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## **LIST OF SYMBOLS**

[ <i>A(ik)</i> ]	Unsteady Aerodynamics Matrix
[AIC]	Aerodynamics Influence Coefficient Matrix
[C]	Viscous Damping Matrix
[ <b>F</b> ]	External Forces
[ <b>K</b> ]	Stiffness Matrix
[L]	Fluid-Structure Coupling Matrix
[ <b>M</b> ]	Mass Matrix
[ <b>T</b> ]	Fluid-Structure Coupling Matrix
а	Monopole or Pulsating Sphere Radius
b	Wing Chord/Span Chosen for Convenience
С	Constant for BEM Equation, or Speed of Sound
Ср	Pressure Coefficient
f	Frequency
g	Free Space Green's Function
G	Influence Coefficient Matrix
Н	Influence Coefficient Matrix
i	Field Point
j	Source Point
k	Reduced Frequency
$k_w$	Wave Number
Ν	Shape Function
$n_0$	Surface Unit Normal Vector
p	Total Acoustic Pressure
$p_{inc}$	Incident Acoustic Pressure
$ ho_{ m sc}$	Scattering Acoustic Pressure
q	Generalized Coordinates
$q_{\infty}$	Dynamic Pressure of the Fluid Surrounding the Structure
R	Point Anywhere in Fluid Domain
$R_0$	Point Located on the Boundary Surface S
S	Closed Surface or Boundary
V	Normal Velocity
$V_{ext}$	Exterior Region in Problem Domain
V	Region on Problem Domain
Λ	Imaginary Surface

- ho Density of Material or Fluid/Gas
- $\delta$  Kronecker's Delta Function
- λ Wave Length

### LIST OF ABBREVIATION

AAC Acoustic-Aeroelastic Coupling
BAH Bisplinghoff, Ashley, and Halfman

BE Boundary Element

BEM Boundary Element Method
BIE Boundary Integral Equation

BIEM Boundary Integral Element Method

DLM Doublet Lattice Method
DPM Doublet Point Method

FE Finite Element

FEM Finite Element Method

NASP National Aero Space Plane

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## GANDINGAN BEM-FEM UNTUK KESAN AKUSTIK KEATAS KESTABILAN AEROANJALAN STRUKTUR

#### **ABSTRAK**

Satu siri kerja telah dijalankan untuk membangunkan satu asas bagi skim komputasi dalam pengiraan pengaruh gangguan akustik terhadap kestabilan aeroanjalan struktur.

Pendekatan am merangkumi tiga bahagian. Bahagian pertama adalah formulasi perambatan gelombang akustik yang ditakrifkan oleh Persamaan Helmholtz dengan menggunakan pendekatan Elemen Batas; yang membolehkan pengiraan tekanan akustik pada batas-batas akustik-struktur. Masalah dinamik struktur ini diformulasikan dengan menggunakan Kaedah Elemen Terhingga. Bahagian ketiga pula melibatkan penentuan beban aerodinamik yang tidak stabil pada struktur melalui pendekatan komputasi aerodinamik yang am.

Sepertimana masalah kestabilan aeroanjalan dinamik dilihat, kesan gangguan tekanan akustik terhadap struktur aeroanjalan dianggap merangkumi tekanan akustik insiden yang bebas daripada pergerakan struktur dan tekanan akustik yang bergantung pada pergerakan struktur. Ini ditakrifkan sebagai analogi aerodinamik akustik.

Dalam proses pembangunan ini, penumpuan teliti telah diberikan kepada masalah taburan akustik. Persamaan yang menakrifkan masalah akustik-aerodinamik ini kemudiannya telah diformulasikan dengan melingkungi tekanan total (insiden ditambah dengan tekanan tertabur), dan analogi aerodinamik akustik. Satu pendekatan am untuk menyelesaikan persamaan takrifan ini sebagai satu persamaan stabiliti telah diformulasikan untuk membolehkan pengunifikasian penyelesaian masalah ini.

## BEM-FEM COUPLING FOR ACOUSTIC EFFECTS ON AEROELASTIC STABILITY OF STRUCTURES

#### **ABSTRACT**

A series of work has been carried out to develop the foundation for the computational scheme for the calculation of the influence of the acoustic disturbance to the aeroelastic stability of the structure.

The generic approach consists of three parts. The first is the formulation of the acoustic wave propagation governed by the Helmholtz equation by using boundary element approach, which then allows the calculation of the acoustic pressure on the acoustic-structure boundaries. The structural dynamic problem is formulated using finite element approach. The third part involves the calculation of the unsteady aerodynamics loading on the structure using generic unsteady aerodynamics computational method.

Analogous to the treatment of dynamic aeroelastic stability problem of structure, the effect of acoustic pressure disturbance to the aeroelastic structure is considered to consist of structural motion independent incident acoustic pressure and structural motion dependent acoustic pressure, referred to as the acoustic aerodynamic analogy.

In the present development, rigorous consideration has been devoted to the acoustic scattering problem. The governing equation for the acousto-aeroelastic problem is then formulated incorporating the total pressure (incident plus scattering pressure), and the acoustic aerodynamic analogy. A generic approach to solve the governing equation as a stability equation is formulated allowing a unified treatment of the problem.

