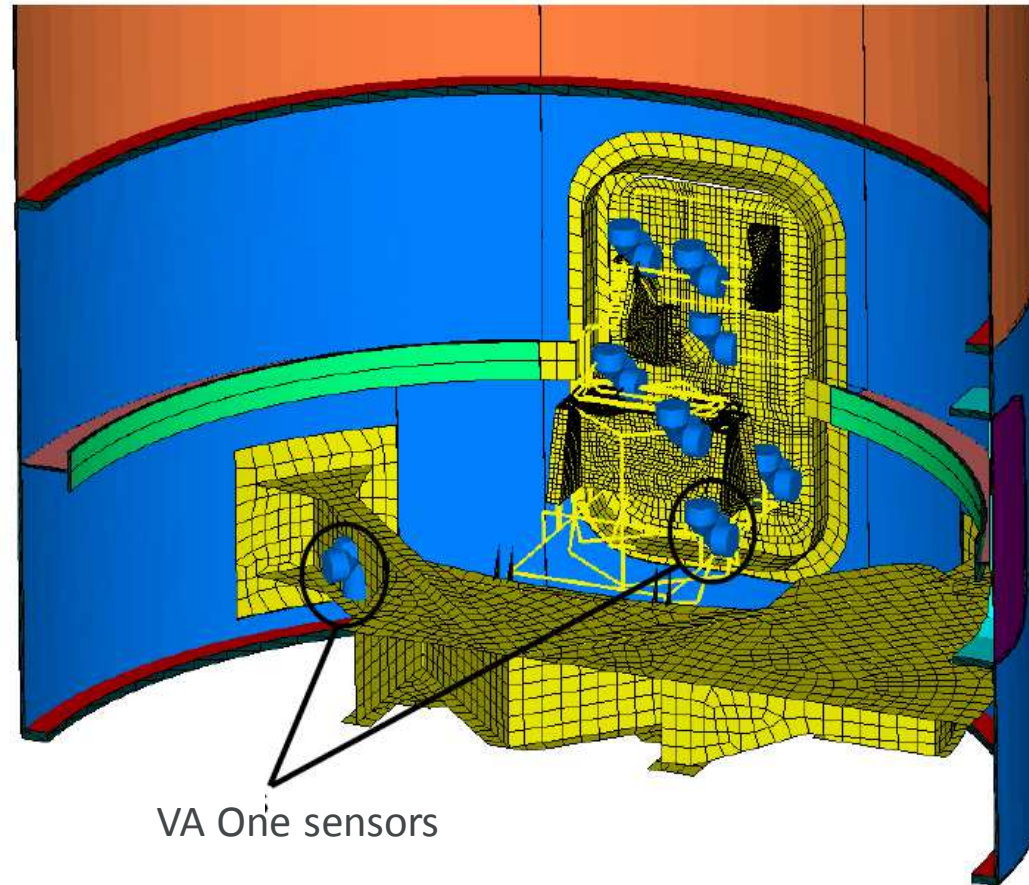


Space launcher design

ATA Engineering



- 'Sensors' placed to recover local nodal responses of critical components
- Hybrid Analysis run from 20-2000 Hz in 5-Hz bands
 - Shorter bandwidth required to recover peaks in the FEM subsystem responses



VA One sensors

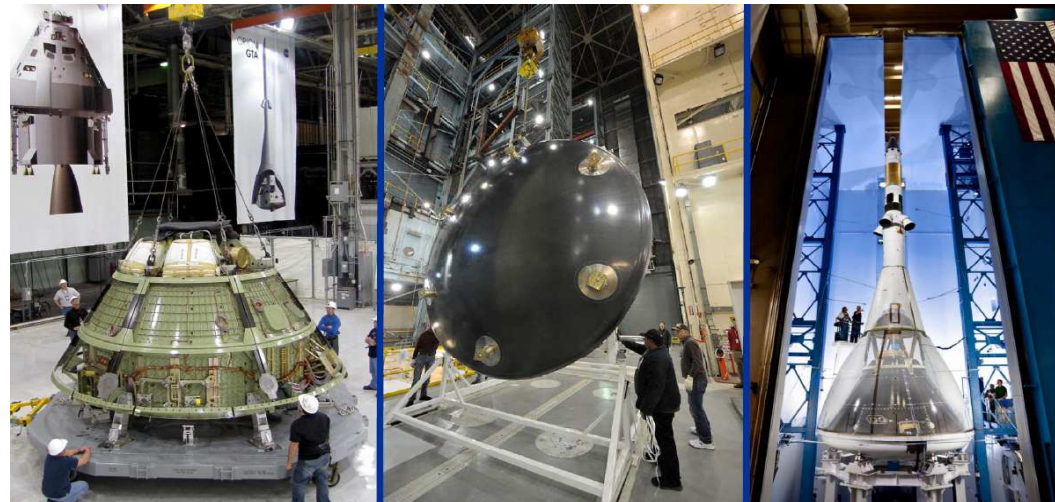
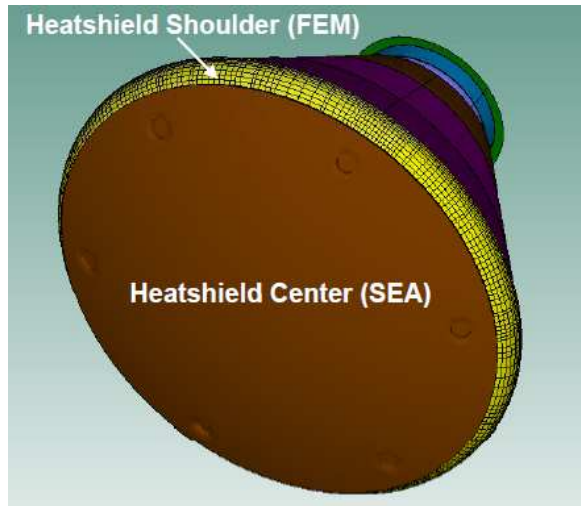


Space launcher design

Lockheed Martin

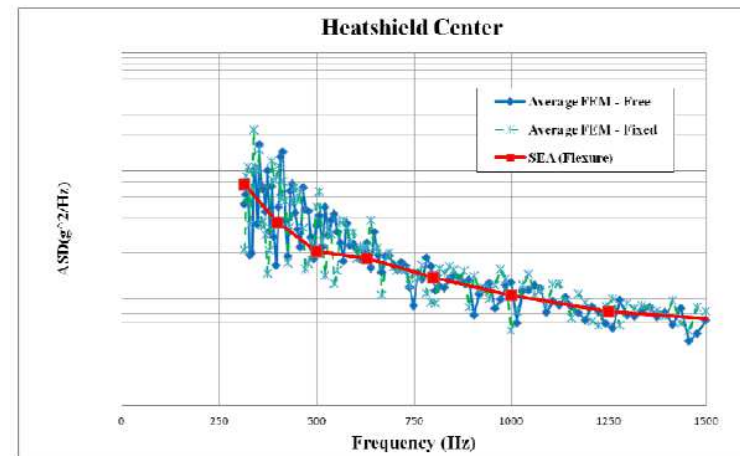
Orion GTA Integration

Photos: NASA & Lockheed Martin



Heatshield is broken into a hybrid model:

1. SEA Center
2. FE shoulder
(the shoulder is quite stiff and it was necessary to keep it FE to model load path accurately from HS to the TAS)

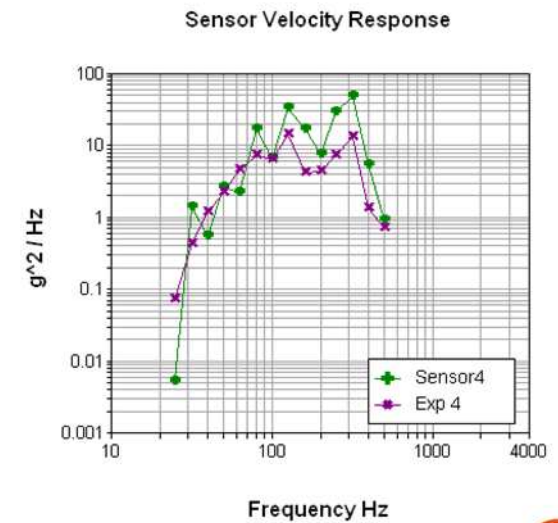
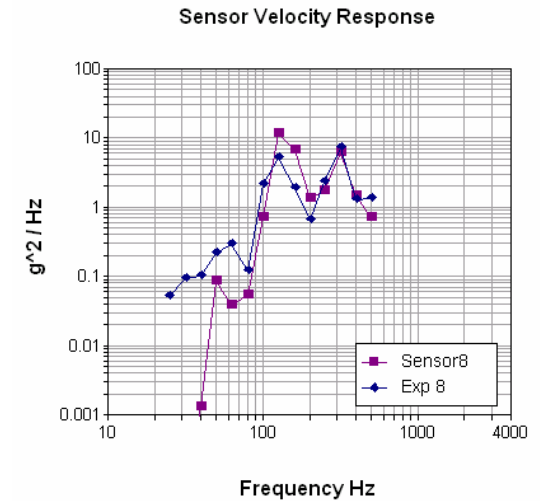
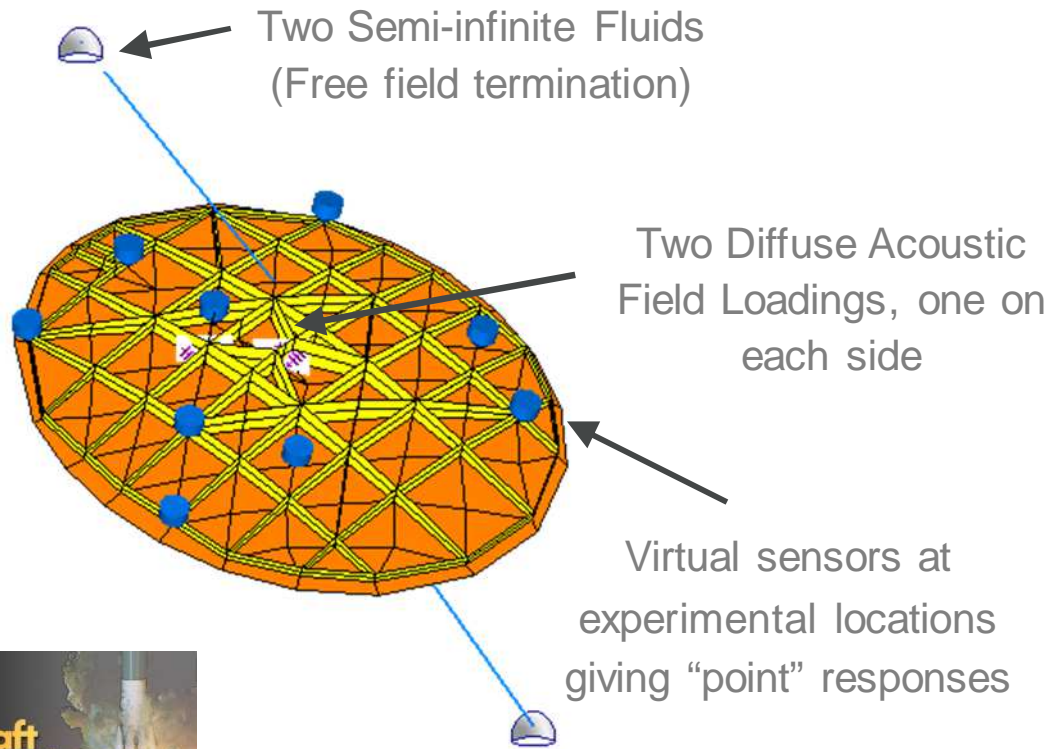


