

#### DGEN Aeropropulsion Research Turbofan (DART) Core/Combustor-Noise Infinite-Tube-Probe (ITP) Transfer Function

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#### Introduction

- Direct measurement of unsteady pressure in engine core is often impossible due to extreme temperature environment
- Remote measurement is necessary and it's done by using infinite-tube probe (ITP) configurations
  - ITP includes (1) sense line, (2) transducer tee and (3) "semi-infinite" coil
  - Discontinuities must be avoided, but some are inevitable (e.g. volume related to transducer in tee)



### **ITP Benchtop Test Objectives**



- Infinite-tube probe (ITP) benchtop testing
  - Determine frequency response (transfer) function relating remote measurement to pressure field at location of interest
  - Spectral magnitude loss and phase lag relative to a flush-mounted microphone
  - Perform parametric variations to understand effects and explore potential design improvements for current and future configurations





### Experiment Setup

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- Normal incidence tube (NIT) at GRC used with a modified termination (hard wall instead of test coupon)
- Integrated flush-mounted pressure-field microphone and Kulite differential unsteady pressure transducer
- ITP sense line installed alongside flush-mounted transducers





### Setup Continued



- NIT is  $2 in \times 2 in$  square impedance tube capable of producing tones in the range of 500-3000 Hz
- National Instruments hardware used with LabVIEW for data acquisition



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## Configurations

- Varying several physical parameters of the ITP configuration:
  - Infinite-line coil length (presented here-others remain)
  - Sense-line length
  - Tee design/ITP diameter
  - Introducing purge flow (nitrogen or shop air)
  - Thermocouple location
  - Thermal gradient within sense line



### Auto-Spectra for All Sensors in Different Configs





- ITP without semi-infinite coil
- Follows flush-mounted sensors poorly
- Both configurations capped

- ITP with semi-infinite coil
- Retains shape with slight attenuation

2500 3000

### Transfer Function for Capped ITP Without Coil



- ITP without semi-infinite coil
- Experimental results are same shape as theory, but poor representation at any given frequency
- Ideal case assumes infinite length beyond tee, i.e. complete attenuation of reflections

### Transfer Function for Capped ITP With Coil



- ITP with semi-infinite coil and capped termination
- Magnitude retains shape with slight attenuation and exhibits undulations not represented in ideal case, which assumes no cavity volume at transducer tee
- Phase lag matches the ideal case well at all frequencies, indicating little dispersion



### Transfer Function for Uncapped ITP With Coil



- ITP with semi-infinite coil and <u>un</u>capped termination
- Transfer function shape is identical to capped termination within experimental error
- Implies that length of "infinite-line" is adequate to completely attenuate pressure reflections from a finite line termination



### Summary and Plan Forward



- Tested configurations of ITPs used in 2017 DART testing
- Overall, the ITP appears to match theoretical predictions reasonably well
- We plan to continue with parametric variations as discussed
- Intend to develop a representative theoretical curve for given configurations, thus avoiding need to test every one
- Collaboration with colleagues using ITPs, SIPs, ETCs is desired

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#### Backup Slide: Equations



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$$H(f) \equiv \frac{\hat{p}_1}{\hat{p}_0} = e^{-\mathcal{H}L_S} \left[ \frac{1 + Q e^{-2\mathcal{H}(L_S + L_I)}}{1 + Q e^{-2\mathcal{H}L_I}} + \frac{\gamma V_T}{n_T 2\pi r_o^2 \mathcal{H}} \left(\frac{\omega}{c_o}\right)^2 \frac{J_0(\alpha)}{J_2(\alpha)} \left(1 - e^{-2\mathcal{H}L_S}\right) \right]^{-1}$$
$$\alpha = e^{i\pi/4} W,$$
$$W = \sqrt{\omega r_o^2/\nu},$$
$$\mathcal{H}^2 = \left(\frac{\omega}{c_o}\right)^2 \frac{J_0(\alpha)}{J_2(\alpha)} \left[\gamma + (\gamma - 1) \frac{J_2(\alpha')}{J_0(\alpha')}\right].$$