## CHAPTER ONE INTRODUCTION

## 1.0 Background

Aeroelasticity deals with the science that studies the mutual interaction between aerodynamic forces and elastic forces for an aerospace vehicle. One of the major research areas in the field of aeroelasticity is flutter control. Flutter is a physical phenomenon that occurs in a solid elastic structure interacting with a flow of gas or fluid. Flutter is a structural dynamical instability, which consists of violent vibrations of the solid structure with rapidly increasing amplitude. It usually results either in serious damage of the structure or in its complete destruction. Flutter occurs when the parameters characterizing fluid-structure interaction reach certain critical values. The physical reason for this phenomenon is that under special conditions, the energy of the flow is rapidly absorbed by the structure and transformed into the energy of mechanical vibrations. In engineering practice, flutter must be avoided either by design of the structure or by introducing a control mechanism capable of suppressing harmful vibrations. Flutter is known as an inherent feature of fluid-structure interaction and, thus, it cannot be eliminated completely. However, the critical conditions for flutter onset can be shifted to the safe range of the operating parameters. This is the ultimate goal for the design of flutter control mechanisms [1].

Efforts to suppress flutter could be done both passive flutter suppression (with redistribution of wing's mass and rigidity) and active flutter suppression (by actuating the control surfaces on the wing). Various active flutter suppression methods such as active control system using optimal control, adaptive control, neural networks, etc, have been implemented. But there are many other alternatives that can be implemented for flutter suppression system. One of the emerging innovations is, using sound waves as

an alternative for flutter suppression system. The idea stems from the fact that the interaction between sound and structure could create vibration.

Structure-acoustic interaction, in particular the vibration of structures due to sound waves, is a significant issue that is found in many applications. Historically, the approach to the analysis of situations embodying the interaction of vibrating elastic structures with an ambient acoustic fluid has evolved through a sequence of distinct stages. Early analytical attempts were typically motivated by practical applications. Thus the first interaction analyses were prompted by the development of underwater sound sources required for echo-ranging submerged targets, originally icebergs, after the Titanic's tragedy (1912), and then submarines 'during World War I. While interaction phenomena are generally associated with submerged structures, many of the early radiation loading studies were stimulated by the development of loudspeakers, i.e. by structures whose low structural impedance does not dwarf the light radiation loading exerted by the atmosphere.

In early 1960's an energy formulation of the acoustic-structure interaction problems has been developed, this formulation set the stage for the application of finite element methods to cavity-structure analysis. This numerical method makes the consideration of complex cavity and structure geometry, structure boundary condition, and acoustic boundary condition conceptually no more difficult than simpler problems. Three different formulations were derived using the pressure, fluid particle displacement, or velocity potential as the fundamental unknowns in the fluid region. The finite element approach for the structural-acoustic interaction problem seems well developed in 1970. As a powerful alternative to the finite element method, the boundary element method (BEM) or the boundary integral element method (BIEM) had its beginnings in the early 1960s based on the boundary integral equation theory developed in 1800s and 1900s. Most of the boundary element method applications in

acoustics focused on the acoustic radiation and scattering problems, where finite element methods have an incompatible advantage for dealing with infinite domain [2]. Due to many engineering problems which are not ideally suited for either the boundary element or finite element method, a combination of both methods seem to be the most efficient way of analysis.

Another intensive research area in acoustic-structure field is an acoustic excitation of the aircraft structure that has been one of the main concerns during certain flight operations, as exhibited by the acoustic loads on B-52 wing during take off as reported by Edson [3], which reaches acoustic sound pressure levels as high as 164 dB. Modern new and relatively lighter aircrafts may be subject to higher acoustic sound pressure level, such as predicted for the NASP [4]. Typical structural acoustic and high frequency vibration problems that can severely and adversely affect spacecraft structures and their payloads have also been lucidly described by Eaton [5]. For many classes of structures exhibiting a plate-like vibration behavior, such as antennas and solar panels, their low-order mode response is likely to be of greatest importance. Assessment of combined acoustical and quasi-static loads may be significant. The stages in the evolution of approaches to the vibrations of elastic shells and plates in an acoustic fluid and to the resulting sound field have been described by Junger [6].

Modeling of structural-acoustic interaction by using coupled BEM-FEM approaches has been attempted by many investigators such as given by Holström [7], Marquez, Meddahi, and Selgas [8] who considered two dimensional fluid-solid interaction problem, Zhang, Wu, and Lee [9] who considered acoustic radiation from bodies submerged in a subsonic non-uniform flow field, Chen, Ju, and Cha [10] who considered symmetric formulation to compute responses of submerged elastic structures in a heavy acoustic medium, Tong, Zhang, and Hua [11] who considered vibration and acoustic radiation characteristics of a submerged structure, Citarella,

Federico and Cicatiello [12] who considered vibro-acoustic analysis in automobile compartment, and Chuh Mei and Pates [13,14], who also considered the control of acoustic pressure using piezoelectric actuators by using coupled BE/FE Method. A common feature of those investigations is the joining of the boundary element method with the finite element method. The finite element method was used to model the structures, while fluid domain was handled by a boundary element method.

#### 1.1 Problem Definition

Active flutter suppression system using sound wave can be categorized as a class of fluid-structure interaction problem. Hence the aerodynamics loads, acoustic loads and elastic structure problem must be solved simultaneously. Fluid-structure interaction should be described by a system of partial differential equations, a system that contains both the equations governing the vibrations of an elastic structure and the aerodynamic and acoustic equations governing the motion of fluid flow. The system of equations of motion should be supplied with appropriate boundary and initial conditions. The structural, aerodynamic, and acoustic parts of the system must be coupled in the following sense. The aerodynamic and acoustic equations define a pressure distribution on the elastic structure. This pressure distribution in turn defines the so-called aerodynamic and acoustic loads, which appear as forcing terms in structural equations. On the other hand, the parameters of the elastic structure enter the boundary conditions for the aerodynamic and acoustic equation.

