

A Review of Diesel Engine Acoustics

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Noise emitted from diesel engines can be modeled with help of coherence plots which uses single output multiple input method. Sources of noise in diesel engines can be identified and comparisons can be made with spectrum of in cylinder pressure before and after the removal of various sources to identify the effects of sources. Earlier works of Priede has resulted in better understanding of noise components of diesel engines[1]. The objective of this work is to use coherence models for study of diesel engine acoustics phenomenon.

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1. INTRODUCTION

A MISO model is shown in figure no 1 where X1,X2,X3 etc. are various inputs which are correlated to a single output Y(t)[2]. Goff was first to use this model for source identification of noise in engines[3]. In this model Z(t) is uncorrelated background noise.

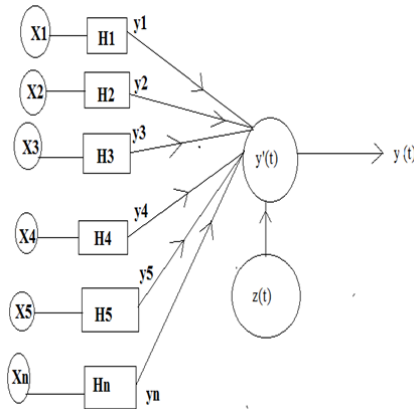


Figure 1-Engine MISO model[2]

In frequency domain the Fourier transformation of output $Y'(f)$ and input $X(f)$ are related by relationship:

$$Y'(f) = H(f) \cdot X(f) \quad (1)$$

The transfer function $H(f)$ between input and output signals given by relationship:

$$H(f) = S_{xy'}(f) / S_{xx}(f) \quad (2)$$

Where $S_{xy'}(f)$ and $S_{xx}(f)$ are cross spectral density and auto spectral density functions defined by following relationships :

$$S_{xy}(f) = \frac{1}{T} \left[X^*(f) \cdot Y(f) \right] \quad (3)$$

$$S_{xx} = \frac{X'(f)X(f)}{T} \quad (4)$$

The final output function $y(t)$ is sum of uncorrelated noise $z(t)$ and $y'(t)$ equation 2 can be written as :

$$S_{xy}(f) = \frac{X'(f)[Z(f) + Y'(f)]}{T} \quad (5)$$

$$= S_{xz}(f) + S_{xy'}(f) \quad (6)$$

As $z(t)$ is uncorrelated with $x(t)$ the term S_{xz} tends to zero it can be inferred that :

$$S_{xy}(f) = S_{xy'}(f) \quad (7)$$

Hence transfer function gets modified as:

$$H(f) = \frac{S_{xy}(f)}{S_{xx}(f)} \quad (8)$$

The coherence function between input function X and output Y is given by relationship

$$\gamma^2(f) = \frac{S_{xy}(f)}{S_{xx}(f)S_{yy}(f)} \quad (9)$$

This function denotes how well the mean square value of output function is related to the input functions with value lying between 0 and 1. As evident from the figure no 1, the output can be expressed as sum of individual outputs and external disturbances. i.e.

$$y'(t) = y(t) + z(t) \quad (10)$$

$$y'(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i(t) + z(t) \quad (11)$$

Taking Fourier transformations on both sides and multiplying by respective complex conjugate we have:

$$S_{yy}(f) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{r=1}^n H_i H_r^* + S_{zz}(f) \quad (12)$$

Crocker has done modelling experiments of diesel engines using coherence functions[4]. Srivastava has used correlation functions for noise source identification[5]. Wang used the above model for localization of sources of noise emitted from 3 Loud speakers [6].

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2. EXPERIMENTAL TESTS

Experiments were conducted on a dual cylinder lombardini LDW442CRS common rail direct injection test rig having specifications as presented in table no 1.

TABLE 1-SPECIFICATIONS OF ENGINE

Components	Rating values
Bore	60.6 mm
Stroke	68 mm
Displacement	440cm ³
Rated Torque	25N-m @2000 RPM
Rated Power	8.5Kw@4400 RPM
Compression	20:1

TABLE 2 -EXPERIMENTAL DATA ACQUIRED

Case	Load	RPM	P _{rail} (Bar)
B1	50%	1600	508
B2	100%	1600	714
B3	0%	1600	-
B4	50%	2000	515
B5	100%	2000	710
B6	0%	2000	-

