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#### Abstract

This report describes the technique developed for shaping the sound spectrum of high intensity sound to achieve specialized response characteristics from single homs or multiple horn arrays. The design parameter analysis for the technique developed includes computations and computer simulation of horn responses using the hyperbolic horn theory. This technique provides the ability to minimize any undertesting or overtesting of the test article.


# Acoustic Spectrum Shaping Utilizing Finite Hyperbolic Horn Theory 

## I. Introduction

This study investigates a technique for shaping the sound spectrum of high intensity sound with relation to better acoustic environmental testing. The computations and computer simulations used in this study are based on high-intensity sound generator systems.

The frequency response characteristics of an acoustic noise generating system are dependent upon the noise generator, acoustic horn (a coupler), and the region for which the noise is intended (such as a test chamber, progressive wave tube, or free space, etc.). Each of these elements has separate frequency response characteristics, therefore, the frequency response characteristics of the entire system are a function of these characteristics.

At the present time, developmental contracts through other government and NASA centers are developing high-intensity sound generators with broader frequency response characteristics and greater sound power capabilities. All these developmental studies deal strictly with
the sound generator. This particular study is unique in that the sound generator remains constant and the sound spectrums are varied by specially designed acoustic horns.

The design for the acoustic horns is based on acoustic horn theory for a special family of horns, which are referred to as Hyperbolic Horns. These horns have, theoretically, the unique property of a resonant response characteristic at frequencies just above their cutoff frequency.

This study includes a complete mathematical analysis for hyperbolic horns, and a digital computer program to obtain frequency response data for a given single horn with particular response characteristics. From this study, a technique is developed for designing multiple horn arrays. This technique consists of designing each horn of the array slightly different from the other horns so that the next response function for the array has a smoother energy spectrum than any of the individual horns. The smoother spectrum is obtained by effectively averaging the outputs from all of the individual horns.

The techniques developed in this study will allow a design parameter analysis for both single horns and multiple horn arrays, with optimized response characteristics of the single horn (or of an entire multiple horn array).

The ability to more accurately simulate broadband acoustic spectrums for reliable acoustic testing is extremely important to minimize the probability of undertesting or overtesting the test article. These design techniques can also be applied in the audio engineering field, i.e., sound reproduction systems could be made better by improving the response characteristics of the system loudspeakers, both individually and as an array.

## II. Hyperbolic Horn Analysis

Basic horn theory for a hyperbolic horn of infinite length predicts a very sharp frequency cutoff, depending on the horn flare constant and on the velocity of sound in the medium which for this study is air. For a hyperbolic horn of finite length, the response characteristics as a function of frequency are dependent upon the following:
(1) Flare constant $N$.
(2) Family parameter $T$.

Note: The value $T=1$ in hyperbolic horn equation theory results in the exponential horn.
(3) Length $L$.
(4) Termination condition $z_{M}$ at the mouth of the horn, i.e., whether it opens into free space or an infinite progressive wave tube, etc.
(5) Velocity of sound in the medium (air).

Expressions for the hyperbolic horn response characteristics are given in Refs. 1 and 2. These expressions are derived for frequencies above the cutoff frequency; however, these expressions must be modified to correctly describe the characteristics at the cutoff frequency and below the cutoff frequency. These response characteristics are given in the form of impedance expressions; therefore, the effect of the horn on the transmission of acoustic energy can be described in terms of a lumped impedance in an equivalent electrical analog circuit.

## A. Summary of Equations for $\mathbf{z}_{\boldsymbol{T}}$

Derivations of the required expressions are included in Appendix A. Starting with the above cutoff expression for the acoustic impedance $z_{\tau}$ of the general hyperbolic horn, the following expressions for $z_{T}$ are obtained:
(1) For the general hyperbolic horn.
(a) $z_{\tau}$ at cutoff.
(b) $z_{\tau}$ below cutoff.
(2) For the special case $T=1$, hyperbolic horn (the exponential horn).
(a) $z_{T}$ above cutoff.
(b) $z_{\tau}$ at cutoff.
(c) $z_{\tau}$ below cutoff.

The following is a summary of these expressions for $z_{\tau}$, including the above cutoff expression for the general hyperbolic horn.

## 1. General hyperbolic horn

Above cutoff $\left(f>f_{c}\right)$ :

$$
\begin{align*}
& z_{T}= \\
& \frac{1}{T}\left\{\frac{\left[\left(\frac{j k-N T z_{M}}{b}\right)+\left(\frac{j k T-N z_{M}}{b}\right) \tanh (N L)\right] \sin (b L)+z_{\mu}[1+T \tanh (N L)] \cos (b L)}{\left[\frac{1}{b}\left\{N-\left(\frac{b^{2}+N^{2} T^{u}}{j k T}\right) z_{M}\right\}+\left(\frac{N T+i k z_{M}}{b}\right) \tanh (N L)\right] \sin (b L)+\left[\frac{1}{T}+\left\{1-\frac{N\left(1-T^{2}\right) z_{M}}{j k T}\right\} \tanh (N L)\right] \cos (b L)}\right\} \tag{1}
\end{align*}
$$

At cutoff ( $f=f_{c}$ ):
$z_{\tau}=\left\{N \frac{\left[-L N z_{M}\{T+\tanh (N L)\}+z_{\mu}\{1+T \tanh (N L)\}\right]+i[N L\{1+T \tanh (N L)\}]}{\left[L N^{2} T\{1+T \tanh (N L)\}+N\{1+T \tanh (N L)\}\right]+i\left[L N^{2} T^{2} z_{\mu}+\left\{L N^{2} T z_{\mu}+N\left(1-T^{2}\right)\right\} \tanh (N L)\right]}\right\}$