The aerodynamic forces applied on the structure can be generally split into two parts; the external aerodynamic forces (motion independent) and motion induced aerodynamic forces. The external aerodynamic forces are usually provided, typical example are the continuous atmospheric turbulence, impulsive-type gusts, store ejection forces or control surface aerodynamic forces due to pilot's input command. The generation of motion induced aerodynamic forces normally relies on the theoretical

prediction that requires the unsteady aerodynamic computations. Since this type of forces depends on the structural deformation, the relationship can be interpreted as an aerodynamic feedback.

Analogous to the treatment of dynamic aeroelastic stability problem of structure, in which the aerodynamic effects can be distinguished into motion independent and motion induced aerodynamic forces, the effect of acoustic pressure disturbance to the aeroelastic structure (acousto-aero-elastic problem) can be viewed to consist of structural motion independent incident acoustic pressure and structural motion dependent acoustic pressure, which is known as the scattering pressure. This can be referred to as the acoustic aerodynamic analogy.

Due to the complex geometry of many structural problems, numerical methods have become the tool of choice. The finite element method (FEM) is a well established technique that offers many advantages when modeling the structure. The boundary element method (BEM) has become a popular technique when modeling acoustic domains.

#### 1.2 Objective

The overall objective of the present study was to establish a computational procedure for the effects of acoustic disturbance to the aeroelastic stability of structure through rigorous formulation and validation and gets the overall problem solved through viable and reproducible computational routine. To perform this task, the generic approaches that consist of three parts are considered. The first part involves the formulation of the acoustic wave propagation governed by the Helmholtz equation by using boundary element approach, which then allows the calculation of the acoustic pressure on the acoustic-structure boundaries. The second part addresses the structural dynamic problem using finite element approach. The acoustic-structure

interaction is then given special attention to formulate the BEM-FEM fluid-structure coupling. The third part involves the calculation of the unsteady aerodynamic loading on the structure using a conveniently chosen unsteady aerodynamics computational method. Fig. 1.1 shows the integration strategy for the calculation of the acoustic effects on aeroelastic structure.

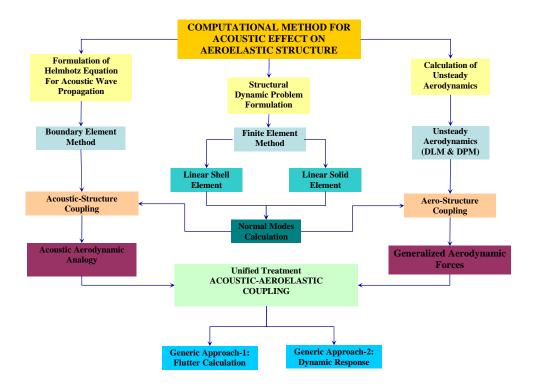


Figure 1.1: Integration strategy for the calculation of the acoustic effects on aeroelastic stability of structure

A simplified yet illustrative and instructive example has been worked out, and the computational scheme has been validated using classical results. The purpose was to develop an in-house computational scheme using MATLAB® which is considered user friendly for instructional as well as further development purposes.

#### 1.3 Thesis Outline

Outline of this thesis will start with introduction, where the background, problem definition, and objective of this thesis are briefly discussed.

The next step is chapter two, which primarily will deals with Helmhotz integral equation for the three dimensional acoustic field. Next the discretization of Helmhotz integral equation into boundary element equations and derivation of the influence coefficient matrix **H** and **G** using standard procedure for iso-parametric four node quadrilateral linear boundary elements treatment are implemented. The objective is to develop and validate the boundary element method as an accurate numerical technique for acoustic domains. Some case studies to perform the correctness of the in-house developed BEM computational program written in MATLAB® are also given

Chapter three will discuss the linear finite element formulation of the structure. The objective is to acquire a finite element program to accurately model the structural system and obtain pertinent linear theory information needed to couple with the boundary element method. Some case studies to perform the correctness of the inhouse developed FEM computational program written in MATLAB® are also given

Chapter four, the coupled BEM-FEM formulation representing fluid structure interaction problem will be described for structure-acoustic application. The objective involves coupling the boundary element method and the finite element method to model the total coupled system. Some case studies to perform the correctness of the in-house developed coupled BEM-FEM computational program written in MATLAB® are also given.

Chapter five, the unsteady aerodynamic loads formulation using Doublet Point Method (DPM), aero-structure coupling and flutter calculation using K-method will be

described for structure-acoustic application. The objective is to develop and validate the unsteady aerodynamic loads calculation (DPM) and flutter calculation using K-Method as an accurate numerical computational routine for further utilization in acoustic-aeroelastic stability calculation. Some case studies to perform the correctness of the in-house developed unsteady aerodynamic computational program as well as flutter calculation using K-Method written in MATLAB® are also given

Subsequently in chapter six, BEM-FEM acoustic-aeroelastic (AAC) coupling representing acoustic-aerodynamic-structure interaction problem will be described for the calculation of the influence of the acoustic disturbance to the aeroelastic stability of the structure application. The objective involves coupling the boundary element method and the finite element method for acoustic-structure interaction and incorporating aero-structure coupling to model the total coupled system. Some case studies to perform the correctness of the in-house developed BEM-FEM acoustic-aeroelastic coupling (AAC) computational program written in MATLAB® are also given.

Chapter seven finally serves as the summary and conclusions chapter, whereby the essence of this thesis is succinctly revisited to conclude the works that has been retained, and where further refinement of the method is proposed for further works in the future.

## CHAPTER TWO BOUNDARY ELEMENT FORMULATION

#### 2.0 Introduction

In this chapter, Helmhotz integral equation for the three dimensional acoustic field is considered. Next the discretization of Helmhotz integral equation into boundary element equations and derivation of the influence coefficient matrix H and G using standard procedure for iso-parametric four node quadrilateral linear boundary elements treatment are implemented. The objective is to develop and validate the boundary element method as an accurate numerical technique for acoustic domains. Some case studies to perform the correctness of the in-house developed BEM computational program written in MATLAB® are also given.