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Antenna design

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Satellite design

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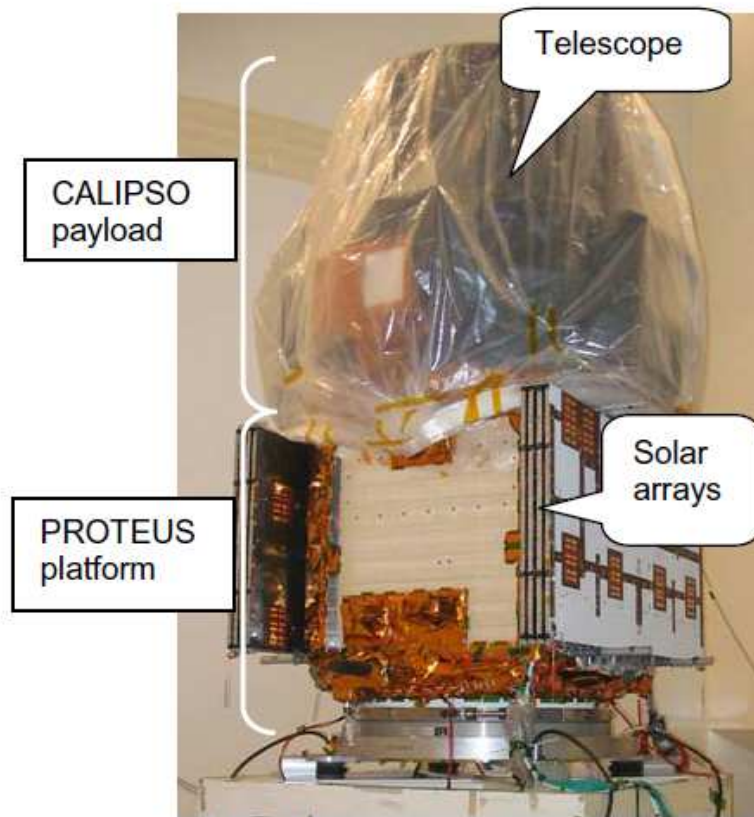


FIG 1. View of the CALIPSO spacecraft in the acoustic chamber

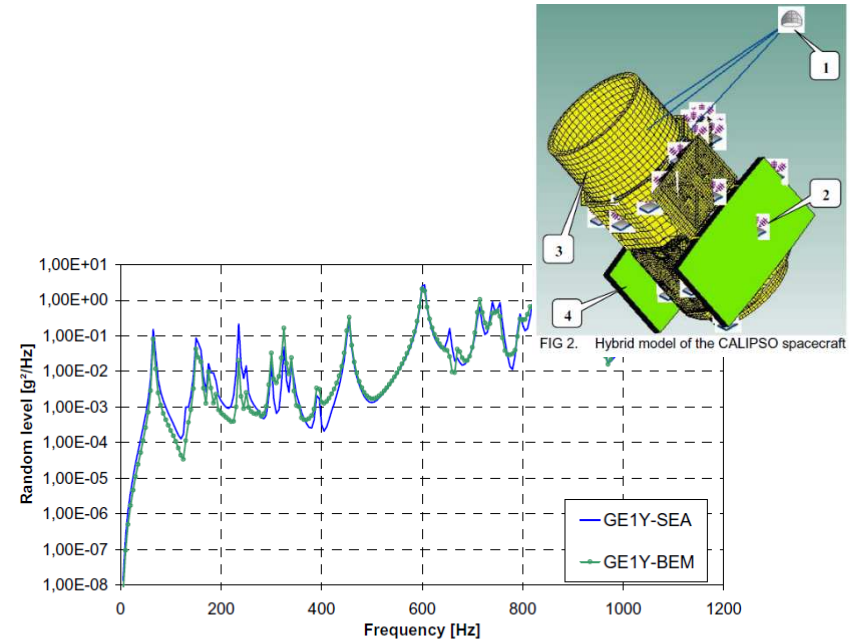


FIG 15. Random level on the platform +Y panel : comparison between BEM/FEM and hybrid SEA FEM results

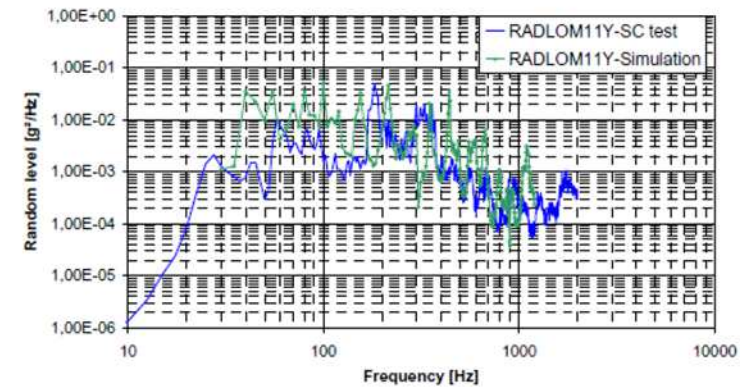


FIG 21. Random level on the RADLOM11Y accelerometer (unit mounted on the payload +Y side)

Aircraft design

NASA, Boeing, ESI

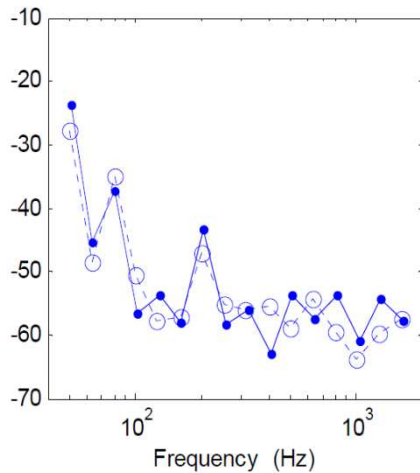
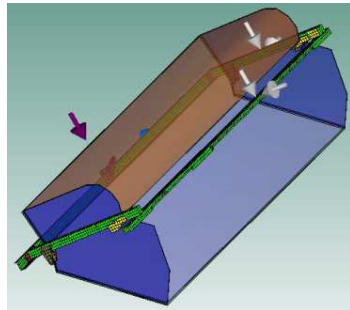


Figure 3. RMS velocity response at a point of the frame. Experimental (solid) and predicted (dotted) response, when loading at the end of the tie rod.

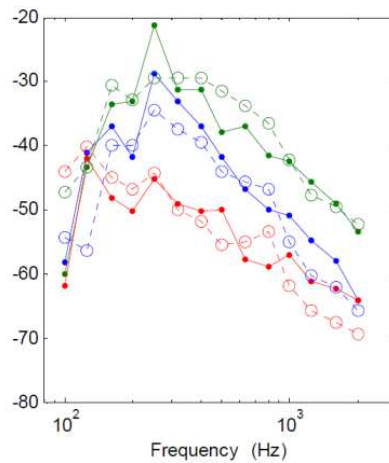
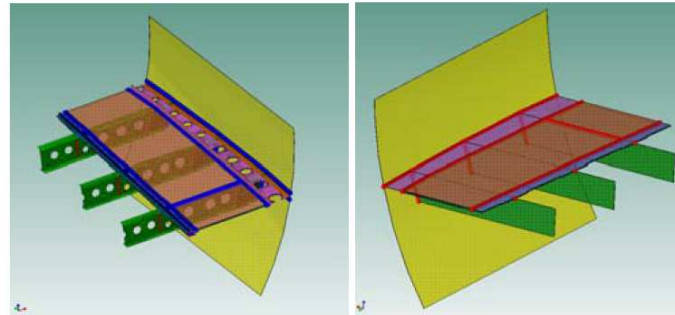


Figure 10. Velocity response of sidewall and floor panels to "rain-on-the-roof" loading on the top panel. Experimental (solid) and predicted by Hybrid (dotted).

