

Invisibility in acoustic waveguides

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- ▶ We are interested in the **propagation of waves** in **acoustic** waveguides.



- ▶ We consider a simple but **universal model**

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \text{Find } v = v_i + v_s \text{ such that } v_s \text{ is outgoing} \\ \Delta v + \omega^2 v = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega, \\ \partial_n v = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{array} \right.$$

(relevant also in optics, for microwaves, in water-waves theory, ...).

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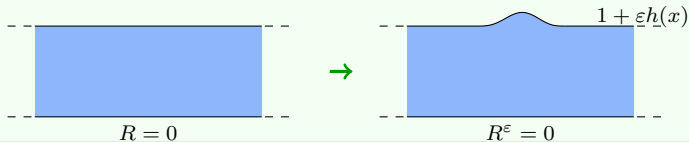
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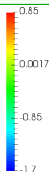
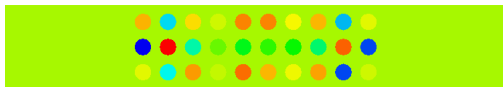
Difficulty: R, T have a **non explicit** and **non linear** dependence wrt the geometry and ω .

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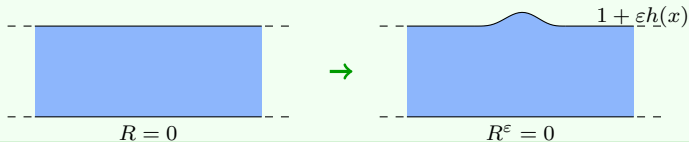


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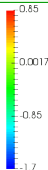
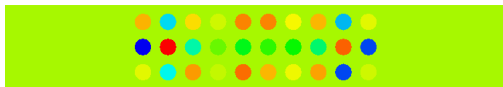
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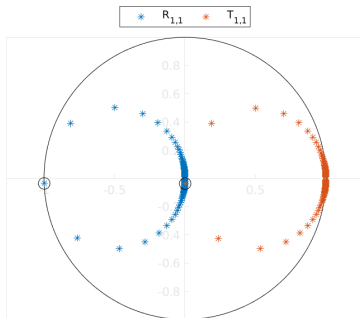
→ We can create invisible objects. How to hide **given obstacles**?

Digression: thin resonators

- ▶ Below we add a **thin** resonator to the ref. waveguide and **vary its length**.

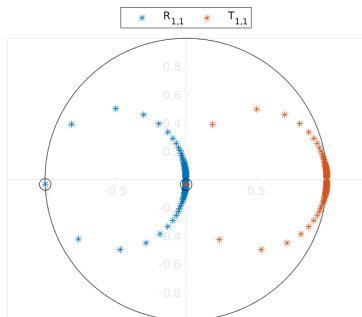
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With thin resonators, we can act strongly on fields and **control wave propagation**. Let us use that for different applications.

Application 1: mode converter

- ▶ In the **post-doc** of **J. Heleine**, we used these resonators to create **modes converters**.
- ▶ We work at higher ω so that two modes can propagate. Tuning the **positions** and **lengths** of the ligaments in the geometry below, we can ensure **absence of reflection** and **mode conversion**.

$$\Re(v_1(\mathbf{x})e^{-i\omega t})$$

$$\Re(v_2(\mathbf{x})e^{-i\omega t})$$

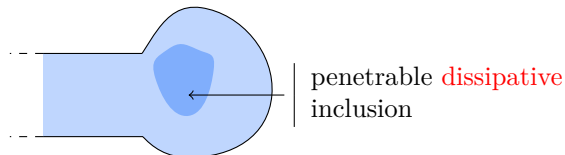
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- ▶ Note that without particular tuning of the lengths of the ligaments, energy is mostly backscattered.

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Application 2: energy absorber



→ in general, a part of the energy of the incident wave is **dispersed in the inclusion** and another is **reflected**.

- ▶ Adding a well-tuned resonator, we showed that **energy can be completely dispersed** in the inclusion.

$$\Re(v(\mathbf{x})e^{-i\omega t})$$

Invisibility

- ▶ Finally, we have showed that these resonators can be used to hide any given obstacle.

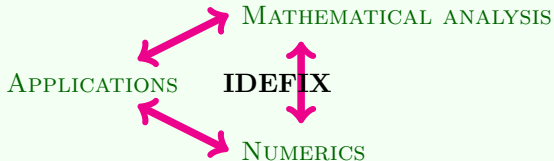
$$\Re e (v(\mathbf{x})e^{-i\omega t})$$

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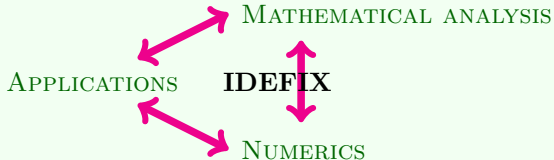
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On going project with **EDF**

Can resonant ligaments be useful for **ice detection** in **overflow pipes** via acoustic waves?

Thank you for your attention!