

From Music to Non-Invasive Therapies via COMSOL Multiphysics® Models

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Research Problem: Acoustic Environment

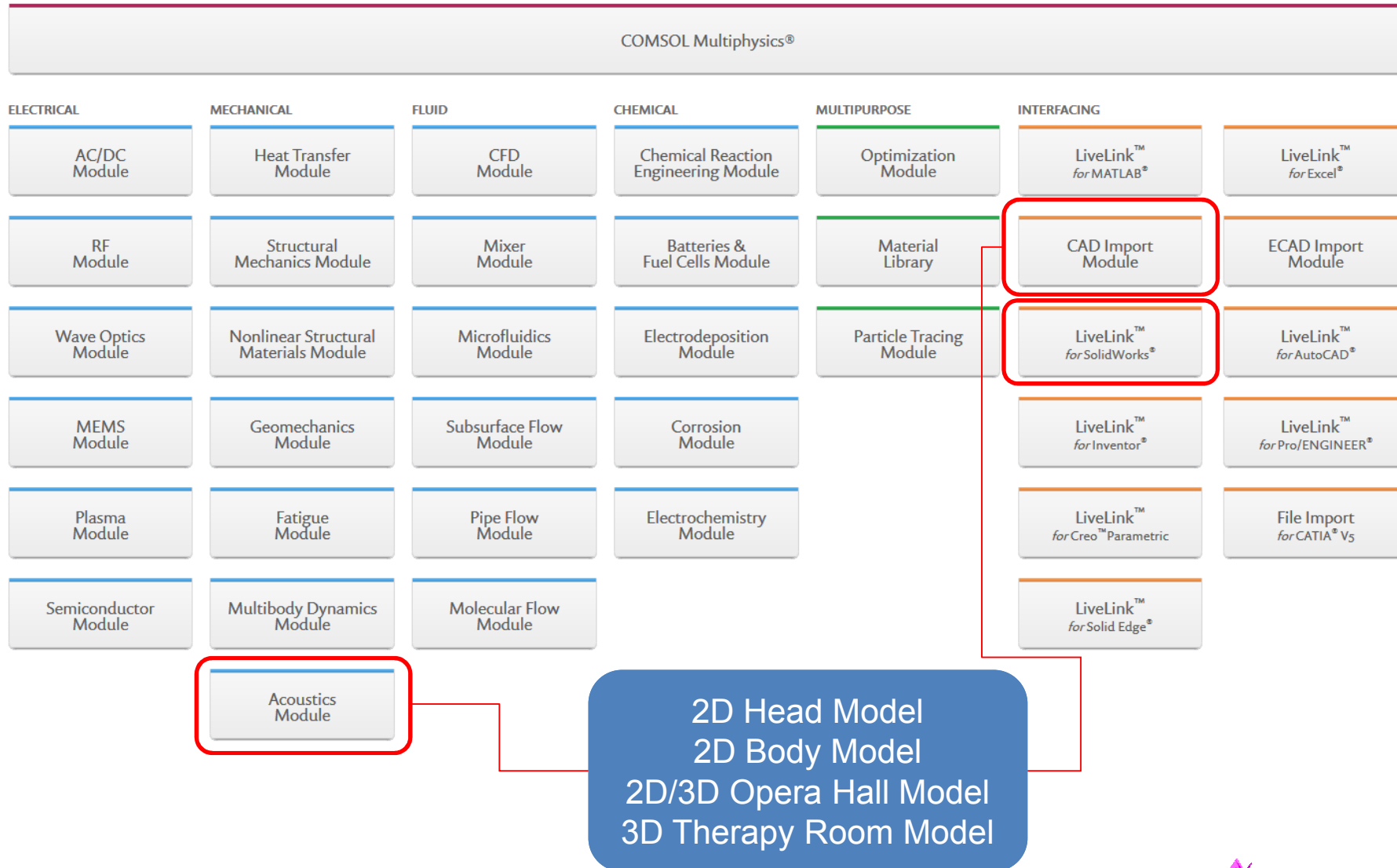


TO INTEGRATED
THERAPY

FROM STRESS



Use of COMSOL Multiphysics®



Use of COMSOL Multiphysics® (cont.)

Acoustics Module

Product Features

- Acoustic-shell interaction
- Acoustic-solid interaction
- Acoustic-structure interaction
- Aeroacoustics
- Compressible potential flow
- Elastic waves

- Poroelastic waves
- Pressure acoustics
- Structural vibrations
- Thermoacoustics
- Thermal and viscous losses

- Far-field and directivity calculations
- Impedance, hard-wall, and soft-wall boundaries
 - Perfectly matched layers for modeling infinite domains
 - Piezoacoustics
 - Piezoelectric devices
 - Pipe acoustics

LiveLink™ for SOLIDWORKS®

CAD Import Module

Product Features

- File import of Parasolid®, ACIS®, STEP, IGES, Inventor®, PTC® Creo Parametric™, and SolidWorks® file formats
- Encapsulate geometries to model phenomena in the surrounding domains
 - Export geometry files to the Parasolid® and ACIS® file formats
- Convert third-party file formats to the COMSOL geometry kernel

- Detaching faces from a solid object to create a new solid object
- Cap holes or empty spaces to fill the space and create modeling domains
 - Patch removed faces by growing or shrinking the surrounding surfaces to cover the removed face

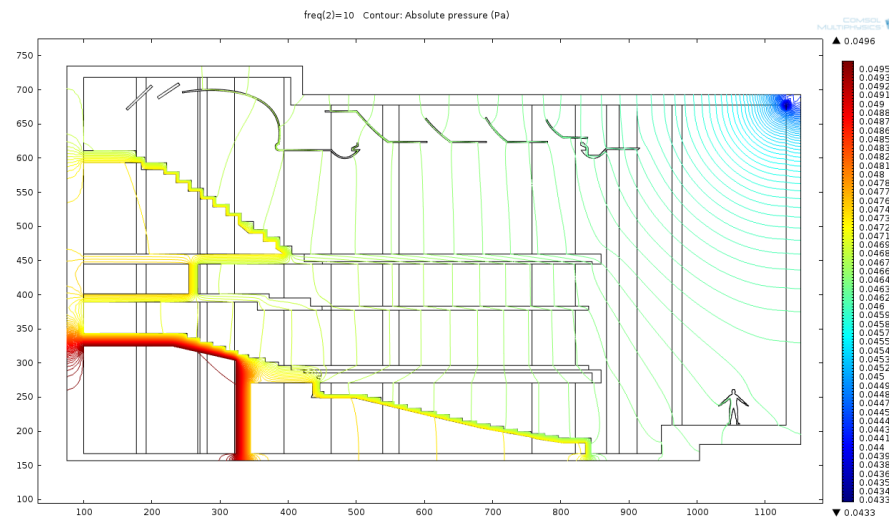
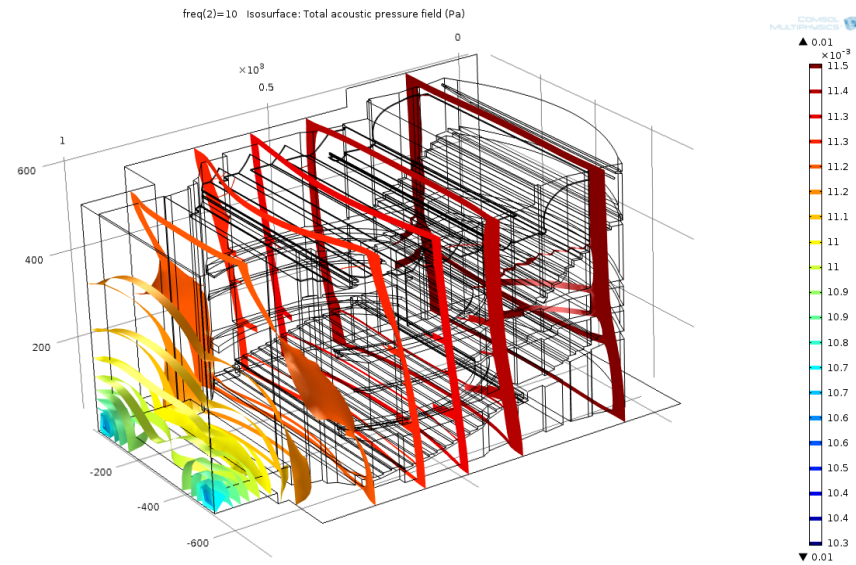