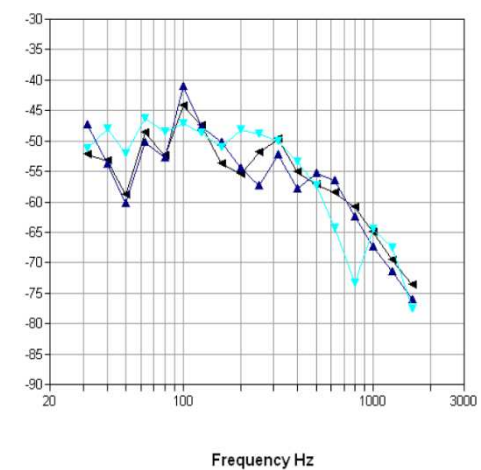
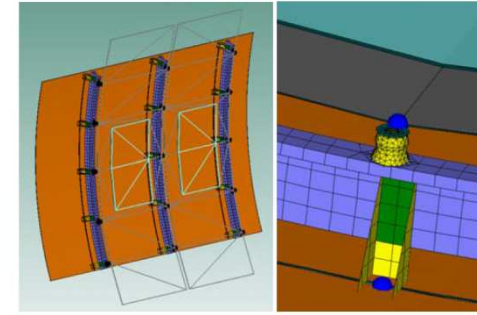
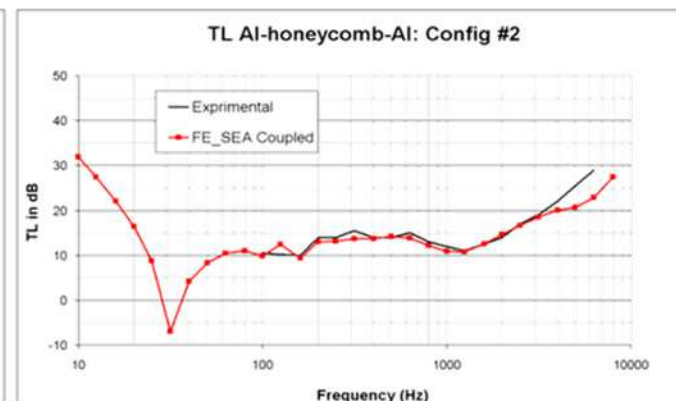
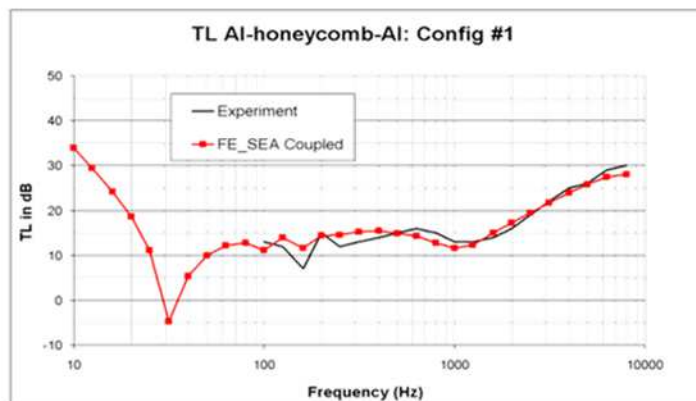
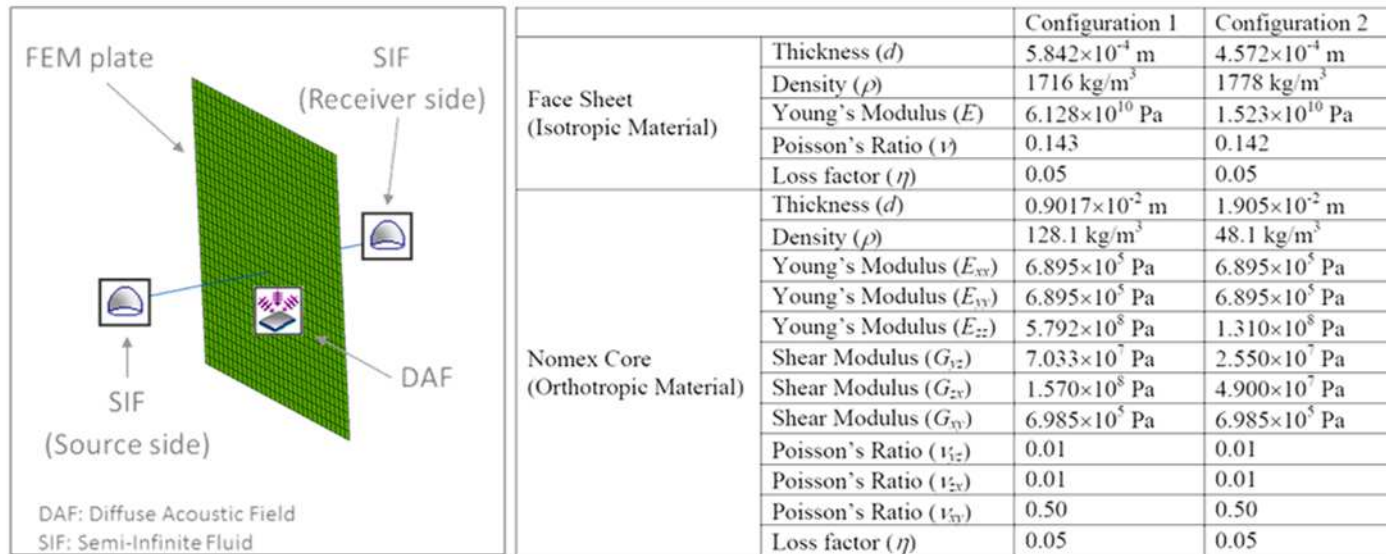


Figure 19 - Velocity response of the trim panels to a "rain-on-the-roof" excitation on the skin. Predicted response (light blue) and two experimental results.

Aircraft Composite panel Transmission Loss

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High speed train design

Alstom, ESI

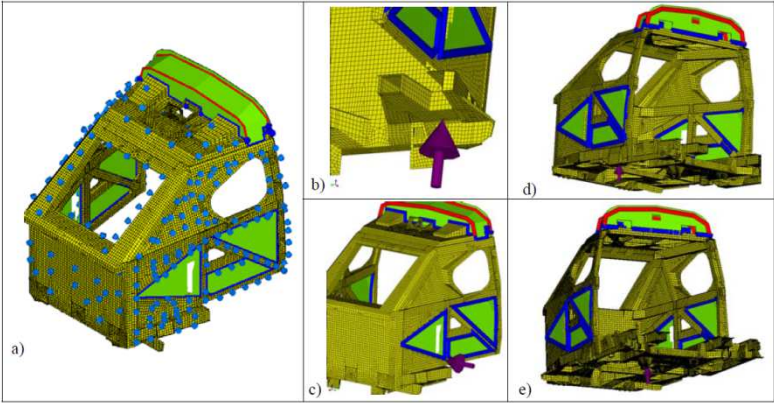


Figure 6: a) Hybrid model general view (the green areas are the SEA subsystems).
 b) Input point on the lower side. c) Input point on the left lateral side.
 d) Input point on the antiyaw position. e) Input point on the gearbox position.

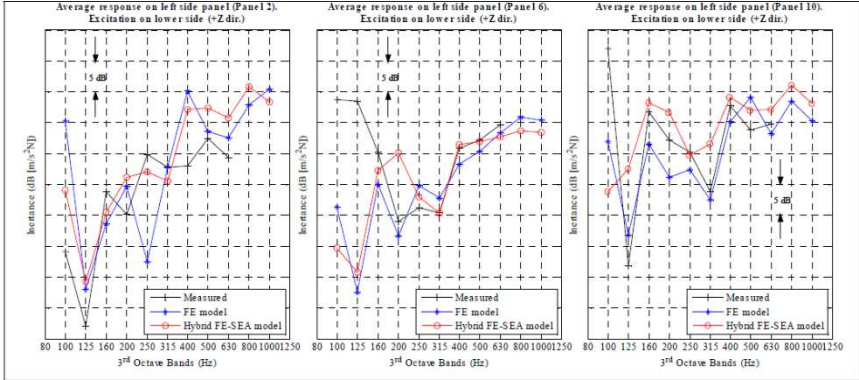


Figure 7: Results for Configuration 1. Comparison for the averaged cross-inertance (measured, calculate by FE and hybrid) at three lateral panels between 100 and 1000 Hz. Input on the lower side of the cabin in vertical direction.

Elevator design

Kingdom tower:

First 1000m high tower

- Elevators designed by Kone
- Kone is evaluating „FE/SEA Coupled“ for structural and acoustic excitation
- Also investigating „CFD/VA coupling“ for turbulent flow excitation due to high speed of elevators



<http://www.skyscrapercenter.com/jeddah/kingdom-tower/2>

Submarine design

BAE Systems, Rolls Royce, Fraiser nash, Thales



Full vehicle analysis - Structureborne

Nissan: partitioning structure in FE and SEA

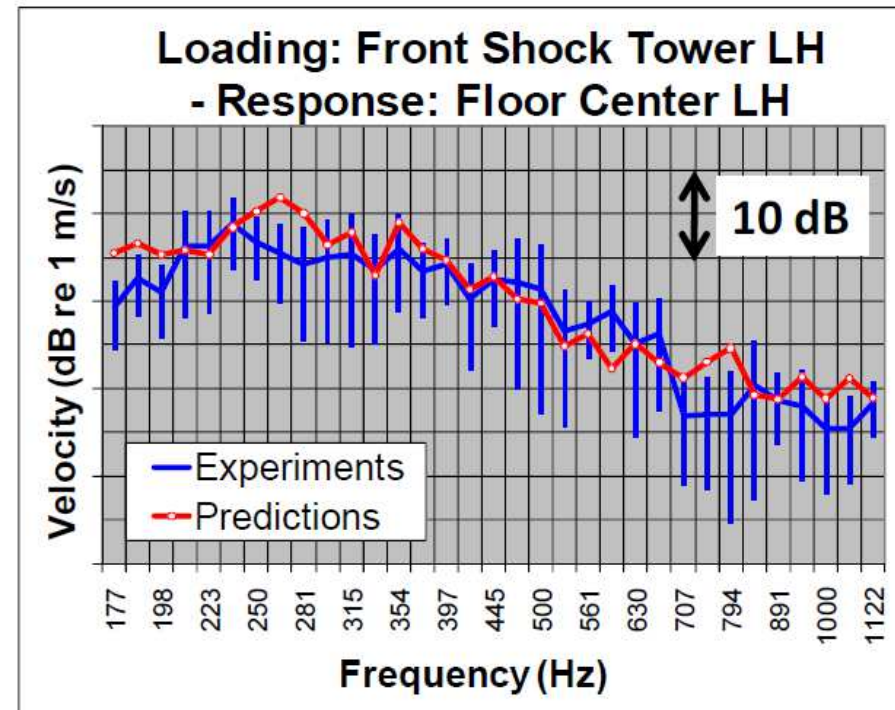
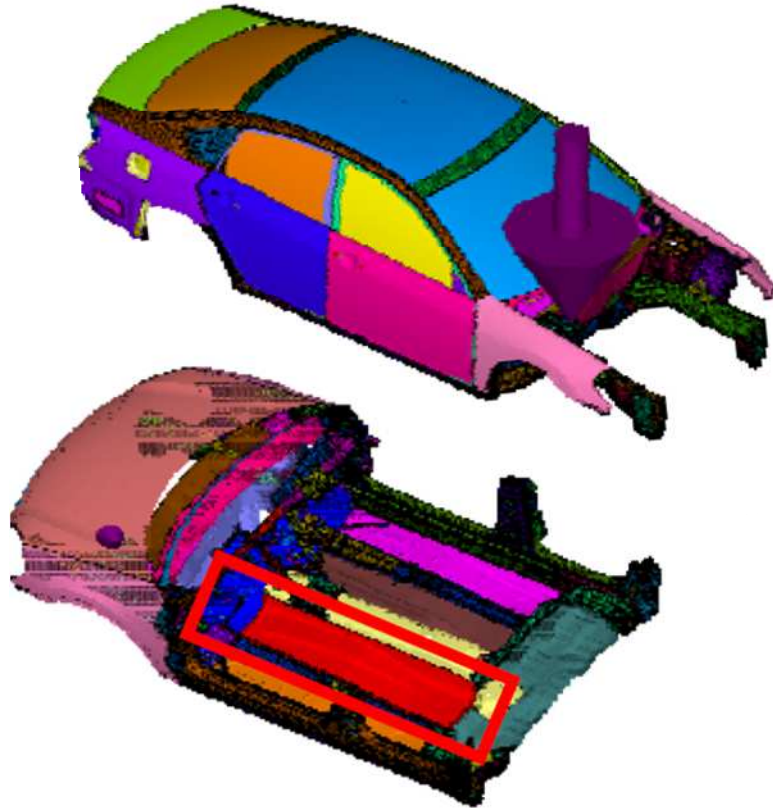


Figure 21. Velocity response of the floor center (front suspension exc.) - Hybrid vs experimental.