TABLE 3 -INJECTION PARAMETERS

Case	Q ₃ pre (mm /stroke)	Q ₃ MAIN (mm /stroke)	SOI pre (DEGREE Before TDC)	SOI MAIN (DEGREE Before TDC)
B1	1	6.3	19.9°	5.09°
B2	1	13.9	14.6°	6.29°
B3	-	-	-	-
B4	1	6.6	22.5°	5.68°
B5	1	13.8	16.5°	6.29°
B6	-	-	-	-

A fully opened electronic control unit connected to computer was used to manage the injection system with aim to control operational parameters. The engine was cooled with an a synchronous motor of SIEMENS 1PH7 make thus allowing to control speed and load. A Bruel and Kjaer free field microphone of 4939 type with a 2670 type preamplifier was used to obtain acoustic data. This engine test rig has a piezo electric type Kistler 6056A make pressure transducer for in cylinder pressure measurements and an optical crank angle encoder of AVL 364C make for detection of TDC position as well as engine speed. The given system can do maximum of 2 injections per cycle. All signals were simultaneously acquired by NI boards of 6110 type (for analog type) & 6533 type (for optical encoder signals) using LabVIEW 10 software. During the tests the sampling rate was varied in order to guarantee a resolution of 0.25° CAD. The engine was operated at speeds of 1600 RPM and 2000 RPM under various loaded and motored conditions as seen from Table no 2 & 3.



Figure 2-Test Rig Showing Micro phone

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Figure 3 shows the variations of raw voltage signals obtained from amplifier for a single cycle of diesel engine with crank angles for various testing conditions.

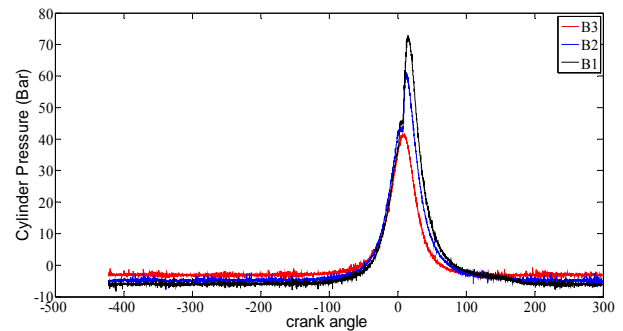


Figure 3-In Cylinder Pressure Trace for various testing conditions(1600RPM)

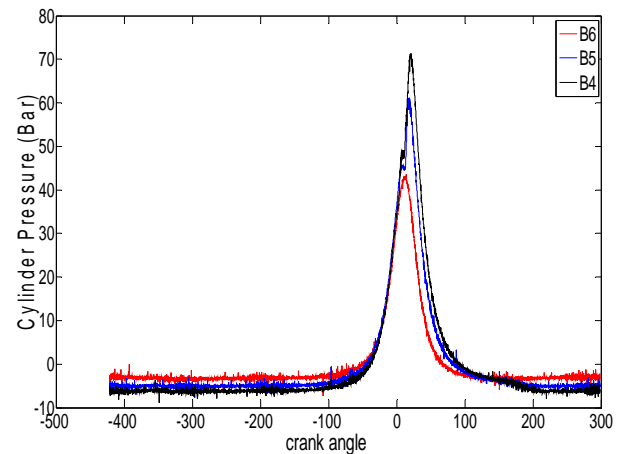


Figure 4-In Cylinder Pressure Trace for various testing conditions(2000RPM)

It can be observed that depending upon engine speed/load condition, the intensity of maximum pressure and its location on crank angle domain changes. The data was converted from crank angle domain into time domain using relevant sampling rate & then pressure spectrum was plotted using FFT analysis. Figure 4 shows such plot. The signals acquired were filtered to avoid aliasing. The peak value of spectrum was observed to be at a frequency of 316KHz. The Cylinder pressure spectrum was found to be load and speed dependent.

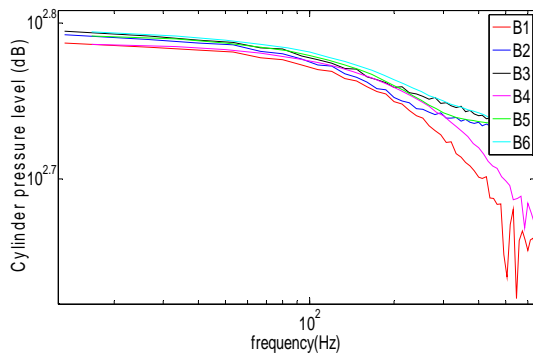


Figure 5-In Cylinder Pressure Levels

In order to investigate further, envelopes of noise signals was plotted as seen in figure no 5 & 6 using Hilbert transformations. These signals showed irregularity with peaks. Specialaly for higher load conditions these peaks had higher amplitude.

