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# Ljud i byggnad och samhälle (VTAF01)

## Guest lecture – acoustics in practice

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# Life as acoustician

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- 2002-2005, BSc Telecommunication engineering, Polytechnic of Milan
  - Thesis on voice activity detector in GSM networks
- 2005-2007, MSc Sound Engineering and design, Polytechnic of Milan
  - Basic acoustics, sound design
- 2006-2008, MSc Sound and vibration Chalmers
  - Technical acoustics, thesis on parametric array loudspeaker
- 2008 - 2013 – PhD student The Marcus Wallenberg Laboratory for Sound and Vibration Research (MWL), Stockholm
  - Double-walls, multi-layered structures, porous materials



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# Life as acoustician

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- 2013 – 2016 – noise and vibration consultant Lloyd' Register Consulting, Copenhagen
  - Marine business, ships, offshore
- 2016 – 2017 – noise and vibration consultant Creo Dynamics, Lund
  - R&D parametric arrays, Volvo Cars, ANC, Wind tunnels
- 2017 – 2019 – acoustics consultant WSP
  - Building acoustics, room acoustics, outdoor noise, vibrations
- 2019 – now – acoustic consultant Brekke & Strand
  - Same as above ☺
- 2019 – now – researcher LTH
  - Room acoustics, CLT



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# Possibilities

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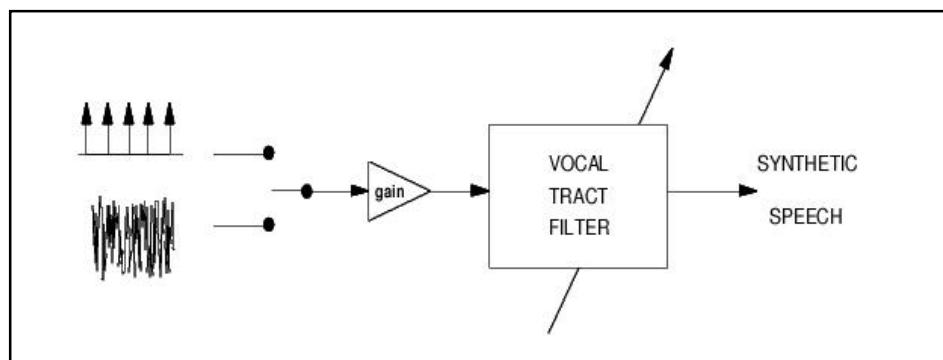
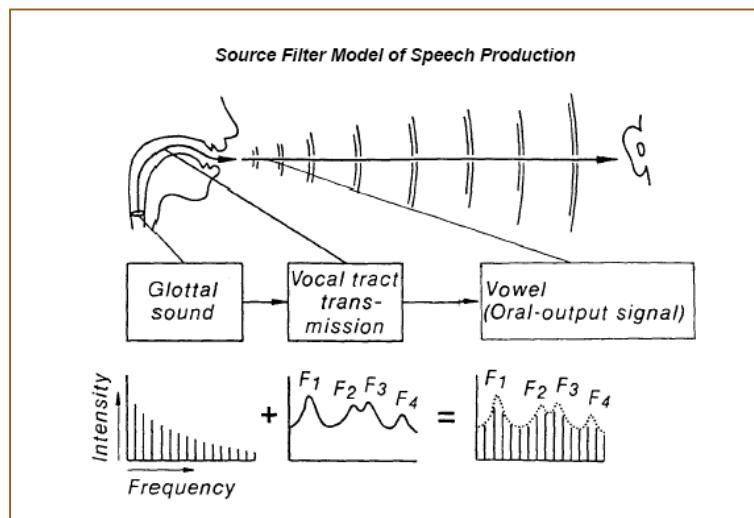
- A lot of possibilities as expert in acoustics
  - One does not need a PhD but one/two courses and a thesis.
- Variation
  - In terms of topics
  - In terms of employer – private, public, consultancy, industry
  - In terms of depth – from research to “dB-acoustics”
- All is fun!



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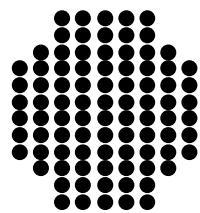
# Voice activity detector

- Voice-activity detector in GSM networks (SIEMENS)
- How voice is coded in GSM networks
- Develop an algorithm to distinguish between voice and non-voice using GSM-network-voice-coding parameters



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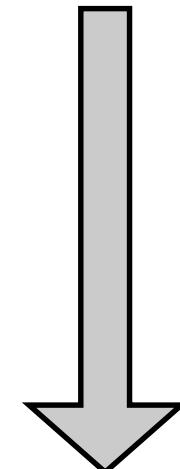
# Parametric array loudspeakers



Ultrasonic Transducer Array



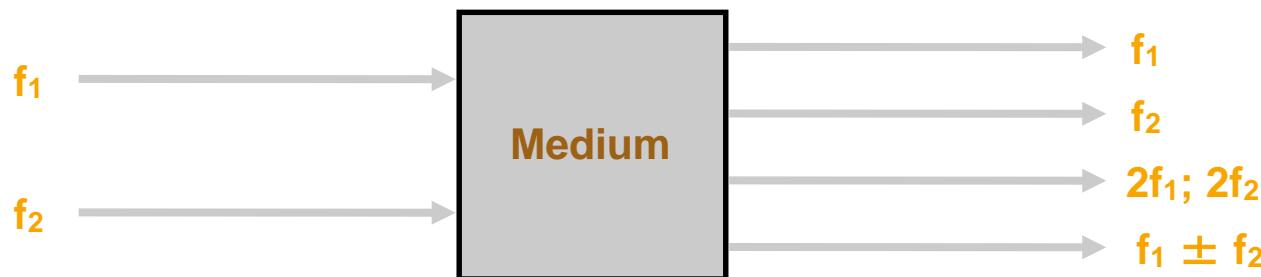
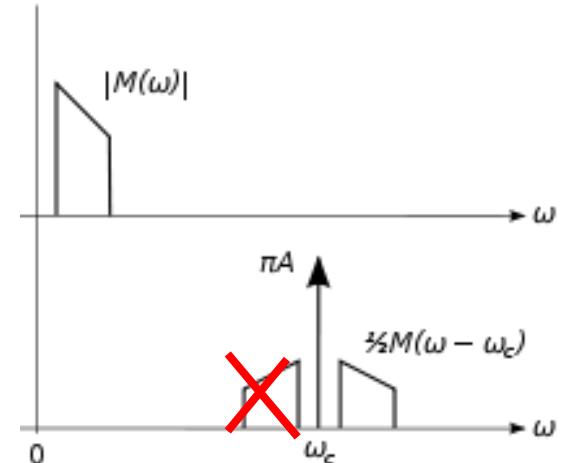
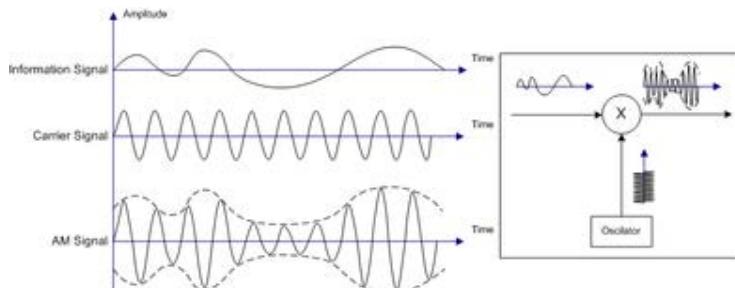
Audio



Directive

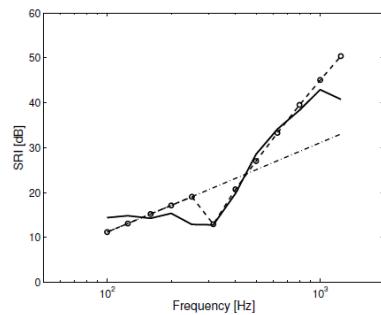
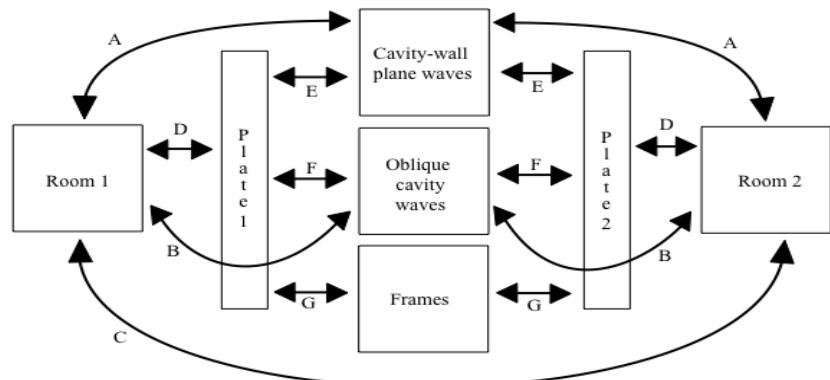
# Parametric array loudspeakers

- Amplitude modulation + Non-linear acoustics
- Auto-demodulation of original signal + maintaining of directivity of high-frequency carrier
- Experiments (directivity etc)



# Double walls and multi-layered structures

- Double-walls used in building constructions and multi-layered structures used e.g. in the car industry may have similar physics



$$f_0 = \frac{c}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\rho_F}{d} \left( \frac{1}{m_1''} + \frac{1}{m_2''} \right)}$$

Figure 8: SRI curves, car-floor. Measurement (full line), SEA prediction (dashed line), reduced SEA prediction (circles), mass-law prediction (dash-dotted line). Note that the SEA and reduced SEA predictions are almost identical.

# Porous materials

- Dynamic characterization of porous materials – input to numerical models

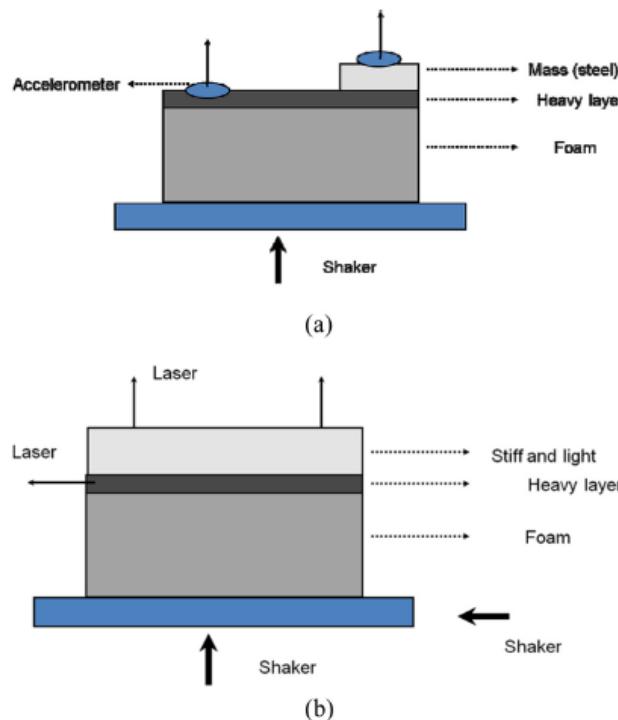


FIG. 2. (Color online) (a) Measurement rig, first attempt. (b) Measurement rig, successful rig.

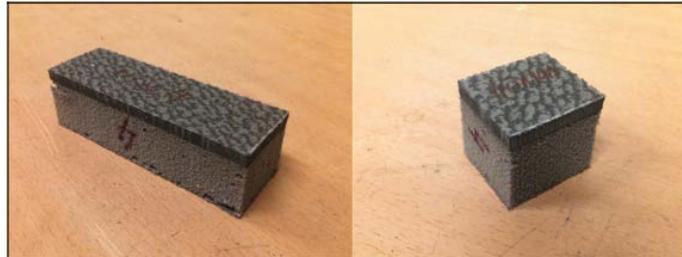


FIG. 3. (Color online) Vacuum chamber and instrumented long sample to the right.

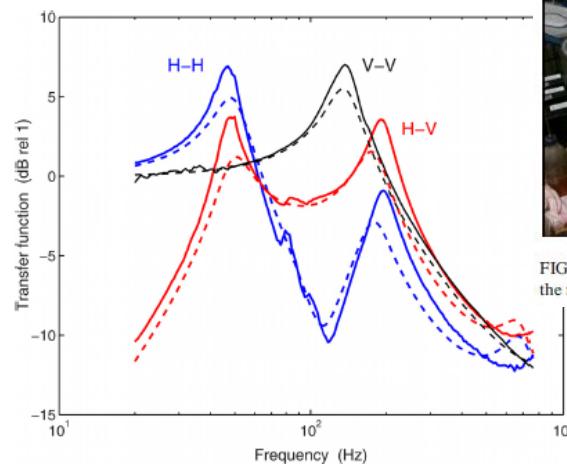


FIG. 6. (Color online) Magnitude of FRFs for truck sample 1. Solid lines, measured in vacuum; dashed lines, calculated with isotropic frequency independent model, see Table I, 1st run. Legends as in Fig. 4.



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# Consultant – marine business

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- Measurements during sea-trial
  - Noise, vibration, sound insulation
- Noise predictions in ships – dBA VS ship structure
  - Structure-borne sound
  - Airborne sound
- Outdoor noise predictions in harbour
- Vibration predictions in ships
  - First eigenmodes and eigenfrequencies VS RPM propeller
  - Vibration response from propeller excitation
- Strength analysis



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# Marine business – outdoor noise

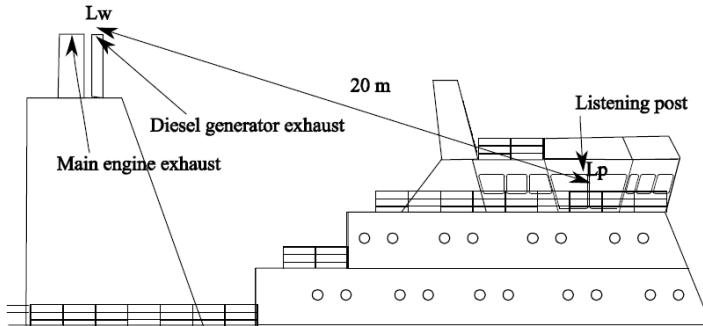


FIGURE 1 SOUND PRESSURE LEVEL CALCULATION AT THE LISTENING POST.