Model Definition (M1-M2)

MODEL PARAMETERS	Opera Hall Opera Hall + Body
Definitions	Boundary System , Global Cartesian (Plane + Spatial) (Opera Hall + Body)
Geometry	Imported- Selected Domain (Opera Hall, Body Contour, Air/Surrounding Environment geometry)
Materials	Concrete, Wood, Muscle , Air (Appendix, Table1)
	Pressure Acoustics $\nabla \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{\rho_c} (\nabla p_t - \mathbf{q}_d) \right) - \frac{k_{eq}^2 p_t}{\rho_c} = Q_m$ $\rho_t = \rho + \rho_b$ $k_{eq}^2 = \left(\frac{\omega}{c_c} \right)^2 - k_z^2$ $c_c = c, \quad \rho_c = \rho$ Sound Hard Boundary (Walls) $-\mathbf{n} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{\rho_c} (\nabla p_t - \mathbf{q}_d) \right) = 0$ Acoustic-Structure Boundary1 (Body Contour) $-\mathbf{n} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{\rho_c} (\nabla p_t - \mathbf{q}_d) \right) = -\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{tt}$ $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \rho_t \mathbf{n}$
Mesh	Extremely fine / Number of degrees of freedom (DOF): 255944

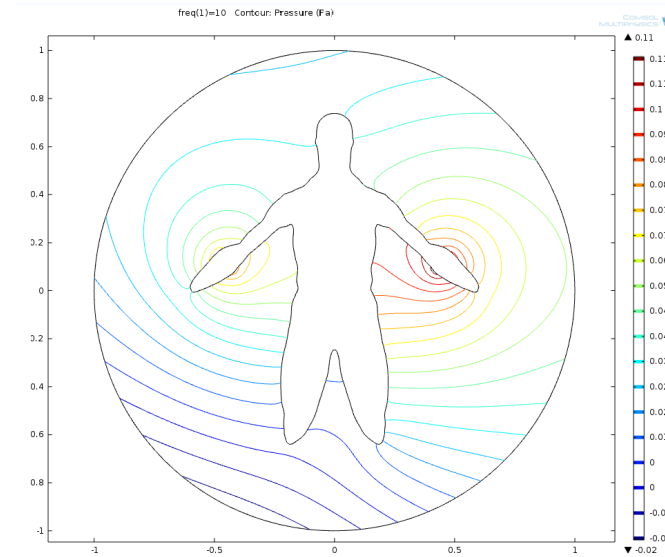
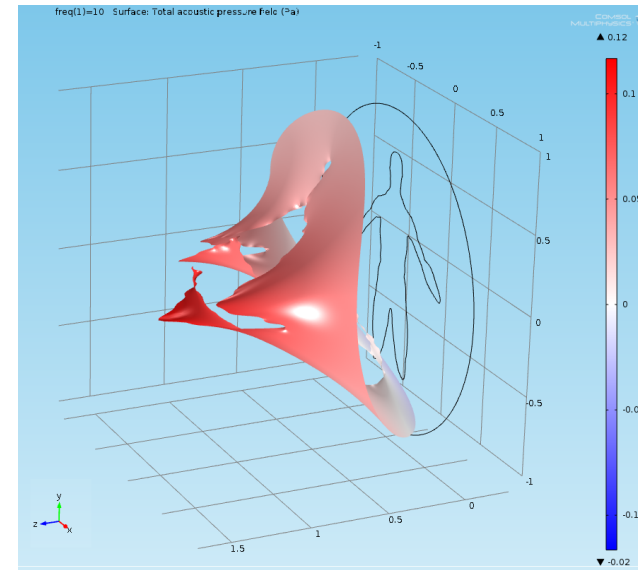
STUDY	
Frequency Domain	Pressure Acoustics C1_[1-100] Hz C2_[100-16000] Hz Include geometric nonlinearity
Solver Configurations	COMSOL Multiphysics – Acoustic Module

RESULTS	
Plot Groups	2D Plot Group 2- Absolute Pressure 2D Plot Group 3 Sound Pressure level 3D Plot Group 4- Absolute Pressure 3D Plot Group 5 Sound Pressure level 2D Plot Group 6 – Mesh 3D Plot Group 7 – Mesh



Model Definition (M3)

MODEL PARAMETERS	Body
Definitions	Boundary System , Frequency, Wave direction angle, Incident wave direction vector
Geometry	Imported- Selected Domain (Body Contour, Air/Surrounding Environment geometry)
Materials	Muscle , Air (Appendix, Table1)
Frequency Domain	<p>Acoustic-Solid Interaction</p> $\nabla \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{\rho_c} (\nabla p_t - \mathbf{q}_d) \right) - \frac{k_{eq}^2 p_t}{\rho_c} = Q_m$ $p_t = p + p_b$ $k_{eq}^2 = \left(\frac{\omega}{c} \right)^2$ $-\rho \omega^2 \mathbf{u} - \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{F}_v e^{i\phi}$ <p>Sound Hard Boundary (Walls)</p> $-\mathbf{n} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{\rho_c} (\nabla p_t - \mathbf{q}_d) \right) = 0$ <p>Acoustic-Structure Boundary1 (Body Contour)</p> $-\mathbf{n} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{\rho_c} (\nabla p_t - \mathbf{q}_d) \right) = -\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{tt}$ $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \rho_t \mathbf{n}$ <p>Linear Elasticity (Body)</p> $-\rho \omega^2 \mathbf{u} - \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{F}_v e^{i\phi}, \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{s}$ $\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{S}_0 = \mathbf{C} : (\boldsymbol{\epsilon} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{inel})$ $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{2} [(\nabla \mathbf{u})^T + \nabla \mathbf{u}]$ <p>Plane Wave Radiation1 (Walls)</p> $-\mathbf{n} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{\rho_c} (\nabla p_t - \mathbf{q}_d) \right) + \frac{i k}{\rho_c} p + \frac{i}{2k \rho_c} \Delta_T p = Q_i$ <p>Incident Pressure Field (inwards)</p> $-\mathbf{n} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{\rho_c} (\nabla p_t - \mathbf{q}_d) \right) + \frac{i k}{\rho_c} p + \frac{i}{2k \rho_c} \Delta_T p = Q_i$ $Q_i = \frac{i k}{\rho_c} p_i + \frac{i}{2k \rho_c} \Delta_T p_i + \mathbf{n} \cdot \frac{1}{\rho_c} \nabla p_i$ $p_i = \rho_0 e^{-i k_{eq} \ \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{e}_k\ }$
Mesh	Extremely fine Number of degrees of freedom (DOF): 154949-Upper Left source
STUDY	
Frequency Domain	Acoustic-Solid Interaction [100-16000] Hz
Solver Configurations	COMSOL Multiphysics – Acoustic Module