Dash Transmission Loss

GM, ESI

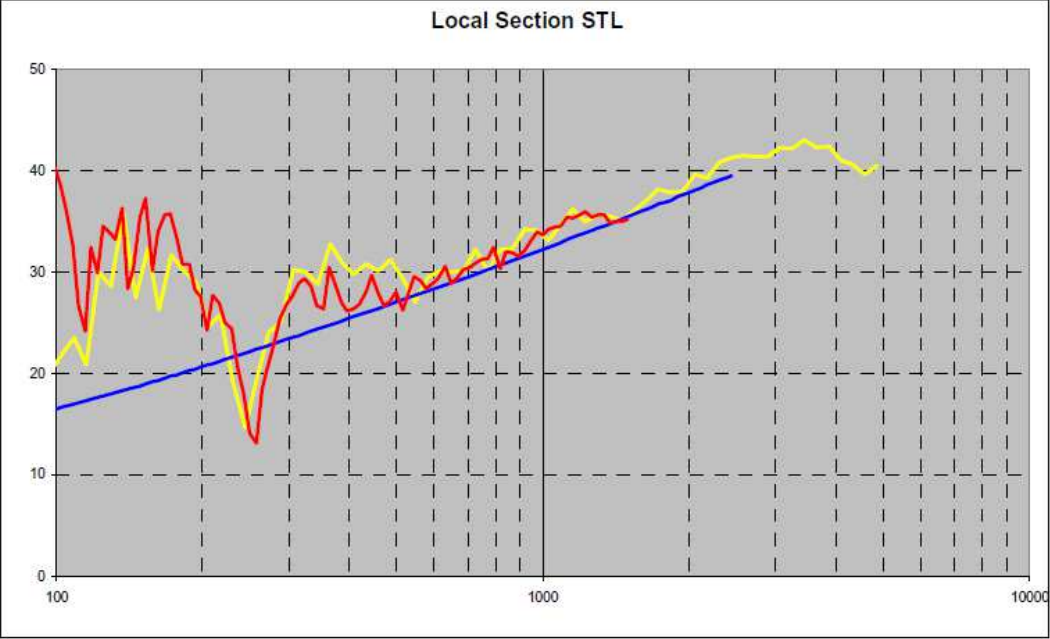
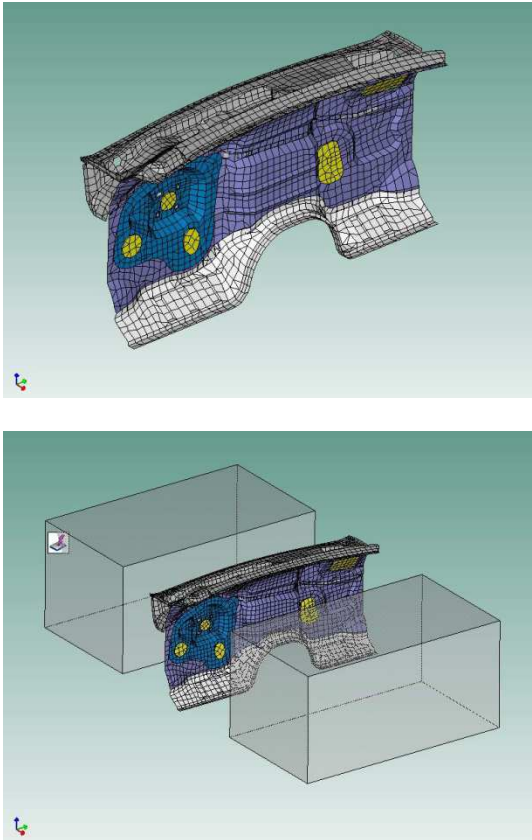


Figure 11. TL of front of dash middle section. Legend: red curve = Hybrid model; blue curve = mass law for average panel thickness; yellow curve = test.

Full vehicle analysis

GM: modeling full structure in FE

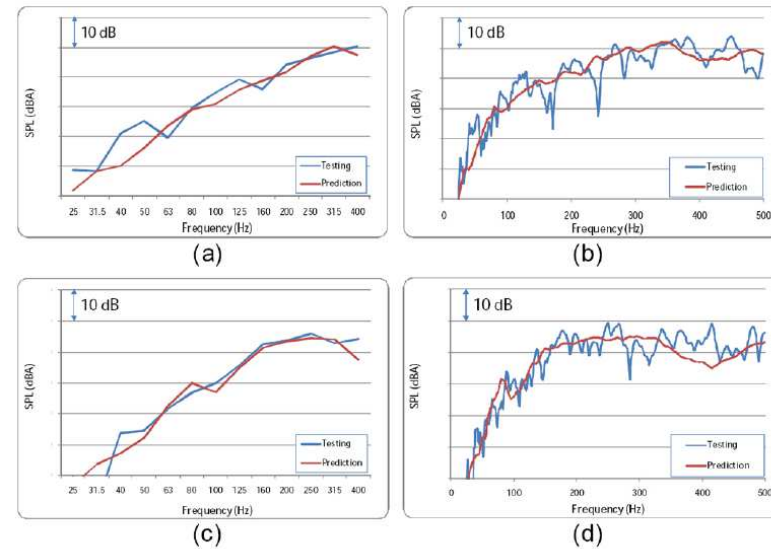
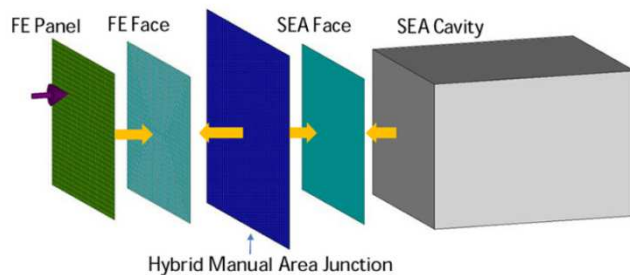
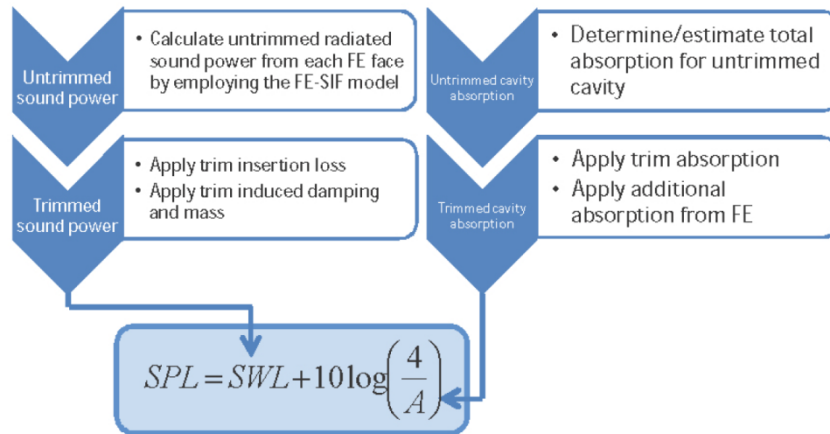
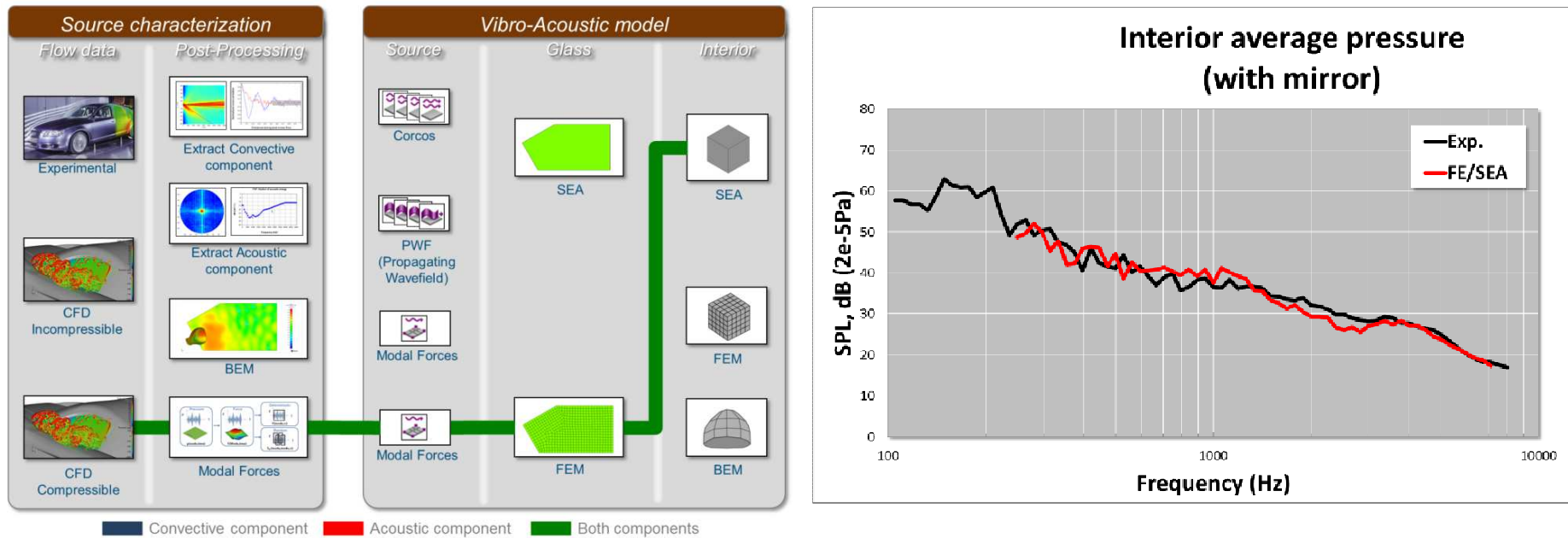


Figure 9. Interior acoustics response: carpet, door trim, garnish trim, rear seat, and headliner in place, (a) a unit force in x direction at right strut tower, 1/3 octave bandwidth; (b) a unit force in x direction at right strut tower, 5 Hz bandwidth; (c) a unit force in y direction at left rear lateral link, 1/3 octave bandwidth; (d) a unit force in y direction at left rear lateral link, 5 Hz bandwidth.