Low frequencies



Intermediate to high frequencies



Discrete frequencies

FIGURE 5 DIFFERENT SILENCER PRINCIPLES APPLICABLE FOR REDUCING ENGINE EXHAUST NOISE.

Noise from ships in ports  
Possibilities for noise reduction

Lloyd's Register ODS

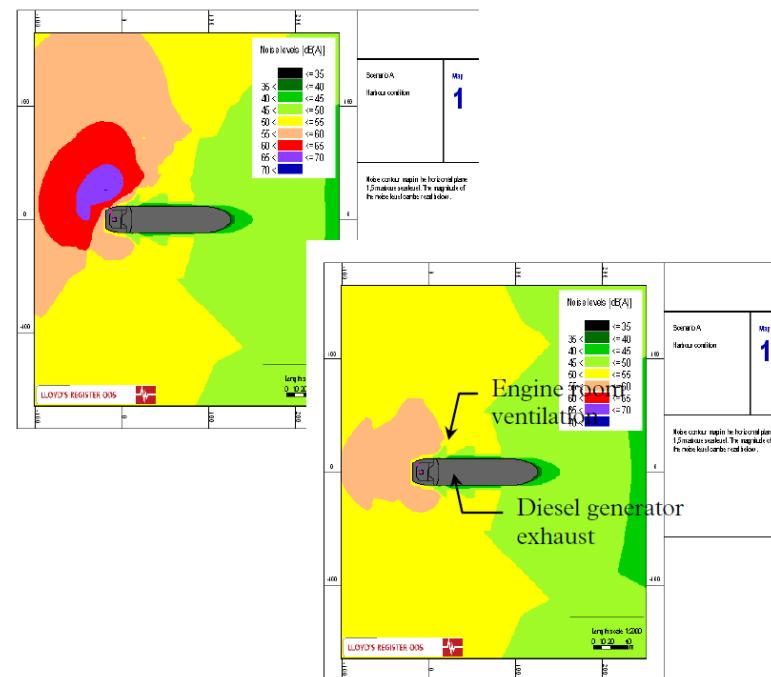


FIGURE 9. TANKER WITHOUT / WITH NOISE REDUCING MEASURE IN THE ENGINE ROOM VENTILATION SYSTEM.



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# Marine business – modal analysis

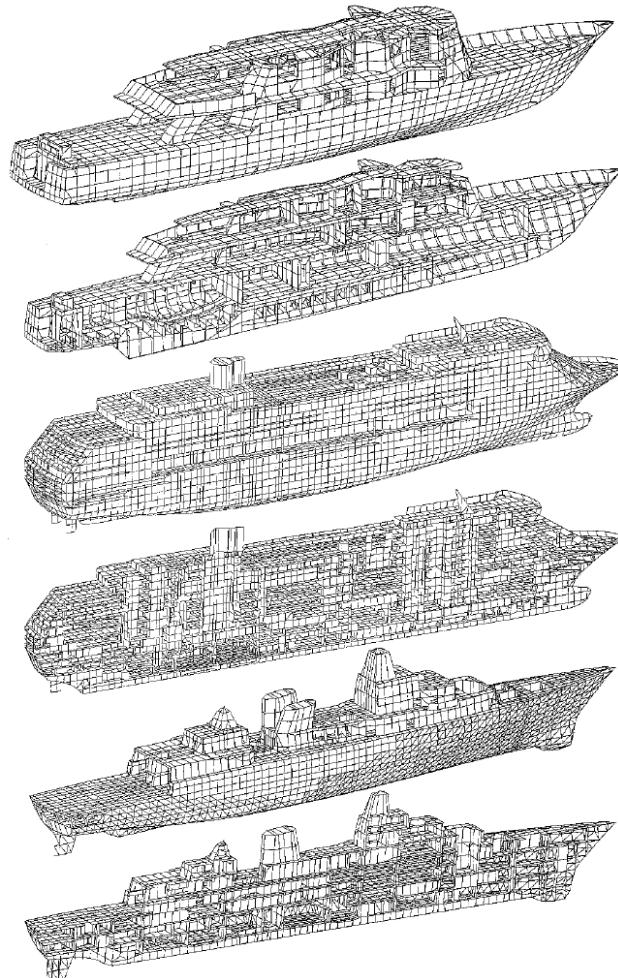


Fig. 7: FE models of various types of ship

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Ship Vibration

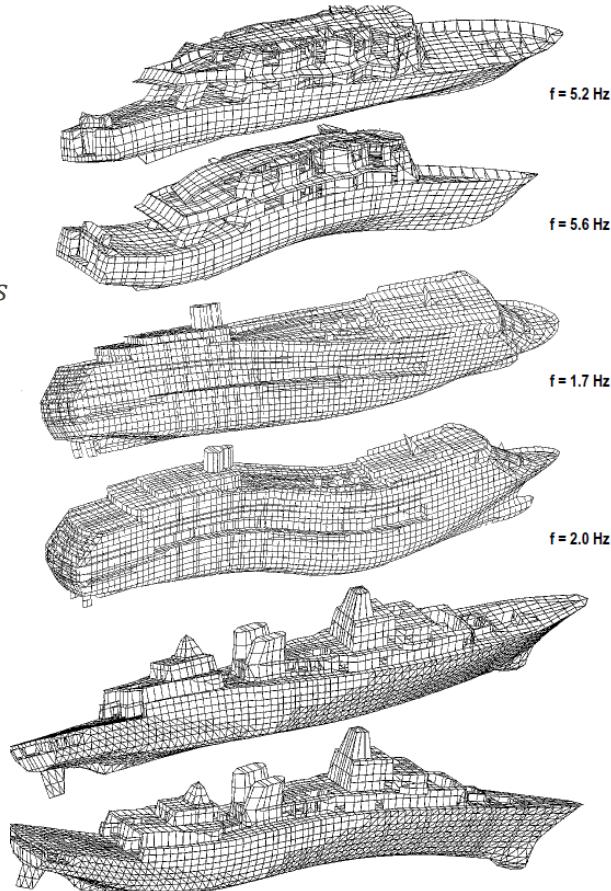
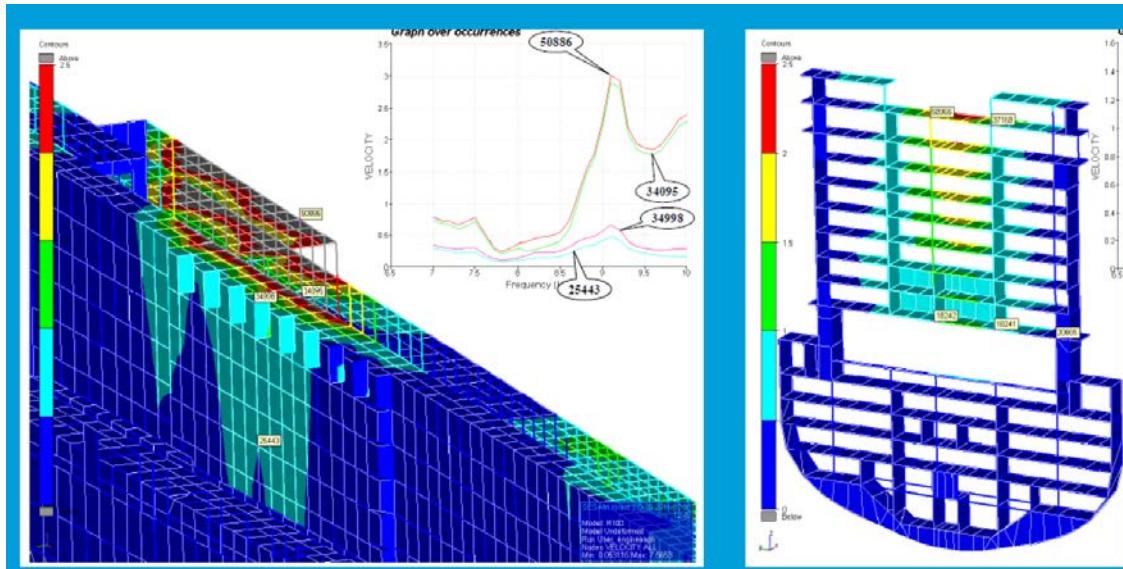
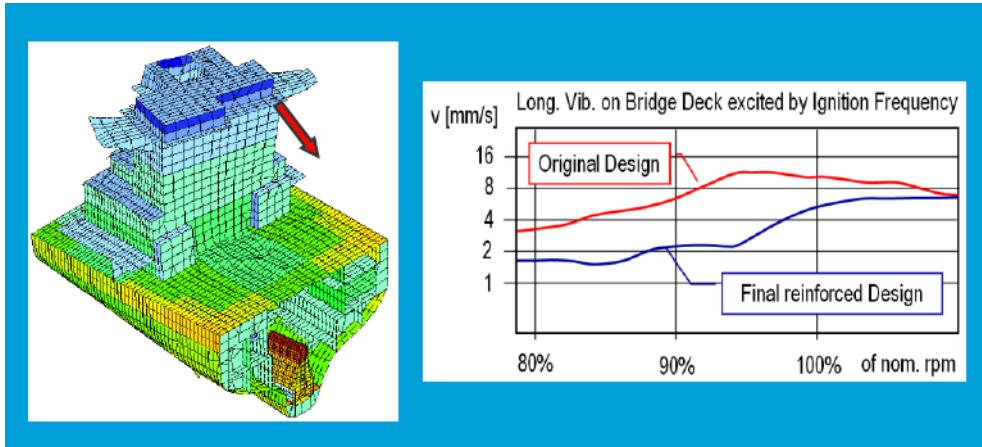


Fig. 9: Natural torsional and vertical bending modes of various ship types



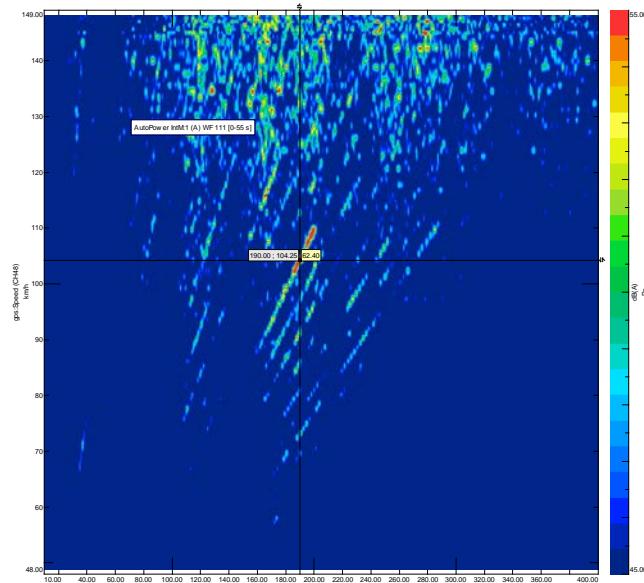
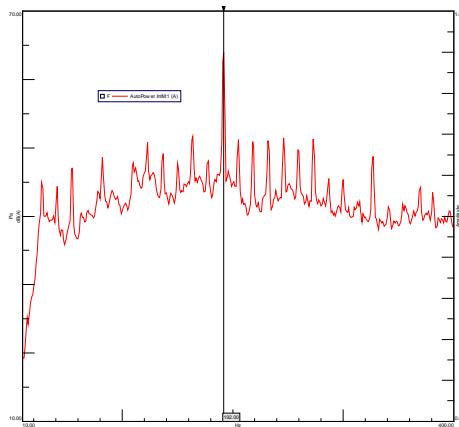
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# Marine business – vibration analysis



# NVH – Volvo cars

- Noise-vibration-harshness
- Tyre-cavity noise – cavity resonance:
  - $f = \text{speed of sound} / \text{perimeter of tyre} * \text{orders}$
- When the excitation matches this frequency then higher SPL is heard in the passenger cabin
- Pirelli Noise Control System



Mohamed Z et al Tyre Cavity Coupling resonance and Countermeasures

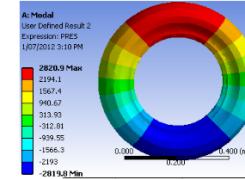


Fig. 3a The vertical tyre cavity resonance mode shape.

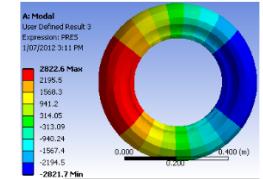


Fig. 3b The front-aft tyre cavity resonance mode shape.