Below cutoff $\left(f<f_{c}\right)$ :

$$
\begin{align*}
z_{\tau}=k\{ & \frac{[k\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \sinh (B L)]}{\left[\left\{\left(-B^{2}+N^{2} T^{2}\right) z_{M}+k^{2} T z_{\boldsymbol{M}} \tanh (N L)\right\} \sinh (B L)+\left\{B N\left(1-T^{2}\right) z_{\boldsymbol{M}} \tanh (N L)\right\} \cosh (B L)\right]} \\
& \left.\frac{+j\left[N z_{M}\{T+\tanh (N L)\} \sinh (B L)-\left(B z_{\mu}\right)\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \cosh (B L)\right]}{-j[N k T\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \sinh (B L)+B k\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \cosh (B L)]}\right\} \tag{3}
\end{align*}
$$

## 2. Special hyperbolic horn ( $T=1$, exponential horn)

Above cutoff:

$$
\begin{equation*}
z_{\tau}=\left\{\frac{z_{M}[\cos (b L+\theta)]+j[\sin (b L)]}{j z_{\mathcal{M}}[\sin (b L)]+[\cos (b L-\theta)]}\right\} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

At cutoff:

$$
\begin{equation*}
z_{\tau}=\left[\frac{z_{M}\left(1-\frac{L M}{2}\right)+j\left(\frac{M L}{2}\right)}{\left(1+\frac{M L}{2}\right)+j z_{M}\left(\frac{L M}{2}\right)}\right] \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Below cutoff:
$z_{\tau}=$
$\left.\left\{\frac{\left[\sinh (B L)-i \frac{z_{H}}{\left(N^{2}-B^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}}\{B \cosh (B L)-N \sinh (B L)\}\right]}{\left[\left[z_{\mu} \sinh (B L)-i \frac{1}{\left(N^{2}-B^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}}\{B \cosh (B L)+N \sinh (B L)]\right.\right.}\right\}\right\}$

All the expressions for $z_{\tau}$ can be written in the form:

$$
\begin{equation*}
z_{\tau}(\omega)=R_{\tau}(\omega)+j X_{\tau}(\omega) \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

where
$\boldsymbol{R}_{\tau}(\omega)=$ resistive component of impedance, and repre-
sents energy transfer by horn
and

$$
X_{\tau}(\omega)=\text { reactive component of acoustic impedance. }
$$

## III. Horn Design

Horns with particular response characteristics can now be designed, using the results of the previous hyperbolic
horn analysis of paragraph II and the resulting expressions for the acoustic impedance $z_{\tau}$ at the throat of a given horn.

The physical parameters of a particular hyperbolic horn are determined from the following equation:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{S}_{x}=\mathrm{S}_{\tau}[\cosh (N x)+T \sinh (N x)]^{2} \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

Equation (8) may be written in the exponential form as

$$
\begin{equation*}
S_{x}=S_{\tau}\left[\frac{\left(e^{N x}+e^{-N x}\right)}{2}+T \frac{\left(e^{N x}-e^{-N x}\right)}{2}\right]^{2} \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \cosh (N x)=\frac{e^{N x}+e^{-N x}}{2} \\
& \sinh (N x)=\frac{e^{N x}-e^{-N x}}{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Equation (9) may be rewritten

$$
\begin{equation*}
e^{N x}(1+T)+e^{-N x}(1-T)-2\left(\mathrm{~S}_{x} / \mathrm{S}_{\tau}\right)^{1 / 2}=0 \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
e^{2 N x}(1+T)-2\left(S_{x} / S_{\tau}\right)^{1 / 2} e^{N x}+(1-T)=P(x)=0 \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

the length $L$ of a particular hyperbolic horn is determined from Eq. (11) as follows:

$$
\begin{equation*}
P(x)_{x=L}=e^{2 N L}(1+T)-2\left(S_{\boldsymbol{u}} / S_{T}\right)^{1 / 2} e^{N L}+(1-T)=0 \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

$$
\text { Note: } \mathbf{S}_{L}=\mathbf{S}_{\boldsymbol{X}(\text { Mouth })}
$$

letting

$$
e^{N L}=\psi
$$

Therefore,

$$
\begin{equation*}
L=(1 / N) \log _{e} \psi \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\psi$ is found from Eq. (10), written as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi^{2}(1+T)-2\left(S_{H} / S_{\tau}\right)^{1 / 2} \psi+(1-T)=0 \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

Therefore,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi=\frac{\left(S_{M} / S_{\tau}\right)^{1 / 2} \pm\left[\left(S_{M} / S_{\tau}\right)-\left(1-T^{2}\right)\right]^{1 / 2}}{(1+T)} \tag{15}
\end{equation*}
$$

For the physical case of the length $L$ of the horn, the root is used:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi=\frac{\left.\left(S_{M} / S_{\tau}\right)^{1 / 2}+\left[S_{M} / S_{\tau}\right)-\left(1-T^{2}\right)\right]^{1 / 2}}{(1+T)} \tag{16}
\end{equation*}
$$

When the cross sectional area at the throat $S_{\tau}$ of the horn and the cross sectional area at the mouth $S_{M}$ of the horn are defined, the length $L$ is then only a function of $T$ and $N$, or

$$
\begin{equation*}
L=L(N, T)=(1 / N) \log _{e}\left\{\frac{D+\left[D^{2}-\left(1-T^{2}\right)\right]^{1 / 2}}{(1+T)}\right\} \tag{17}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
D=\left(S_{M} / S_{\tau}\right)^{1 / 2}
$$