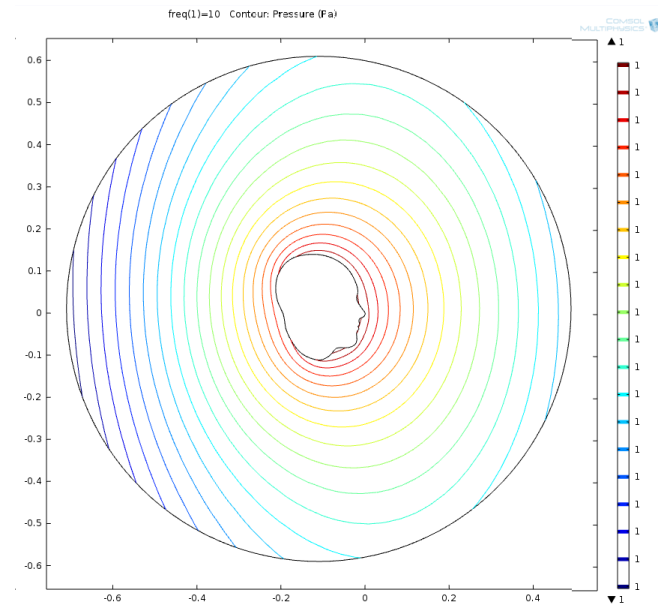
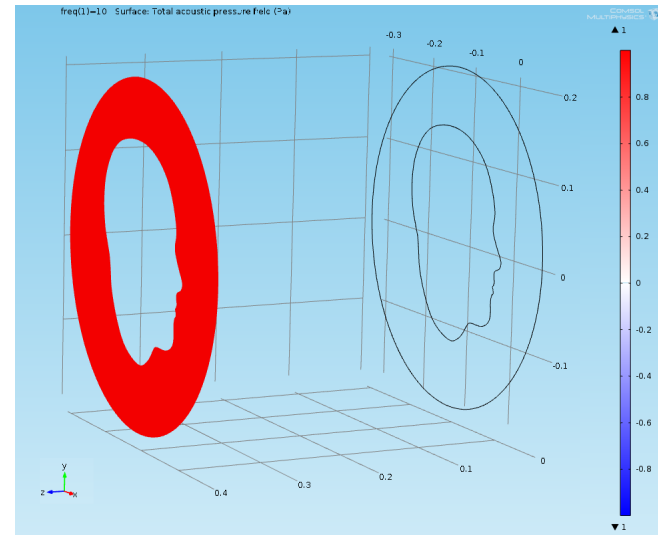


Model Definition (M4)

MODEL PARAMETERS	
Definitions	Boundary System , Global Cartesian
Geometry	Imported -Selected Domain (Brain, Fluid Buffer, Muscle, Skull, Air/Surrounding Environment geometry)
Materials	Brain , Fluid Buffer, Skull, Muscle, Air (Appendix, Table1) Pressure Acoustics
Frequency Domain	$\nabla \cdot -\frac{1}{\rho_c}(\nabla p_t - \mathbf{q}_d) - \frac{k_{eq}^2 p_t}{\rho_c} = Q_m$ $\rho_t = \rho + \rho_b$ $k_{eq}^2 = \left(\frac{\omega}{c_c}\right)^2 - k_z^2$ $c_c = c, \quad \rho_c = \rho$
Mesh	Extremely fine Number of degrees of freedom (DOF): 961765 (A1) –Frontal source 962861 (A2)- Upper Left source

STUDY	
Frequency Domain	Pressure Acoustics A1_[6-20] Hz A2_[100-16000] Hz Include geometric nonlinearity
Solver Configurations	COMSOL Multiphysics – Acoustic Module

RESULTS	
Plot Groups	Acoustic Pressure (acsl) Sound Pressure Level (acpr) 2D Plot Group 3- Absolute Pressure 2D Plot Group 4 – Instantaneous local velocity 2D Plot Group 5 Sound Pressure Level 2D Plot Group 6 – Mesh



Model Definition (M5)

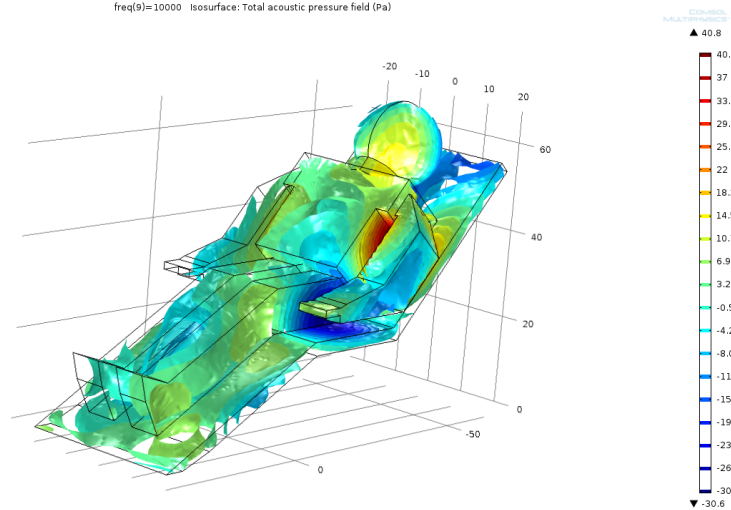
MODEL PARAMETERS	Relaxing Therapy Room
Definitions	Boundary System , Global Cartesian (Spatial) (Therapy Room + Body)
Geometry	Imported- Selected Domain (Therapy Room, Body Contour, Air/Surrounding Environment geometry)
Materials	Concrete, Wood, Muscle , Air (Appendix, Table1)
Frequency Domain	<p>Pressure Acoustics</p> $\rho_t = \rho + \rho_b \nabla \cdot \frac{1}{\rho_c} (\nabla p_t - \mathbf{q}_d) - \frac{k_{eq}^2 p_t}{\rho_c} = Q_m$ $k_{eq}^2 = \left(\frac{\omega}{c_c}\right)^2 - k_z^2$ $c_c = c, \rho_c = \rho$ <p>Sound Hard Boundary (Walls)</p> $-\mathbf{n} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\rho_c} (\nabla p_t - \mathbf{q}_d)\right) = 0$ $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{n} = p_t \mathbf{n}$ <p>Acoustic-Solid Interaction</p> $\nabla \cdot \frac{1}{\rho_c} (\nabla p_t - \mathbf{q}_d) - \frac{k_{eq}^2 p_t}{\rho_c} = Q_m$ $\rho_t = \rho + \rho_b$ $k_{eq}^2 = \left(\frac{\omega}{c_c}\right)^2$ $-\rho \omega^2 \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = F_{ve}^{i\phi}$ <p>Linear Elasticity (Body)</p> $-\rho \omega^2 \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = F_{ve}^{i\phi}, \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{s}$ $\mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{S}_0 = \mathbf{C} : (\boldsymbol{\epsilon} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0 - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{inel})$ $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{2} [(\nabla \mathbf{u})^T + \nabla \mathbf{u}]$ <p>Spherical Wave Radiation1</p> $-\mathbf{n} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\rho_c} (\nabla p_t - \mathbf{q}_d)\right) + \left(ik_{eq} + \frac{1}{r}\right) \frac{p_2}{\rho_c} - \frac{r \Delta r p_2}{2\rho_c (1 + ik_{eq} r)} = Q_i$
Mesh	Extremely fine / Number of degrees of freedom (DOF): 114864