Wind noise: Coupling CFD with FE/SEA

German Working Group: Audi, Daimler, Porsche, VW and ESI



- Time domain CFD pressure fluctuation...
- Converted into modal forces projected onto FE modes of glass...
- Connected to SEA interior cavity
- Fast and accurate prediction of interior SPL

Wind noise: Coupling CFD with BEM and FE/SEA for Hyundai Motor Corporation

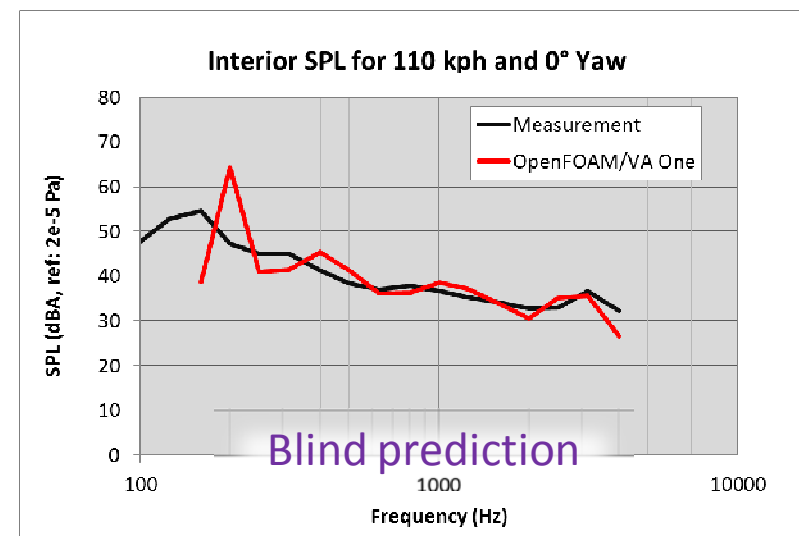
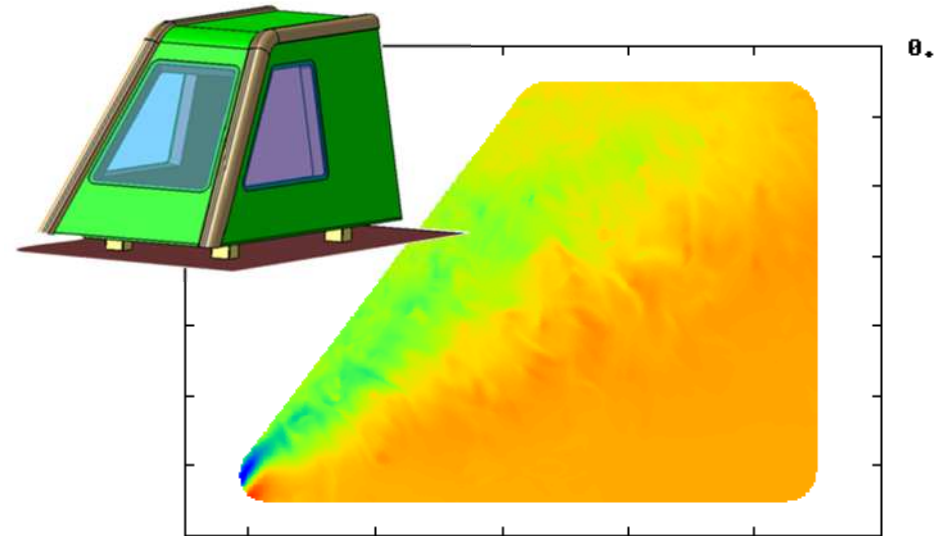
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BMT1 – External aerodynamics and side-window aeroacoustics spectral characterization

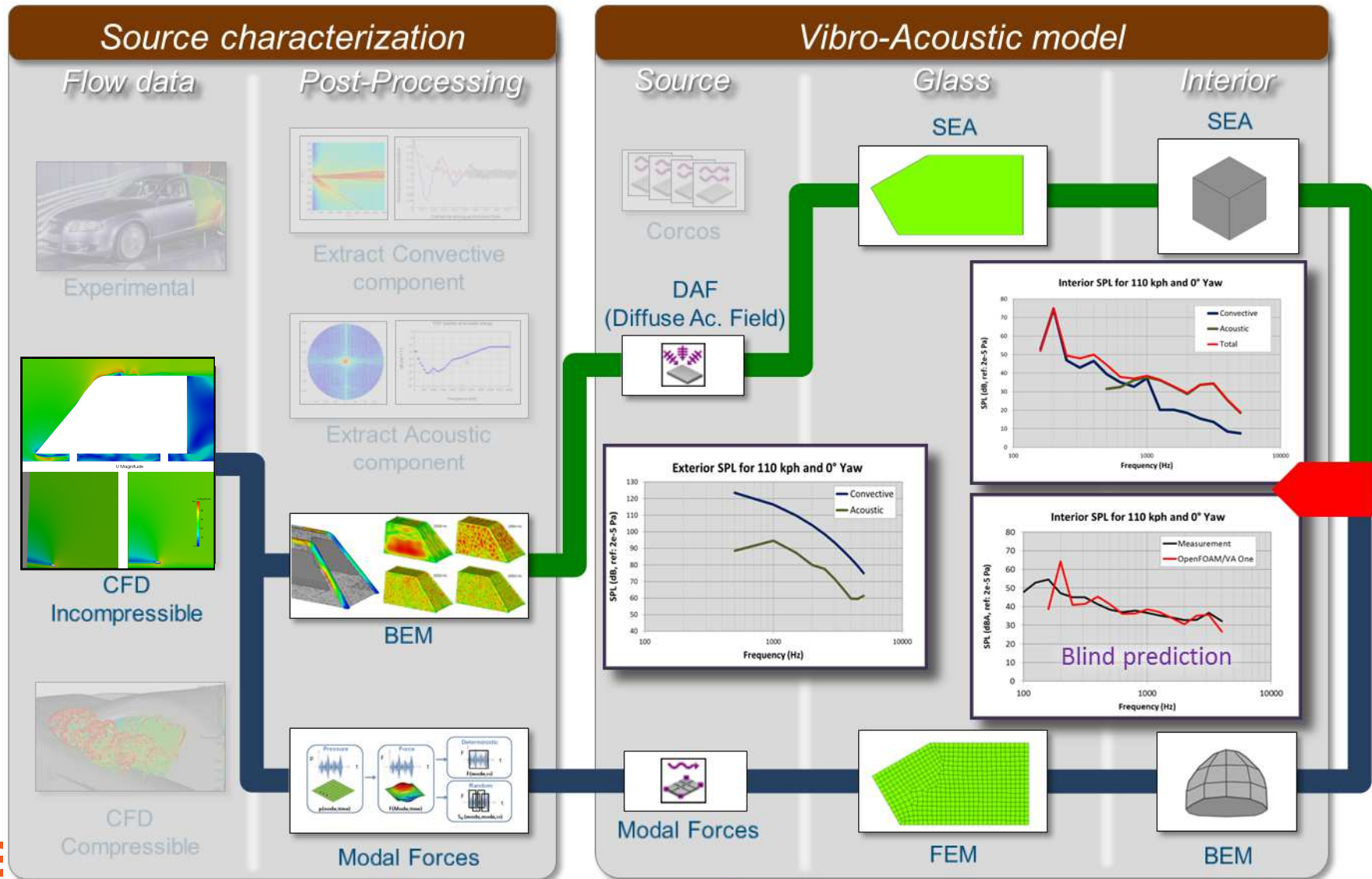
BMT2 – Sunroof buffeting; effects of aerodynamic and interior structure damping