# WSP / Brekke & Strand

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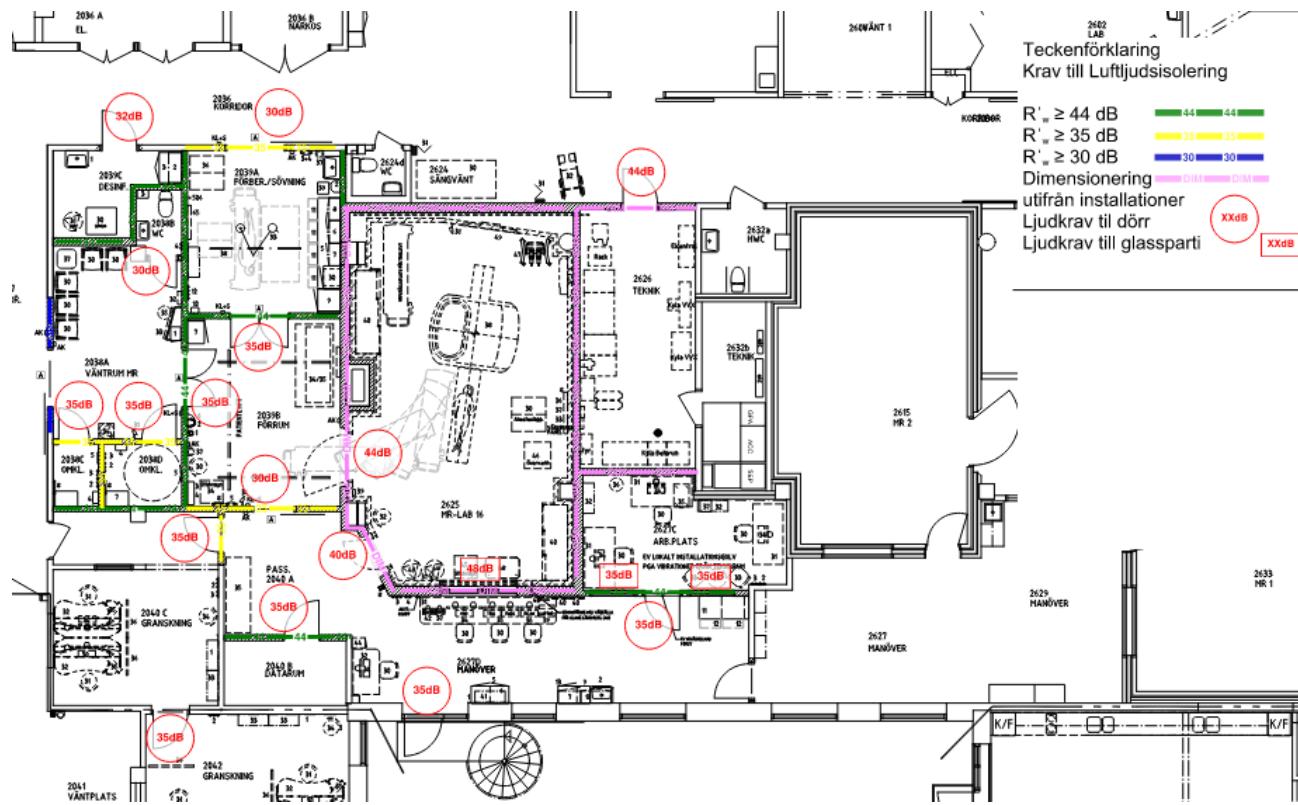
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- Room acoustics
- Vibration
- Traffic noise
- Industrial noise



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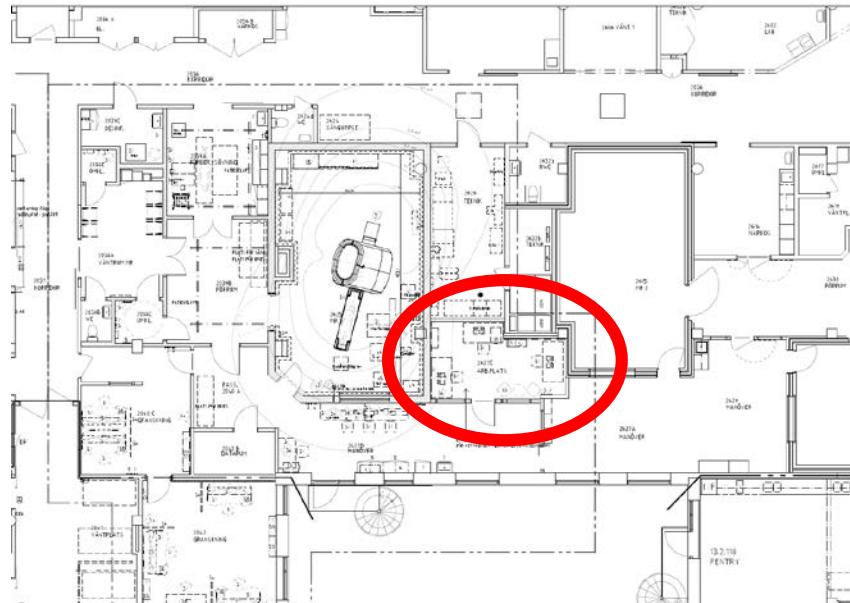
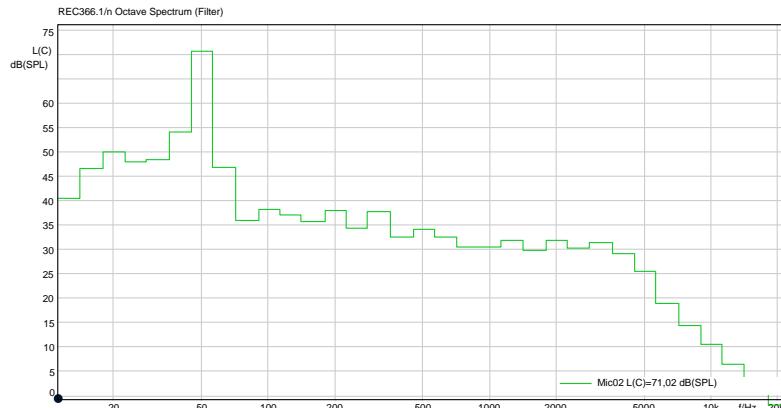
# Building acoustics

- Renovation of room to house new MR-camera – define sound requirements



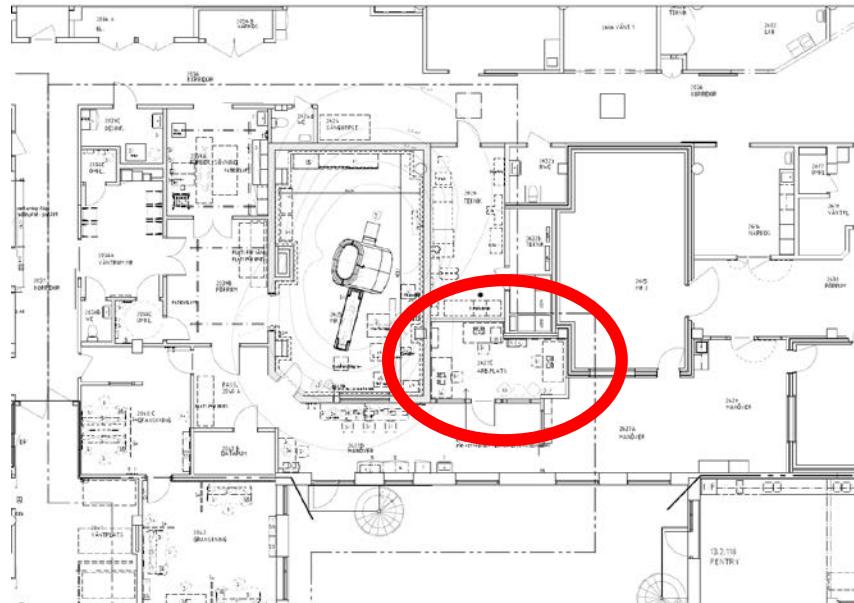
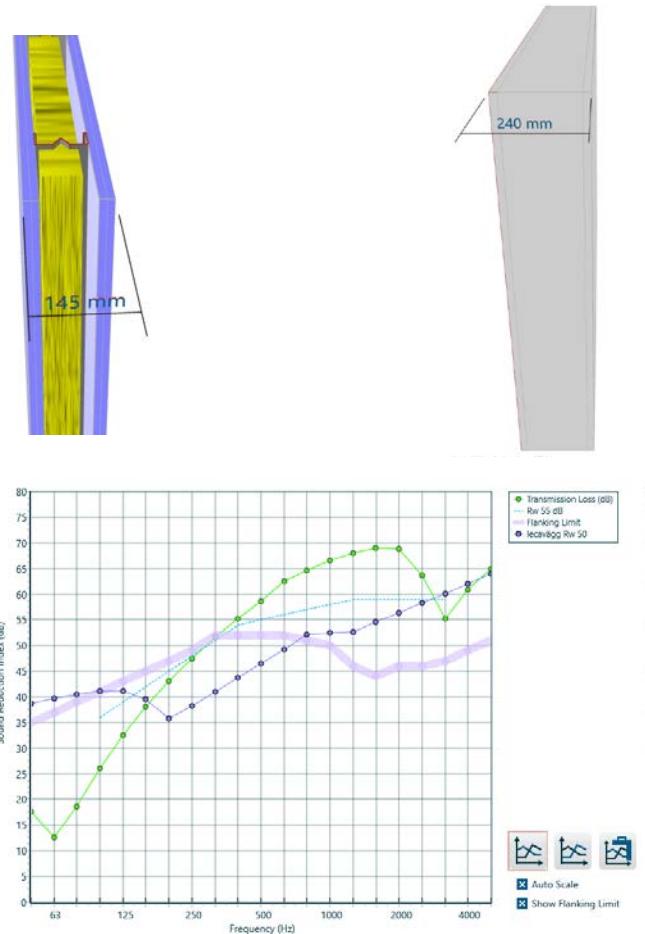
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- Noise from service equipment room potentially disturbing in office



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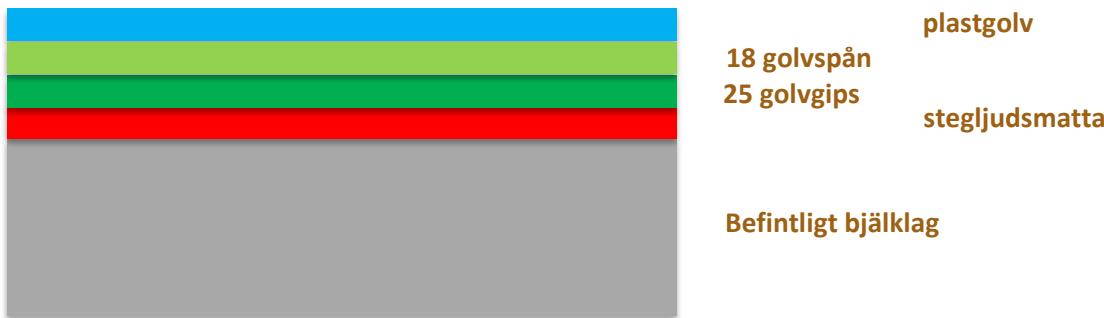
- Single wall better than average double-wall at low frequencies



# Building acoustics

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- Design of the floor in office space to avoid 50 Hz – kind of low frequency for typical calculation programs!
- Estimate of surface mass



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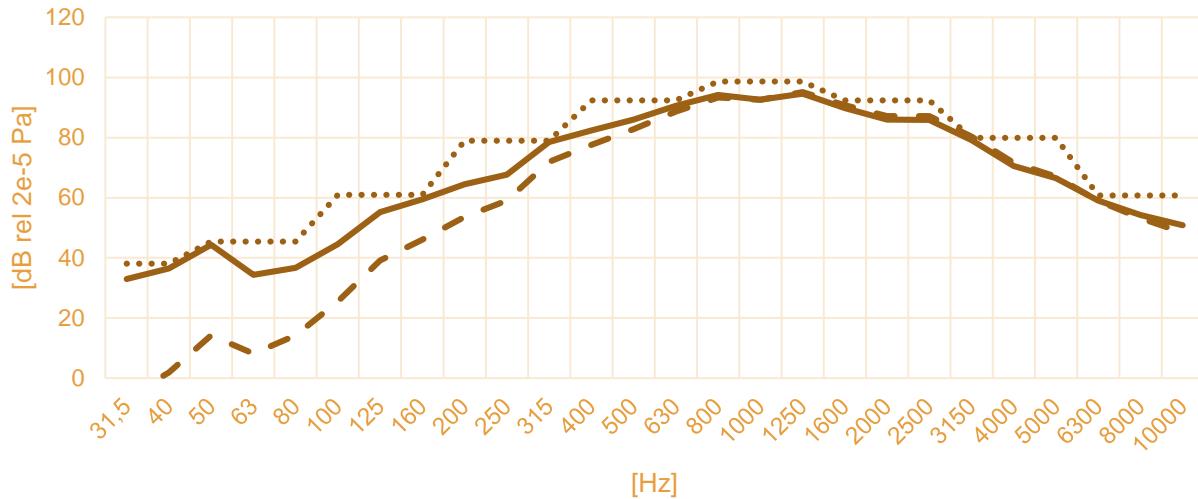
- $f_0 = 106 \text{ Hz}$  (75 Hz – 148 Hz)



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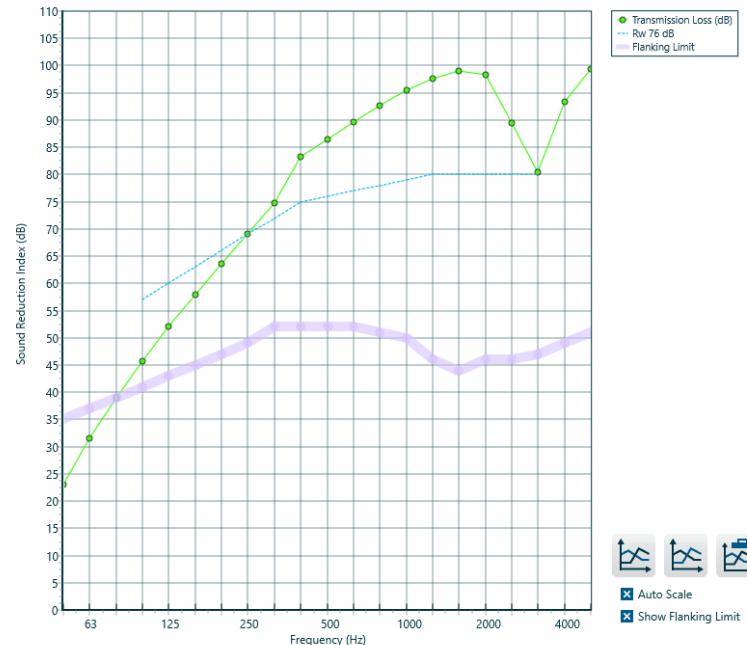
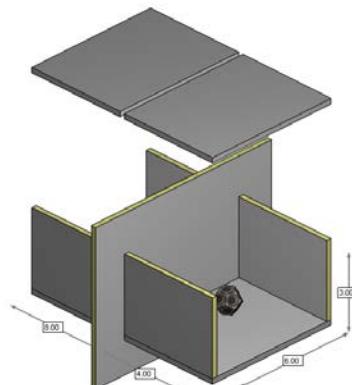
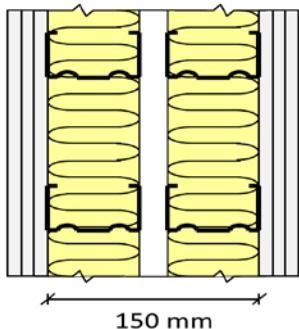
- SPL from MR-camera



Medelvärdet i rummet av ljudtrycksnivån från MR-kamerans olika arbetsmoment. Tersband, Z-filter (svart linje); Tersband, A-filter (sträckade linje), Oktavband, Z-filter (prickig linje). Den totala ljudtrycksnivån är 108 dBA.