The value of $N$ is determined from the cutoff frequency $f_{c}$ of the horn, using the following expression:

$$
\begin{equation*}
N=(k)_{f=f_{c}}=\frac{2 \pi f_{c}}{c} \tag{18}
\end{equation*}
$$

Equation (17) may now be written, in terms of the cutoff frequency, as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
L=\left(\frac{c}{2 \pi f_{c}}\right) \log _{e}\left\{\frac{D+\left[D^{2}-\left(1-T^{2}\right)\right]^{1 / 2}}{(1+T)}\right\} \tag{19}
\end{equation*}
$$

Equation (19) is, therefore, the expression for the length $L$ of a given horn in terms of:
(1) The cutoff frequency $f_{c}$
(2) The speed of sound $c$.
(3) The square root of ratio of the cross sectional area at the mouth of the horn to the cross sectional area at the throat $\left(S_{M} / S_{\tau}\right)^{1 / 2}$.
(4) The shape parameter $T$.

Figure 1 shows an acoustic horn designed to these specifications. The equations, shown in Fig. 1, used in the design of the horn are:

$$
\begin{align*}
& y(x)=y_{\tau}[\cosh (N x)+T \sinh (N x)]  \tag{20}\\
& y(x)=-y_{\tau}[\cosh (N x)+T \sinh (N x)] \tag{21}
\end{align*}
$$



Fig. 1. Acoustic horn diagram
and are derived from the following:

$$
\begin{equation*}
S_{x}=S_{\tau}[\cosh (N x)+T \sinh (N x)]^{2} \tag{22}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
S_{x}=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\pi y^{2}(x)(\text { for circular cross section }) \\
4 y^{2}(x) \text { (for square cross section) } \\
\gamma y^{2}(x) \text { (for generalized cross section) }
\end{array}\right.
$$

$$
S_{\tau}=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\pi y_{\tau}^{2} \text { (for circular cross section) } \\
4 y_{\tau}^{2} \text { (for square cross section) } \\
\gamma y_{\tau}^{2} \text { (for generalized cross section) }
\end{array}\right.
$$

$$
S_{L}=S_{M(M o u t h)}=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\pi y_{L}^{2}(\text { for circular cross section) } \\
4 y_{L}^{2}(\text { for square cross section }) \\
\gamma y_{L}^{2}(\text { for generalized cross section) }
\end{array}\right.
$$

Therefore,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\gamma y^{2}(x)=\gamma y_{\tau}^{2}[\cosh (N x)+T \sinh (N x)]^{2} \tag{23}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
y(x)= \pm y_{\tau}[\cosh (N x)+T \sinh (N x)] \tag{24}
\end{equation*}
$$

The hyperbolic horn data used for this parametric study are given in Table 1. The digital computer program written to perform this study using this data is given in Appendix B. This program is written for one particular group of horns in which the cutoff frequencies $f_{c}$ were 25,50 , and 100 Hz . Typical curves of the predicted horn responses are shown in Fig. 2. The produced curves graphically illustrate the computed response of the resistive component $R(\omega)$ for the acoustic impedance versus frequency $f$ in relation to the hyperbolic horn family parameter $T$ and a fixed ratio of $\left(S_{M} / S_{T}\right)^{1 / 2}$. This fixed ratio is:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(\frac{S_{\mathbf{M}}}{S_{\tau}}\right)^{1 / 2}=\left(\frac{49.00 \text { in. } .^{2}}{1.563 \text { in. }{ }^{2}}\right)^{1 / 2}=D=5.585 \tag{25}
\end{equation*}
$$



Fig. 2. T-parameter study of hyperbolic horns (frequency response characteristics)

The cutoff frequency $f_{c}$ is held constant at 100 Hz , therefore,

$$
\begin{equation*}
L=\left(\frac{c}{2 \pi f_{c}}\right) \log _{e}\left\{\frac{D+\left[D^{2}-\left(1-T^{2}\right)\right]^{1 / 2}}{(1+T)}\right\} \tag{26}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
f_{c}=100 \mathrm{~Hz}
$$

and

$$
D=5.585
$$

Equation (23) may be written as a function of only $L$ as:
$L=L(T)=0.547 \log _{\mathrm{e}}\left\{\frac{(5.585)+\left[(5.585)^{2}-\left(1-T^{2}\right)\right]^{1 / 2}}{(1+T)}\right\}$

A $\rho c$ termination $Z_{M}$ at the mouth of the horn is used for the study. This termination is necessary to reveal the characteristics of the horn, independent of its particular termination. Naturally, the nature of $\mathrm{Z}_{\mathrm{M}}$ (i.e., zero baffle, infinite baffle, etc.) greatly affects $Z_{\tau}$ for a particular configuration.


Fig. 2 (contd)


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Fig. 2 (contd)

A study of the graphic responses in Fig. 2 reveals a resonant response characteristic that is just above the cutoff frequency $f_{c}$ which varies with $T$. With this information available, acoustic homs can be designed to use this resonance characteristic. For example, horns with large resonance characteristics ( $T \ll 1$ ) can be used to assist in simulating acoustic energy spectrums produced by the engines of spacecraft launch vehicles. Non-dimensionalized curves of rocket engine noise spectrums are contained in Ref. 3 and in other discussions on rocket noise.

## IV. Design of Multiple Horn Arrays

A multiple horn array can be designed with the desired resonance response characteristics of a single horn and
with the additional advantage from the averaging effect of several similar, but not identical, horns. This averaging technique consists of shifting the cutoff frequencies of the various horns so that the response peaks of some horns occur at the response nulls of the remaining horns. This effect tends to neutralize the extreme peak-to-null frequency spectrum oscillations.