STUDY	
Frequency Domain	Pressure Acoustics D1_[1-100] Hz D2_[100-16000] Hz Include geometric nonlinearity
Solver Configurations	COMSOL Multiphysics – Acoustic Module

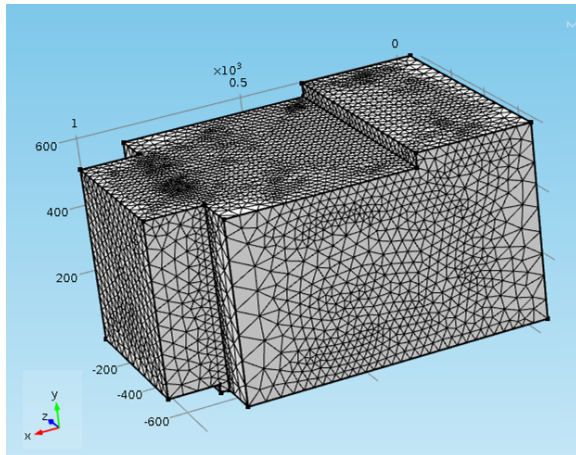
RESULTS	
Plot Groups	Acoustic Pressure (acpr) Sound Pressure Level (acpr) Acoustic Pressure-Isosurfaces (acpr) 3D Plot Group 4 – Absolute Pressure-Isosurface 3D Plot Group 5 Local acceleration (spatial) 3D Plot Group 6 – Mesh



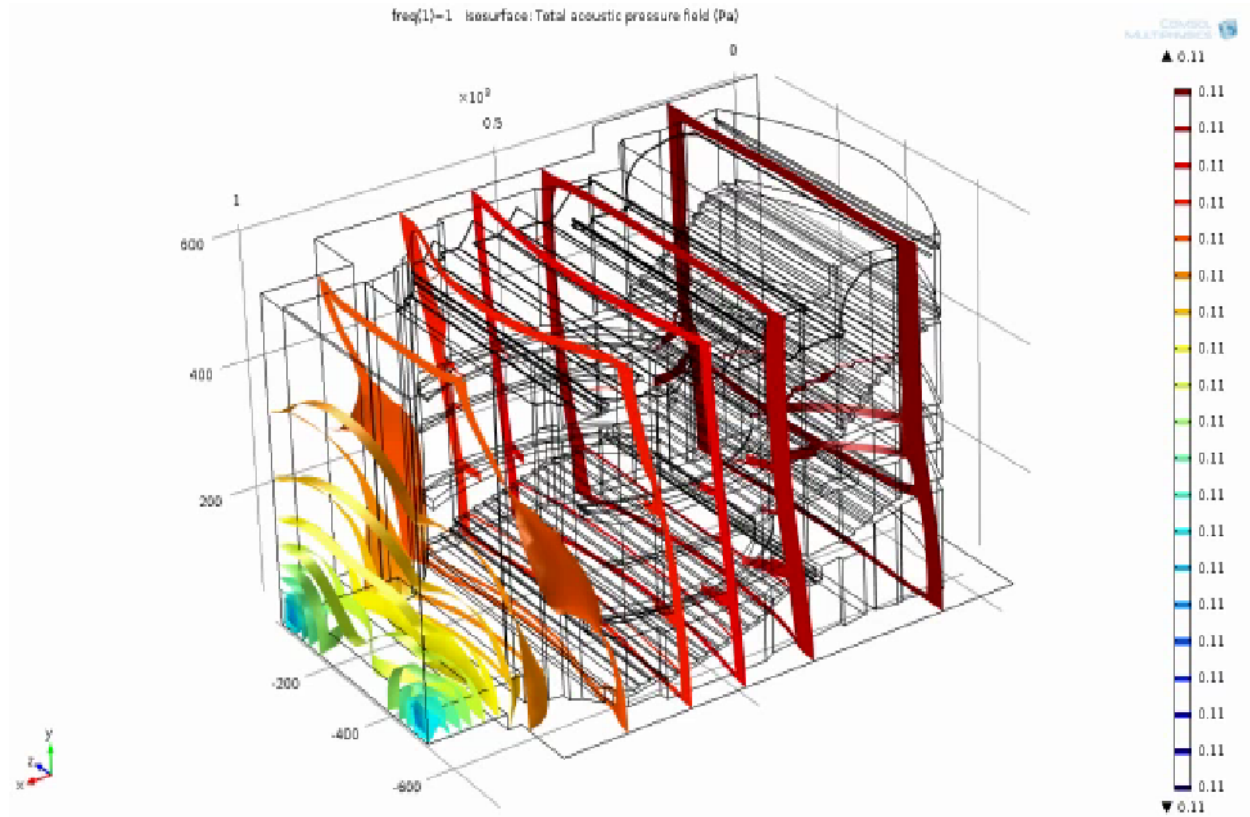
freq(9)=10000 Isosurface: Total acoustic pressure field (Pa)



Results of COMSOL Multiphysics® use : 2D Plane waves on Concert Hall



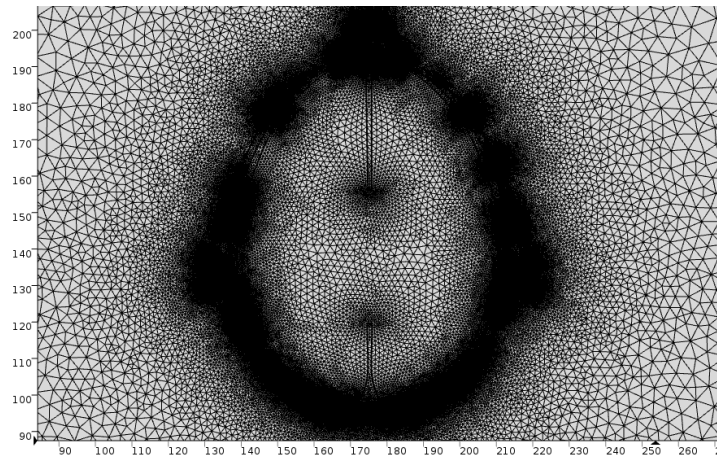
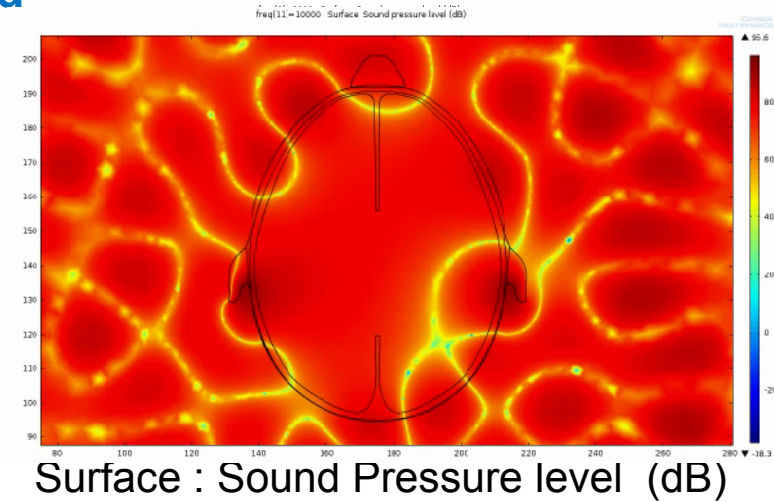
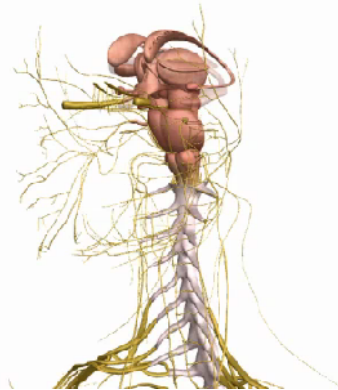
- User controlled mesh
- Number of degrees of freedom solved for
DOF 848439