# Building acoustics

- Design of the wall (R) and estimation of field performance (R')



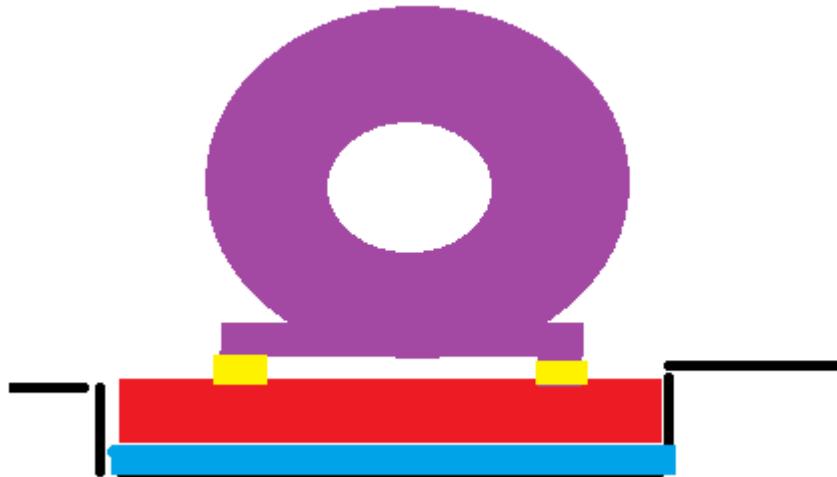
M	t	Sending Room		Junction		Receiving Room		R'w	
		Basic Element	Additional Layer	Type-No.	Basic Element	Additional Layer	dB	%	
X	d	Gyproc_60a GS-70_70x2-(450)-10					74.1	2	
X	d1	Daloc_08 Steel doors Rw "48" (all n)					58.4	59	
X	f1	Gyproc_46 XR-95_95-(450)-NH-HN		19	Gyproc_46 XR-95_95-(450)-NH-HN		79.5	0	
X	f2	Gyproc_46 XR-95_95-(450)-NH-HN		19	Gyproc_46 XR-95_95-(450)-NH-HN		79.5	0	
X	f3	SvBtg_10 250 mm concrete floor		17	SvBtg_10 250 mm concrete floor		63.2	19	
X	f4	SvBtg_10 250 mm concrete floor		17	SvBtg_10 250 mm concrete floor		63.2	19	



# Building acoustics

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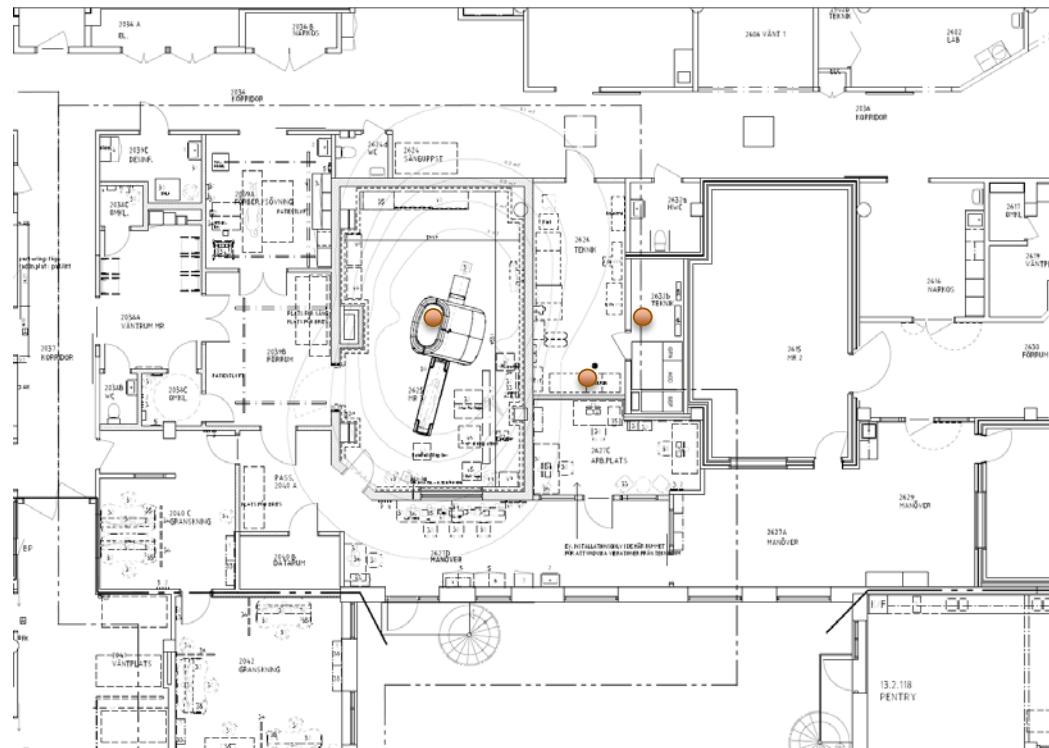
- MR-camera – vibration study: reduction of vibration from camera



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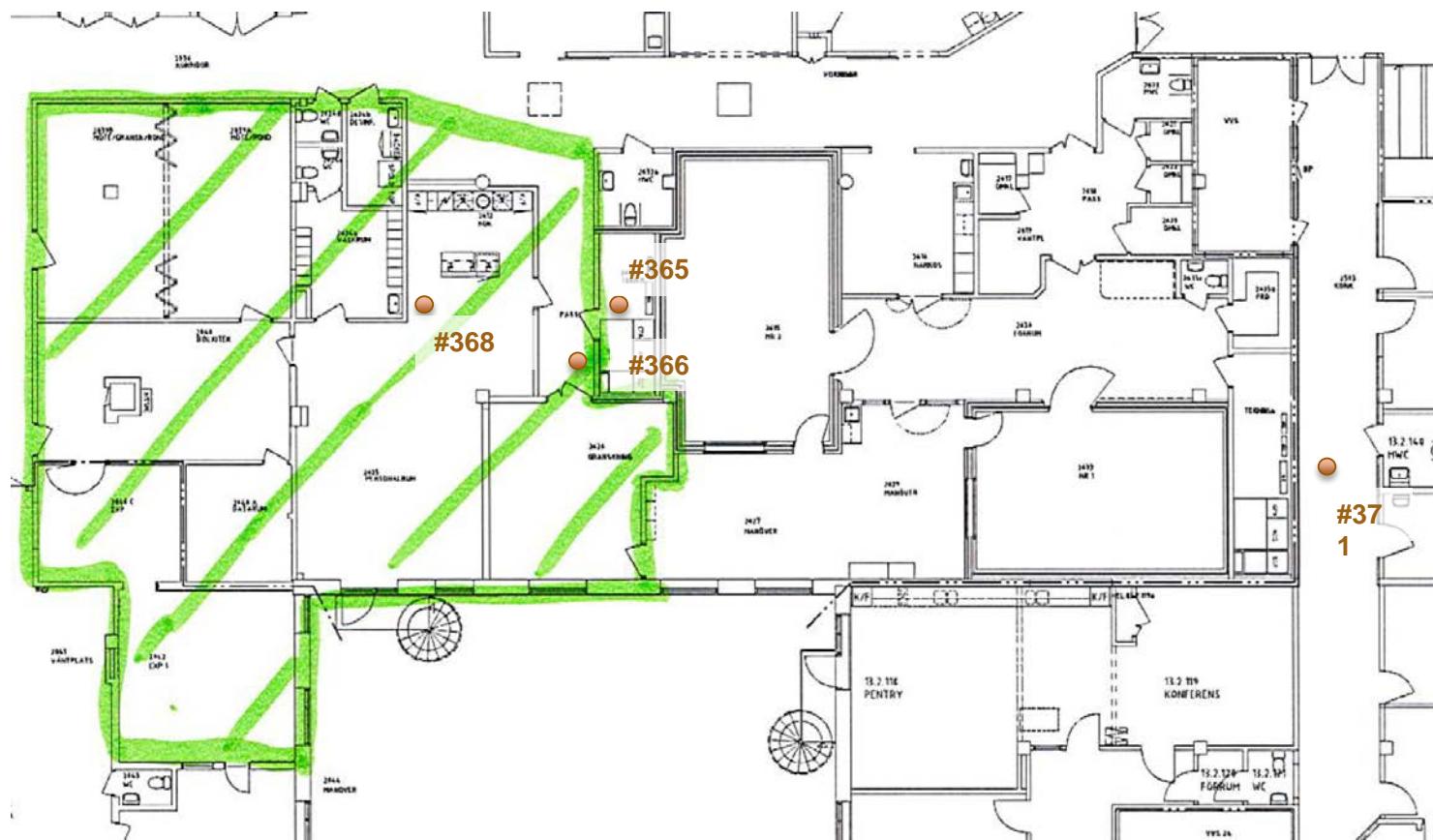
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- MR-camera – vibration study



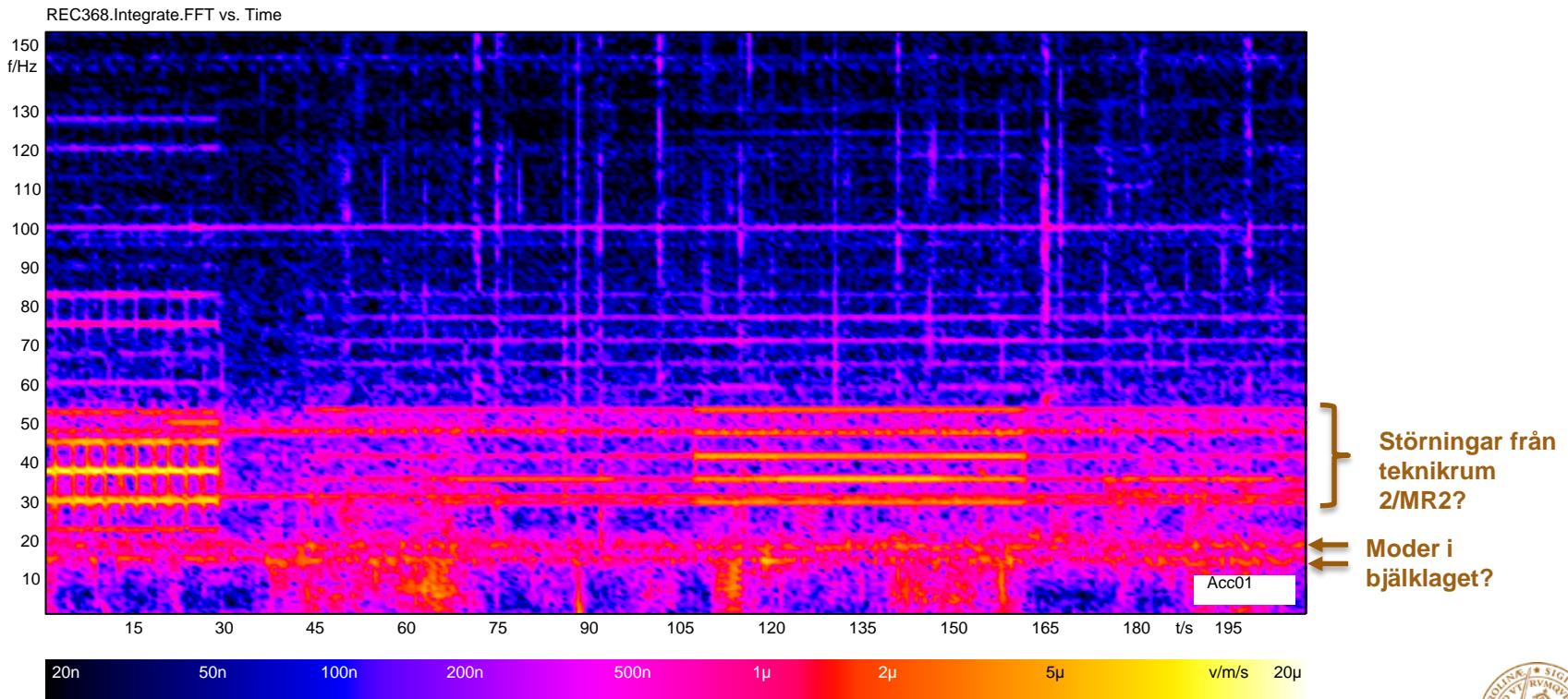
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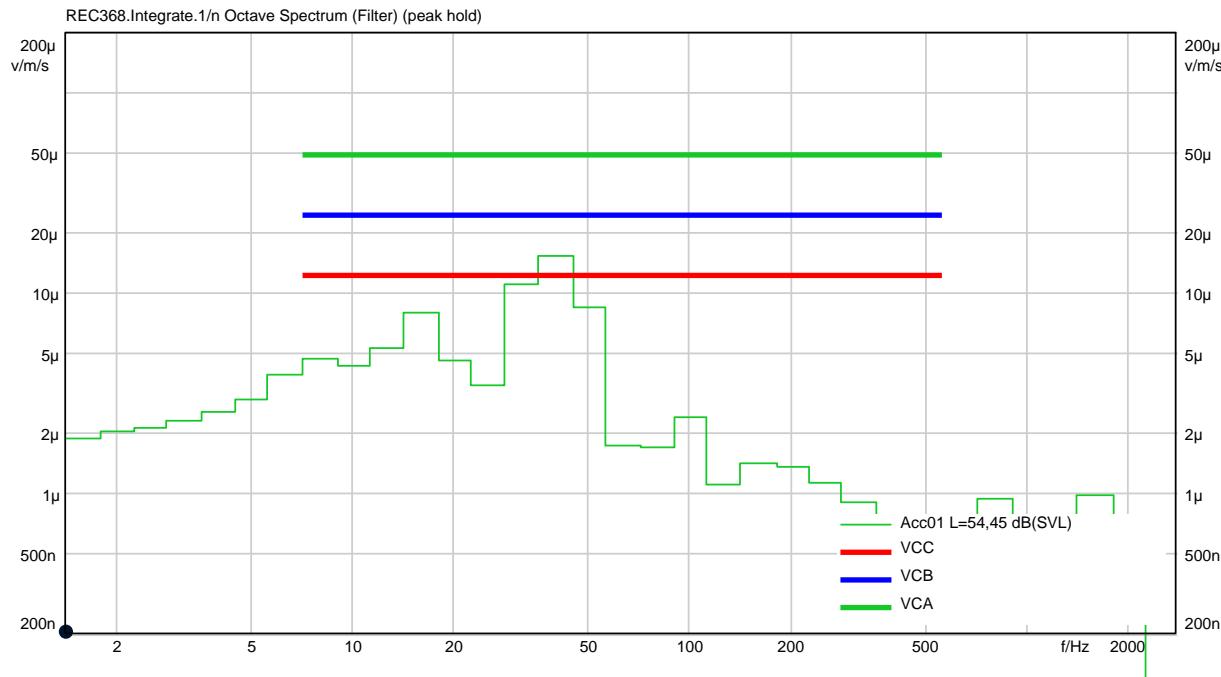
- MR-camera – vibration study.



