Teaching Old Waves New Tricks: The Quest For Acoustic Meta-Materials

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What Are Meta-Materials ?



- Optical magnetism
- Negative refraction
- super resolution imaging,
- wave shielding (cloaking)

e.g. Optical magnetism from split ring resonators

Research Vision and Missions









Fundamental study of Metamaterials

Application of Meta-materials

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Micro/Nano Fabrication





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Outline

 Acoustic Meta-materials: Quest for Thin Absorbers and Metalenses



 Micro/Nano Fabrication for Metamaterials



Why Manipulating Acoustic/Elastic Waves?



纽约噪音分布图

消音降噪



加工车间



机房及数据中心



医院病房

家用电器

Needs for Acoustic Materials Beyond Ashby Charts



Zhang et al, PRL 2009

E.G. 交通轻量化需求新的环保隔音技术



Existing Materials

Synthetic Fabric





PET Felt

- 对于现代交通,安静出行是竞争的优势。
 全球汽车声学材料市场预计为100亿美元。
 - 将钢铁和铝材料轻量化、把材料从钢换 成树脂等,汽车,飞机和轨道交通系统 轻量化的技术一直在发展,但是这样就 会引起"引擎噪音变大"这一问题。
 - 例如,福特在2015年轻量化概念车Mach II的研制报告中明确指出,减重的直接 代价是车内隔振降噪性能的严重减弱。
- 由于空间的限制,发动机的低频噪音几
 乎无法阻挡。

"Car manufacturers nearly gave up blocking low frequency noise." (Shuhei Nishimaki, Researcher at Nissan)

为什么消除噪声是一个技术难题?

吸音和隔音屏障受到重量和体积限制,在低 频率的性能表现欠佳



t: Thickness of infinite barrier

ρ₀: Density of air
 ρ: Density of infinite barrier
 c₀: Speed of sound in air
 f: Frequency of sound

传统设计方法认为,声波通过有限厚度的阻隔材料的传输损耗,服从声质量法:

$$TL = 20 \log_{10} \left(\frac{P_i}{P_t}\right)$$
$$= 20 \log_{10} \left(\frac{t\pi\rho f}{\rho_0 c_0}\right)$$



(source: design composite)

Overcoming Mass Law: Acoustic Meta Materials

Acoustic Metamaterials, containing arrays of elastic resonators composed of a heavy core surrounded by a soft coating layer

• Effective dynamic mass of the system: $\rho_{eff} = \frac{Volume \ Averaged \ Stress}{Volume \ Averaged \ Acceleration}$



- Weak elastic moduli of the membrane results in low frequency oscillation patterns within a small and finite membrane with fixed boundaries.
- Near-total reflection can be achieved at a frequency between two vibrational eigenmodes where the in-plane average of displacement (normal to the membrane) is zero.

Simulation Results: Elastic Membrane



Validation of Finite Element Simulation



一种轻质隔音蜂窝薄膜材料

Dr Jun Xu

Dr Yun Jing (NCSU) A lightweight yet sound-proof honeycomb



acoustic metamaterial Appl. Phys. Lett. **106**, 171905 (2015)





Ultrathin Sound Absorber at Work



Shahrzad Ghaffari Mosanenzadeh



Before installation



After installation



105 dB Noise

Strategies for Damping + Load Bearing



- The choice of the damping strategy is made based on the modal loss factors obtained on the treated structure.
- To compare efficiency of damping strategies applied on a loadbearing beam let's consider *specific Young's modulus* E/ρ as a function of loss factor of the structure.

Optimizing Absorption Efficiency + Load Bearing

In Collaboration with Juqi Ruan and Minghui Lu, Nanjing University

Acoustic measurement data





Bimodal Acoustic Model



Chu Ma

- A bimodal model is proposed to capture different pore size within the structure.
- Large pores of the copper foam are presented as a network of interconnected spheres.
- the aerogel is modeled as the porous absorber Schematic 3 filling the primary structure using the poroacoustic model (Johnson-Allard-Champoux) with specified speed of sound.



Schematic 1

Schematic 2

Bimodal Acoustic Simulation: Results

Bimodal simulation depicts the sound absorption of Copper/Aerogel composite foams accurately, showing the increasing trend of maximum absorption by increasing the amount of epoxy resin.

Table below compares the results from simulation with that of direct characterization, in terms of the peak values.



