

#### SIMULATION TO SUPPORT DESIGN OF COMPOSITE METAPLATE FUNCTIONALIZED WITH ACOUSTIC BLACK HOLES FOR ACOUSTIC COMFORT IN SHIP CABINS

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# **Acoustic Black Holes for Marine Noise Abatement**

- Introduction to sound radiation Marine example
- Acoustic Black Hole (ABH) structural damping
  - > Physical effect
  - ABH morphology and design parameters
  - Benchmark and previous Simulations

#### ABH Simulations for Composite Panels - Functionalisation

- Inputs and expected outputs
- Design of Experiments
- Optimised plate
- Results
- Conclusions



# **Short Remind - Noise Radiation**

Acoustic radiation equation:

 $Pw = \sigma_{RAD}, \rho. c. S_t, \bar{v}^2 [W]$ 

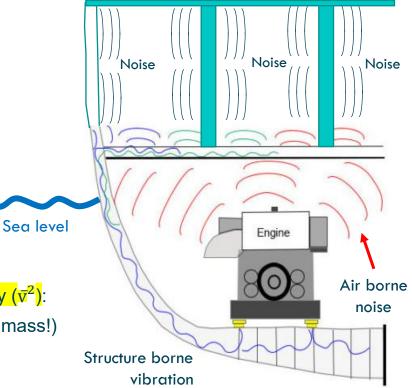
Where:

- $\sigma_{RAD}$  radiation efficience
- ρ. c medium impedance
- *S<sub>t</sub>* radiation surface
- $\overline{v}^2$  averaged spatial/temporal squared vib. Velocity

For a given structure, the term to reduce is vibration velocity  $(\overline{v}^2)$ :

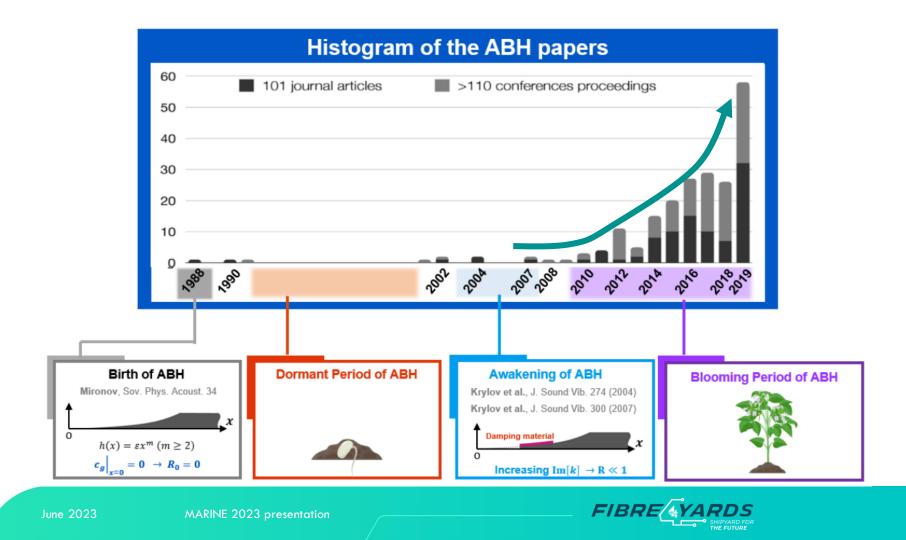
- By Increasing structural damping (add damping => add mass!)
- By tackling vibration at source (engine, others)
- By tackling vibration at its path (elastic pads, etc)