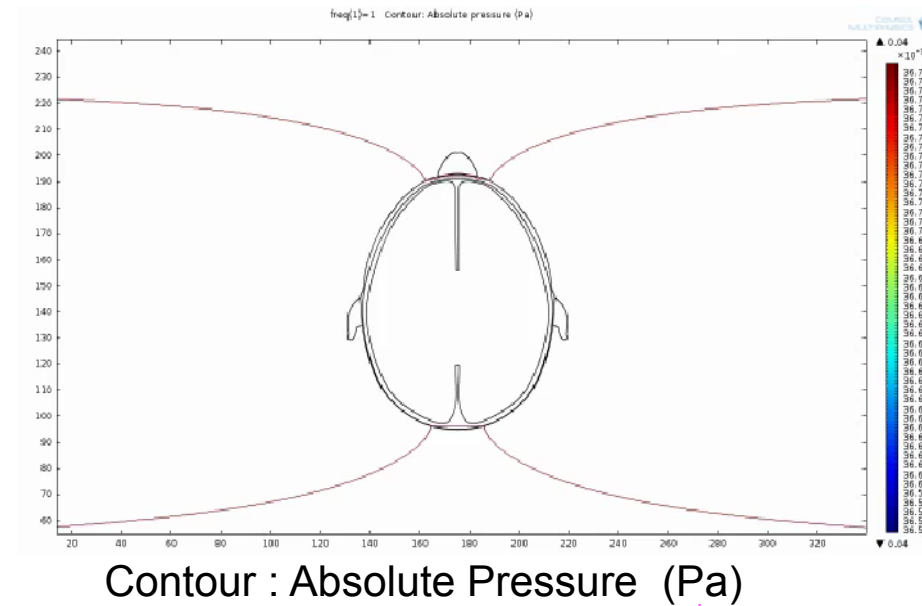
Flow dual point (acoustic sources) $Q_v = 2e-4 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$
 $f = [10-16000] \text{ Hz}$



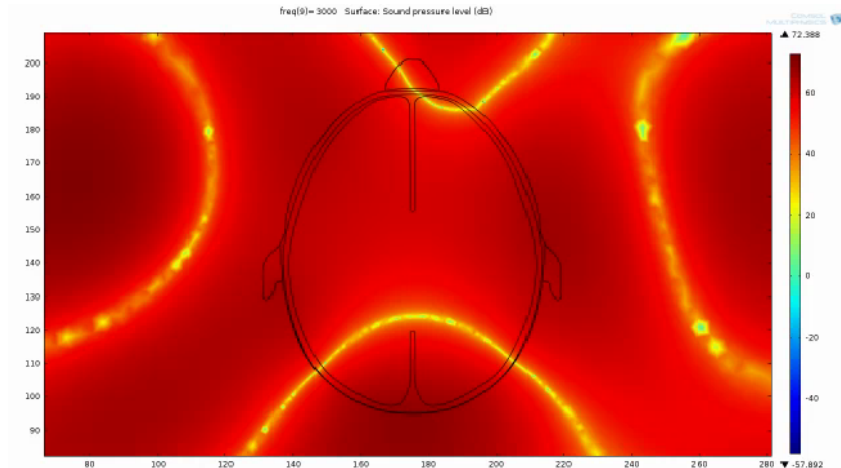
Results of COMSOL Multiphysics® use : 2D Frontal Source Plane waves on Head



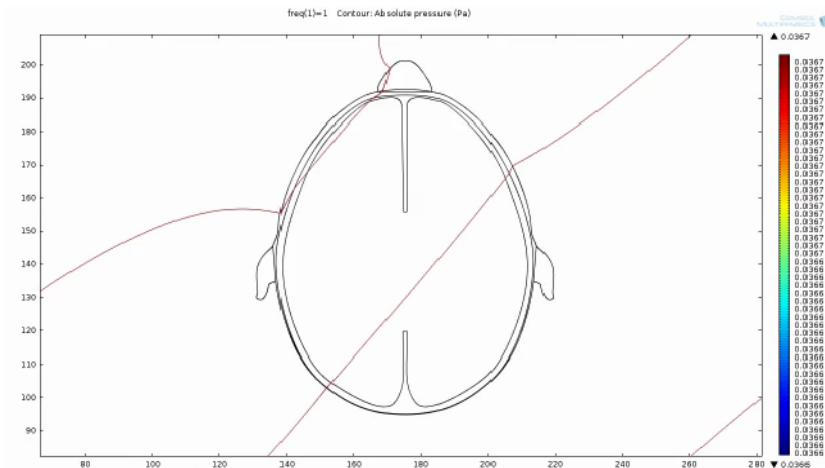
- Physics controlled mesh
- Mesh extremely fine DOF 961765



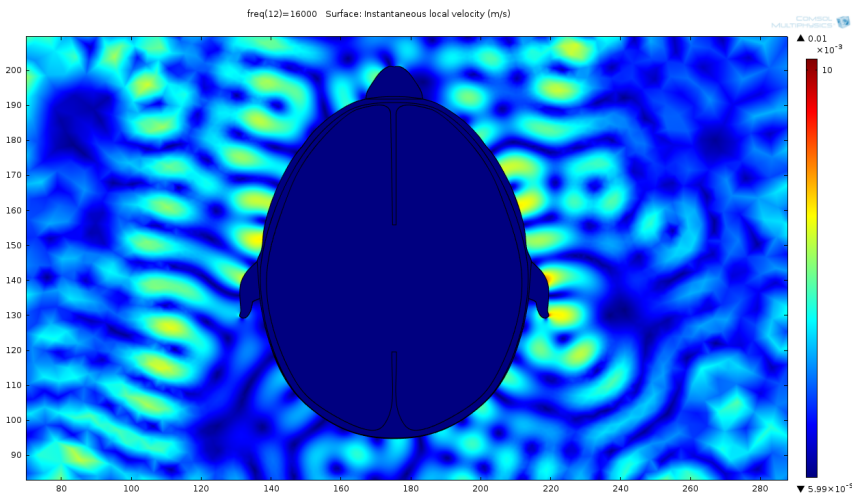
Results of COMSOL Multiphysics® use : 2D Up -Left Source Plane waves on Head