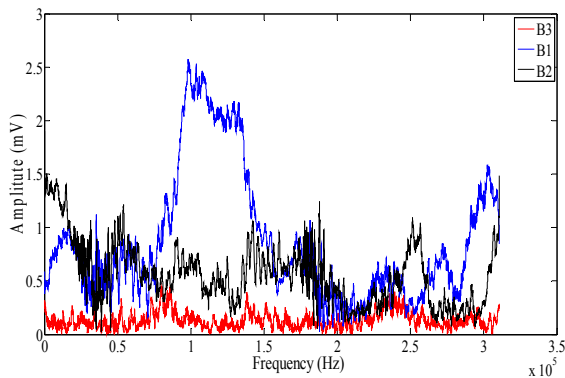


Figure 6-Envelope of Noise Emissions(1600RPM)

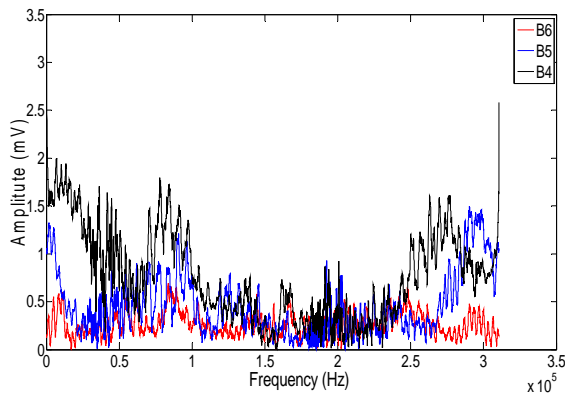


Figure 7-Envelope of Noise Emissions(2000RPM)

Noise emissions was found to be dependent upon the angle of fuel injections with an increase observed with angle of advance. Majority of peak values of signals was found to be in medium and low frequency ranges. Noise signals at microphones come from various sources, hence the charecteristic of noise spectrum can reflects features of various noise sources. In order to understand contribution of various sources, coherent power spectrum is an important analysis tool. Input coherent power spectrum can be obtained from the product of coherent function and input power spectrum. The coherence function $C_{p,n}$ between in cylinder pressure and noise signals was computed to identify the frequency band in which two signals are strongly correlated. This function can be written mathematically as:

$$C_{(p,n)}(f) = \frac{P_{(p,n)}^2(f)}{P_{(p,p)}(f)P_{(n,n)}(f)} \quad (13)$$

Where $P_{(p,n)}$ is cross power spectral density of input signal (in cylinder pressure) and corresponding output signal (Noise). Coherence plots between cylinder pressures & noise levels for test conditions was computed in order to isolate the effect of combustion process taking place in cylinders within a hamming window of length equal to $1/6^{\text{th}}$ of engine cycle. as seen from figure no 7-12.

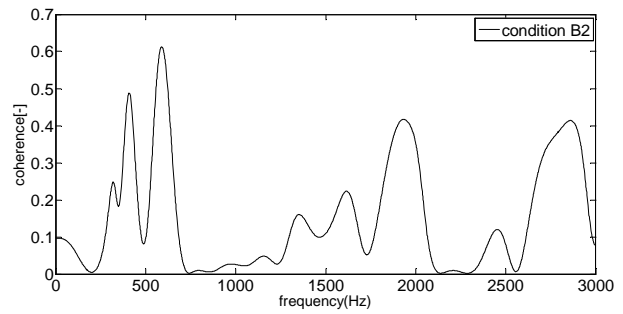


Figure 8-Coherence between cylinder presure and Noise Emissions(Case B2)

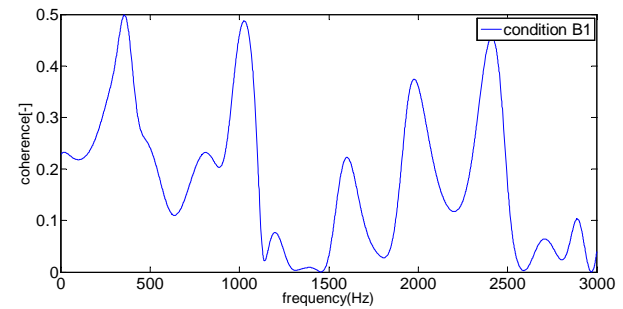


Figure 9-Coherence between cylinder presure and Noise Emissions(Case B1)