BMT3 – Internal noise transmission; variable speed and yaw conditions

BMT4 – Internal noise transmission; variable A-pillar, w/wo mirror designs

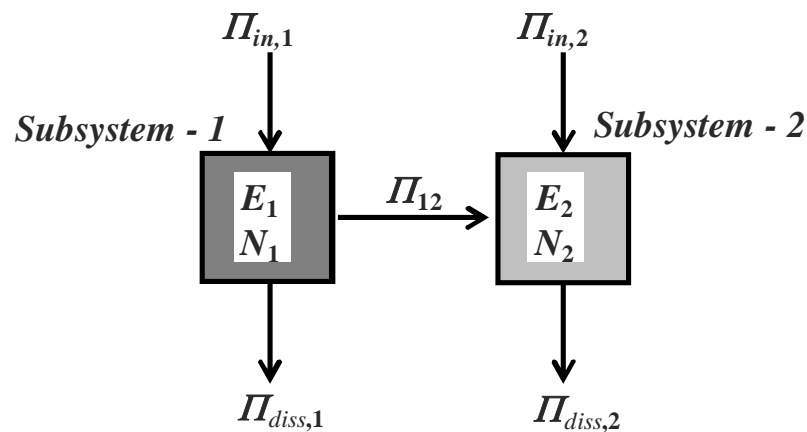


AVA Methodologies



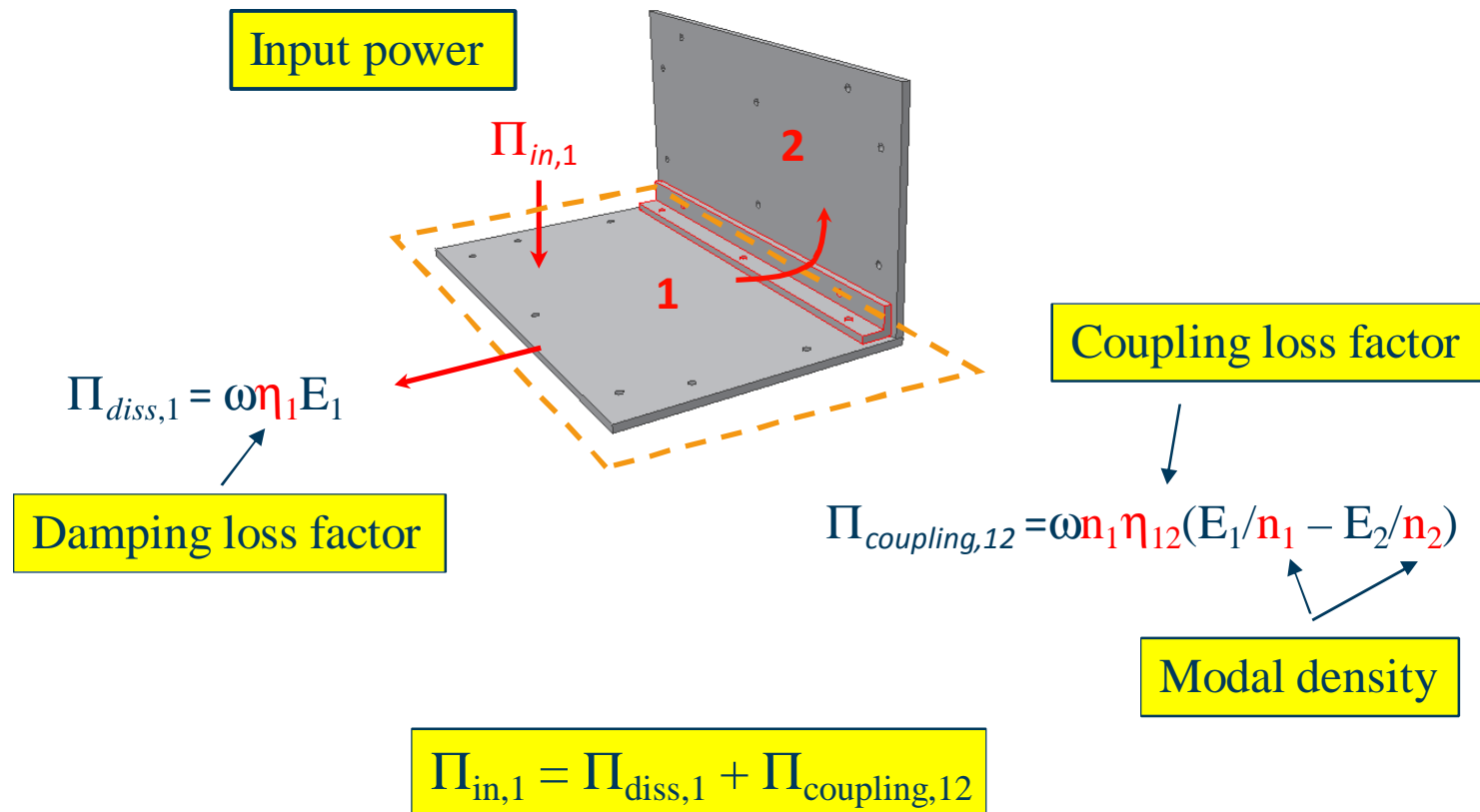
What is SEA?

- Statistical Energy Analysis (SEA) is a method for studying diffusion of acoustic and vibration energy in a system.
- At high frequencies modes of a system become localized to various subsystems
- Flow of vibrational energy between coupled subsystems proportional to difference in modal energies (average energy per mode).
- By applying principle of conservation of energy can derive a set of power balance equations which govern response of a system in a given frequency band:

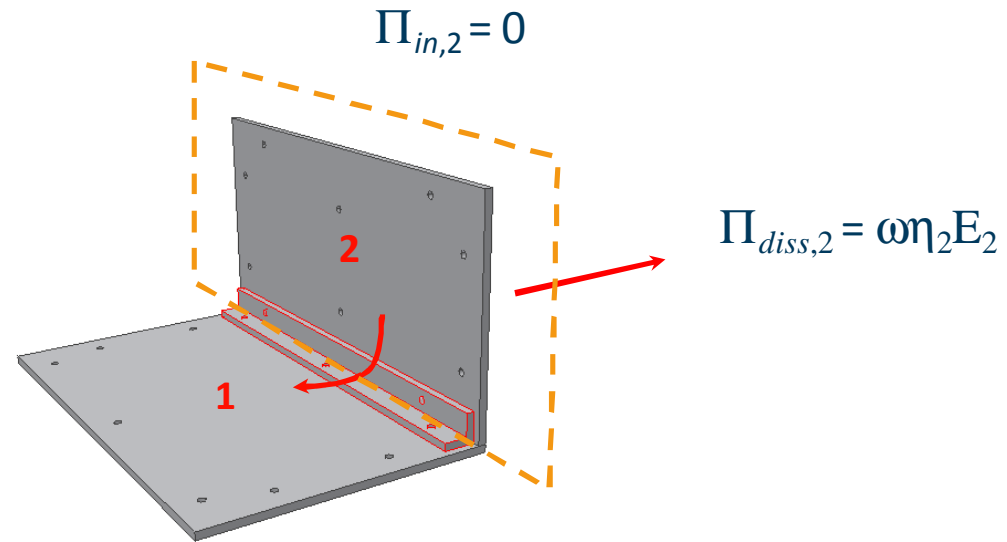


$$P_{in} = P_{out}$$
$$P_{out} = P_{transmitted} + P_{dissipated}$$

SEA equations for two subsystems



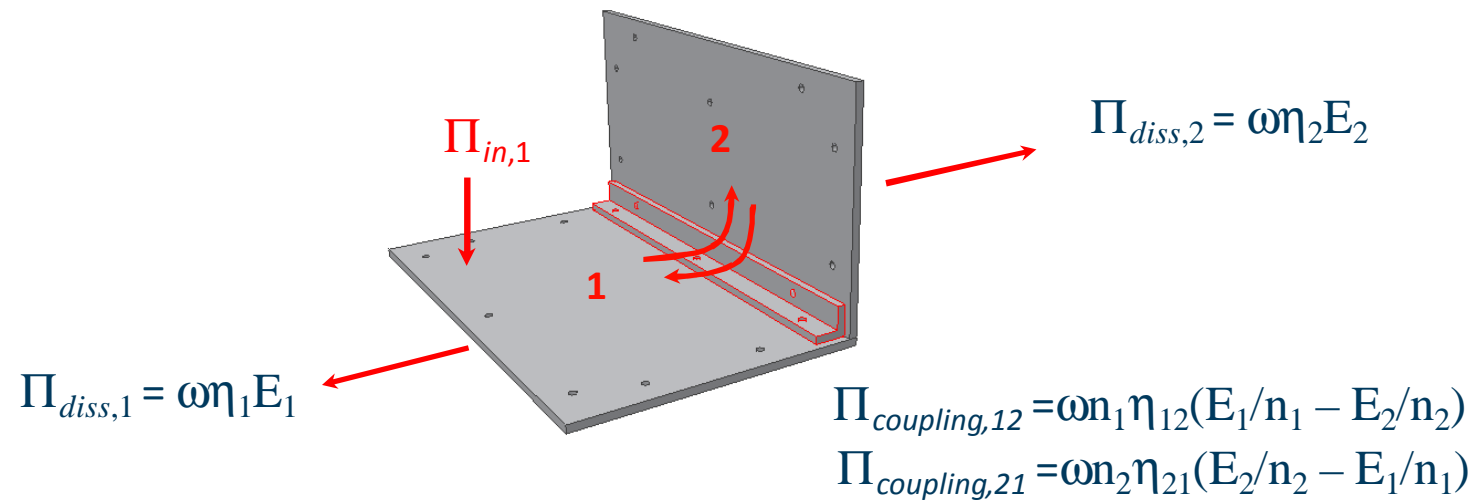
SEA equations for two subsystems



$$\Pi_{in,2} = \Pi_{diss,2} + \Pi_{coupling,21}$$

SEA equations for two subsystems

System with millions of nodal dofs has one energy dof per subsystem



$$\begin{bmatrix} \Pi_{in,1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \omega \begin{bmatrix} n_1(\eta_1 + \eta_{12}) & -n_1\eta_{12} \\ -n_2\eta_{21} & n_2(\eta_2 + \eta_{21}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_1/n_1 \\ E_2/n_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

SEA equations for k subsystems

$$\omega \begin{bmatrix} n_1 \left(\eta_{11} + \sum_{i \neq 1} \eta_{1i} \right) & -\eta_{21} n_2 & \dots & -\eta_{N1} n_N \\ -\eta_{12} n_1 & n_2 \left(\eta_{22} + \sum_{i \neq 2} \eta_{2i} \right) & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ -\eta_{1N} n_1 & \dots & \dots & n_N \left(\eta_{NN} + \sum_{i \neq N} \eta_{Ni} \right) \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \frac{E_1}{n_1} \\ \dots \\ \frac{E_N}{n_N} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{in,1} \\ \dots \\ P_{in,N} \end{bmatrix}$$

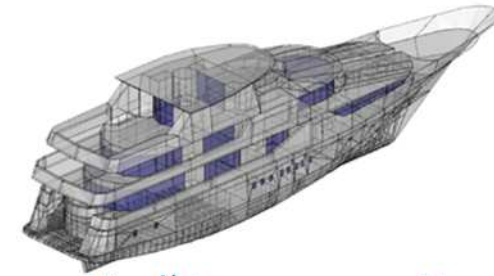
Matrix of coupling and damping loss factors
Vector of unknown subsystem energies

Vector of power excitation

- Observations:
 - ▶ Small matrix (k x k for k subsystems)
 - ▶ Using N_i the matrix is symmetric
 - ▶ Usually well-conditioned
 - ▶ No information on natural frequencies and modes shapes
 - ▶ Resolving only updates small parts, solves quickly

$$\omega[\eta] \langle E \rangle = \langle P \rangle$$

Definition of a SEA Subsystem



Subsystem: A group of similar modes (e.g. flexural, in-plane, acoustical) in some section of the system that are capable of storing, transmitting or dissipating significant amount of energy.