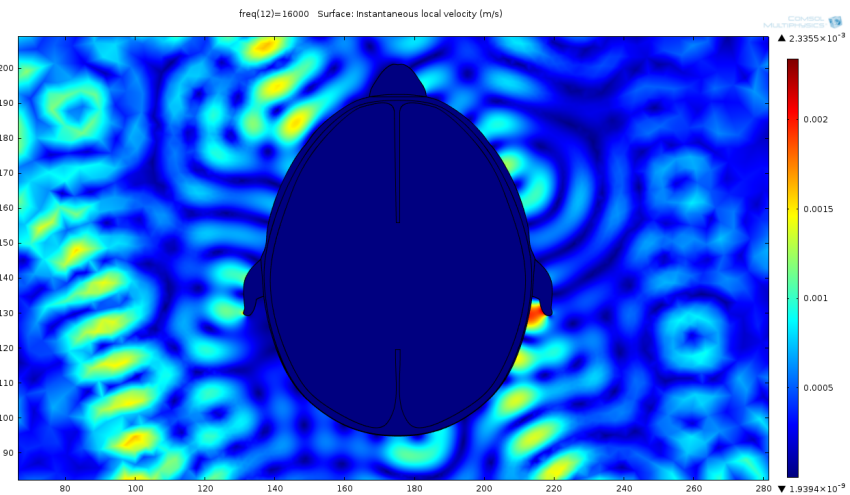
Surface : Sound Pressure level (dB)



Contour : Absolute Pressure (Pa)



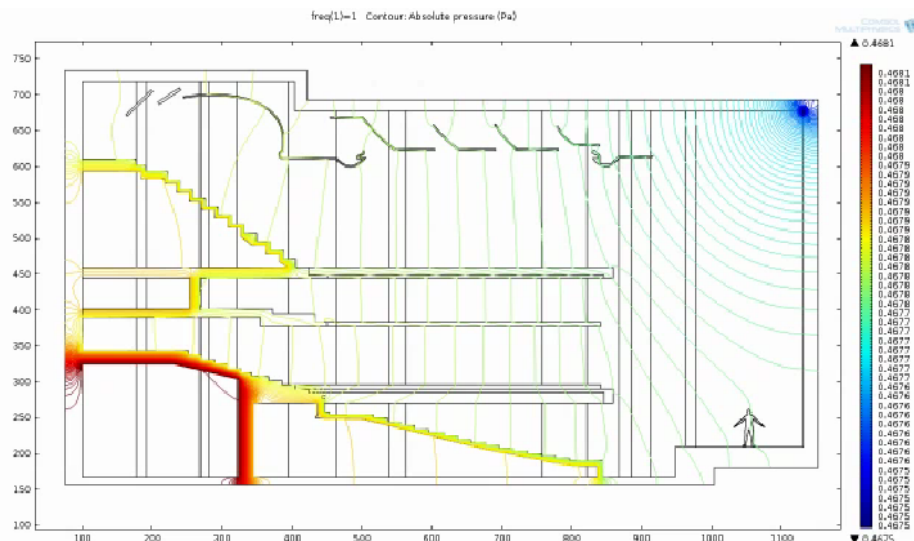
Front Source: Instantaneous local Pressure velocity (m/s)



Left Source: Instantaneous local Pressure velocity (m/s)

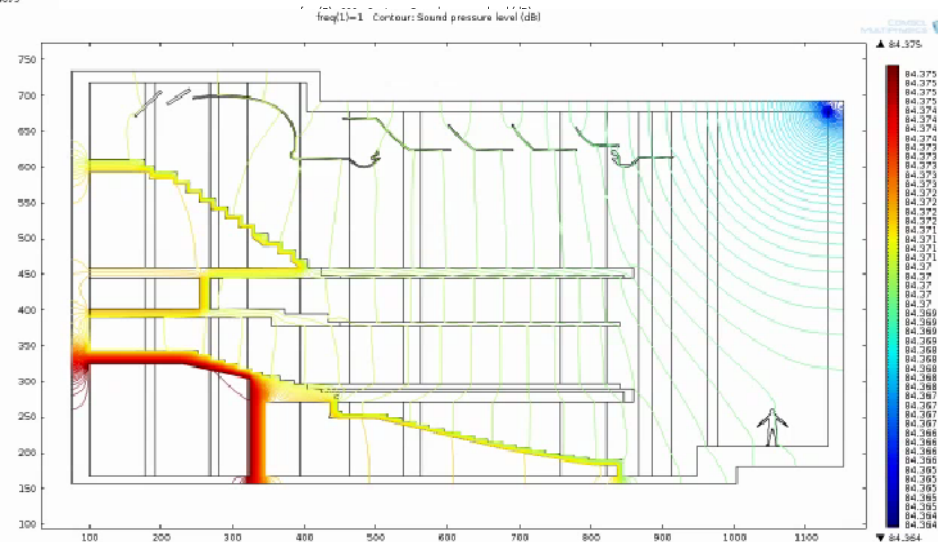


Results of COMSOL Multiphysics® use : 2D Up-Left Source Plane waves on Opera Hall

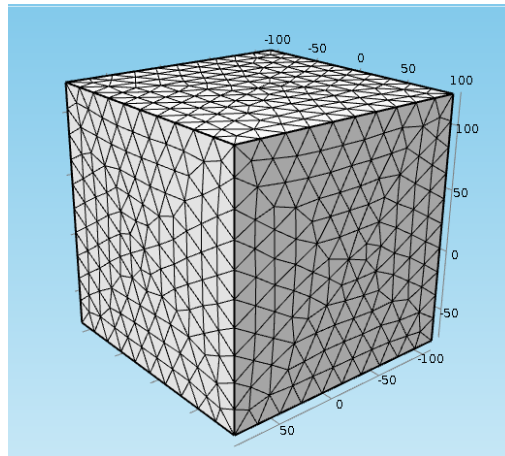
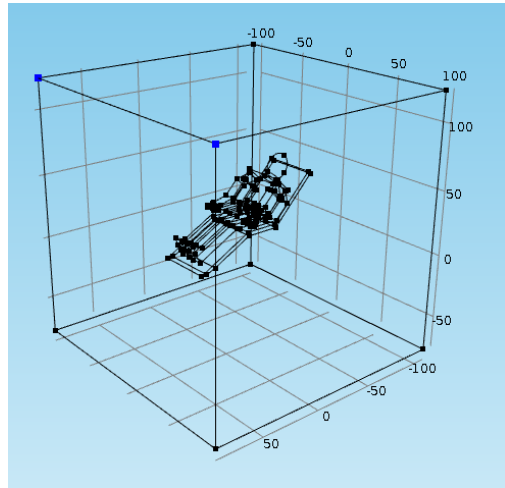


OPERA HALL 2D MODEL + BODY
 Module: Pressure ACOUSTICS
 Sound Pressure level (dB)
 Frequency Domain [1-16000] Hz
 Mesh Extremely Fine; DOF 255944