The Boundary Element Method (BEM) is a numerical analysis technique used to obtain solutions to the partial differential equations of a variety of physical problems with well defined boundary conditions [15]. The differential equation, which is defined over the entire problem domain, is transformed into a surface integral equation over the surfaces that enclosed entirely the problem domain. The surface integral equation can then be solved by discretizing the surfaces into smaller regions - boundary elements. A major advantage of the boundary element method over the finite element method is that the discretization occurs only on the surfaces rather than over the entire domain, and the number of boundary elements required is generally a lot less than the number of finite elements required. This is particularly advantageous for acoustic applications where the problem domain often involves the entire three dimensional spaces in free field.

## 2.1 Helmholtz Integral Equation for the Acoustic Field

For an exterior acoustic problem, as depicted in Fig. 2.1, the problem domain V is the free space  $V_{\rm ext}$  outside the closed surface S. V is considered enclosed in between the surface S and an imaginary surface  $\Lambda$  at a sufficiently large distance from the acoustic sources and the surface S such that the boundary condition on  $\Lambda$  satisfies Sommerfeld's acoustic radiation condition as the distance approaches infinity.

For time-harmonic acoustic problems in fluid domains, the corresponding boundary integral equation is the Helmholtz integral equation [16].

$$cp(R) = \int_{S} \left( p(R) \frac{\partial g}{\partial n_0} - g(|R - R_0|) \frac{\partial p}{\partial n_0} \right) dS$$
 (2.1)

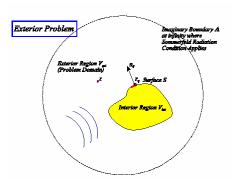


Figure 2.1: Exterior problem for homogeneous Helmholtz equation

where  $n_0$  is the surface unit normal vector, and the value of c depends on the location of R in the fluid domain, and where g the free-space Green's function.  $R_0$  denote a point located on the boundary S, as given by

$$g(|R-R_0|) = \frac{e^{-ik|R-R_0|}}{4\pi |R-R_0|}$$
 (2.2)

To solve Eq. (2.1) with g given by Eq. (2.2), one of the two physical properties, acoustic pressure and normal velocity, must be known at every point on the boundary surface. At the infinite boundary  $\Lambda$ , the Sommerfeld radiation condition in three dimensions can be written as [16]:

$$\lim_{|R-R_0|\to\infty} r\left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial r} + ikg\right) \Rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } r \Rightarrow \infty, \ r = |R-R_0|$$
 (2.3)

which is satisfied by the fundamental solution.

The total pressure, which consists of incident and scattering pressure, serves as an acoustic excitation on the structure. The integral equation for the total wave is given by

$$cp(R) - p_{inc}(R) = \int_{S} \left[ \rho(R) \frac{\partial g(R - R_0)}{\partial n_0} - \frac{\partial \rho(r)}{\partial n_0} g(R - R_0) \right] dS$$
 (2.4)

where  $p = p_{inc} + p_{scattering}$ , and where

$$c = \begin{cases} 1, & R \in V_{ext} \\ 1/2, & R \in S \\ \Omega/4\pi, & R \in S \text{ (non smooth surface)} \\ 0, & R \in V_{int} \end{cases}$$
 (2.5)

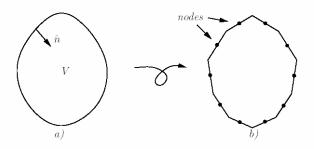


Figure 2.2: Discretizing the continues surfaces a) into smaller regions - boundary elements b)

### 2.2 Discretization into BE Equations

The Helmholtz equation is then dicretized by dividing the boundary surface *S* into N elements as depicted in Fig.2.2. The discretized boundary integral equation becomes,

$$cp_{i} - p_{inc} - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \int_{S} p\overline{g}dS = i\rho_{0}\omega \sum_{i=1}^{N} \int_{S} gvdS$$
 (2.6)

where i indicates field point, j source point and  $S_j$  surface element j, and for convenience,  $\overline{g}$  is defined as

$$\bar{g} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial n} \tag{2.7}$$

Let

$$\overline{H}_{ij} = \int_{S_i} \overline{g} dS$$
 (2.8),  $G_{ij} = \int_{S_i} g dS$  (2.9)

Substituting g in Eq. (2.2) to be the monopole Green's free-space fundamental solution, it follows that:

$$G_{ij} = \int_{S} g dS = \int_{S} g(|R_{j} - R_{i}|) dS = \int_{S} \frac{e^{-ik(|R_{j} - R_{i}|)}}{4\pi(|R_{j} - R_{i}|)} dS$$
(2.10)

or, in Cartesian coordinate system,

$$G_{ij} = \int_{S_j} \frac{e^{-ik\sqrt{(x_j - x_i)^2 + (y_j - y_i)^2 + (z_j - z_i)^2}}}{4\pi\sqrt{(x_j - x_i)^2 + (y_j - y_i)^2 + (z_j - z_i)^2}} dS$$
 (2.11)

where  $R_j$  is the coordinate vector of the midpoint of element j and  $R_i$  is the coordinate vector of the node i. In the development that follows, four-node iso-parametric quadrilateral elements are used throughout. To calculate  $\overline{H}_{ij}$ , the derivative  $\overline{g}$  has to be evaluated