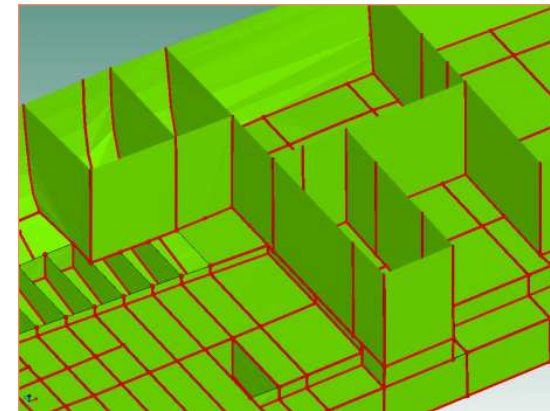
Structural Subsystem Energy:

Wavefields: Flexural, Shear & Extensional

$$E_1 = \langle V^2 \rangle_{sp} m$$

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Mean square vibration Panel mass



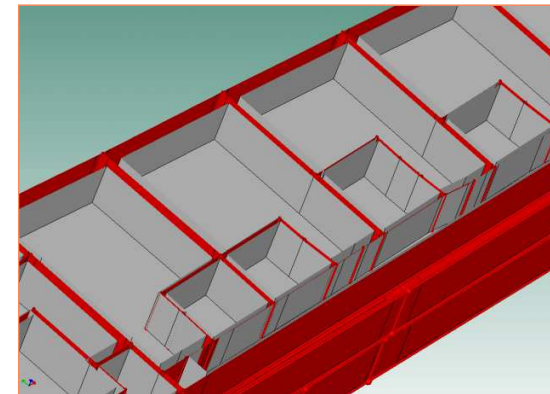
Acoustic Subsystem Energy:

Wavefields: Pressure

$$E_2 = \langle P^2 \rangle_{sp} V / (\rho c^2)$$

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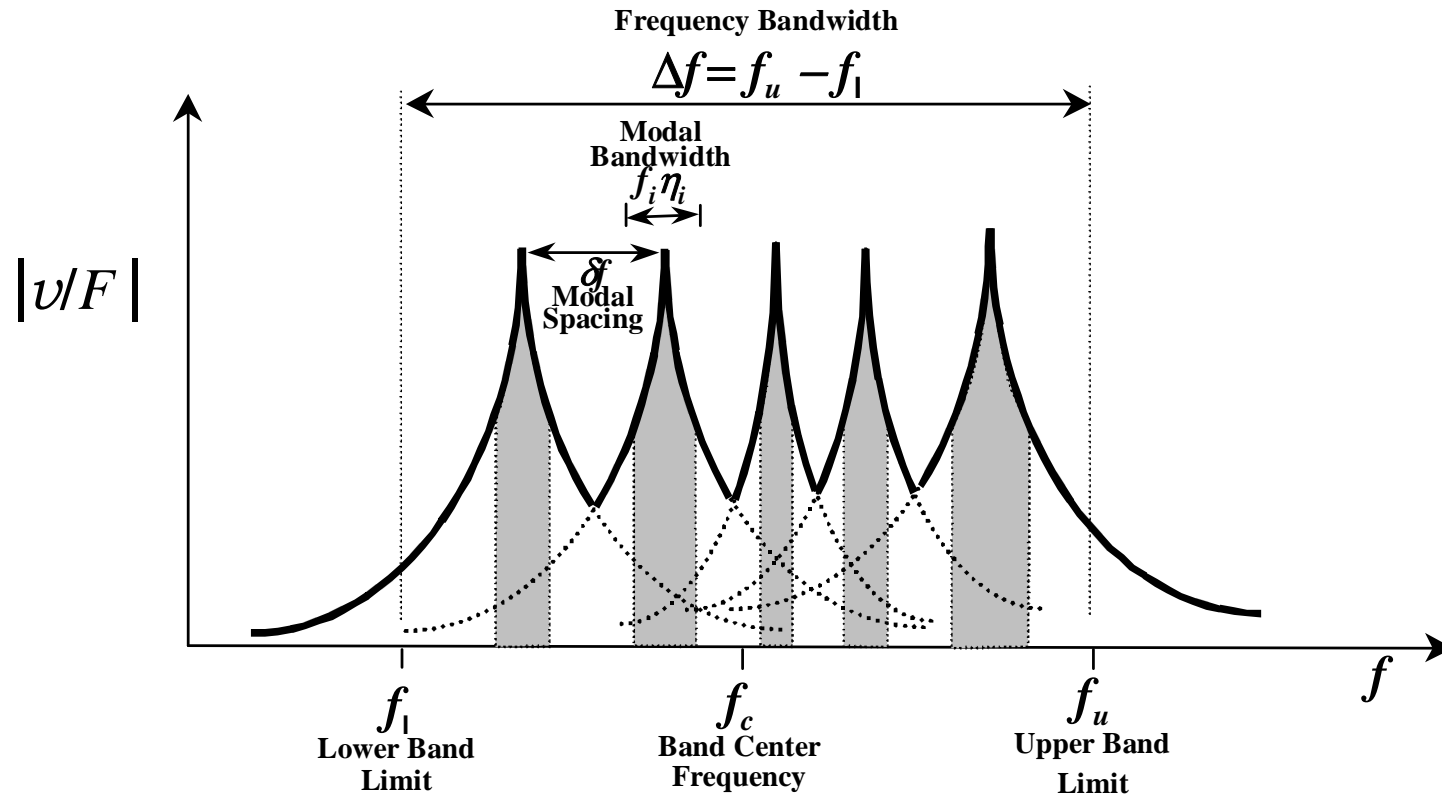
Mean square pressure Cavity volume Fluid properties



Mean square pressure

Fluid properties

Energy storage: Modes in Band and Modal Density



Modes in Band
Modal Density

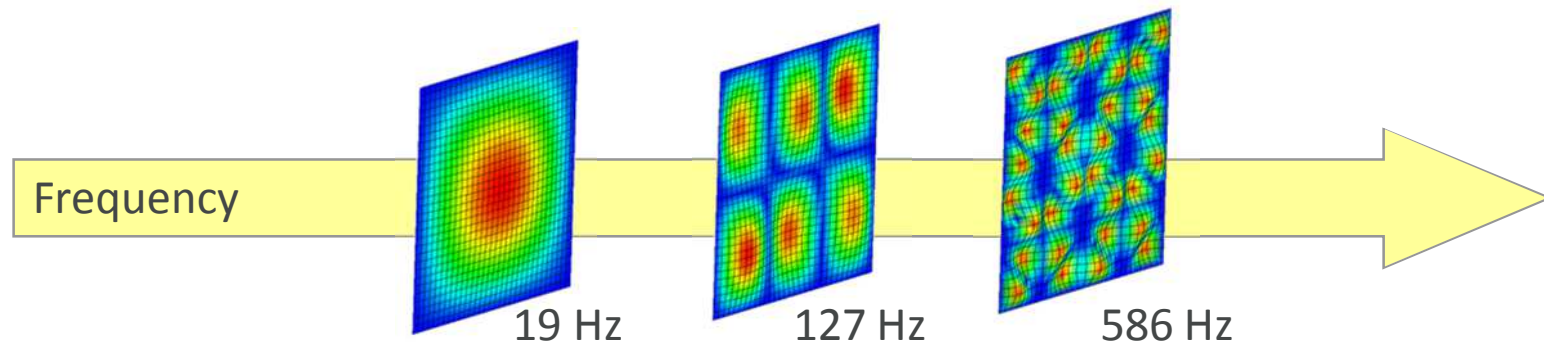
$N(f)$ = number of modes in Δf

$$n(f) = \frac{N(f)}{\Delta f} = 2\pi n(\omega)$$

Modes representation

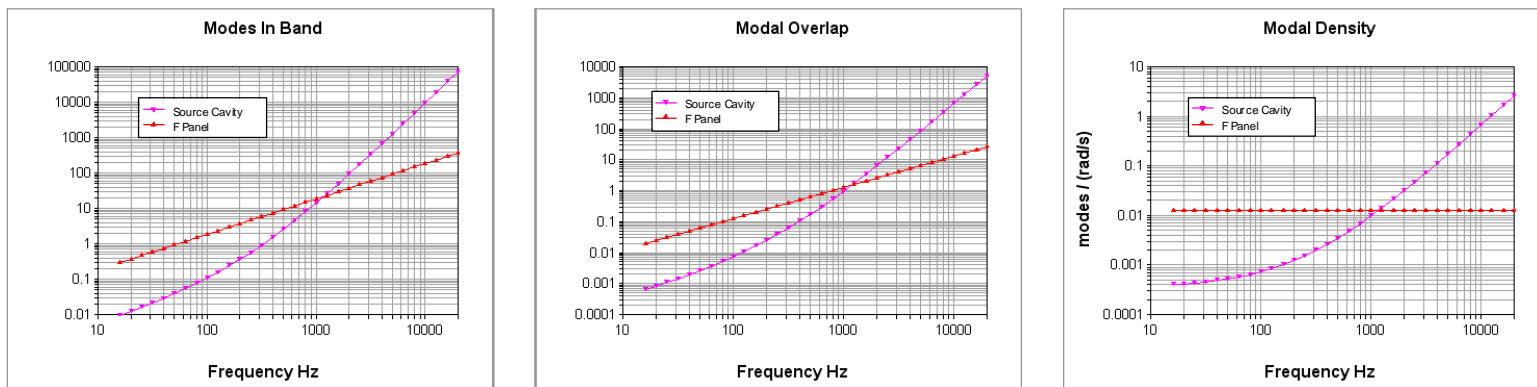
FEM:

Modes are represented by eigen values and eigen vectors



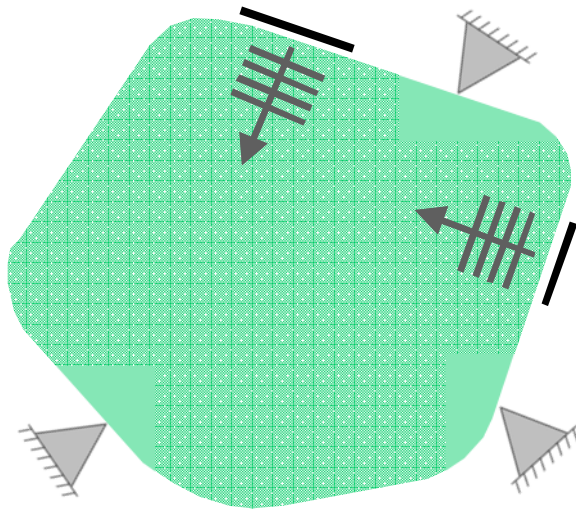
SEA

Modes are represented by modal density



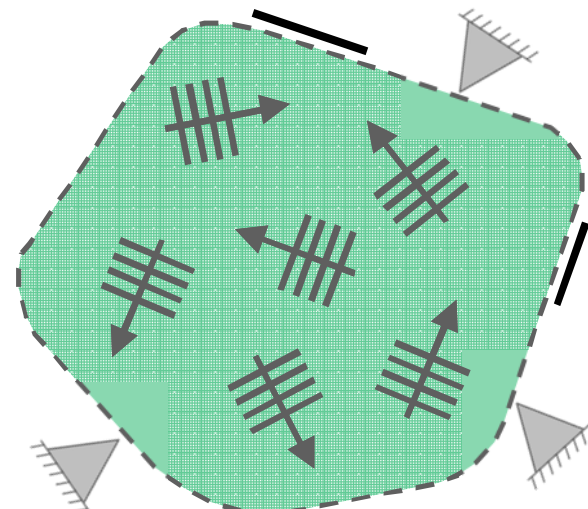
Introduction to FE/SEA Coupled

Each SEA subsystem represented in terms of superposition of a direct field and a reverberant field.