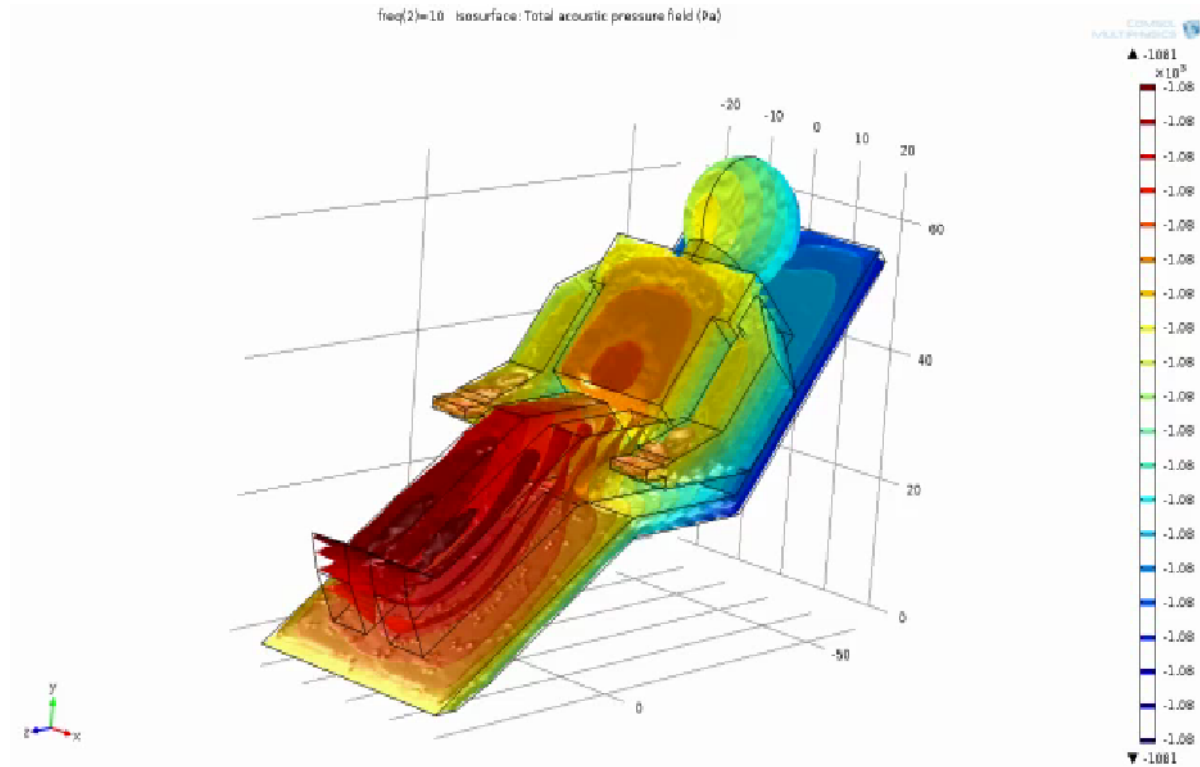
OPERA HALL 2D MODEL + BODY
 Module: Pressure ACOUSTICS
 Absolute Pressure (Pa)
 Frequency Domain [1-16000] Hz
 Mesh Extremely Fine; DOF 255944



Results of COMSOL Multiphysics® use : Vibration Therapy



- Spherical waves propagation
- Free space reference power (RMS) : $P_{RMS}=2e-6$ W

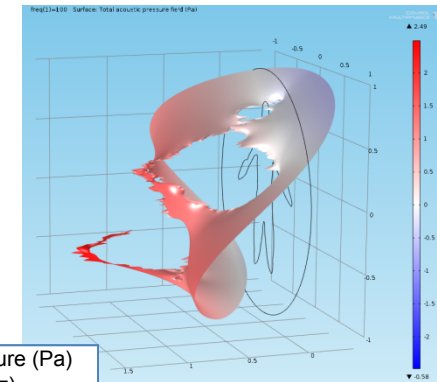
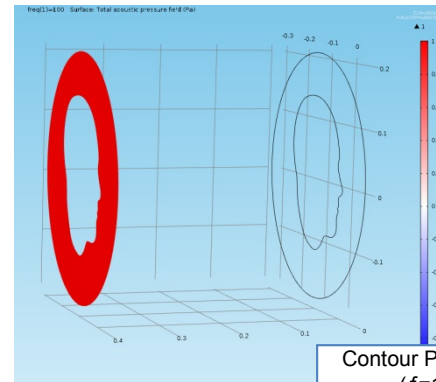
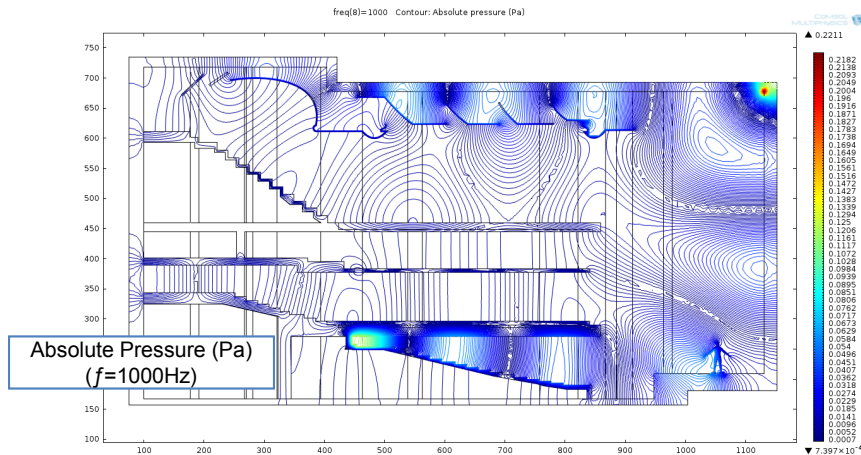


Monopole Point Source (armchair embedded)
 $f = [1-16000]$ Hz

- Physics controlled mesh
- Mesh extremely fine DOF 114864

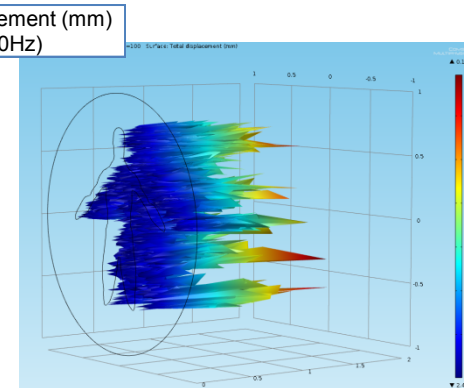
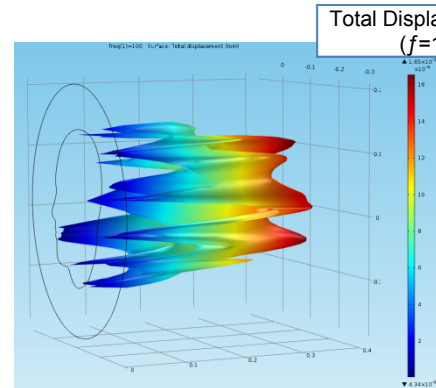
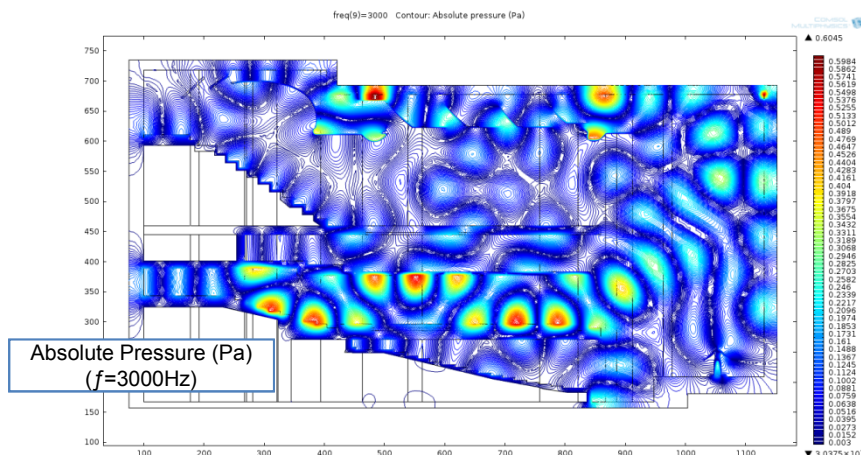