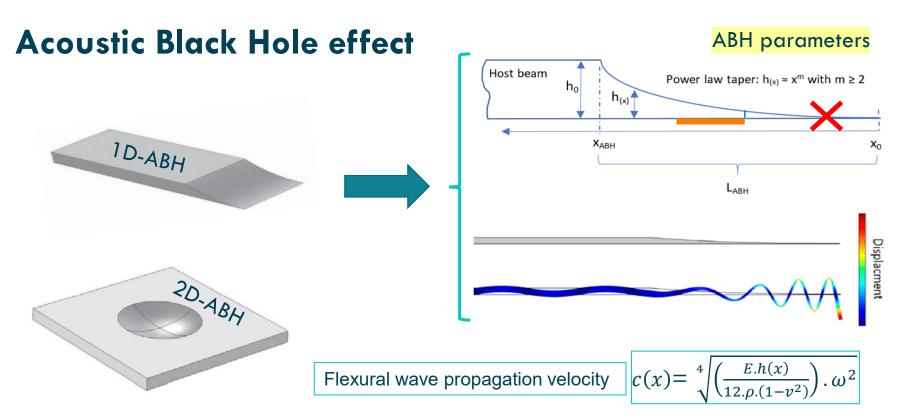
#### Cabin Panel Noise Radiation





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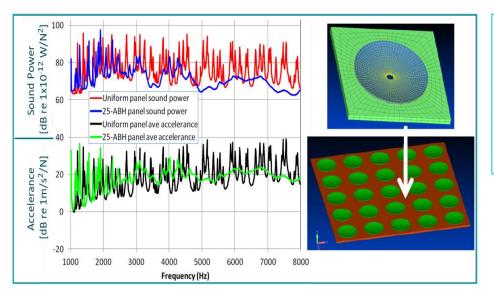


Once a flexural wave gets into a tapered power-law profile (ABH), its propagation speed tends to zero towards the edge, therefore traping the wave energy and creating damping



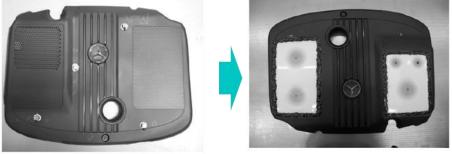
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## **ABH – Few examples of Acoustic abatement and Applications**



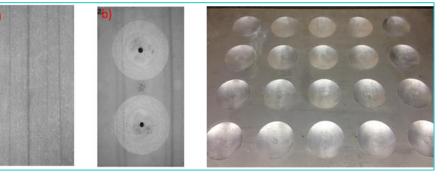
- Influence of the Number of ABHs
- High correlation between transfer function and radiation power

Automotive application



Composite plate

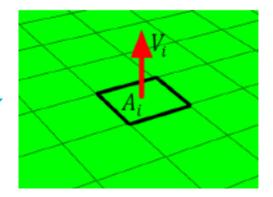
Array of ABHs





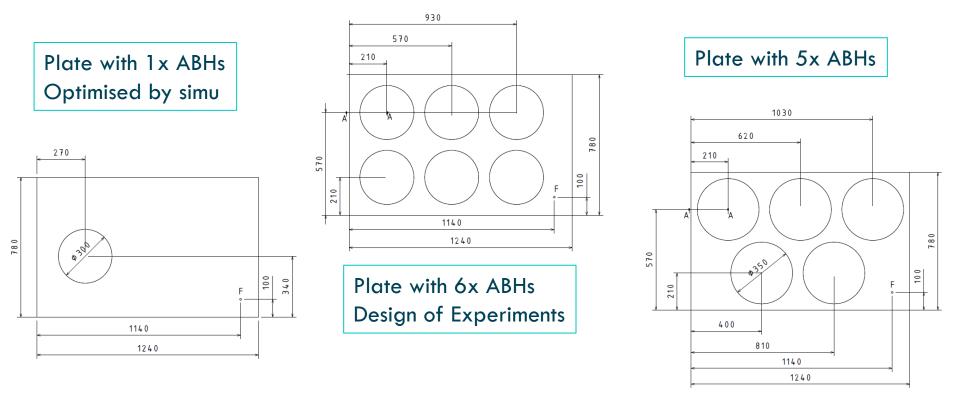
# ABH Simulation – Composite Panel (ABAQUS)