Direct field

Component of response associated with direct field radiation from connections - deterministic



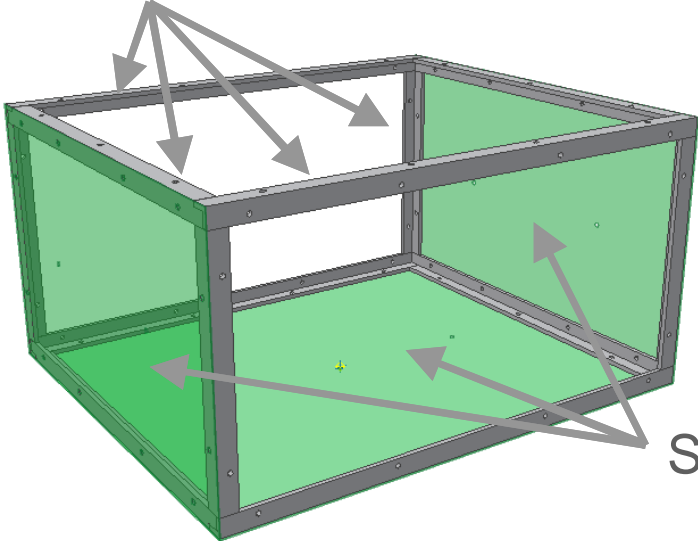
Reverberant field

Component of response associated with reflections from boundaries of subsystem and blocked connections – statistical

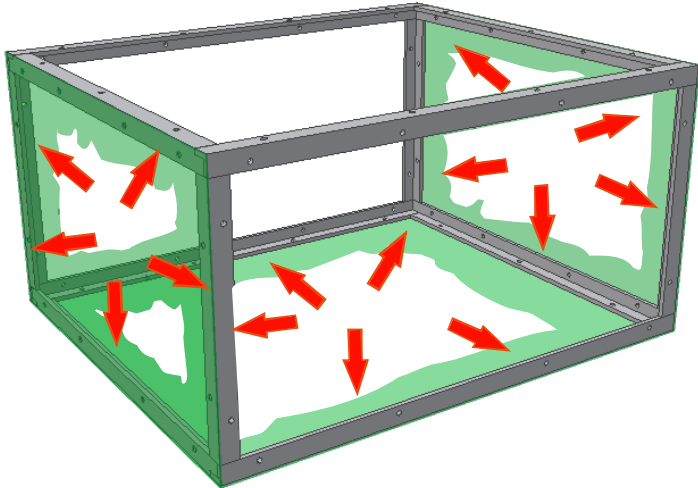
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Direct vs reverberant field

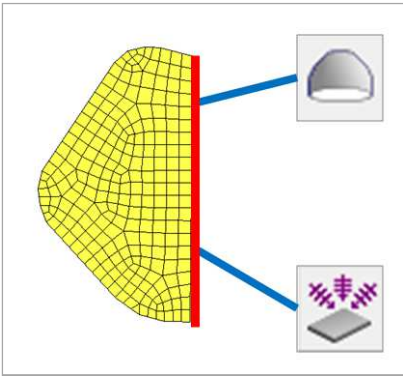
FE Frames



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SEA panels



 **direct field impedance**

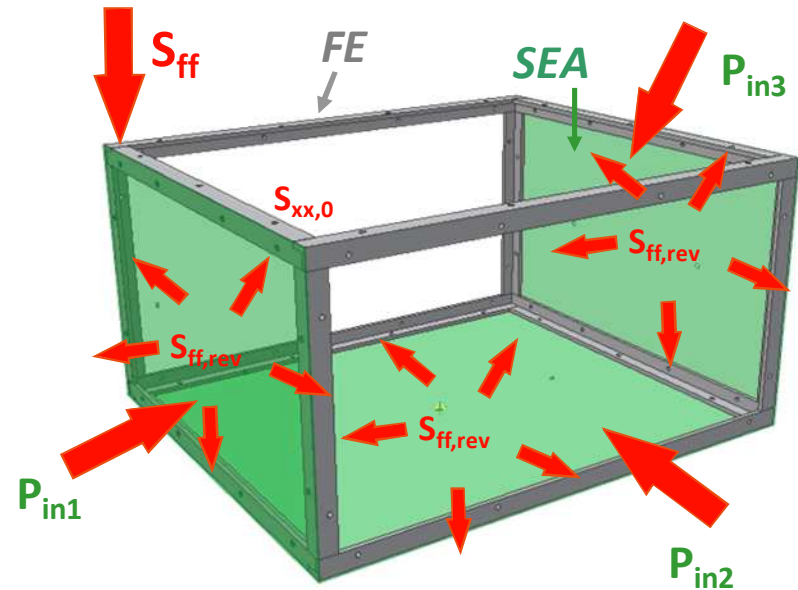
 **reverberant loading**

Full frequency analysis

Response due to FE external excitation

$$\left[\mathbf{D}_0 + \sum_i \mathbf{D}_{i,dir} \right] \{\mathbf{x}\} = \{\mathbf{f}\}$$

Dynamic stiffness of SEA subsystem

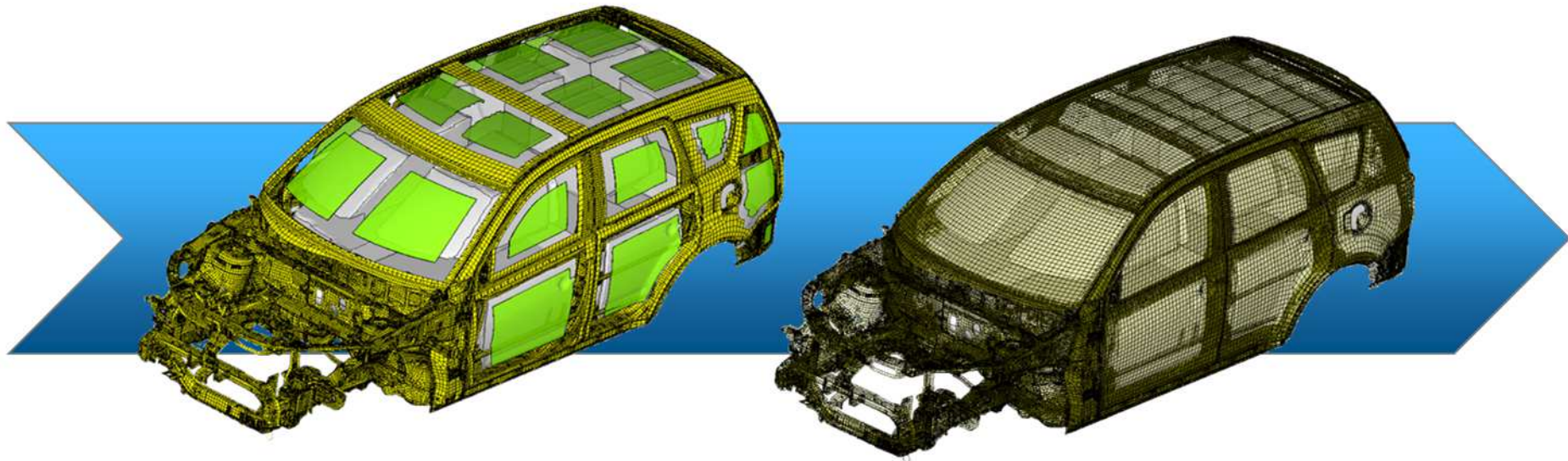


Total response is sum of response to FE external excitation AND reverberant loading from each SEA subsystem

$$\mathbf{S}_{xx} = \mathbf{S}_{xx,0} + \sum_i \mathbf{S}_{xx,rev,i} = \mathbf{R} \left[\mathbf{S}_{ff,0} + \sum_i \mathbf{S}_{ff,rev,i} \right] \mathbf{R}^H$$

where $\mathbf{R} = \left[\mathbf{D}_0 + \sum_i \mathbf{D}_{i,dir} \right]^{-1}$

Evolution of the use of „FE/SEA Coupled“ In the automotive industry

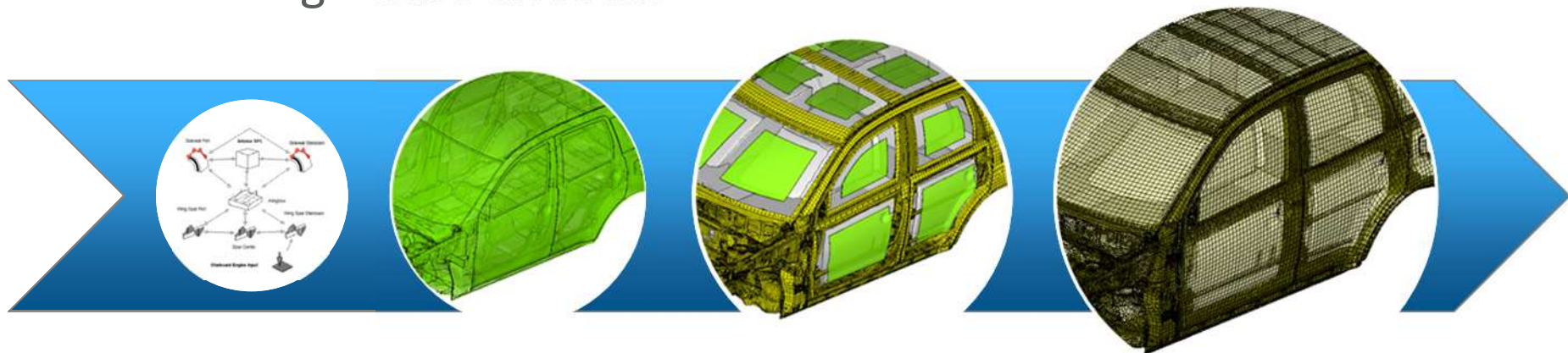


- Structure in FE and SEA
- Cavity/NCT in SEA
- Model building slow (weeks)
- Computation fast (~4 hours)
- VA Expert needed

- Structure in FE only
- Cavity/NCT in SEA
- Model building fast (days)
- Computation slower (~16 hours)
- Junior engineer needed

Conclusion

- FE/SEA Coupled has been validated in various industries
- It is widely used on a day to day basis at numerous customers
- It reduces computation time
- It opens up new possibilities where FE was quite limited
- Automation of model building process is under way
- Possible today to create Fully-Coupled Multi-Domain models which include several methods
- Promising future ahead...



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

