

Phase Decomposition for Loudspeaker Analysis

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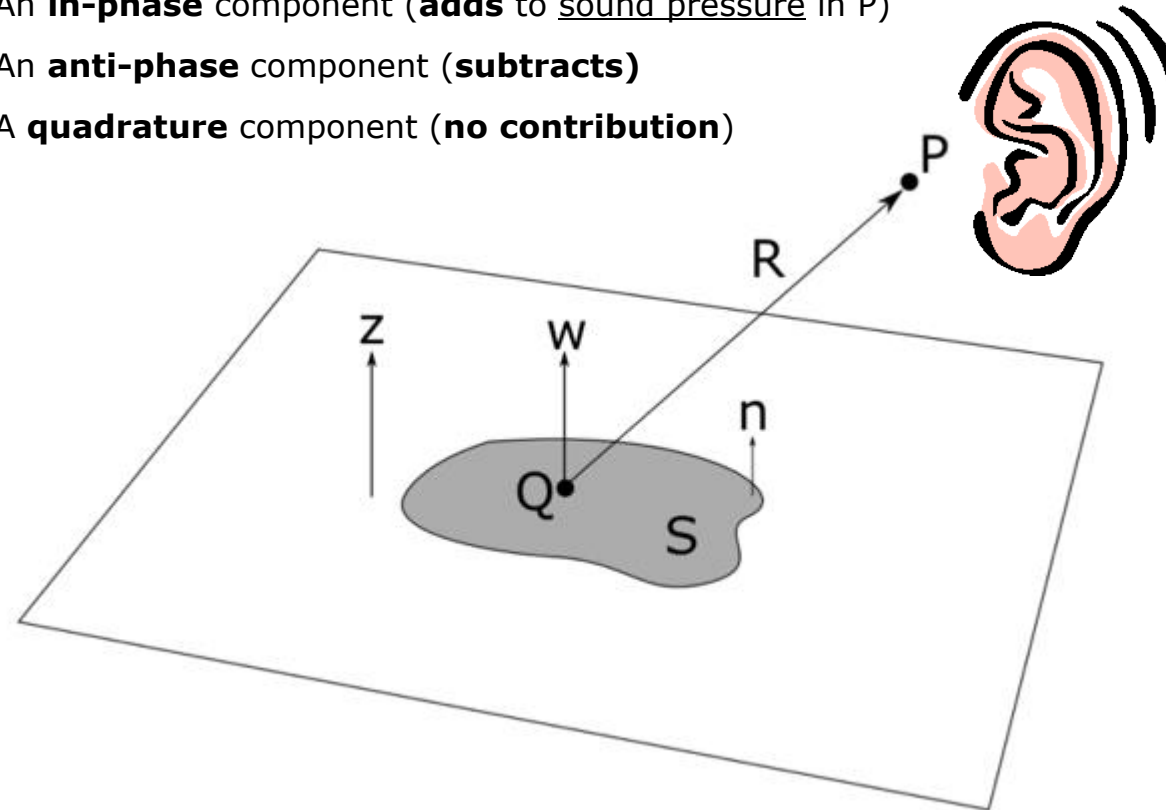
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Introduction

- Task: Make phase decomposition functionality that, for a specific observation point P , splits a given total surface vibration into
 1. An **in-phase** component (**adds** to sound pressure in P)
 2. An **anti-phase** component (**subtracts**)
 3. A **quadrature** component (**no contribution**)





Theory

- Assume
 - Flat vibrating surface...
 - ...in flat infinite baffle
 - No obstructions in the acoustic path (no diffraction)