$$\overline{H}_{ij} = \int_{S_j} \overline{g} dS = \int_{S_j} \frac{\partial g}{\partial \hat{n}} dS = \int_{S_j} (\nabla g)^T \hat{n} dS$$
(2.12)

where

$$\hat{n} = \begin{bmatrix} n_x \\ n_y \\ n_z \end{bmatrix} \tag{2.13}$$

and

$$\nabla g = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{xe^{-ik\sqrt{(x_{i}-x_{j})^{2}+(y_{i}-y_{j})^{2}+(z_{i}-z_{j})^{2}}}{4\pi\sqrt{(x_{i}-x_{j})^{2}+(y_{i}-y_{j})^{2}+(z_{i}-z_{j})^{2}}} \\ -\frac{ye^{-ik\sqrt{(x_{i}-x_{j})^{2}+(y_{i}-y_{j})^{2}+(z_{i}-z_{j})^{2}}}}{4\pi\sqrt{(x_{i}-x_{j})^{2}+(y_{i}-y_{j})^{2}+(z_{i}-z_{j})^{2}}} \\ -\frac{ze^{-ik\sqrt{(x_{i}-x_{j})^{2}+(y_{i}-y_{j})^{2}+(z_{i}-z_{j})^{2}}}}{4\pi\sqrt{(x_{i}-x_{j})^{2}+(y_{i}-y_{j})^{2}+(z_{i}-z_{j})^{2}}} \\ -\frac{ze^{-ik\sqrt{(x_{i}-x_{j})^{2}+(y_{i}-y_{j})^{2}+(z_{i}-z_{j})^{2}}}}{4\pi\sqrt{(x_{i}-x_{j})^{2}+(y_{i}-y_{j})^{2}+(z_{i}-z_{j})^{2}}} \\ [ik + \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x_{i}-x_{j})^{2}+(y_{i}-y_{j})^{2}+(z_{i}-z_{j})^{2}}}} \\ (2.14)$$

For a four-node iso-parametric quadrilateral element, the pressure p and the normal velocity v at any position on the element can be defined by their nodal values and linear shape functions, i.e.

$$v(\xi,\eta) = N_1 v_1 + N_2 v_2 + N_3 v_3 + N_4 v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} N_1 & N_2 & N_3 & N_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (2.15)

$$p(\xi,\eta) = N_1 p_1 + N_2 p_2 + N_3 p_3 + N_4 p_4 = \begin{bmatrix} N_1 & N_2 & N_3 & N_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ p_4 \end{bmatrix}$$
(2.16)

where the shape functions in the element coordinate system as depicted in Fig. 2.3 are,

$$N_{1} = \frac{1}{4}(\xi - 1)(\eta - 1) \qquad N_{2} = -\frac{1}{4}(\xi + 1)(\eta - 1)$$

$$N_{3} = \frac{1}{4}(\xi + 1)(\eta + 1) \qquad N_{4} = -\frac{1}{4}(\xi - 1)(\eta + 1)$$
(2.17)

The four node quadrilateral element can have any arbitrary orientation in the threedimensional space. Using the shape functions (2.17), the integral on the left hand side of Eq. (2.6), considered over one element j, can be written as:

$$\int_{S_{j}} p \overline{g_{j}} ds = \int_{S_{j}} [N_{1} \quad N_{2} \quad N_{3} \quad N_{4}] \overline{g}_{j} dS \begin{bmatrix} p_{1} \\ p_{2} \\ p_{3} \\ p_{4} \end{bmatrix}_{j} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{h}_{ij}^{1} & \overline{h}_{ij}^{2} & \overline{h}_{ij}^{3} & \overline{h}_{ij}^{4} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_{1} \\ p_{2} \\ p_{3} \\ p_{4} \end{bmatrix}_{j}$$
(2.18)

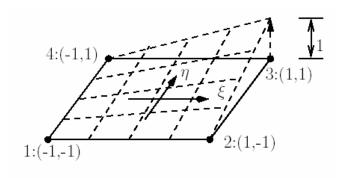


Figure 2.3: Shape function N3 for a four node elements

while that on the right hand side

$$\int_{S_{j}} gvdS = \int_{S_{j}} [N_{1} \quad N_{2} \quad N_{3} \quad N_{4}] g_{i}dS \begin{bmatrix} v_{1} \\ v_{2} \\ v_{3} \\ v_{4} \end{bmatrix}_{j} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{ij}^{1} & g_{ij}^{2} & g_{ij}^{3} & g_{ij}^{n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{1} \\ v_{2} \\ v_{3} \\ v_{4} \end{bmatrix}_{j}$$
(2.19)

where

$$\overline{h}^{k}_{ij} = \int_{S_j} N_k \overline{g}_j dS \qquad \qquad k = 1, 2, 3, 4$$
 (2.20)

The integration in Eq. (2.18) and (2.19) can be carried out using Gauss points [7,17]. These Gauss points in the iso-parametric system are defined as:

$$(\xi_{1}, \eta_{1}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (1, -1) \qquad (\xi_{2}, \eta_{2}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (1, 1)$$

$$(\xi_{3}, \eta_{3}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (-1, 1) \qquad (\xi_{4}, \eta_{4}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (-1, -1)$$

$$(2.22)$$

Substituting equations (2.18) and (2.19) into equation (2.6) for all elements j, there is obtained

$$c_{i} \rho_{i} - \rho_{inc} - \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^{N} \left[ \overline{h}_{ij}^{1} \quad \overline{h}_{ij}^{2} \quad \overline{h}_{ij}^{3} \quad \overline{h}_{ij}^{4} \right] \begin{bmatrix} \rho_{1} \\ \rho_{2} \\ \rho_{3} \\ \rho_{4} \end{bmatrix}_{j} = i \rho \omega_{0} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \left[ g_{ij}^{1} \quad g_{ij}^{2} \quad g_{ij}^{3} \quad g_{ij}^{4} \right] \begin{bmatrix} v_{n1} \\ v_{n2} \\ v_{n3} \\ v_{n4} \end{bmatrix}_{j}$$