The individual and average frequency response characteristics of four multiple horn arrays, using the horn design data listed in Table 2, are graphically portrayed in Figs. 3-6, respectively. An overlay example of the response characteristics for one array is provided as part of Fig. 3. The heavy line in the figure shows the averaging effect resulting from the different horn responses with


Fig. 3. Individual and average frequency response characteristics of the horns of array 1
peaks (resonances) and nulls (relative antiresonances) at different frequencies.

## V. Results

This acoustic horn analysis indicates that the response characteristics of a horn can be greatly improved in the frequency range just above cutoff by carefully controlling the design parameters. This resonance response can vary over a large range and consists of several narrow spikes which would result in a very rapidly changing narrow band analysis. This narrow spike condition can be minimized by the use of multiple horn arrays. Each horn of these arrays must be carefully designed so that the trans-
fer function of the array will provide the optimum response characteristics.

## VI. Conclusions

The analysis performed in this study indicates that the concept of designing single horns and multiple horn arrays to achieve specialized response characteristics shows real promise. The analysis assumes linear acoustic response, however, this assumption becomes less valid as the acoustic levels become very large (above 135 dB in reference to $0.0002 \mu \mathrm{bar})$. These non-linear effects result in harmonic generation which, in turn, affects the spectrums at the higher frequencies. However, these nonlinear effects have little affect on the resonance peak of


Fig. 3 (contd)
the acoustic spectrum that is transmitted as a result of the horn response characteristics. Also, the horn analysis does not allow for the damping effects of either the horn or the transmitting medium (air). The effect of such damping would decrease the peak amplitudes of the horn response function, and therefore, would decrease the response functions peak-to-null ratio. Introduction of damping could also tend to put a small frequency shift in the response function.

The choice of the parameters for each of the horns of the multiple horn arrays is somewhat arbitrary, and is

Table 2. Design data for multiple horn arrays

| Array | Horn | $\boldsymbol{T}$ | $f_{c}, \mathbf{H z}$ | $\mathbf{L}, \mathrm{~m}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 1 | 1.0 | 133.3 | 0.7065 |
|  | 2 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 0.9417 |
| 2 | 3 | 1.0 | 72.5 | 1.2989 |
|  | 1 | 1.0 | 133.3 | 0.7065 |
|  | 2 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 0.9417 |
|  | 3 | 0.5 | 72.5 | 1.5116 |
|  | 1 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 0.9417 |
|  | 2 | 1.0 | 117.0 | 0.8049 |
|  | 3 | 1.0 | 134.0 | 0.7028 |
|  | 4 | 1.0 | 151.0 | 0.6237 |
|  | 1 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 0.9417 |
|  | 2 | 1.0 | 114.0 | 0.8261 |
|  | 3 | 1.0 | 127.0 | 0.7415 |
|  | 4 | 1.0 | 140.0 | 0.6727 |
|  | 5 | 1.0 | 153.0 | 0.6155 |

mainly intended to indicate the general concept of these arrays. Future investigations into this concept will include developing techniques to determine the design parameters for each of the horns in the array so that their overall average response function is optimized. The investigation will include obtaining the desired resonance response function with the smoothest energy spectrum envelope possible.

Future investigations also include verifying these spectrum shaping techniques using a Low-Frequency PlaneWave Sound Generator and Impedance-Measuring Device, designed and built for this same supporting research and advance development task. A report on this device is being written and will be published upon final checkout of the unit.


Fig. 4. Individual and average frequency response characteristics of the horns of array 2




Fig. 5. Individual and average frequency response characteristics of the horns of array 3








Fig. 6. Individual and average frequency response characteristics of the horns of array 4

## Appendix A <br> Derivation of Horn Response Equations

## I. Derivations

In this paper the term hyperbolic horn is used to designate those horns whose area law is given by (Refs. 1, 2, and 4):

$$
\begin{equation*}
S_{x}=S_{\tau}[\cosh (N x)+T \sinh (N x)]^{2} \tag{A-1}
\end{equation*}
$$

The result for the expression of the impedance at the throat $z_{\tau}$ of a hyperbolic horn as a function of the impedance at the mouth $z_{\mathcal{M}}$ is given as follows (Ref. 1):
$z_{T}=$
$\frac{1}{T}\left\{\frac{\left[\left(\frac{i k-N T z_{M}}{b}\right)+\left(\frac{i k T-N z_{\mu}}{b}\right) \tanh (N L)\right] \sin (b L)+z_{M}[1+T \tanh (N L)] \cos (b L)}{\left[\frac{1}{b}\left\{N-\left(\frac{b^{2}+N^{2} T^{2}}{j k T}\right) z_{M}\right\}+\left(\frac{N T+j k z_{M}}{b}\right) \tanh (N L)\right] \sin (b L)+\left[\frac{1}{T}+\left\{1-\frac{N\left(1-T^{2}\right) z_{M}}{j k T}\right\} \tanh (N L)\right] \cos (b L)}\right\}$

This equation is valid above cutoff, that is, for $k^{2}>N^{2}\left(f>f_{c}\right)$.
Equation (A-2) is rearranged to arrive at expressions for the at-cutoff and below-cutoff frequencies of the general hyperbolic horn through derivations Nos. 1 and 2, respectively. These expressions are further simplified for the abovecutoff, at-cutoff, and below-cutoff frequencies of the exponential horn through derivations Nos. 2, 3, and 4, respectively. Derivations Nos. 5 and 6 are alternate methods of arriving at the at-cutoff and below-cutoff expressions for the exponential horn.

## A. Derivation No. 1

At the cutoff frequency, the expression for $z_{\tau} \rightarrow(0+j 0) /(0+j 0)$ is an indeterminate form, therefore, L'Hospital Rule must be used in determining the value for this expression, as shown by the following derivation.