- Displacement components

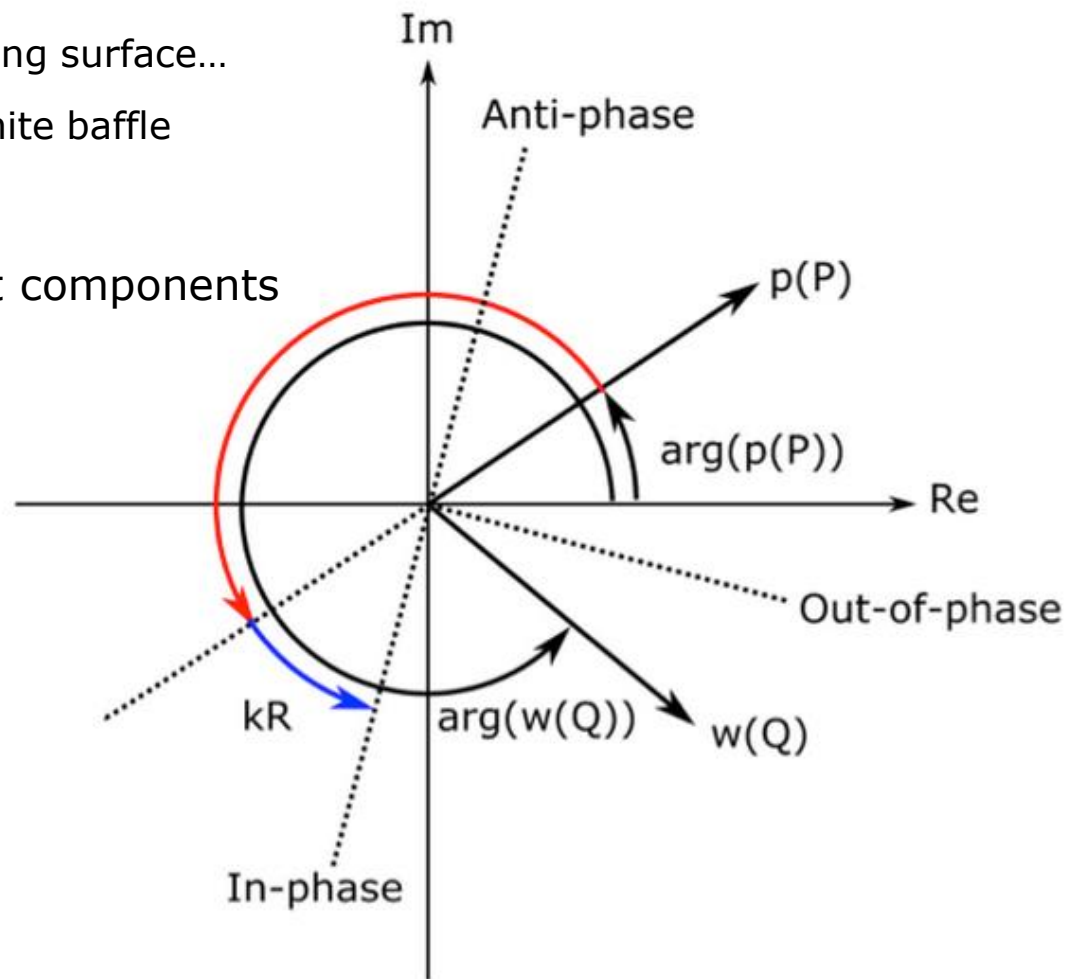
$$w = w_{in} + w_{anti} + w_{quad}$$

- Total displacement w is known



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Method

- Find the (phase of the) sound pressure level in point P using Rayleigh integral:

$$p(P) = \frac{-\omega^2 \rho}{2\pi} \int_S w(Q) \frac{e^{-ikR}}{R} dS$$

→ An acoustical domain is not necessary.

- Calculate displacement components

$$w_{in}(Q, \mathbf{p}, R) = \operatorname{Re}^+ (w(Q) e^{-i\varphi_{ref}}) e^{i\varphi_{ref}}$$

$$w_{anti}(Q, \mathbf{p}, R) = \operatorname{Re}^- (w(Q) e^{-i\varphi_{ref}}) e^{i\varphi_{ref}}$$

$$w_{quad}(Q, \mathbf{p}, R) = \operatorname{Im} (w(Q) e^{-i\varphi_{ref}}) e^{i(\varphi_{ref} + \frac{\pi}{2})}$$

with

$$\varphi_{ref} = \operatorname{arg}(p(P)) + \pi + kR$$

- Feed back displacement components to the Rayleigh integral to get sound pressure components