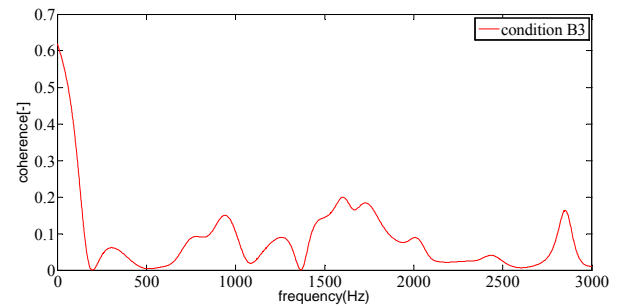


Figure 10-Coherence between cylinder presure and Noise Emissions(Case B3)

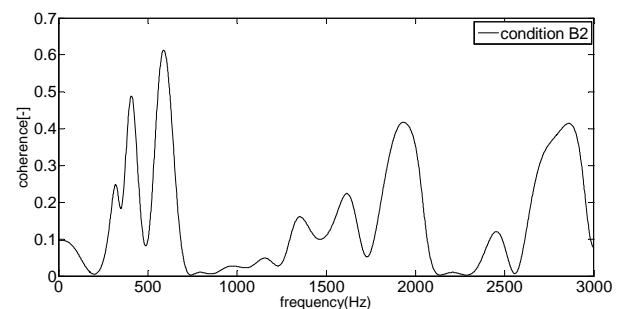


Figure 11-Coherence between cylinder presure and Noise Emissions(Case B6)

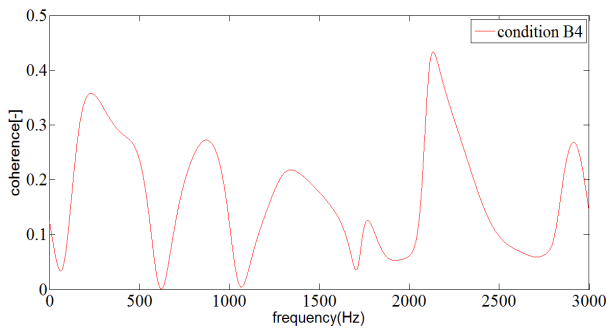


Figure 12-Coherence between cylinder pressure and Noise Emissions(Case B4)

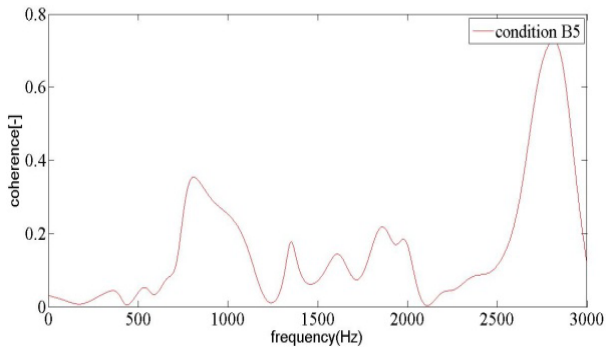


Figure 13-Coherence between cylinder pressure and Noise Emissions(Case B5)

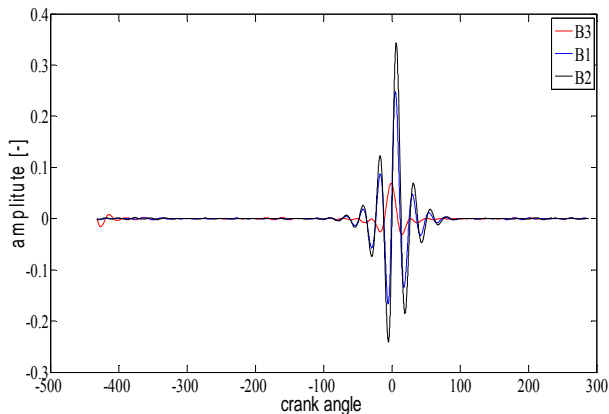


Figure 14-Filtered Pressure signals(1600RPM)

In order to give an indication on how much uncertainty is there in the evaluation of the coherence function, a confidence level can be fixed. The choice of this level in practice lies between 90%-98%. By fixing upper limit (a) as 98%, a threshold value (TV) of 0.051 was obtained based on relationship based on window length (L) as :

$$TV = 1 - (1 - a / 100)^{\frac{26}{L-1}} \quad (14)$$

Values of coherence below this limit can be neglected as there is a lack of linear association between two signals. It can be seen that the coherence plots that traces have values well above the defined limits in some frequency ranges. In order to focus on combustion process, the attention must be turned towards selection of frequency band showing high amount of correlation between noise and cylinder pressure signals can be seen. For given test conditions this band was found to be 500-1000Hz. The noise and pressure signals were

filtered in this frequency band to analyze the combustion process. Results can be seen in figures 12-15.