- -FCSA0
- —FCSA1
- —FCSA2

—FCSA3

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- Copper Foam-Sim
- FCSA0-Sim
- FCSA1-Sim
- FCSA2-Sim
- FCSA3-Sim



Juqi Ruan, Shahrzad Mosanenzadeh, Chu Ma, in preparation

Sound Dampening + High Stiffness: Novel Architectured Metamaterials!



Juqi Ruan, Shahrzad Mosanenzadeh, Chu Ma, in preparation

Nonlocal Dynamics of Dissipative Acoustic Meta



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Development of nonlinear eigenvalue solver for acoustics

Nonlocality is important even in very simple subwavelength systems when compressibility is significant ($\nabla \cdot v \neq 0$) or when higher-order modes are concerned.



Outlook: Acoustic Meta Beyond Audible Frequencies



High fidelity Speech/Voice recognition







Ultrasonography



Laser Micro-shock wave

Optically and Sonically Camouflaged Hydrogel





	Water	Hydrogel	Ecoflex	Elastosil	Sylgard 184
optical n	1.333	1.337	N/A†	N/A [†]	1.423
l/l _o	100 %	> 90 %	< 5 %	< 0.1 %	> 90 %
c [m·sec⁻¹]	1448	1486	983.4	979.6	1022
z₀ [MPa·s/m]	1.448	1.487	1.052	1.058	1.053
R	0	0.013	0.158	0.156	0.158

H Yuk, S Lin, C Ma, M Takaffoli, NX Fang, X Zhao, Nat. Commun. 8, 14230 (2017)

Molding the Flow of Waves: Transformation Optics



Free space field



Distorted field

J. B. Pendry et al, Science 321,2006





 $\begin{cases} \beta_1 = \frac{\mathbf{A}\beta_{1'}\mathbf{A}^T}{\det \mathbf{A}} \\ \rho_1 = \frac{\mathbf{A}\rho_{1'}\mathbf{A}^T}{\det \mathbf{A}} \\ \beta_2 = \frac{\mathbf{A}\beta_{2'}\mathbf{A}^T}{\det \mathbf{A}} \\ \beta_2 = \frac{\mathbf{A}\beta_{2'}\mathbf{A}^T}{\det \mathbf{A}} \\ \rho_2 = \frac{\mathbf{A}\rho_{2'}\mathbf{A}^T}{\det \mathbf{A}} \end{cases}$

Similar Notation in Solid Mechanics: A :the deformation gradient tensor

Application Example: Broadband Bi-functional Acoustic Metalens



Rongrong Zhu, Chu Ma, et al, APL, 2017

Future: Metalens for $\lambda/40$ Sound Focusing

AA Maznev, G Gu, S Sun, J Xu, Y Shen, N Fang, S Zhang, New Journal of Physics 17 (4), 042001, 2015



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 Micro/Nano Fabrication for Metamaterials



Overall Strategy: Design and Testing of 3D Functional Materials



Multi-material stereolithography system





A: window for material A A1: ethanol for material A A2: cotton for material A B: window for material B B1: ethanol for material B B2: cotton for material B

Technique: multimaterial stereolithography

Capability: composite structures, arbitrary 3D geometry, resolution <15 μ m

- ✓ Different Components: up to 3
- ✓ Materials: hydrogel, elastomer, plastic, metal
- ✓ Activation: magnetic, electric, thermal, light

Examples of 3D Microscale Components

On chip Tissue culture



Biomedical microdevices 11,1309 (2009)

Ceramic meshes



Complex microlenses





Shape memory polymers



Qi Ge, et al, Scientific Reports 6, 31110, 2016²⁹

Post-Processing

PµSL – template polymer micro-lattice (solid polymer)



Comparison of Different Microscale Printing



Single Exposure fabrication of 3D STRUCTURES
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Shusteff et al, SFF conference, Austin, Aug, 2016

	PuLSE	Jet / FDM	SLS
Resolution	100nm to >50um	1-200 um	6-500um
Gelation methods	Photo	Photo, chemical, thermal, shear thinning	thermal
Materials Viscosity	1–300 mPa/s	8 mPa·s to >6 × 10 ⁵ P a·s	-
Fabrication speed	Medium to high (depending on resolution)	Low	Medium
Cyto viability	45-90%	75-95%	-

Volumetric Single-Exposure 3D Fabrication



Maxim Shusteff, et al, accepted, in press, 2017

Complex Functional Voxels For Lightweighting

We have been using a new software package called Netfabb

Unit cell design



Infill object with cells to form lattice



Conform lattice to surface



Convert finished part to slices of desired thickness



Light Weight and Load Bearing

37 g weight (160,000 times of the weight of the structure's)!