$$(2.23)$$

Equation (2.23) can be rewritten as

$$\sum_{j=1}^{N} \left[ h^{1}_{ij} \quad h^{2}_{ij} \quad h^{3}_{ij} \quad h^{4}_{ij} \right] \begin{bmatrix} \rho_{1} \\ \rho_{2} \\ \rho_{3} \\ \rho_{4} \end{bmatrix}_{i} = i \rho \omega_{0} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \left[ g^{1}_{ij} \quad g^{2}_{ij} \quad g^{3}_{ij} \quad g^{4}_{ij} \right] \begin{bmatrix} v_{n1} \\ v_{n2} \\ v_{n3} \\ v_{n4} \end{bmatrix}_{i} + \rho_{inc} \quad (2.24)$$

The discretized equation forms a set of simultaneous linear equations, which relates the pressure  $p_i$  at field point i due to the boundary conditions p to v at source surface  $S_i$  of element i and the incident pressure  $p_{inc}$ . In matrix form:

$$[\mathbf{H}]\{\boldsymbol{p}\} = i\rho_0\omega[\mathbf{G}]\{\boldsymbol{v}\} + \{\boldsymbol{p}_{inc}\}$$
 (2.25)

where, **H** and **G** are two  $N \times N$  matrices of influence coefficients, while p and v are vectors of dimension N representing total pressure and normal velocity on the boundary elements. This matrix equation can be solved if the boundary condition  $v = \partial p/\partial n$  and the incident acoustic pressure field  $p_{inc}$  are known.

### 2.3 Implemented BEM Formulation

Based on the BEM formulation for four node iso-parametric quadrilateral linear acoustic elements, a computational routine written in MATLAB® have been developed and implemented in order to solve BEM problems for time-harmonic acoustic fluid domains. The programs routine can be described in the following steps:

 The element discretization is supplied by using commercial meshing software such as PATRAN®.

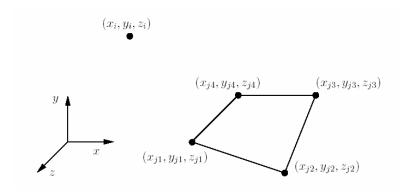


Figure 2.4: Four node linear three dimensional acoustic boundary element j, that is influencing a node located at  $R_i$ 

- Compute the influence vectors **He** and **Ge** for each four node linear three dimensional acoustic boundary element j, that is influencing a node located at  $R_i = (x_i, y_i, z_i)$  as shown in Fig. 2.4.
- Compute the space angle constant for a node on a non-smooth surface. For a node coinciding with three or four element corners, the space angle constant Ce is the quotient of  $\Omega/4\pi$  and it's towards the acoustic medium as shown in Fig. 2.5. The space angle for a sphere is  $4\pi$  and for smooth surface the space angle is  $2\pi$ , and Ce = 1.
- Assembly all local element influence matrix He and Ge into the global influence matrix H and G according to each degree of freedom.
- Solve the acoustic BEM equations by adding the known prescribed physical boundary condition (pressure, normal velocity or impedance), the output are vectors providing the node boundary pressure and/or the node normal velocity.
- Compute induced acoustic pressure at an arbitrary point in a three dimensional fluid domain.

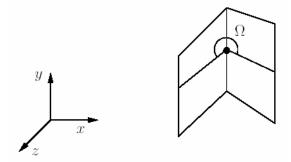


Figure 2.5: Space angle constant Ce for a node on a non-smooth surface

#### 2.4 Acoustic BEM Numerical Simulation

In order to verify the correctness of the developed boundary elements acoustic formulation, a numerical test case is conducted to test the validity of the method. To avoid complexity, the assumed acoustic source, is monopole source which creates the acoustic pressure. For a pulsating sphere an exact solution for acoustic pressure p at a

distance r from the center of a sphere with radius a pulsating with uniform radial velocity  $U_a$  is

$$p(r) = \frac{a}{r} U_a \frac{i Z_0 k a}{1 + i k a} e^{-i k (r - a)}$$
(2.26)

where  $z_0$  is the acoustic characteristic impedance of the medium and k is the wave number.

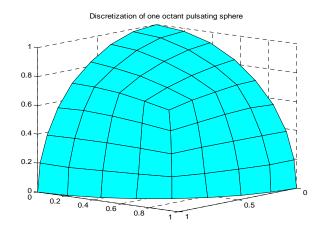


Figure 2.6: Discretization of one octant pulsating sphere

Fig. 2.6 shows the discretization of the surface elements of an acoustics pulsating sphere representing a monopole source. BEM calculation for scattering pressure from acoustic monopole source will be compared with exact results. The results are exhibited in Fig.2.7 where the calculated surface pressures on the pulsating sphere are shown. The calculation was based on the assumption of f=10 Hz,  $\rho$ =1.225 Kg/m3, and c=340 m/s which shows the excellent agreement between the computational procedure developed and the exact one. In Fig. 2.8, the excellent agreement of BEM calculation for acoustic pressures anywhere in three dimensional fluid domains with exact calculation serves to validate the developed MATLAB® program for further utilization.