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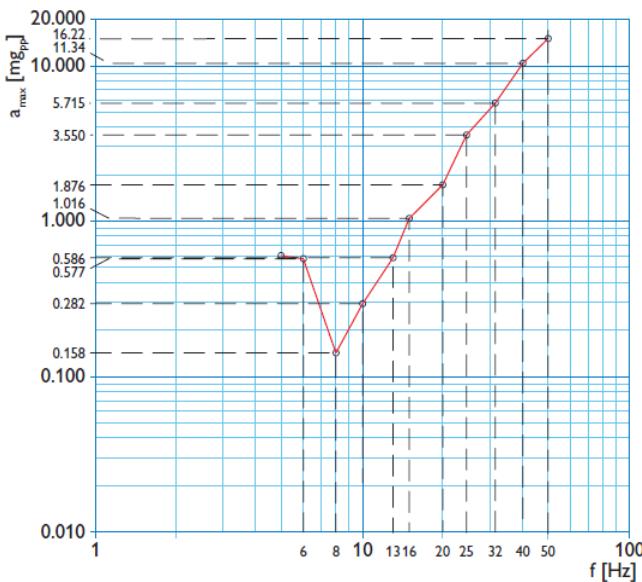
- MR-camera – vibration study, measurement from existing MR-camera



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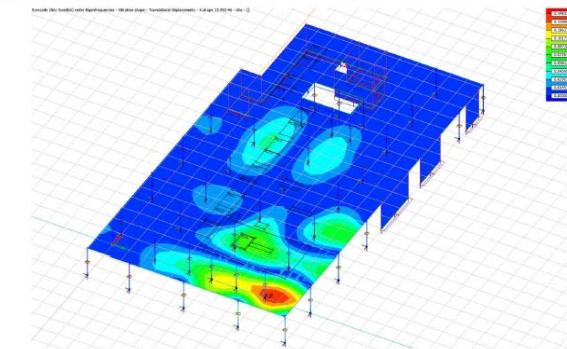
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- MR-camera – vibration study, sensibility to external vibrations

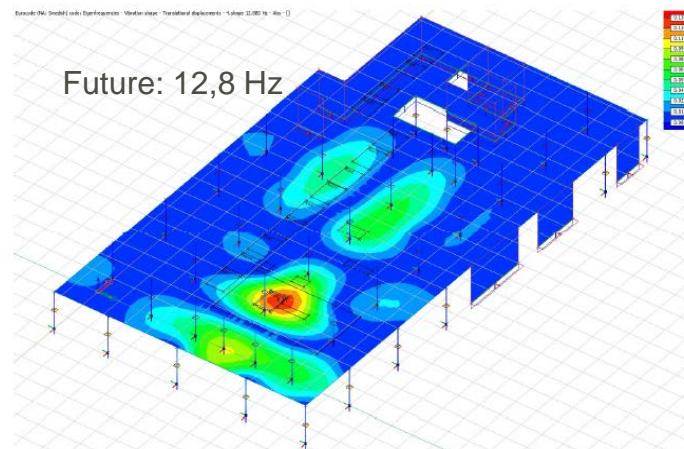


Egenfrekvenser – 13.592 Hz

No	Frequency [Hz]	Period [s]
1.	5.469	0.182
2.	11.878	8.419e-02
3.	12.016	8.322e-02
4.	13.592	7.337e-02
5.	13.619	7.343e-02



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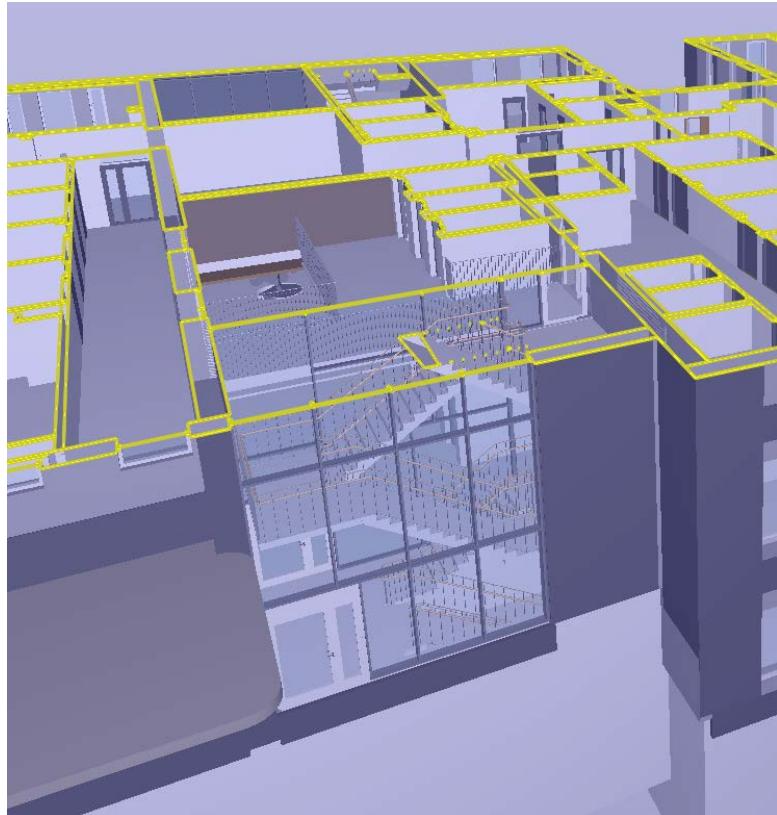


Future: 12.8 Hz



# Room acoustics

- Study of entrance / connection in hospital space



Figur 1: Ljus: Akustikunderlägg, Turkos: Akustikputts

Tabell 2: Specification för absorbenter som används i beräkningar

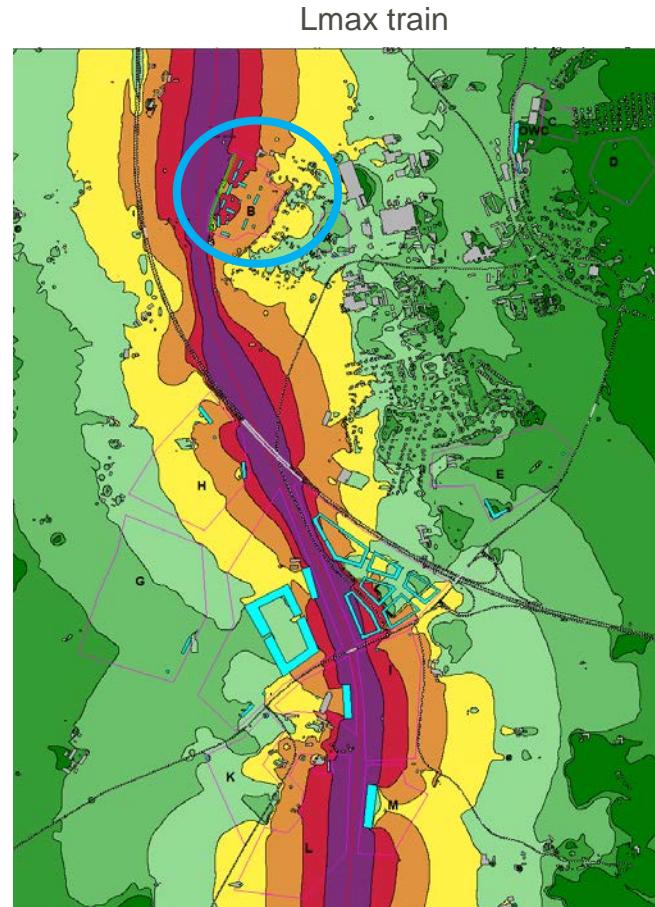
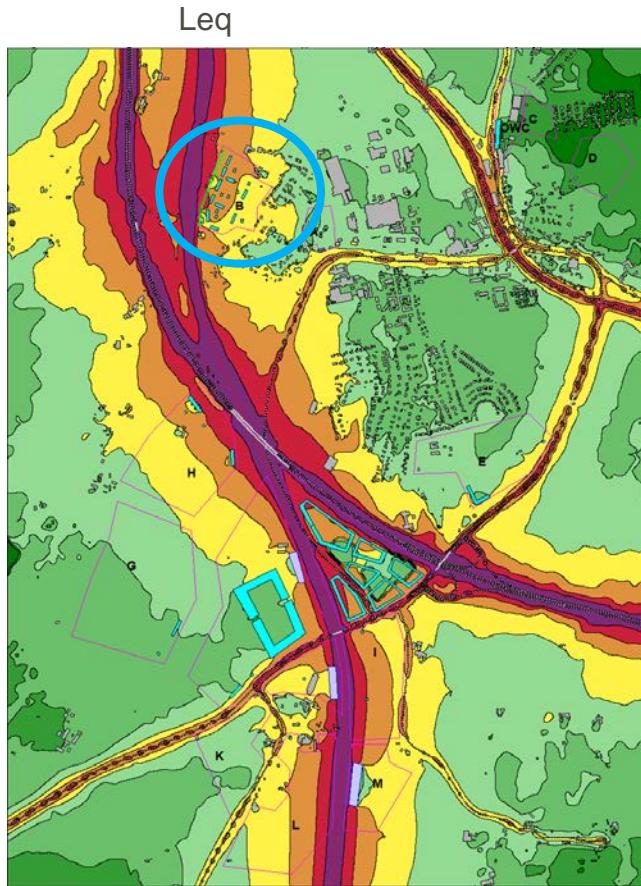
Material	Specification
Akustikundertak	70 mm mineralull, total konstruktionshöjd 200 mm, förslagsvis 20 mm mineralullsplattor med 50 mm ecophon extra bass mineralullabsorbent eller likvärdigt som läggs ovanpå 20 mm plattorna
Väggabsorbent	40 mm mineralull, total konstruktionshöjd 50 mm, Ecophon Wall 40 mm Texona eller likvärdigt
Akustikputts	3 mm puts monterad dikt an mot 25 mm glasfiberull Fellert Even Better Silk på 25 mm akustikboard (densitet: 96 kg/m <sup>3</sup> ) Typ A montering eller likvärdigt



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# Traffic noise

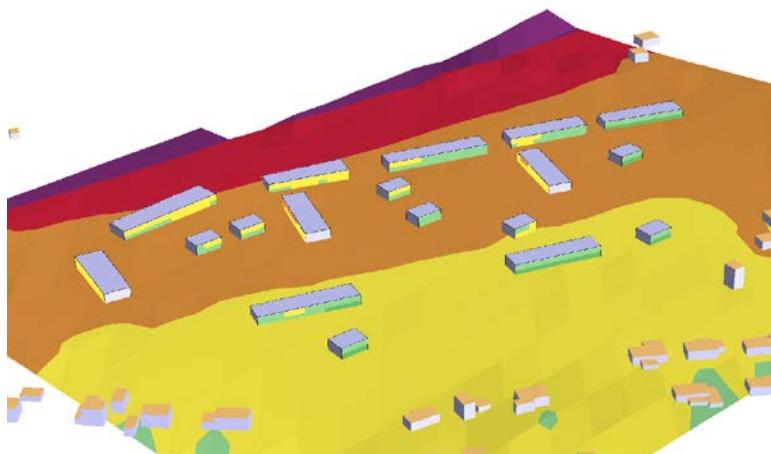
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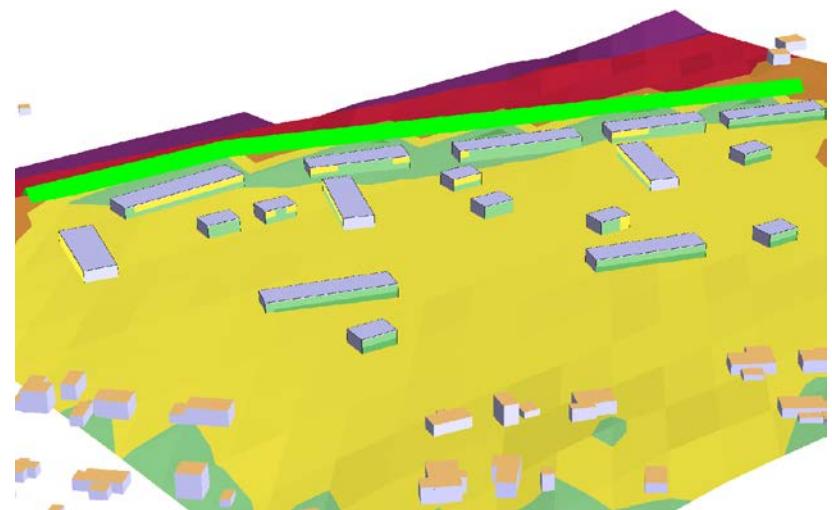
# Traffic noise

- Early stage study of outdoor noise – evaluate possibilities for new buildings – collaboration with landscape architect from commune.

Leq no noise berm



Leq with noise berm



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# Industrial noise

- Noise survey industrial site.