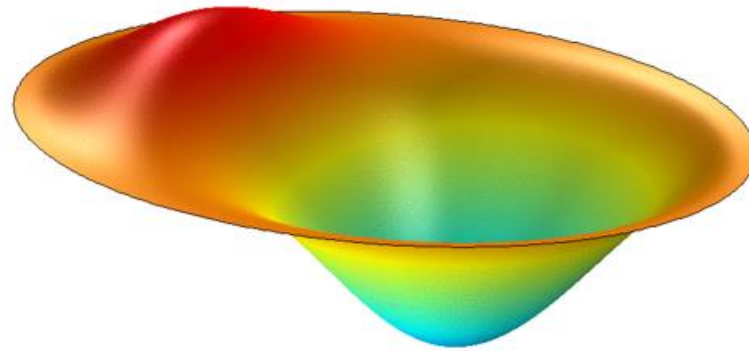
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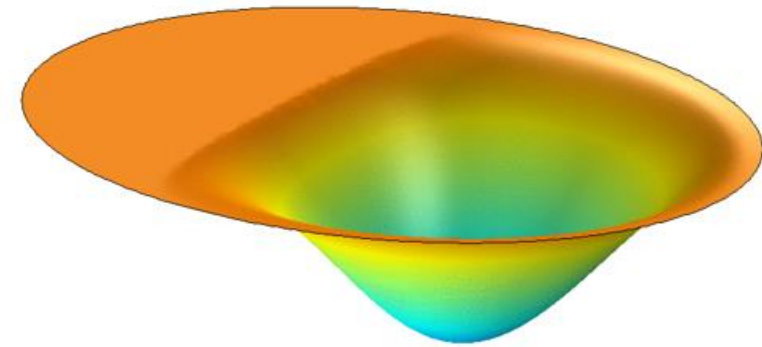
Validation case

- 1.6 kHz, far-field, on-axis

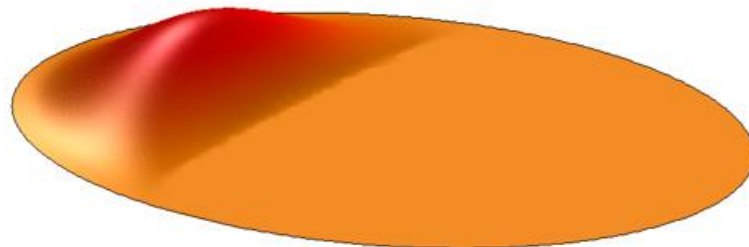
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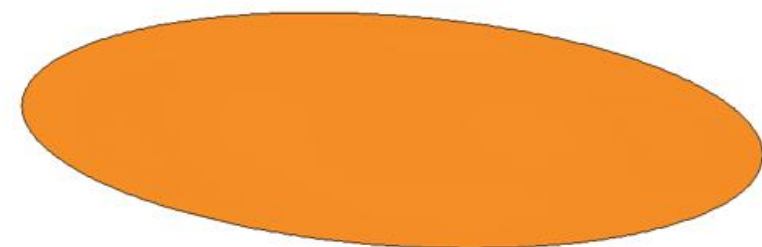
In-phase



Anti-phase



Out-of-phase

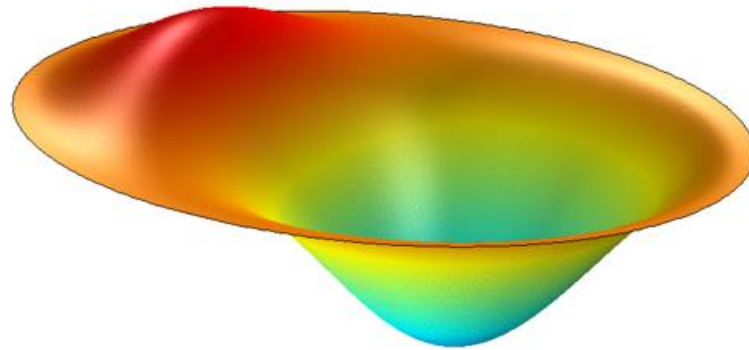




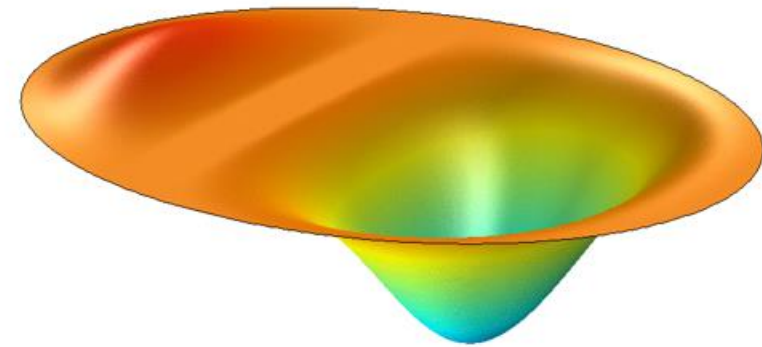
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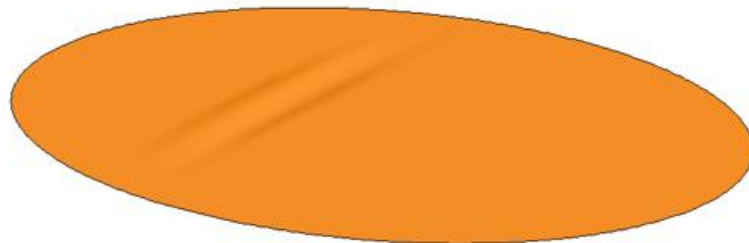
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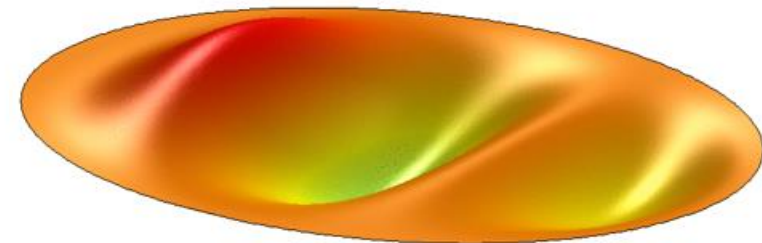
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Application case