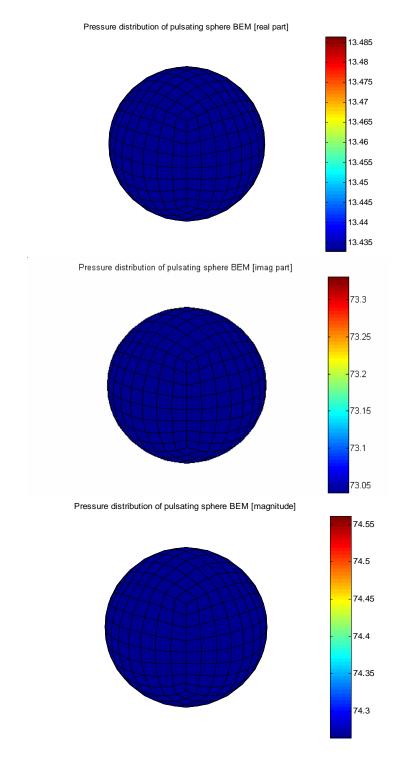


Figure 2.7: BEM surface pressure [Real, Imaginary, and Magnitude]

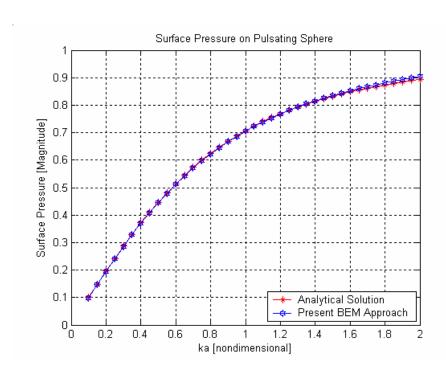


Figure 2.8: Comparison of surface pressure on pulsating sphere; exact and BEM results

## 2.5 Summary

The excellent agreement of BEM calculation for acoustic pressures in three dimensional fluid domains with exact calculation has been carried out and a computational scheme for acoustic boundary element problem has given satisfactory results. Hence, the objective to develop and validate the boundary element method as an accurate numerical technique for acoustic domains has been accomplished and serves to validate the in-house developed BEM computational program written in MATLAB® for further utilization.

## CHAPTER THREE FINITE ELEMENT FORMULATION

#### 3.0 Introduction

In this chapter, linear finite element formulation of the structure is described. The objective is to acquire a finite element program to accurately model the structural system and obtain pertinent linear theory information needed to couple with the boundary element method. Some case studies to perform the correctness of the inhouse developed FEM computational program written in MATLAB® are also given.

The finite element method has become a very powerful tool in analyzing static and dynamic response of structures. The finite element method is capable of handling complex structural analysis. Many rectangular and triangular type finite elements are currently being used in commercial and in-house codes. Any type of finite element can be applied to the following formulation. Two elements selected for this study are considered here; these are an eight node hexahedral for solid element modeling and four node quadrilateral for shell element modeling. The FEM formulation on this chapter is mostly based on Weaver and Johnston [17]. For convenience in further reference and development, as well as for completeness, these formulations are summarized in the following sections.

#### 3.1 Eight node hexahedral solid elements

Formulations for iso-parametric hexahedral linear solid elements with three translational degrees of freedom (DOF) per node are considered.

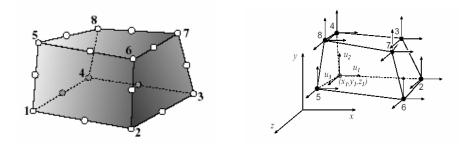


Figure 3.1: Eight node hexahedral solid elements

Nodal quantities will be identified by the node subscript. Thus  $\{x_i, y_i, z_i\}$  denote the node coordinates of the  $i^{th}$  node, while  $\{u_{xi}, u_{yi}, u_{zi}\}$  are the nodal displacement DOFs. The shape function for the  $i^{th}$  node is denoted by  $N_i$ . The element geometry is described by:

$$\begin{bmatrix}
1 \\
x \\
y \\
z
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\
x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_n \\
y_1 & y_2 & \dots & y_n \\
z_1 & z_2 & \dots & z_n
\end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix}
N_1 \\
N_2 \\
\vdots \\
N_n
\end{bmatrix}$$
(3.1)

The four rows of this matrix relation express the geometric conditions which the shape functions must identically satisfy.

$$1 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} N_i \qquad x = \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i N_i \qquad y = \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i N_i \qquad z = \sum_{i=1}^{n} z_i N_i$$
 (3.2)

The first one: sum of shape functions must be unity, is an essential part of the verification of completeness. The displacement interpolation is

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{x} \\ u_{y} \\ u_{z} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{x1} & u_{x2} & \dots & u_{xn} \\ u_{y1} & u_{y2} & \dots & u_{yn} \\ u_{z1} & u_{z2} & \dots & u_{zn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} N_{1} \\ N_{2} \\ \vdots \\ N_{n} \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.3)

The three rows of this matrix relation express the interpolation conditions

$$u_{x} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} u_{x_{i}} N_{i} \qquad u_{y} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} u_{y_{i}} N_{i} \qquad u_{z} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} u_{z_{i}} N_{i}$$
 (3.4)

The identical structure of the geometry definition and displacement interpolation characterizes an iso-parametric element. The interpolation functions for eight node solid element are:

$$N_{1}^{e} = \frac{1}{8} (1 - \xi) (1 - \eta) (1 - \zeta) \qquad N_{5}^{e} = \frac{1}{8} (1 - \xi) (1 - \eta) (1 + \zeta) 
N_{2}^{e} = \frac{1}{8} (1 + \xi) (1 - \eta) (1 - \zeta) \qquad N_{6}^{e} = \frac{1}{8} (1 + \xi) (1 - \eta) (1 + \zeta) 
N_{3}^{e} = \frac{1}{8} (1 + \xi) (1 + \eta) (1 - \zeta) \qquad N_{7}^{e} = \frac{1}{8} (1 + \xi) (1 + \eta) (1 + \zeta) 
N_{4}^{e} = \frac{1}{8} (1 - \xi) (1 + \eta) (1 - \zeta) \qquad N_{8}^{e} = \frac{1}{8} (1 - \xi) (1 + \eta) (1 + \zeta)$$
(3.5)