There are clearly two peaks visible in the filtered pressure signals before TDC position of 0° which corresponds to pre and main ignition events. Filtered noise signals also showed high amplitude near TDC which may be attributed to noise due to high piston slapping motion.

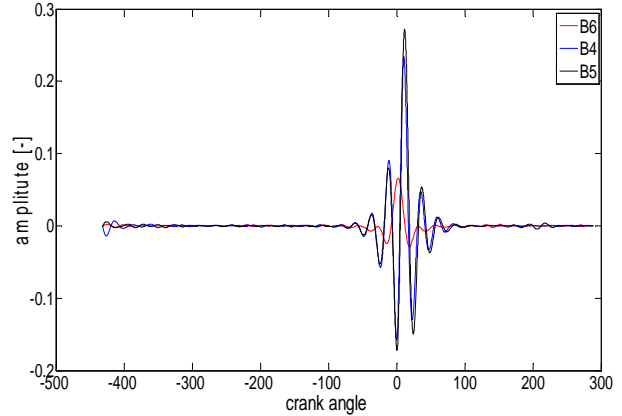


Figure 15-Filtered Pressure signals(2000RPM)

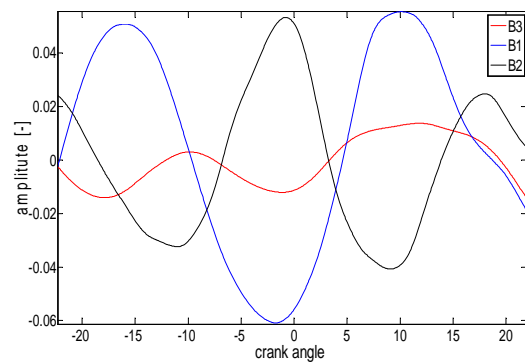


Figure 16-Filtered Noise signals(1600RPM)

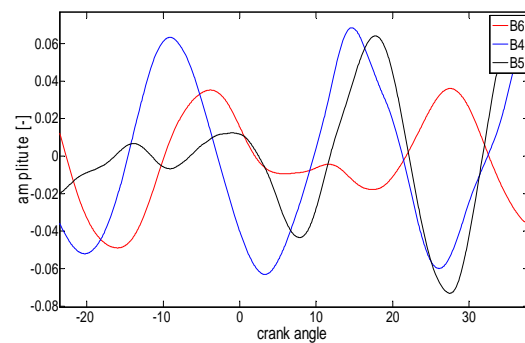


Figure 17-Filtered Noise signals(2000RPM)

4. CONCLUSION

This work explores the use of non-intrusive method to study the diesel engines. The proposed methodology is based on acquisition of pressure and noise signals from engine by means of various sensors. In regular engine running conditions an automatic procedure to control performance may be based upon control of injection parameters using ECU unit. The signals acquired may be used to define a frequency band in which combustion process dominates. The data thus acquired may be used

as a feed back to control injection parameters to control noise and vibrations emitted from engine.

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NOMENCLATURE

- Q_{pre} - Amount of fuel injected during pre-injection Period (mm^3 per stoke)
- Q_{main} - Amount of fuel injected during main-injection Period (mm^3 per stoke)
- SOI_{pre} -Angle of start of pre-injection period (degrees before Top Dead Center)
- SOI_{main} - Angle of start of main-injection period (degrees before Top Dead Center)
- P rail - Injection Pressure of fuel inside cylinder
- BTDC-Before Top Dead Center
- FFT-Fast Fourier Transformations

ПРИКАЗ АКУСТИКЕ ДИЗЕЛ МОТОРА

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Бука коју емитују дизел мотори може се моделовати помоћу дијаграма кохерентности коришћењем једно-излазне, више-улазне методе. Извори буке код дизел мотора могу се одредити и упоређивати помоћу спектра буке код притиска у цилиндру пре и после елиминисања различитих извора буке у циљу одређивања њихових ефеката. Радови Придеа су допринели бољем разумевању елемената буке код дизел мотора [1]. Циљ овога рада јесте примена модела кохерентности у проучавању феномена акустике код дизел мотора.