- Objective develop and assess a simulation tool to reduce time to design of ABH for structural damping maximisation
- Simulation and Optimisation of ABH design in a Composite plate, Inputs:
  - ABH parameters (diameter, power-law coeff. and terminal thickness)
  - ABH position and quantity
  - Visco-layer choice (from commercial turnkey)
  - Material properties and composite plate lay-up (GFRP)
  - Plate size and thickness
  - Boundary conditions and excitation points
- Parameter of assessment:
  - Equivalent Radiated Power Level (ERPL)





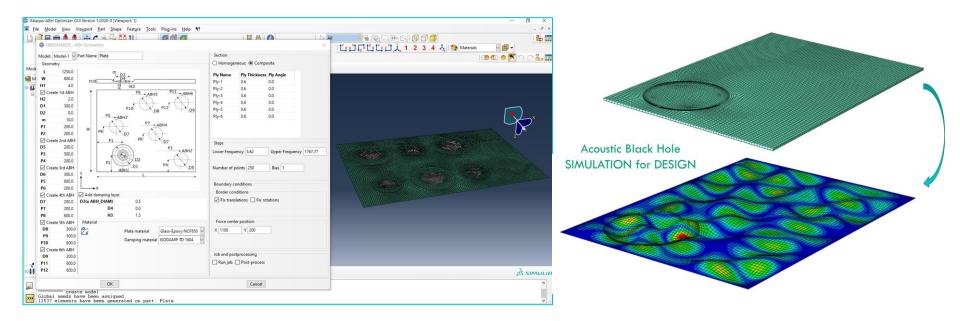
## Design of 3x Panels with Different ABH configurations





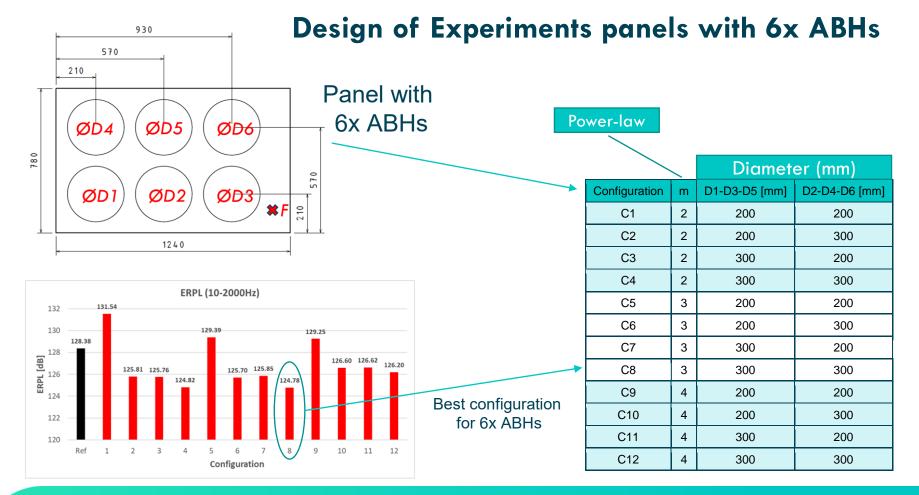


## Model Builder - Graphical User Interface (GUI) – Python/Abaqus



Parametric model generation - Simulation and design of functionalised composite plates with acoustic black holes for vibro-acoustic abattement





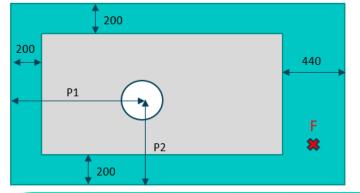


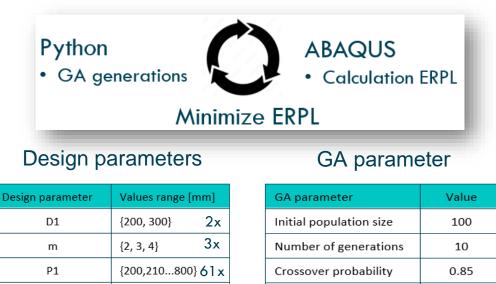
## **Optimisation for 1x ABH (method – Genetic Algorithm)**