We restrict attention to linear elastostatic analysis without initial stresses. For a general solid element the proportional matrix can be presented as:

$$D = \frac{E}{(1-v)(1-2v)} \begin{bmatrix} 1-v & v & v & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ v & 1-v & v & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ v & v & 1-v & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{(1-2v)}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{(1-2v)}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{(1-2v)}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.6)

The strains are related to the element node displacements by

$$\mathbf{B} = \nabla \mathbf{N}^{e} \tag{3.7}$$

where

$$\nabla = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix} = (\mathbf{J}^{T})^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \xi} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \eta} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \zeta} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial \xi} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \eta} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \zeta} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial \zeta} \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.8)

and for deriving the consistent mass matrix the interpolation function is rearranged as

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{x} \\ u_{y} \\ u_{z} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} N_{1} & 0 & 0 & \dots & N_{8} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & N_{1} & 0 & \dots & 0 & N_{8} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & N_{1} & \dots & 0 & 0 & N_{8} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1} \\ u_{2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{24} \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.9)

The element stiffness and mass matrix is formally given by the volume integral where the integral is taken over the element volume.

$$\mathbf{K}^{e} = \int_{V^{e}} \mathbf{B}^{T} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{B} dV \tag{3.10}$$

and

$$\mathbf{M}^{e} = \int_{V^{e}} \rho \mathbf{N}^{T} \mathbf{N} dV \tag{3.11}$$

By applying gauss integration the element stiffness and mass matrix became:

$$\mathbf{K} = \int_{-1}^{1} \int_{-1}^{1} \mathbf{B}^{T} \left( \xi, \eta, \zeta \right) \mathbf{D} \mathbf{B} \left( \xi, \eta, \zeta \right) \left| \mathbf{J} \left( \xi, \eta, \zeta \right) \right| d\xi d\eta d\zeta$$

$$\mathbf{K} = \sum_{l=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} R_{j} R_{k} R_{l} \mathbf{B}_{j,k,l}^{T} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{B}_{j,k,l} \left| \mathbf{J}_{j,k,l} \right|$$
(3.12)

and

$$\mathbf{M} = \int_{-1}^{1} \int_{-1}^{1} \rho \mathbf{N}^{T} (\xi, \eta, \zeta) \mathbf{N}(\xi, \eta, \zeta) |\mathbf{J}(\xi, \eta, \zeta)| d\xi d\eta d\zeta$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \sum_{l=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \rho R_{j} R_{k} R_{l} \mathbf{N}_{j,k,l}^{T} \mathbf{N}_{j,k,l} |\mathbf{J}_{j,k,l}|$$
(3.13)

## 3.2 Four node quadrilateral shell elements

Formulations for Iso-parametric four node quadrilateral linear shell elements with three translational and two rotational degrees of freedom (DOF) per node are considered.

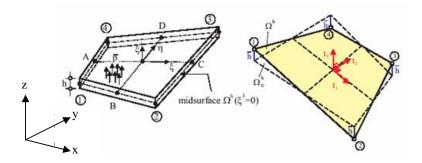


Figure 3.2: Four node quadrilateral shell elements

For a general shell element the proportional matrix can be presented as:

$$D = \frac{E}{(1-v^2)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & v & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ v & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1-v}{2k} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1-v}{2k} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1-v}{2k} \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.14)

The displacement in the shell can be written in the terms of nodal generalized displacements as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{x} \\ u_{y} \\ u_{z} \end{bmatrix} = \sum N_{i} \begin{cases} u_{xi} \\ u_{yi} \\ u_{zi} \end{cases} - \sum N_{i} \frac{t}{2} \zeta \mathbf{v}_{2i} \theta_{1i} + \sum N_{i} \frac{t}{2} \zeta \mathbf{v}_{1i} \theta_{2i}$$

$$(3.15)$$

Vector  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$  are determined in the following way; let  $\mathbf{v}_3$  be the unit vector along the thickness of the shell, then:

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{v}_3 \times \mathbf{v}_y \mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_3$$
 (3.16)

where  $\mathbf{v}_3$  is the unit vector in the y direction.

The interpolation functions for four node shell element are:

$$N_{1}^{e} = \frac{1}{4} (1 - \xi) (1 - \eta) \qquad N_{3}^{e} = \frac{1}{4} (1 + \xi) (1 + \eta)$$

$$N_{2}^{e} = \frac{1}{4} (1 + \xi) (1 - \eta) \qquad N_{4}^{e} = \frac{1}{4} (1 - \xi) (1 + \eta)$$
(3.17)

and the displacement interpolation function is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{x} \\ u_{y} \\ u_{z} \\ \theta_{x} \\ \theta_{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\zeta \frac{t_{i}}{2} I_{2i} & -\zeta \frac{t_{i}}{2} I_{1i} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -\zeta \frac{t_{i}}{2} m_{2i} & -\zeta \frac{t_{i}}{2} m_{1i} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\zeta \frac{t_{i}}{2} n_{2i} & -\zeta \frac{t_{i}}{2} n_{1i} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} N_{i} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1} \\ u_{1} \\ \vdots \\ u_{24} \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.18)

Differentiating N to x,y,z coordinate

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{J} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial \xi} \\ \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial \eta} \\ \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial \zeta} \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.19)

The strains are related to the element node displacements by