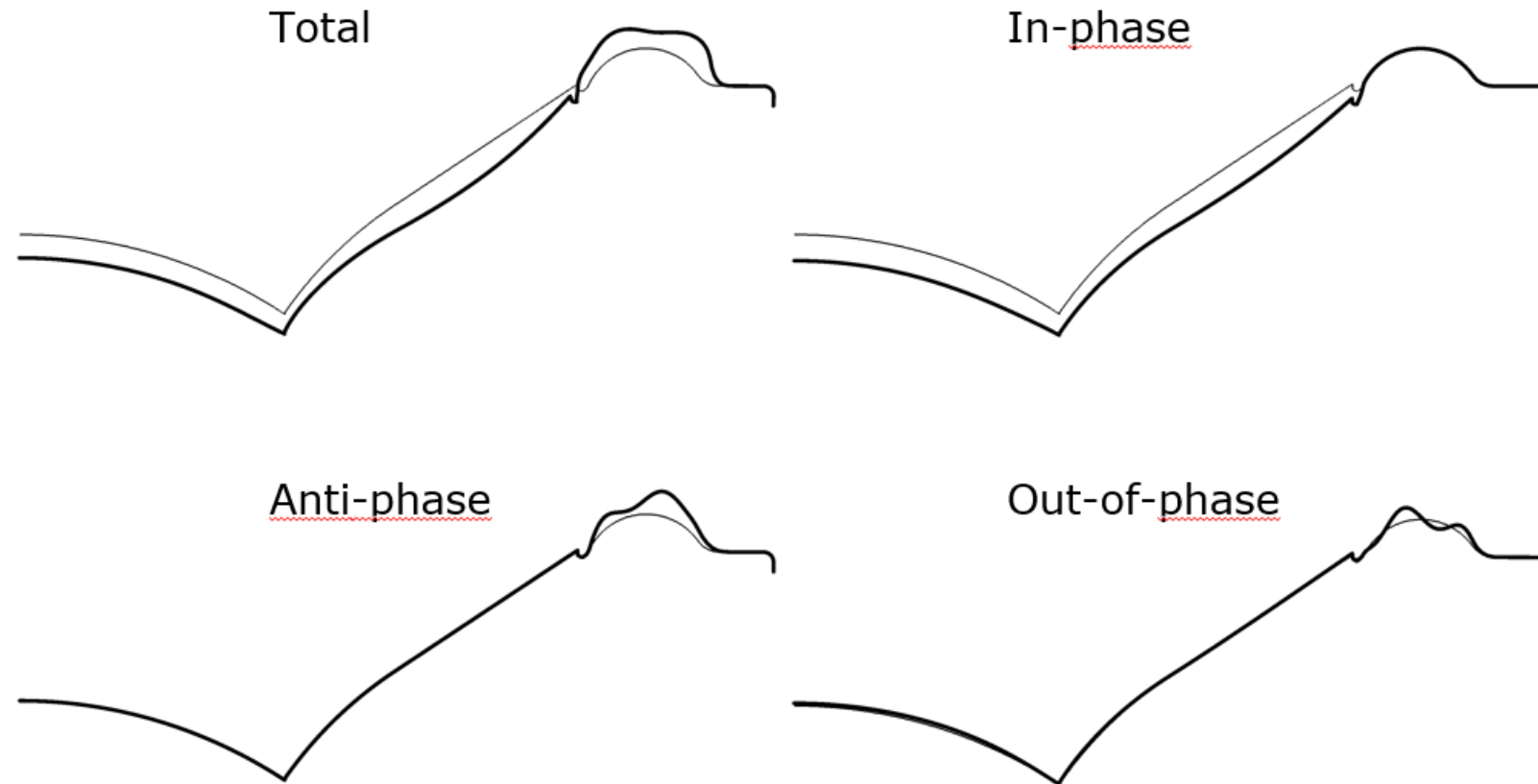
- Full-range loudspeaker driver, physical components