Uniaxial compression test



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Architectured Metamaterials with Superior Ductility



X. Zheng, N. Fang, et al, Nature Materials. 2016

Tunable CTE Materials: Preliminary Experiments



Q. Wang, et al, Physical Review Letters, 2016

Future Sound Voxels: Computational Design and Fabrication

A Library of Digital Acoustic Metamaterials



Tailored Physical Properties (thermal expansion, conductivity, permittivity etc)



新的环保隔音技术:国际产学研合作

DESIGN FOR NOISE REDUCING MATERIALS & STRUCTURES





Chair: <u>Mr Jean-Philippe GROBY</u> (FR) Co-Chair: <u>Dr Olga UMNOVA</u> (UK)

Thank you for your attention!

Thermomechanical mismatch: A Challenge Problem

Optical and RF assemblies



Catalytic Converters

Medical implants



Material Requirements for Optical Mount

Gradient in CTE	<8.5 µstrain/K
Density	< 3 g cm ⁻³
Operating temperature	-54 to 70°C
Thermal Conductivity	>25 W m ⁻¹ K ⁻¹

By developing materials that have tailored material properties (CTE and Young's Modulus), an optical mount can be made that is stable under different operating conditions with reduced weight, complexity, and improved performance.

Strategies for negative thermal expansion

1. Design molecular structures

Geometric rotation of units to sustain temperature increase



 $\rm SrCu_3Fe_4O_{12}$

Need of Novel Materials beyond Ashby Chart!

– Expand usable space on material selection chart for thermal expansion vs. stiffness



Strategies for negative thermal expansion

2. Bi-material Unit Cells with Free Volume



- Heterogeneous structures of materials with dissimilar thermal expansion coefficients and void space theoretically exhibit ultra-low thermal expansion.
- Unit cell geometries can be assembled into 2-D and 3-D lattices to form "bulk" material with <u>designed</u> properties.
- Architectural design and fabrication control at the microscale will enable this breakthrough.
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- d) Steeves et al. 2007, JMPS, 55: 1803-1822.

Tunable CTE Materials: Preliminary Design



Approximated displacement of node E:

$$d_E \sim \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta T L_{AC}}{\cos \beta} - \alpha_2 \Delta T \left(L_{BC} + L_{BE} \right)$$

The effective expansion ratio:

$$\eta \sim -\frac{2d_E}{\sqrt{2}L_{AB}} = -\sqrt{2}\Delta T \alpha_1 \left(\frac{2}{\sin 2\beta} - \frac{k}{\tan \beta} - \frac{kL_{BE}}{L_{AB}}\right) \Delta L$$



Tuning thermal expansion coefficient with Copper nanoparticles

Thermal expansion Coefficient of Cu reinforced PEGDA

$$\alpha_{2} \approx \frac{\phi_{C}K_{C}\alpha_{C} + (1 - \phi_{C})K_{1}\alpha_{1}}{\phi_{C}K_{C} + (1 - \phi_{C})K_{1}}$$
Volume fraction ϕ
Bulk modulus K

$$Cu \quad \alpha_{C} \quad \sim 2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ K}^{-1}$$
PEGDA $\alpha_{1} \quad \sim 15.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ K}^{-1}$

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$$Cu \quad cu \text{ volume fraction}$$

Effective Properties of Composite Materials

Materials Properties	PEGDA	2Vol%Cu -PEGDA	5Vol%Cu -PEGDA	10Vol%Cu- PEGDA
Young's Modulus E _x =E _y (MPa)	20.3	67.2	90.7	105.5
Young's Modulus E _z (MPa)	23.5	71.1	92.2	112.4
Effective Young's modulus E (MPa)	21.9	69.2	91.5	108.9
Poisson's ratio	~0.4	~0.3	~0.3	~0.3
Thermal expansion coefficient $\alpha_x = \alpha_y(x10^{-6} \text{ K}^{-1})$	153	62.6	51.2	41.4
Thermal expansion coefficient $\alpha_z (x10^{-6} \text{ K}^{-1})$	158.2	59.2	49	38.2
Effective thermal expansion coefficient α (x10 ⁻⁶ K ⁻¹)	155.6	60.9	50.6	39.8

Deformation Trapping



Critical compressive force for the buckling of beam AB is

Critical temperature

$$\pi^{2} E_{AB} I_{AB} / \left(4 L_{AB}^{2}\right)$$
$$\Delta T_{c} \sim \frac{\pi^{2}}{3\alpha_{2}} \left(\frac{h_{AB}}{L_{AB}}\right)$$