COMSOL Multiphysics® : Support for next integrated therapeutic tools – (Music = Acoustic Therapy)

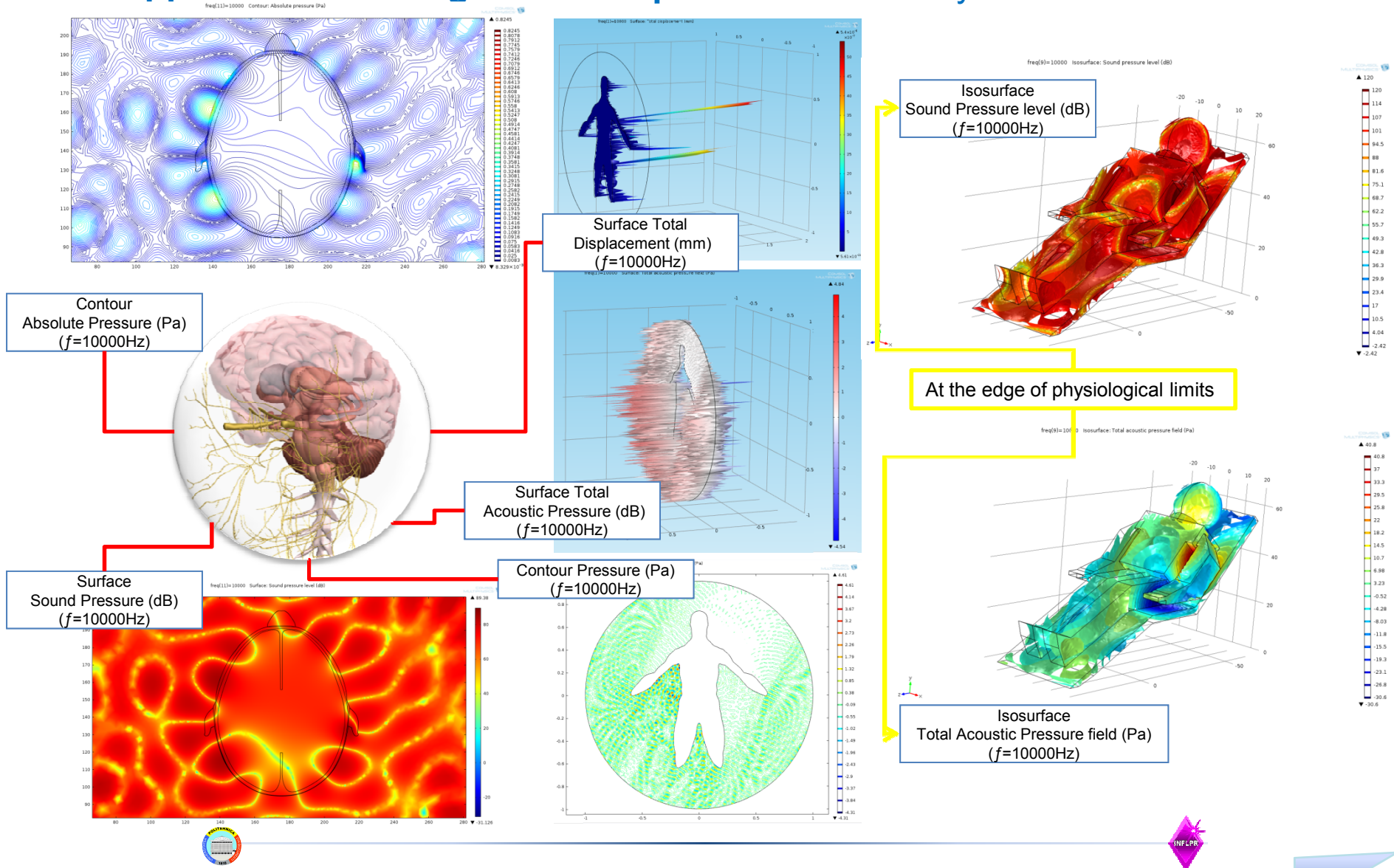


The best places from the Opera Hall are effective only up to frequencies below 3 kHz

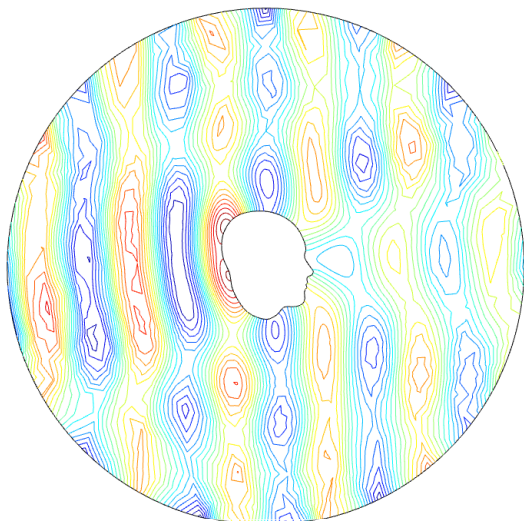
Orchestra Conductor's body would be acoustically impacted at a higher level than the bodies from the audience, but all those attending the event will be impacted by the dynamic-nonlinear distribution of the acoustic field



COMSOL Multiphysics® : Support for next integrated therapeutic tools -Safety Thresholds



Conclusions : Who should “play” COMSOL each day?



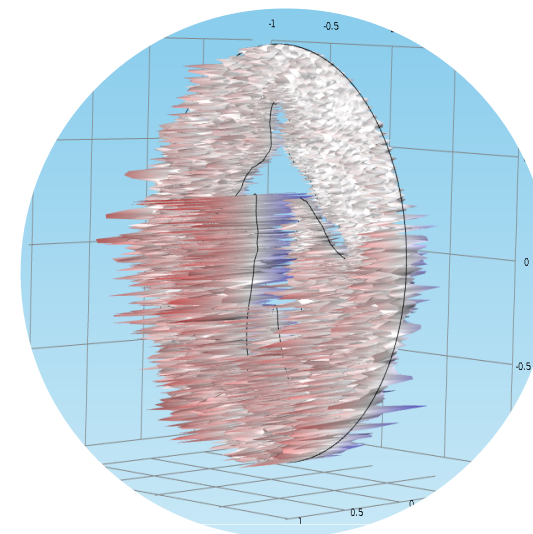
At the edge of physiological limits (6-10kHz)
very short exposure time to such stimuli
Limits may be reached during a concert, but
should not be the prevalent acoustic signal of
the environment

The entire body is exposed to environmental
acoustic stimuli!

Neither Music nor Vibration therapy should
exceed the [6-10] kHz upper limit band without
permanent physiological outcomes

Professional continuous environmental
Acoustic Stimuli within or above [6-10] kHz
should be carefully monitored and adequately
addressed (safety equipment)

Improper use of earphones for musical
audition may reach similar results with the
professional unsafely acoustic exposure



Thank you!

Q & A