Figur 2: 3d vy från beräkningsmodell

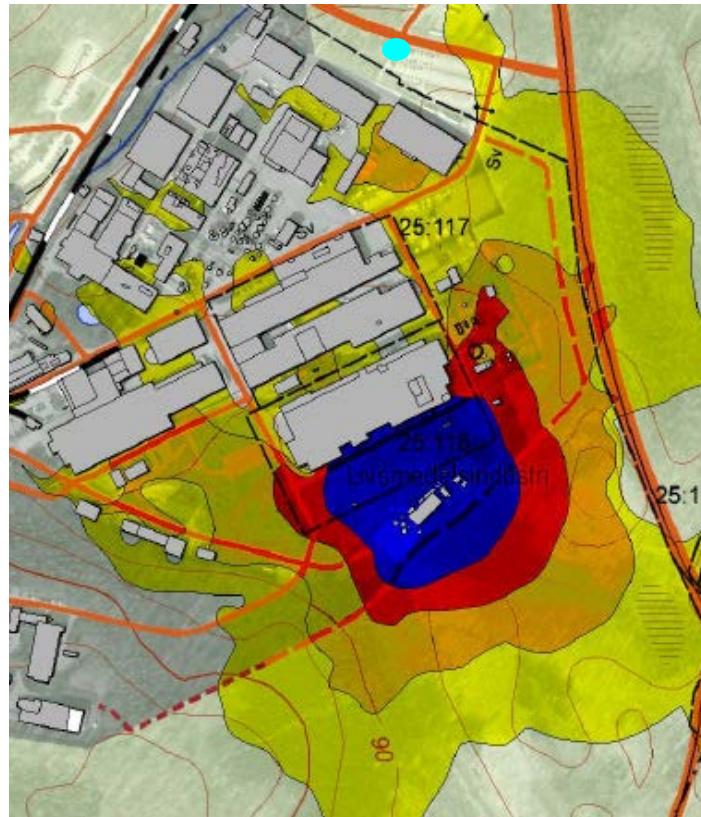


- Measurement of Lp. 1m measurement distance.

$$L_W = L_p + \left| 10 \log \left( \frac{Q}{4\pi r^2} \right) \right|$$

# Industrial noise

- LAeq night time – contribution from each source to control point.



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# Industrial noise

- Additional study – investigation of portal



Figur 2. Porten från utsidan. De mest dominanta bakgrundsbullerkällorna är markerat med rött



Figur 1. Porten och placering av högtalaren



Figur 3. Industrilokalen



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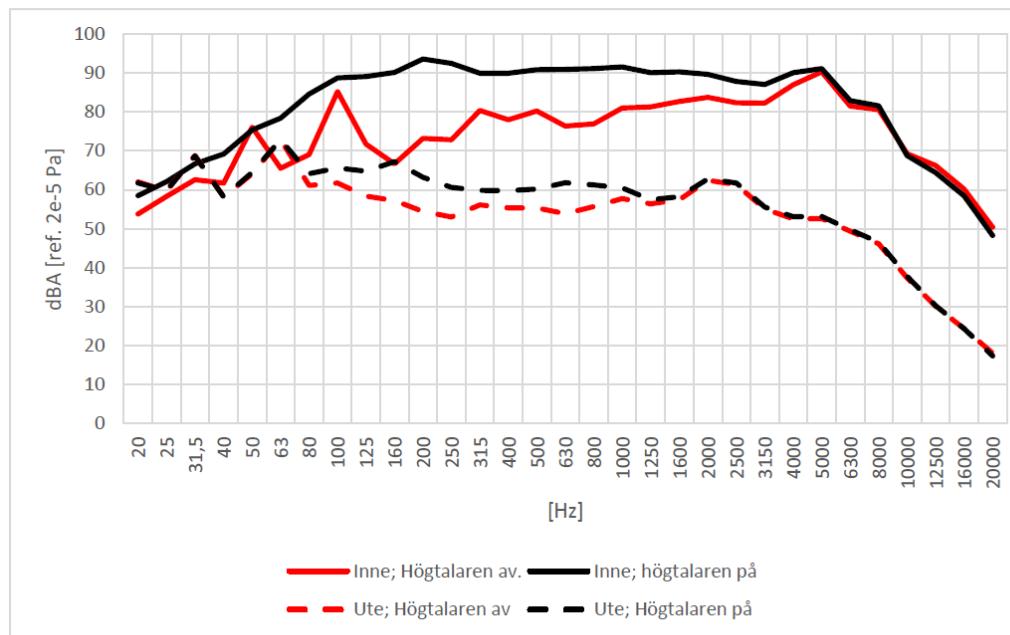
# Industrial noise

- Additional study – investigation of portal

Tabell 2. Mätresultat, Z-vägd/A-vägd.

Test	Inomhus – dB/dBA [ref 2e-5 Pa]	Utomhus – dB/dBA [ref 2e-5 Pa]	Ljudnivåskillnad – dB
Högtalaren av	96/95	77/69	19
Högtalaren på	103/101	78/71	25

At least 25  
dB sound  
reduction



Figur 4. Uppmätta spektra inomhus, utomhus, med högtalaren på och av (Z-vägning).



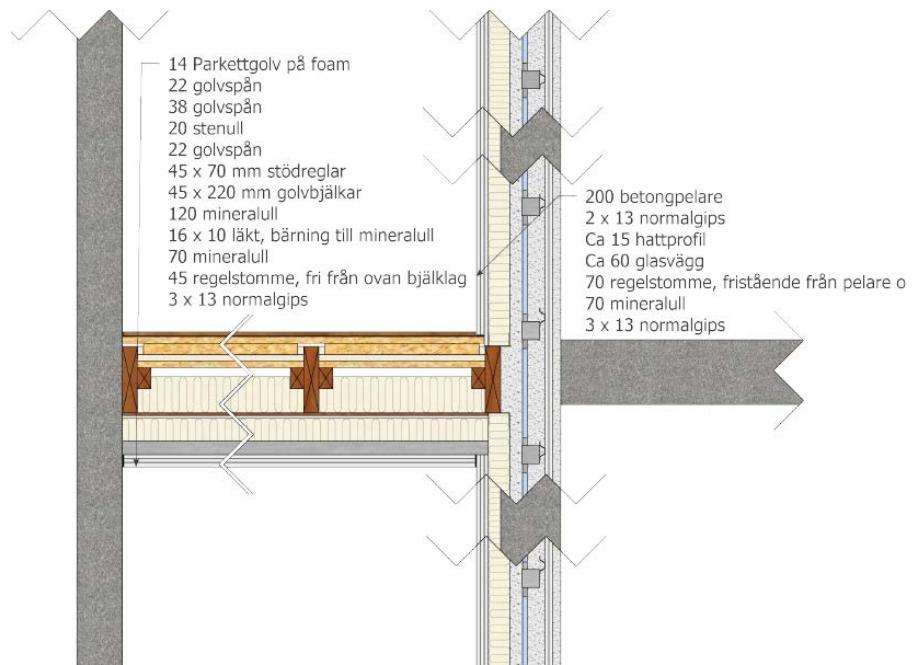
# What is nice with PhD?

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- Own time to learn more
- Kind of unique working experience – student, researcher, teacher assistant
- Become “world” expert in your tiny little research

# What is nice with consulting?

- Collaboration with colleagues
- Challenging due to constraints
  - Technical may be also difficult
  - There is little time/money
  - Rely on “easier” calculations;
  - Rely on experience
- A lot of variation, fast changing

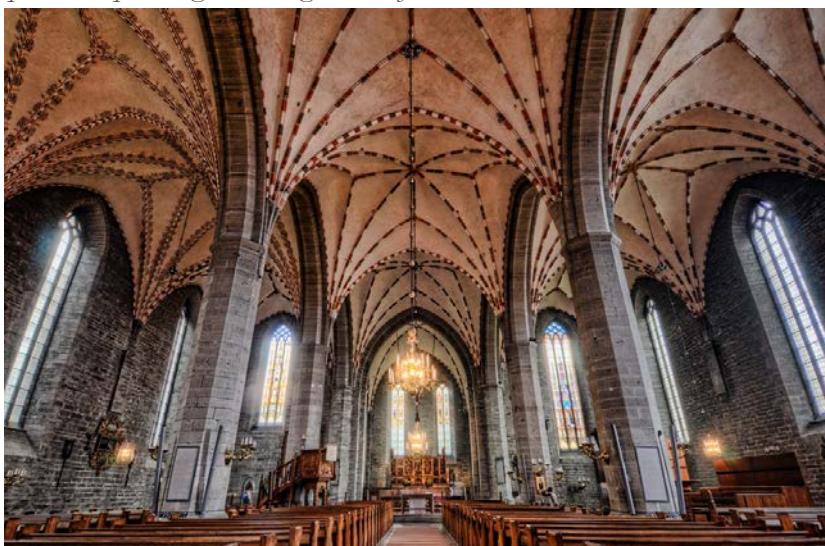


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# Researcher

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- Vadstena abbey – room acoustics and auralisation
- *It is the 14th century and pilgrims visit the Vadstena abbey, the motherhouse of the Birgittine Order situated on Lake Vättern in south Sweden. The abbey is a double abbey consisting of brothers and sisters, an unusual but not unique solution in the middle ages, which as result gives a varied and rich liturgical observance. Inside the church, pilgrims are immersed in the chants of the ongoing Birgittine liturgy, which should continue endlessly, an officium perpetuum, as intended by Saint Birgitta. The nuns sing from their raised platform in the middle of the main nave, while the monks from their semi-enclosed lower choir in the apse. The nuns from their elevated platform fill the space of the church and its fifteen cross vaults with the cantus sororum, the only office liturgy that ever had been compiled to be performed only by women. The brothers observe the diocesan liturgy, in this case from Linköping cathedral. Brothers and sisters, who never meet each other, perform their liturgies in succession and thus forming one theological unit in a so-called greater liturgy. They never sing together except for vespers in the hymn Ave maris stella. Pilgrims experience the liturgy inside a fenced perimeter where several altars and chapels are located. Textile ornaments, carpets, wall paintings and religious artefacts surround them.*



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- Collaboration with 3D archaeologist to simply their digital model

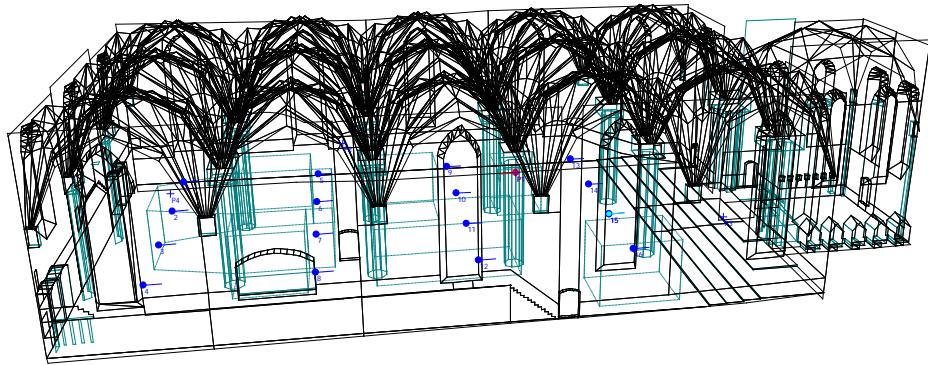


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- Room acoustic model, various compromises

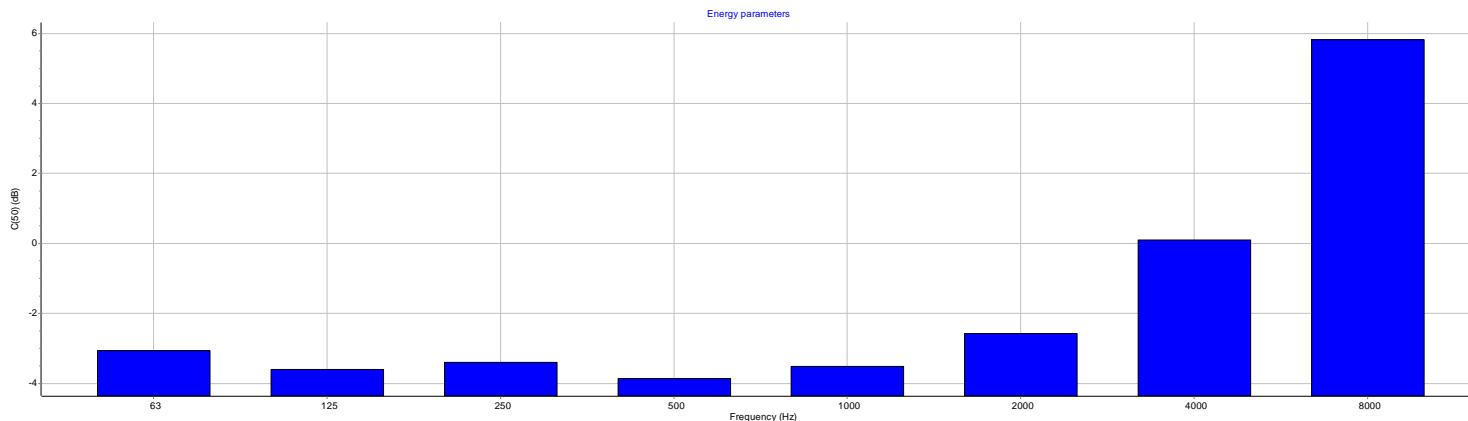
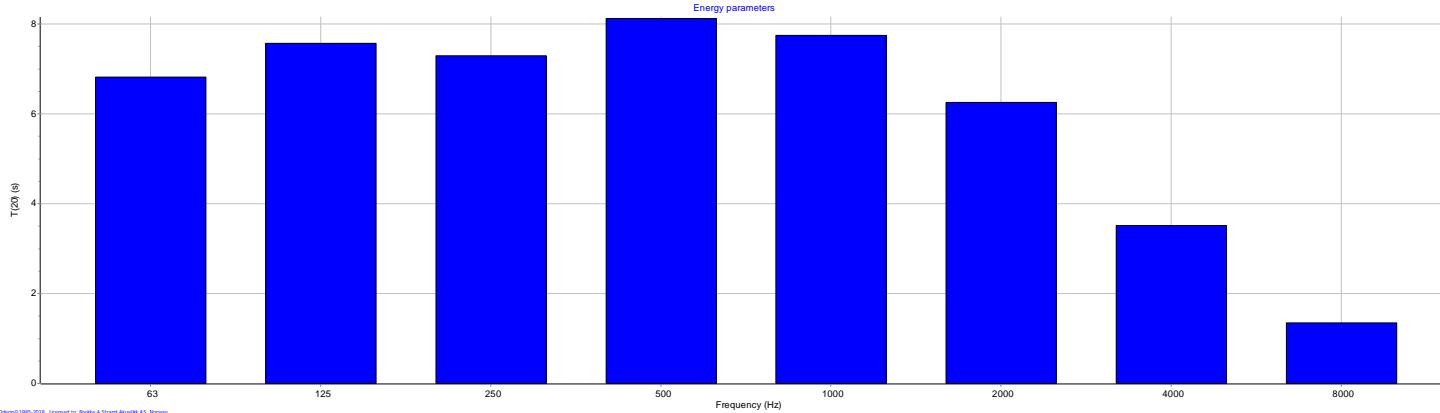