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- Utilisation of Genetic Algorithms (GA)
- 4x different design parameters (plate functionalised with ABHs)
  - Diameter (D) AND Power law (m) AND position#1 AND position#2
- ✓ Parameter of decision: minimize sound radiation ERPL
- ✓ 4x GA parameters

#### 1x ABH functionalised plate Design conditions





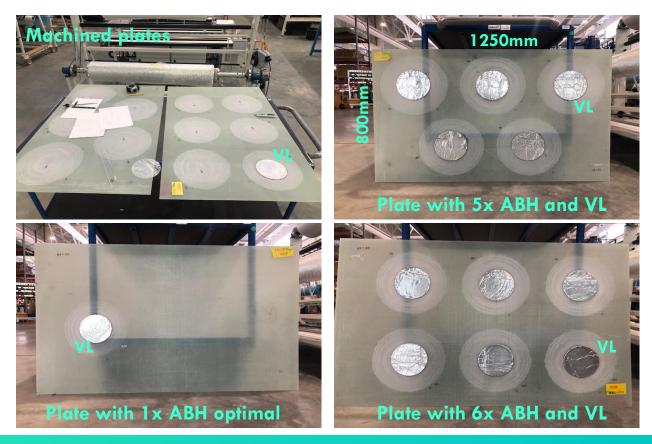


Mutation probability

0.1

{200,210...580} **39x** 

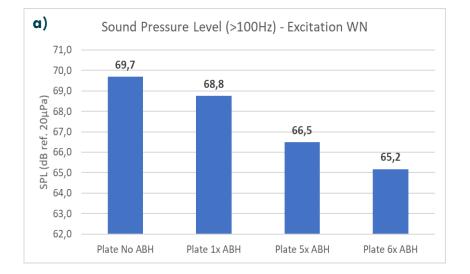
### **Manufacturing of Functionalised pannels**

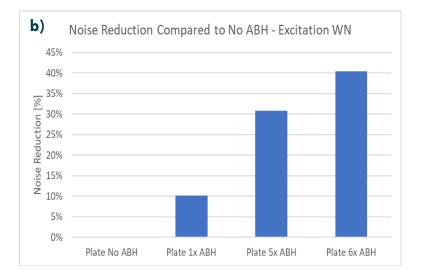




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### Sound Pressure Level measurements 100-8000Hz





| Excitation White<br>Noise | SPL (dB ref.<br>20µPa) | Measured<br>gain (dB) | Simulation<br>gain (dB) | Difference<br>(calcul/test) |
|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Plate No ABH (ref)        | 69,7                   | -                     | -                       | -                           |
| Plate 1x ABH              | 68,8                   | -0,9                  | -1,4                    | 0,5                         |
| Plate 5x ABH              | 66,5                   | -3,2                  | -3,7                    | 0,5                         |
| Plate 6x ABH              | 65,2                   | -4,5                  | -3,6                    | -0,9                        |



# Conclusions

- A short introduction of using acoustic black holes (ABH) to functionalised panels for acoustic abatement was presented
- The aproach for simulating ABH in FGRP was developped with:
  Genetic Algorithm for 1x ABH design optimisation
  Design of experiments for finding best parameters combination for 5x and 6x ABH array
- The simulation results did present an error < 1dB (in the noise abatement) compared to measurements</p>
- Simulation results correlates fairly well with the trends in the experimental results
   further improvements would give better results
- □ The ABH reduced the velocity of vibration, and consequently the sound level, with a noise reduction of the order of 4.5dB (40%) for the panel with 6x ABH



# Perspectives

- The use of ABH supported by simulations is a real asset for creating smart silent structures in Naval and other types of transportation
- ABH technology is currently at TRL4-ish and has been proving its capacity of reducing vibro-acoustic, it needs now to move to higher TRLs
- Further work should be done to make it an engineering tool for optimised structures and bring it to the market at TRL higher than 7
- ABH needs further practical applications in transportation and structures with vibrating surfaces and non-bering loading





## **ABH Possible Application in Naval**