Given Eq. (A-2) at $b=0$ (cutoff) and $z_{\mu} \rightarrow(0+j 0) /(0+j 0)$, thus, by L'Hospital Rule and with $k=N$ :
$\left(z_{\tau}\right)_{b=0}=$
$\frac{1}{T}\left\{\frac{\frac{d}{d b}\left[\left\{\left(\frac{j k-N T z_{\mu}}{b}\right)+\left(\frac{j k T-N z_{\mu}}{b}\right) \tanh (N L)\right\} \sin (b L)+z_{\boldsymbol{H}}\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \cos (b L)\right]}{\frac{d}{d b}\left[\frac{1}{b}\left\{N-\left(\frac{b^{2}+N^{2} T^{2}}{j k T}\right)\right\} z_{\mu}+\left\{\left(\frac{N T+j k z_{\mu}}{b}\right) \tanh (N L)\right\} \sin (b L)+\left\{\frac{1}{T}+\left[1-\frac{N\left(1-T^{2}\right) z_{M}}{j k T}\right] \tanh (N L)\right\} \cos (b L)\right]}\right\}$

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(z_{\tau}\right)_{b=0}=\frac{1}{T}\left\{\frac{L\left[\left(j k-N T z_{M}\right)+\left(j k T-N z_{M}\right) \tanh (N L)\right] \cos (b L)}{L\left[N-\left\{\frac{b^{2}+N^{2} T^{2}}{j k T}\right\} z_{M}\right]+\left[\left(N T+j k z_{M}\right) \tanh (N L)\right] \cos (b L)+\sin (b L)\left[\frac{-2 b z_{M}}{j k T}\right]}\right. \\
& \left.\frac{+\left[z_{M}\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \cos (b L)-b L z_{M}\{\sin (b L)\}-\left(b L z_{M}\right)\{T \tanh (N L) \sin (b L)\}\right]}{+\left[\frac{1}{T}+\left\{1-\frac{N\left(1-T^{2}\right) z_{M}}{j k T}\right\} \tanh (N L)\right] \cos (b L)-L\left[\frac{1}{T}+\left\{1-\frac{N\left(1-T^{2}\right) z_{M}}{j k T}\right\} \tanh (N L)\right] \sin (b L)}\right\}_{b=0}  \tag{A-4a}\\
& \left(z_{\tau}\right)_{b=0}=\frac{1}{T}\left\{\frac{L\left[\left(j k-N T z_{M}\right)+\left(j k T-N z_{M}\right) \tanh (N L)\right]+z_{M}[1+T \tanh (N L)]}{L\left[\left(N-\frac{N^{2} T^{2} z_{M}}{j k T}\right)+\left(N T+j k z_{M}\right) \tanh (N L)\right]+\left[\frac{1}{T}+\left\{1-\frac{N\left(1-T^{2}\right) z_{M}}{j k T}\right\} \tanh (N L)\right]}\right\}  \tag{A-4~b}\\
& \left(z_{\tau}\right)_{b=0}=k\left\{\frac{L\left[\left(j k-N T z_{M}\right)+\left(j k T-N z_{M}\right)\right] \tanh (N L)+z_{M}[1+T \tanh (N L)]}{L\left[N\left(k T+j T^{2} N z_{M}\right)+k T\left(N T+j k z_{M}\right) \tanh (N L)\right]+\left[k+\left\{k T+j N\left(1-T^{2}\right)\right\} \tanh (N L)\right]}\right\}  \tag{A-4c}\\
& \left(z_{\tau}\right)_{b=0}=k\left\{\frac{\left[-L N z_{M}\{T+\tanh (N L)\}+z_{\mu}\{1+T \tanh (N L)\}\right]+j[k L\{1+T \tanh (N L)\}]}{[L N k T\{1+T \tanh (N L)\}+k\{1+T \tanh (N L)\}]+j\left[L N^{2} T^{2 \prime} z_{\mu}+\left\{L k^{2} T z_{M}+N\left(1-T^{2}\right)\right\} \tanh (N L)\right]}\right\} \tag{A-4d}
\end{align*}
$$

Therefore, at $f=f_{c}$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
z_{\tau}=N\left\{\frac{\left[-L N z_{M}\{T+\tanh (N L)\}+z_{M}\{1+T \tanh (N L)\}\right]+j[N L\{1+T \tanh (N L)\}]}{\left[L N^{2} T\{1+T \tanh (N L)\}+N\{1+T \tanh (N L)\}\right]+j\left[L N^{2} T^{2} z_{M}+\left\{L N^{2} T z_{M}+N\left(1-T^{2}\right)\right\} \tanh (N L)\right]}\right\} \tag{A-5}
\end{equation*}
$$

## B. Derivation No. 2

Below the cutoff frequency, the following derivation is necessary, since for $k^{2}<N^{2}, b=j\left(|b|^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}$, and the various terms, such as $\cos (b L)$, need to be transformed to usable functions.