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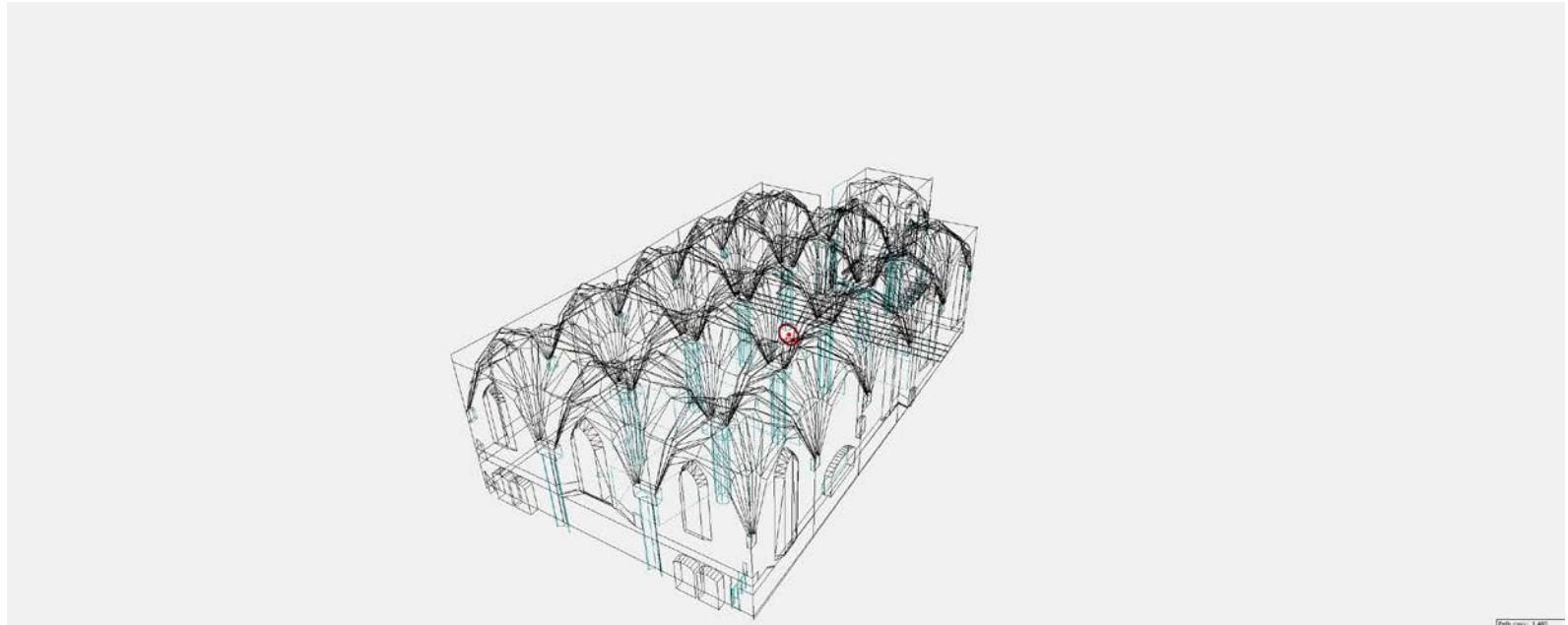
- Study of room acoustic parameters, T20/C50



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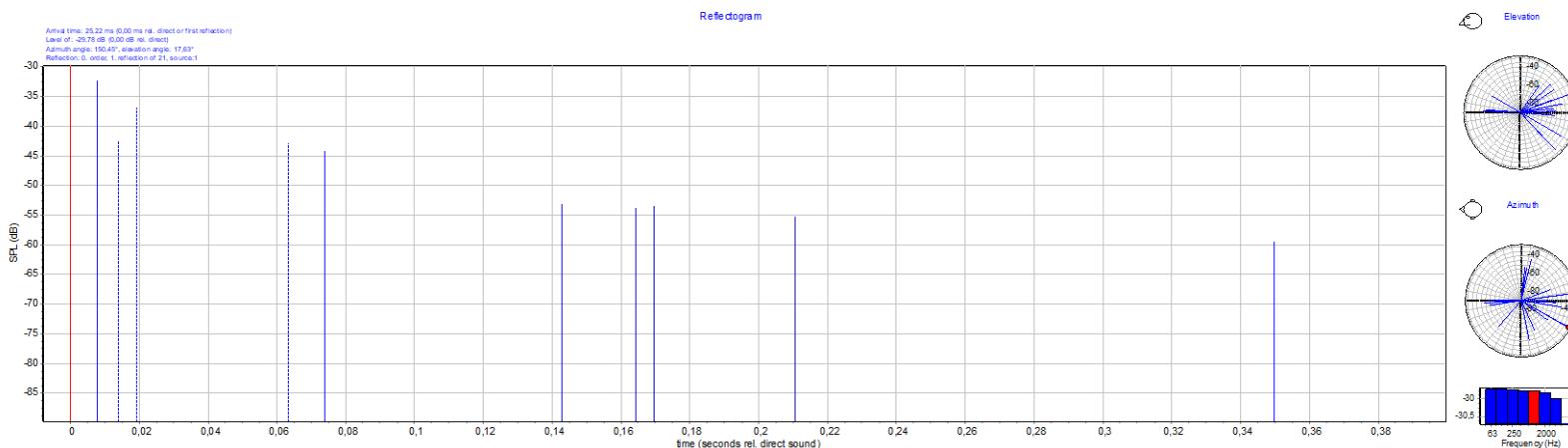
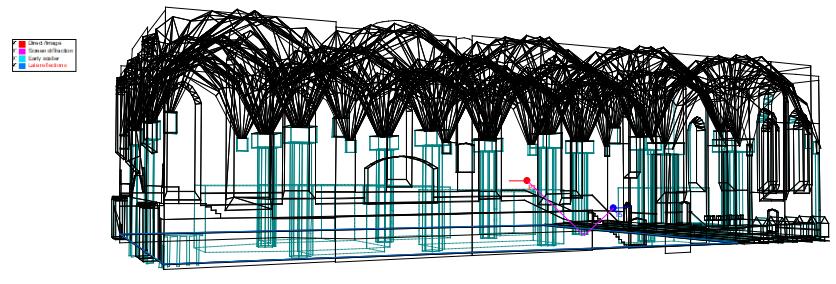
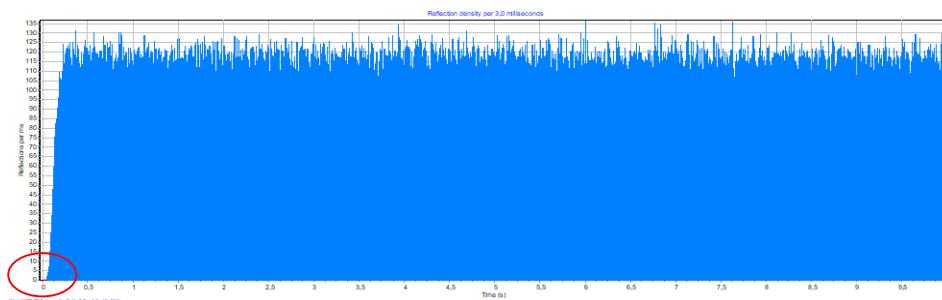
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# Researcher

- Detailed analysis of reflections



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# What is left out?

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- Acoustician in industry (quick hint at Volvo in my presentation).
  - Product development
- Acoustician in the public sector
- Research agency (RISE in Sweden etc)
- ...



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Thank you for your attention!

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# Akustik i Praktiken

Emma Arvidsson

# Mina uppdrag inom akustik

- Två olika roller

– Researcher



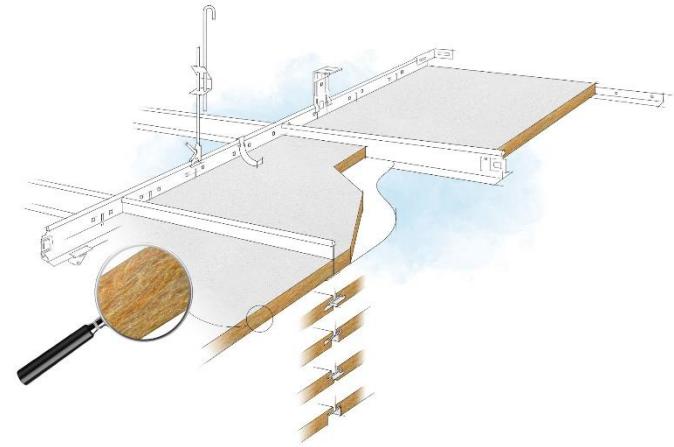
– Industridoktorand på LTH



# Researcher

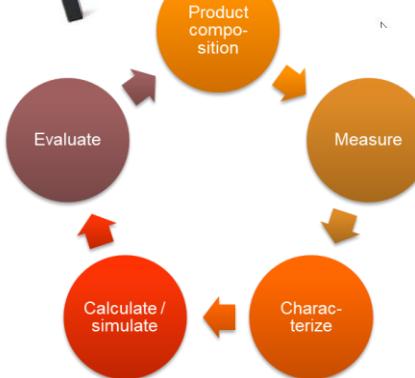
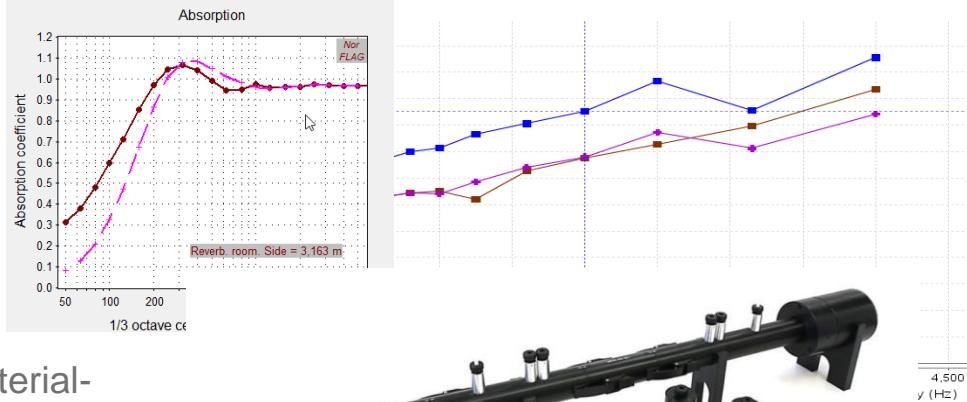
## - Ecophon

- Min roll finns inom avdelningen: R&D&I
- Akustik ingår i alla projekt på Ecophon - som researcher inom
  - Projekt där akustiska egenskaper är drivande



# Researcher

- Förfågan från marknaden
- Modeller
  - Beräkningar, mätningar, hypoteser
- Omvandla de akustiska egenskaperna till material- och process egenskaper
- Tillverka: prototyper, provkörning, industrialisering



# Researcher

- Marknadens behov
- Omsätta akustiska egenskaper i andra storheter
- Relationer mellan materialegenskaper, modeller och fullskala
- Helhet och SAMARBETE!