Preliminary Study by copper solid loading Tunable CTE from $1.57 \times 10^{-5} \text{ K}^{-1}$ to $4.06 \times 10^{-5} \text{ K}^{-1}$



Commercial RF Meta: E.G. PARC's "radar digital eye"





- According to PARC, It has a strong enough signal to detect non-metallic objects, and it forms a narrow enough beam to be able to discriminate small objects.
- In real-life, this means that it's able to discriminate humans in congested environments, e.g., detecting a child running around in a parking lot, or mapping out a cyclist on a curve.
- Current state-of-the-art automotive radars cannot reliably accomplish the same feat, because they rely on digital beam forming (DBF) techniques, which either support high resolution, or high signal-to-noise ratio, but not both.

Examples of Commercial Metamaterials



Luneberg lens by LUN'TECH



satellite broadband receiver by Kymeta



http://news.mit.edu/2012/new-metamateriallens-focuses-radio-waves-1114



surface conformal antenna

Application Ideas I: Slow Wave Sensor with Amplified Pressure Sensitivity



Enhanced acoustic sensing through wave compression and pressure amplification in anisotropic metamaterials Y Chen, H Liu, M Reilly, H Bae, M Yu Nature communications 5, 5247, 2014

Application Ideas II: Compressive Acoustic Sensor



Single-sensor multispeaker listening with acoustic metamaterials

Y Xie, TH Tsai, A Konneker, BI Popa, DJ Brady, SA Cummer Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences 112 (34), 10595-10598





Sphere 48-35 AC Pro





- Characteristics
- •48 microphones
- •35 cm diameter
- carbon fibre structure
- •13-17 dB single map dynamic (CBF)

•recommended measurement distance: 0.3-5 m

recommended mapping

frequencies: 400 Hz-15 kHz

Johnson-Champoux-Allard Model

Replace porous material by equivalent
 fluid of effective density ($\tilde{\rho}(\omega)$)

$$\tilde{\rho}(\omega) = \rho_0 \alpha_\infty \left[1 + \frac{\sigma \emptyset}{j \omega \rho_0 \alpha_\infty} G_J(\omega) \right]$$

> and effective bulk modulus (($\widetilde{K}(\omega)$).

$$\widetilde{K}(\omega) = \frac{\gamma P_0}{\left[\gamma - (\gamma - 1)\left(1 + \frac{8\eta}{j\omega\rho_0 B^2 \Lambda'^2}G'_j(\omega)\right)^{-1}\right]}$$

Relating to five macroscopic properties:

Viscous Correlation Factor

$$G_{j}(\omega) = \sqrt{1 + j \frac{4\omega\eta\rho_{0}\alpha_{\infty}^{2}}{\sigma^{2}\Lambda^{2}\phi^{2}}}$$

$$\sigma\left(\frac{N.s}{m^4}\right); \ \emptyset(\%); \ \alpha_{\infty}; \Lambda(\mu m)$$

and $\Lambda'(\mu m)$

$$\int G'_j(\omega) = \sqrt{1 + j \frac{\omega \rho_0 B^2 \Lambda'^2}{16\eta}}$$



Thermal Correlatio n Factor



	μSLA	DIW	SLS	2PP	SPPW	VEL
Resolution	High (~ 1µm)	Low (25~50µm)	Low (50µm)	High (~ 150nm)	Med (~ 5µm)	High (~ 2µm)
Throughput	Low	Med	Low	Very low	High	NA
Scalability	Low	Low	Low	Very low	High	Med
Arbitrary Structuring	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No (lattice)	No (channel)
Material Diversity	Med	High	Med	Low	Low	Med
System Compatibility	High	High	Med	Low	Med	Low
System Complexity	Med	Med	High	High	Low	Low
Printing Unit	Layer	Voxel	Voxel	Voxel	Volume	Volume

3D Microfabrication in Single Snapshot





Acoustic Beaming: State Of the Art

Challenges

- Operating at MHz
 (λ<1 mm)
- Difficult to Miniaturize: diffraction from NDT: finite aperture 1M-1
- Multi-transducer requirement and high cost

Resonance Frequency	1
Depth	U
Envelope Dimensions	2
TVR at fr	1(
Beam Width	1(
Beam Type	С
Input Power	1(

118	
Jnlimited	
2.25D x 7.5H	
160	
10	
Conical	
1000	



1M-10MHz (from GE Panametrics)

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ITC - 3003D