Given:
$z_{T}=k \times$
$\left\{\frac{\left[\left\{\left(j k-N T z_{M}\right)+\left(j k T-N z_{M}\right) \tanh (N L)\right\} \sin (b L)+b z_{M}\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \cos (b L)\right]}{\left[\left\{N k T+j(b+N T) z_{M}\right\}+\left\{\left(N k T^{2}+j k T z_{M}\right) \tanh (N L)\right\} \sin (b L)+b\left\{k+\left[k T+j N\left(1-T^{2}\right) z_{M}\right]\right\} \tanh (N L) \cos (b L)\right]}\right\}$

NOTE: Eq. (A-6) is a slightly rearranged version of Eq. (A-2).
and

$$
b \equiv i B \text { for } k<N \quad j B=\left(k^{2}-N^{2}\right)^{1 / 2} \text { or } B^{2}=N^{2}-k^{2} \quad \sin (j B)=j \sinh B \quad \cos (j B)=\cosh B
$$

thus

$$
\left.\begin{array}{rl}
z_{\tau}=k & \left\{\frac{\left\{\left(j k-N T z_{M}\right)+\left(j k T-N z_{M}\right) \tanh (N L)\right\} j \sinh (B L)}{\left\{N k T+j\left(-B^{2}+N^{2} T^{2}\right) z_{M}\right\}+\left\{\left(N k T^{2}+j k^{2} T z_{M}\right) \tanh (N L)\right\} j \sinh (B L)}\right. \\
& +j B z_{M}\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \cosh (B L)  \tag{A-7}\\
+j B\left\{k+\left[k T+j N\left(1-T^{2}\right) z_{M}\right] \tanh (N L)\right\} \cosh (B L)
\end{array}\right\}
$$

or

$$
\begin{align*}
z_{\tau}=k\{ & \frac{[k\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \sinh (B L)]}{\left[\left\{\left(N^{2} T^{2}-B^{2}\right) z_{M}+k^{2} T z_{\mu} \tanh (N L)\right\} \sinh (B L)+\left\{B N\left(1-T^{2}\right) z_{M} \tanh (N L) \cosh (B L)\right\}\right]} \\
& \left.\frac{+j\left[N z_{M}\{T+\tanh (N L)\} \sinh (B L)-B z_{\mu}\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \cosh (B L)\right]}{-j[N k T\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \sinh (B L)+B k\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \cosh (B L)]}\right\} \tag{A-8}
\end{align*}
$$

Therefore, for $f<f_{c}$ :

$$
\begin{align*}
z_{\tau}= & k\left\{\frac{[k\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \sinh (B L)]}{\left[\left\{\left(-B^{2}+N^{2} T^{2}\right) z_{M}+k^{2} T z_{M} \tanh (N L)\right\} \sinh (B L)+\left\{B N\left(1-T^{2}\right) z_{\mathcal{M}} \tanh (N L)\right\} \cosh (B L)\right]}\right. \\
& \left.\frac{+j\left[\left(N z_{M}\right)\{T+\tanh (N L)\} \sinh (B L)-\left(B z_{M}\right)\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \cosh (B L)\right]}{-i[N k T\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \sinh (B L)+B k\{1+T \tanh (N L)\} \cosh (B L)]}\right\} \tag{A-9}
\end{align*}
$$

The expression of the impedance at the throat $z_{\tau}$ for an exponential horn ( $T=1$ ), in terms of the impedance at the mouth $z_{\boldsymbol{M}}$, is given (Ref. 2) as follows (above cutoff):

$$
\begin{equation*}
Z_{\tau}=\left(\frac{\rho c}{S_{1}}\right)\left\{\frac{S_{2} Z_{M}[\cos (b L+\theta)]+j(\rho c)\{\sin (b L)]}{j S_{2} Z_{M}[\sin (b L)]+(\rho c)[\cos (b L-\theta)]}\right\} \tag{A-10}
\end{equation*}
$$

assuming

$$
z_{\tau}=\frac{\mathrm{Z}_{\tau}}{\left(\rho c / \mathrm{S}_{1}\right)} \quad z_{M}=\frac{\mathrm{Z}_{M}}{\left(\rho c / \mathrm{S}_{2}\right)}
$$

Therefore,

$$
\begin{equation*}
z_{\tau}=\left\{\frac{z_{H}[\cos (b L+\theta)]+i[\sin (b L)]}{j z_{z_{H}}[\sin (b L)]+[\cos (b L-\theta)]}\right\} \tag{A-11}
\end{equation*}
$$

## C. Derivation No. 3

Since at the cutoff frequency $z_{\tau} \rightarrow(0+j 0) /(0+j 0)$, L'Hospital Rule is applied for the following result.
Given Eq. (A-11) at the cutoff frequency $f_{c}\left(\right.$ from $\left.4 k^{2}=M^{2}\right)$ with

$$
b=\frac{1}{2}\left(4 k^{2}-M^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}=\left(k^{2}-N^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}=0 \quad \theta=\tan ^{-1}(N / b)=\pi / 2
$$

Therefore, at $f=f_{c}$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
z_{T}=\left\{\frac{z_{\mu}[\cos (\pi / 2)]+j[\sin (0)]}{j z_{\mu}[\sin (0)]+[\cos (-\pi / 2)]}\right\} \rightarrow \frac{0+j 0}{0+j 0} \tag{A-12}
\end{equation*}
$$

Hence, by L'Hospital Rule, $z_{\tau}$ (at $f=f_{c}$ ) is found as follows:

$$
\begin{align*}
z_{\tau}= & {\left[\frac{(d / d b)\left\{\left(z_{M}\right)[\cos (b L+\theta)]+j[\sin (b L)]\right\}}{(d / d b)\left\{z_{M}[\sin (b L)]+[\cos (b L-\theta)]\right\}}\right]_{b=0} }  \tag{A-13a}\\
& =\left[\frac{(d / d b)\left\{z_{M}\left[\cos \left(b L+\tan ^{-1} N / b\right)\right]+j[\sin (b L)]\right\}}{(d / d b)\left\{j z_{M}[\sin (b L)]+\left[\cos \left(b L-\tan ^{-1} N / b\right)\right]\right\}}\right]_{b=0}  \tag{A-13b}\\
& =\left\{\frac{-z_{M}\left[\sin \left(b L+\tan ^{-1} N / b\right)\right]\left[L+\frac{\left(-N / b^{2}\right)}{\left(1+N^{2} / b^{2}\right)}\right]+j(L)[\cos (b L)]}{i\left(z_{M} L\right)[\cos (b L)]-\left[\sin \left(b L-\tan ^{-1} N / b\right)\right]\left[L+\frac{\left(N / b^{2}\right)}{\left(1+N^{2} / b^{2}\right)}\right]}\right\}_{b=0}  \tag{A-13c}\\
= & \left\{\frac{-z_{M}\left[\sin \left(b L+\tan ^{-1} N / b\right)\right]\left[\frac{L\left(N^{2}+b^{2}\right)-N}{\left(N^{2}+b^{2}\right)}\right]+j(L)[\cos (b L)]}{j\left(z_{M} L\right)[\cos (b L)]-\left[\sin \left(b L-\tan ^{-1} N / b\right)\right]\left[\frac{L\left(N^{2}+b^{2}\right)+N}{\left(N^{2}+b^{2}\right)}\right]}\right\}_{b=0}  \tag{A-13d}\\
= & \frac{-\left(z_{M}\right)[\sin (\pi / 2)]\left(\frac{L N^{2}-N}{N^{2}}\right)+j(L)[\cos (0)]}{i\left(z_{M} L\right)[\cos (0)]-\sin (-\pi / 2)\left(\frac{L N^{2}+N}{N^{2}}\right)}  \tag{A-13e}\\
= & \frac{-\left(z_{M}\right)\left(L-\frac{1}{N}\right)+j(L)+\left(z_{M}\right)\left(\frac{1}{M / 2}-L\right)+j(L)}{j\left(z_{M} L\right)+\left(L+\frac{1}{N}\right)}=\frac{z_{M}\left(1-\frac{M L}{2}\right)+i\left(\frac{M L}{2}\right)}{j\left(z_{M} L\right)+\left(L+\frac{1}{M / 2}\right)}=\frac{z_{M}\left(\frac{L M}{2}\right)+\left(\frac{M L}{2}+1\right)}{} \tag{A-13f}
\end{align*}
$$

Therefore, at $f=f_{c}$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
z_{\tau}=\frac{z_{M}\left(1-\frac{L M}{2}\right)+j\left(\frac{M L}{2}\right)}{\left(1+\frac{M L}{2}\right)+j z_{M}\left(\frac{L M}{2}\right)} \tag{A-14}
\end{equation*}
$$

## D. Derivation No. 4

Below the cutoff frequency, that is for $2 k<M$ (or $k<N$ ), following results are derived:
Given Eq. (A-11) and the following definitions of trigonometric identities:
(a) $b=j B$
(b) $\cos (\theta \pm i B)=\cos (\theta) \cosh (B) \mp j \sin (\theta) \sinh (B)$
(c) $\sin (j B)=j \sinh B$
(d) $\cos (j B)=\cosh B$
(e) $\cos ( \pm \theta+b L)=\cos ( \pm \theta+j B L)=\cos (\theta) \cosh (B L) \mp j \sin (\theta) \sinh (B)$
(f) $\theta=\tan ^{-1}(N / b)=\tan ^{-1}(N / i B)$
$(\mathrm{g}) \cos (\theta)=j B /\left(N^{2}-B^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}$
(h) $\sin (\theta)=N /\left(N^{2}-B^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}$
then

$$
\begin{equation*}
z_{\tau}=\left\{\frac{z_{M}[\cos (\theta) \cosh (B L)-j \sin (\theta) \sinh (B L)]+j[j \sinh (B L)]}{j z_{M}[j \sinh (B L)]+[\cos (\theta) \cosh (B L)+j\{\sin (\theta) \sinh (B L)\}]}\right\} \tag{A-15}
\end{equation*}
$$

Therefore, for $f<f_{c}$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
z_{\tau}=\left\{\frac{\left[\sinh (B L)-j \frac{z_{M}}{\left(N^{2}-B^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}}\{B \cosh (B L)-N \sinh (B L)\}\right]}{\left[z_{M} \sinh (B L)-j \frac{1}{\left(N^{2}-B^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}}\{B \cosh (B L)+N \sinh (B L)\}\right]}\right\} \tag{A-16}
\end{equation*}
$$

## E. Derivation No. 5

Equation (A-14) can also be derived from the general expression for $z_{\tau}$ using the family parameter $T$ equal to 1 . Given Eq. (A-5) with $T=1$ for the exponential horn, then Eq. (A-5) reduces to:

$$
\begin{gather*}
z_{\tau}=k\left\{\frac{\left[-L N z_{M}\{1+\tanh (N L)\}+z_{M}\{1+\tanh (N L)\}\right]+j[N L\{1+\tanh (N L)\}]}{\left[L N^{2}\{1+\tanh (N L)\}+N\{1+\tanh (N L)\}\right]+j\left[L N^{2} z_{M}\{1+\tanh (N L)\}\right]}\right\}  \tag{A-17}\\
z_{\tau}=\frac{z_{M}(1-L N)+j(N L)}{(1+L N)+j z_{M}(L N)} \tag{A-18}
\end{gather*}
$$

however, $N=M / 2$; therefore,

$$
z_{\tau}=\frac{z_{M}\left(1-\frac{L M}{2}\right)+i\left(\frac{M L}{2}\right)}{\left(1+\frac{M L}{2}\right)+j z_{M}\left(\frac{L M}{2}\right)} \equiv \mathrm{Eq} .(\mathrm{A}-14)
$$