# Industridoktorand

## Några praktiska

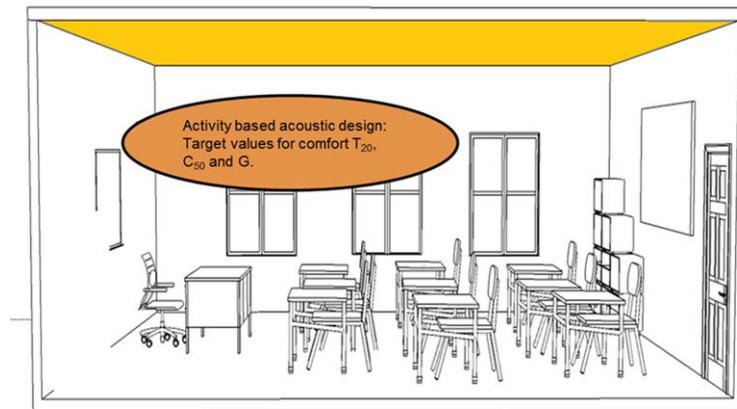
- Uppdrag för ett företag
- Anställd på företaget eller på Universitetet
- Fyra år – på heltid
  - Inkluderar forskning, kurser, publicering av resultat
- Ett sätt att kombinera två världar ☺
  - Intresse av forskningen men behov av att se tillämpningen mer direkt
  - En möjlighet att fördjupa sig i ett ämne efter att man börjat arbeta

# Motivation

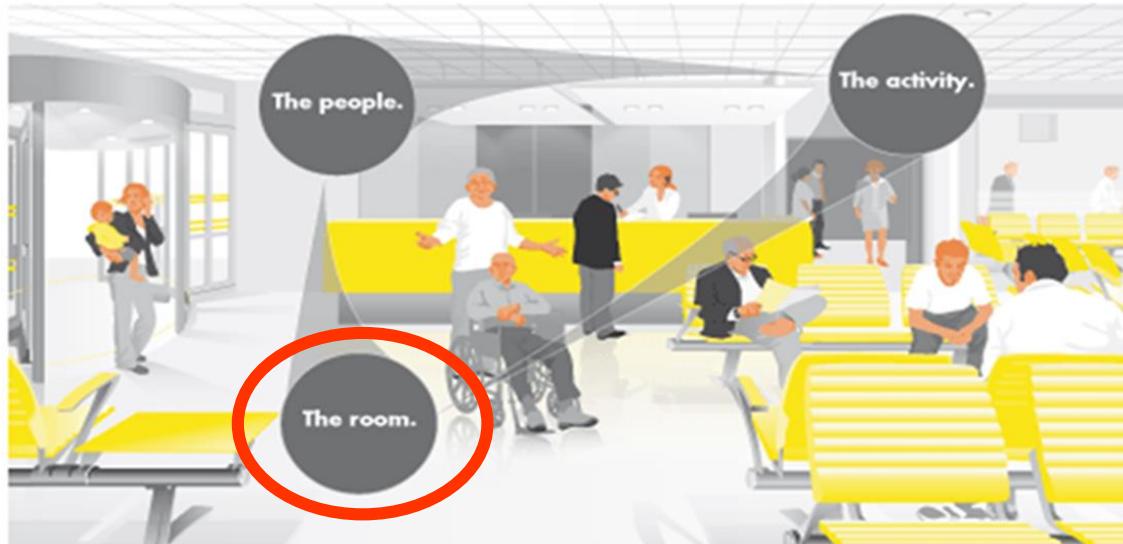
Improve the acoustic comfort in public ordinary rooms

- More complete description of room acoustic parameters
- Corresponding acoustic treatment including the effect of interior

➤ Project on interaction between the sound field in an ordinary room, the scattering effect and the material properties of the acoustic treatment



# Activity Based Acoustic Design



# Sound Field in Public Ordinary Rooms

- Steady state
- Non-linear sound decay
- Scattering due to furniture must be considered
- Grazing waves often determines the reverberation time



Steady-state



Sound decay

White arrows: Grazing waves

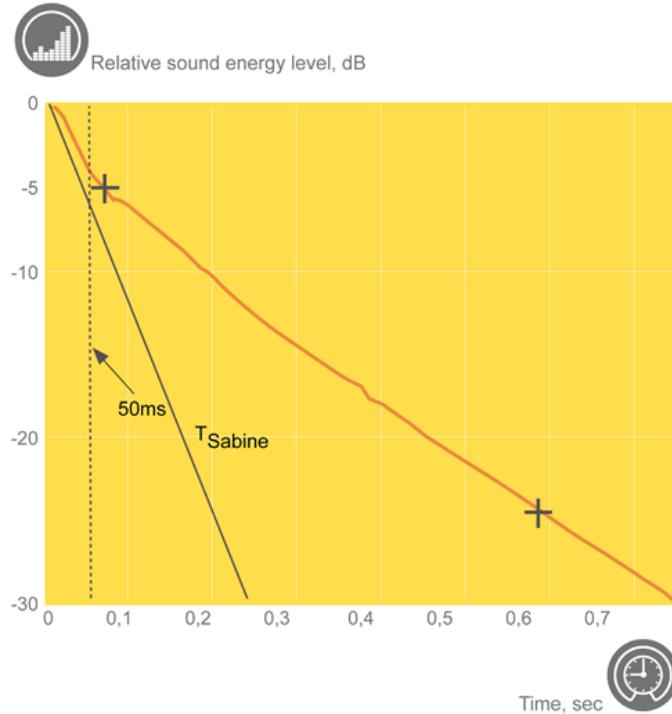
Yellow arrows: Non-grazing waves (diffuse field)

# Decay In a Room With Absorbent Ceiling

Example:

Room with acoustic ceiling, no interiors

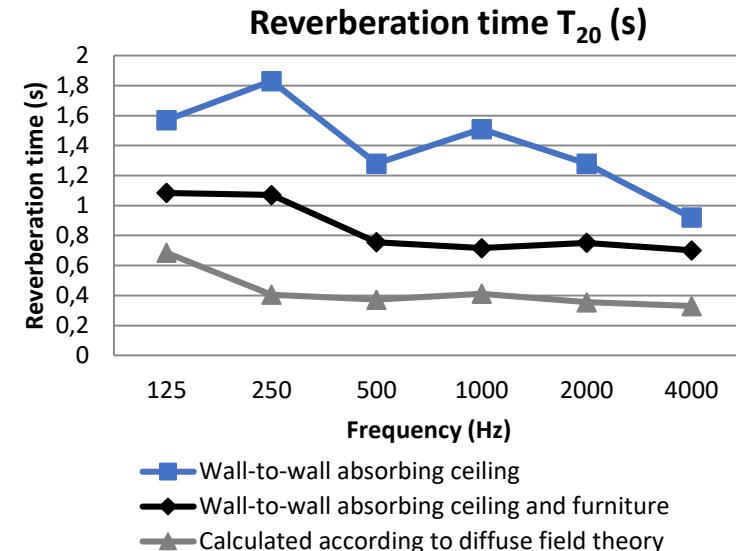
- Early decay not evaluated using ISO 354
- Double slope decay curve
- Late decay closer to Sabine when furniture is added



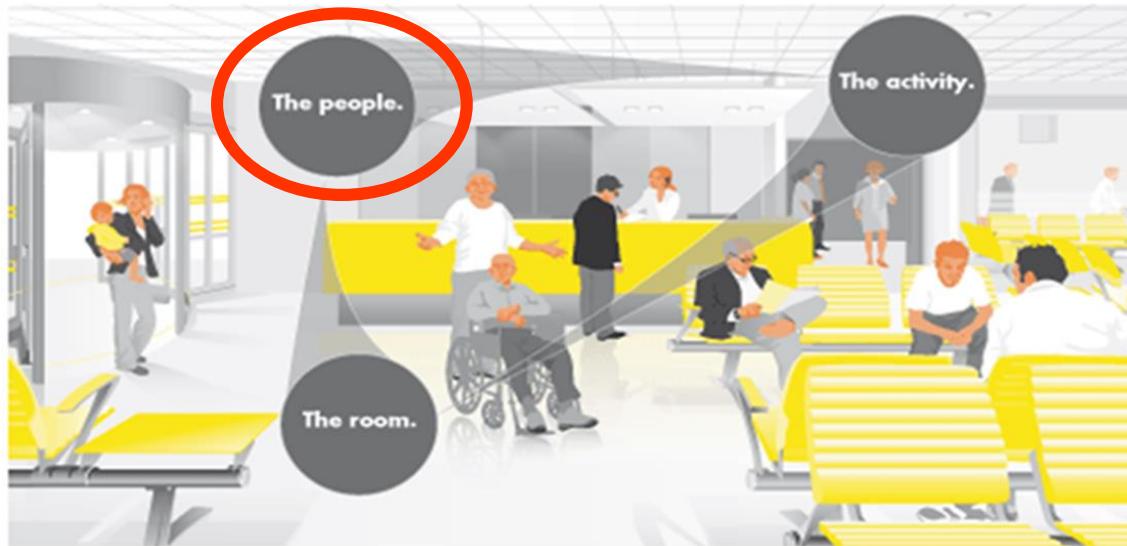
# Sound Field In Public Ordinary Rooms



Wall-to-wall absorbing ceiling and normal furnishing.



# Activity Based Acoustic Design



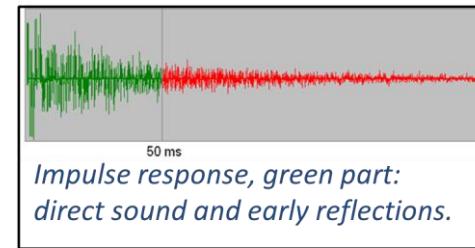
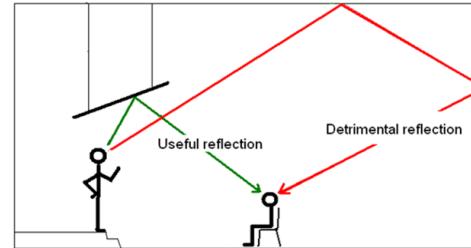
# Importance Of Early Reflections

Rooms for speech

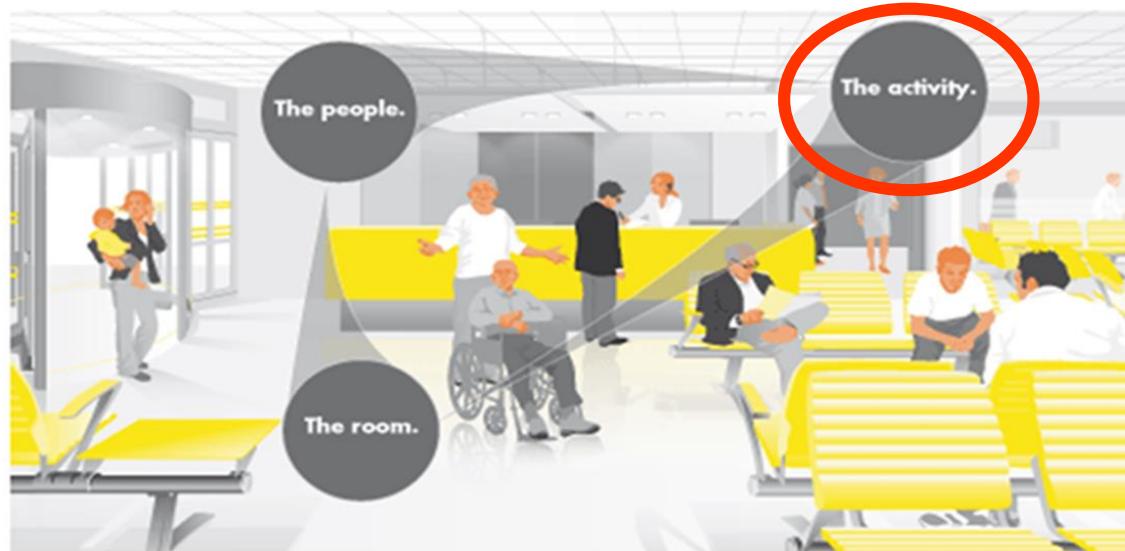
- Direct and early reflections
- Signal-to-noise ratio
- Useful-to-detrimental

Room acoustic parameters (ISO 3382)

- Reverberation time
- Speech clarity
- Sound strength



# Activity Based Acoustic Design



# Activity In Public Ordinary Rooms

- Different segments and activities
  - Concentration
  - Interaction
  - Listening
  - Etc
- Target values described
  - Based on experience



# Acoustic Comfort in Public Ordinary Rooms

- Sound field in public ordinary rooms
  - Grazing field
  - Interiors significant effect
- Direct sound and early reflections are important to consider in public ordinary rooms
- Target values described



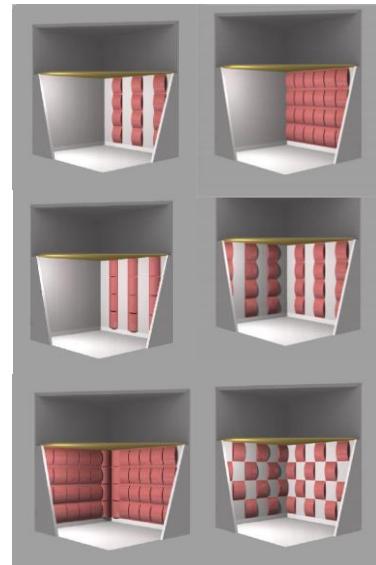
# Diffusing Elements in Public Ordinary Rooms?

- Performance spaces
- Keep the energy
- Avoid flutter echo
- Directing the sound
- Increase speech clarity



# Investigations

- Tests with different type of acoustic treatment
- Reverberation chamber
  - Small scale
- Classroom mock-up
  - Real room dimensions
- Measured
  - Reverberation time
  - Speech clarity
  - Sound strength

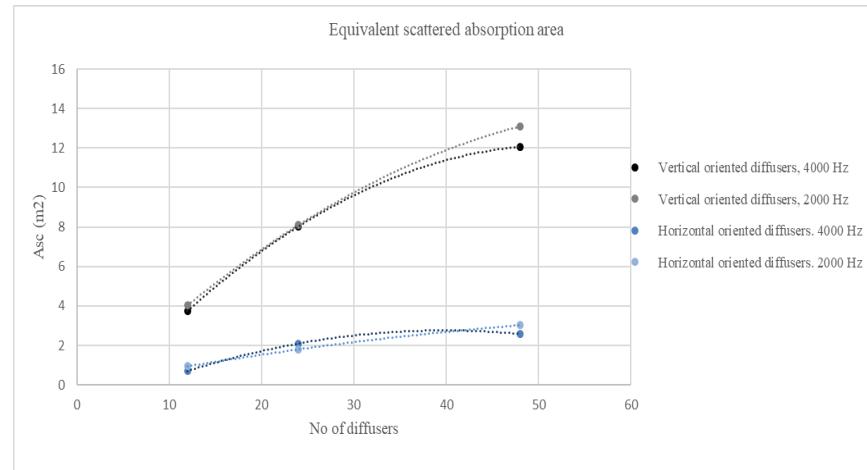
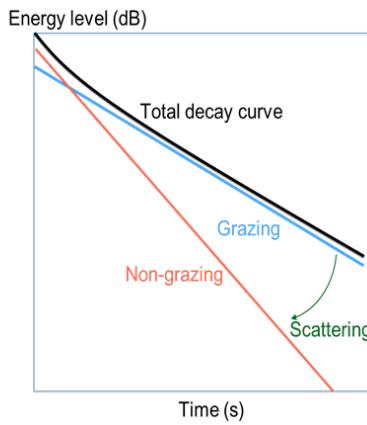


# General findings

- T20 and C50 affected
- Energy conserved
- Effect of
  - Direction
  - Amount
  - Pattern

# Quantifying the effect

- Statistical Energy Analysis model
- Developed for characterization of these type of rooms
- Transforming grazing-into non grazing



# Summering

- Experiment i liten skala
- Transformera till full skala
- Koppla effekten i rummet till rums akustiska parametrar - det som mänskor upplever

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