Application case

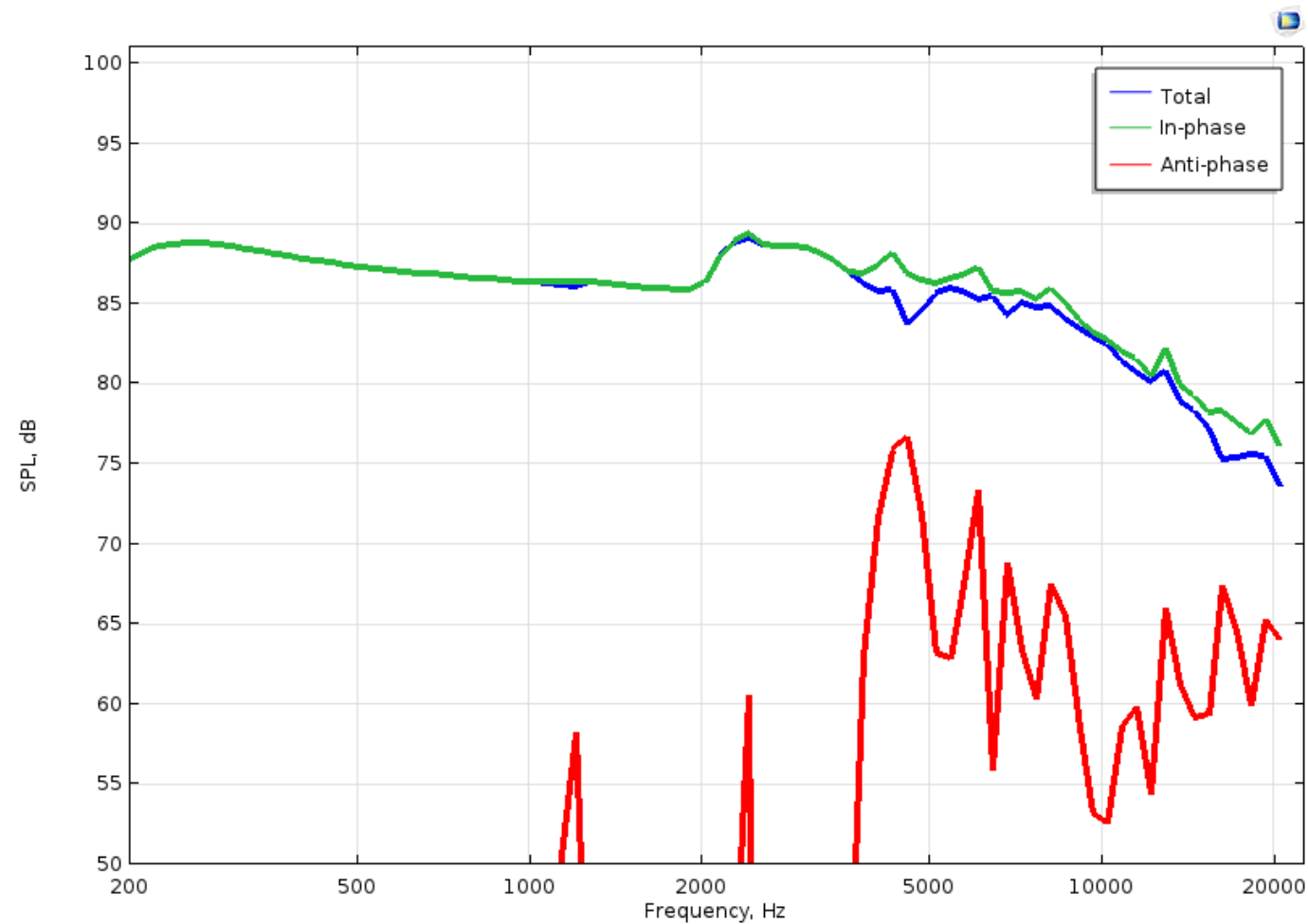
- Full-range loudspeaker driver, vibration components @ 4.5 kHz





Application case

- Full-range loudspeaker driver, frequency response





Perspective

- Off-axis design and analysis





Conclusion

- A phase decomposition technique was successfully implemented in COMSOL Multiphysics
- The technique provides insight into the vibration of loudspeaker cones and their contribution to the sound pressure in an observation point