## F. Derivation No. 6

Equation (A-16) can also be derived from the general expression for $z_{\tau}$ using the family parameter $T$ equal to 1 . Given Eq. (A-9), then, for $T=1$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
z_{\tau}=k\left\{\frac{[k \sinh (B L)]+j\left[z_{M}\{N \sinh (B L)-B \cosh (B L)\}\right]}{\left[z_{M} k^{2} \sinh (B L)\right]-j[k\{N \sinh (B L)+B \cosh (B L)\}]}\right\} \tag{A-19}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $j B=b$ or $B=-j b:$

$$
\begin{equation*}
z_{\tau}=k\left\{\frac{[k \sinh (B L)]+j\left[z_{M}\{N \sinh (B L)+j b \cosh (B L)\}\right]}{\left[z_{M} k^{2} \sinh (B L)\right]-j[k\{N \sinh (B L)-j b \cosh (B L)\}]}\right\} \tag{A-20}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $\tan ^{-1}(N / b)=\theta$, then

$$
\begin{equation*}
z_{\tau}=k\left\{\frac{\left.[(k / b) \sinh (B L)]+j\left[z_{M}(N / b) \sinh (B L)+j \cosh (B L)\right\}\right]}{\left[z_{M} k\{(k / b) \sinh (B L)\}\right]-j[k\{(N / b) \sinh (B L)-j \cosh (B L)\}]}\right\} \tag{A-21}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $\sec \theta=k / b$, then

$$
\begin{align*}
& z_{\tau}=k\left\{\frac{[\sec (\theta) \sinh (B L)]+j\left[z_{M}\{\tan (\theta) \sinh (B L)+j \cosh (B L)\}\right]}{\left[z_{M} k\{\sec (\theta) \sinh (B L)\}\right]-j[k\{\tan (\theta) \sinh (B L)-j \cosh (B L)\}]}\right\}  \tag{A-22}\\
& z_{\tau}=k\left\{\frac{[\sinh (B L)]+j\left[z_{M}\{\sin (\theta) \sinh (B L)+j \cos (\theta) \cosh (B L)\}\right]}{\left[z_{M} k\{\sinh (B L)\}\right]-j k[\sin (\theta) \sinh (B L)-j\{\cos (\theta) \cosh (B L)\}]}\right\} \tag{A-23}
\end{align*}
$$

however, $\cos \theta=j B /\left(N^{2}-B^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}$ and $\sin \theta=N /\left(N^{2}-B^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}$; therefore,

$$
z_{\tau}=\left\{\frac{\left[\sinh (B L)-i \frac{z_{M}}{\left(N^{2}-B^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}}\{B \cosh (B L)-N \sinh (B L)\}\right]}{\left[z_{M} \sinh (B L)-i \frac{1}{\left(N^{2}-B^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}}\{B \cosh (B L)+N \sinh (B L)\}\right]}\right\} \equiv \text { Eq. (A-16) }
$$

## Appendix B <br> Digital Computer Program


FORM $2 T$
$Z T=K *(1 T 1+(0.0 .1 .0) *(T 2+T 3)) /(T 4+T 5-(0.0,1.0) *(T 6+T 7)))$
$\frac{c}{C}$ IS THIS THE FIRST TIME THROUGH
IF (IFIRSI) $14,14.216$
C YES - GO BACK, COMPUTE EQUATION WITH OTHER ZM

- 14 IFIRST $=1$
$Z T 1=2 T$
$Z M=(1.0,0.0)$






## Nomenclature

a radius of cross sectional area at mouth, m
$b+1 / 2\left(4 k^{2}-M^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}=+\left(k^{2}-N^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}, \mathrm{~m}^{-1}$
$B+\left(N^{2}-k^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}=j b, \mathrm{~m}^{-1}$
$c$ velocity of sound in medium transmitting sound waves (air), $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{s}$
$f$ frequency of sound waves, Hz
$f_{c} \quad$ cutoff frequency of sound waves, Hz
$k \quad$ wave number $=2 \pi / \lambda=\omega / c, \mathrm{~m}^{-1}$
$L$ length of horn, $m$
$M$ flare constant of exponential horn $=$ $2 N, \mathrm{~m}^{-1}$
$N$ flare constant of hyperbolic horn, $\mathrm{m}^{-1}$
$R_{\tau} \quad$ from $z_{\tau}=R_{\tau}+j X_{\tau}, \mathrm{N}-\mathrm{s}-\mathrm{m}^{-5}$
$S_{x}$ cross sectional area of hyperbolic (and exponential) horns at a position $x$ units from throat, $\mathrm{m}^{2}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
S_{M}= & \text { cross sectional area at mouth }, \\
& \mathrm{m}^{2} \\
S_{\tau}= & \text { cross sectional area at throat }, \\
& \mathrm{m}^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

$X_{\tau} \quad$ from $z_{\tau}=R_{\tau}+j X_{\tau}, \mathrm{N}-\mathrm{s}-\mathrm{m}^{-5}$
$z_{i}(i=M, \tau)$ acoustical impedances of various acoustic systems to be described, $z_{i}=$ $Z_{i} /\left(\rho c / S_{i}\right)$
$z_{M}=$ acoustical impedance at mouth
$z_{t}=$ acoustical impedance at throat
$Z_{i}(i=M, \tau)$ acoustical impedances of various acoustic systems to be described (mks acoustic $\Omega$ ), $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{s}-\mathrm{m}^{-5}$
$z_{M}=$ acoustical impedance at mouth of particular horn being described, N -s-m ${ }^{-5}$
$z_{\tau}=$ acoustical impedance at throat of particular horn being described, $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{s}-\mathrm{m}^{-5}$
$\phi \tan ^{-1}\left(X_{\tau} / R_{\tau}\right), \operatorname{deg}$

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