

**Complex 3-D Vector Specific Acoustic Immittances:**

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Note that the complex **specific** acoustic immittances  $\vec{z}_a(\vec{r}, t)$  and  $\vec{y}_a(\vec{r}, t) = 1/\vec{z}_a(\vec{r}, t)$  are 3-D **vector** quantities.

The complex 3-D vector **specific** acoustic **admittance**  $\vec{y}_a(\vec{r}, t) \equiv \tilde{u}(\vec{r}, t)/\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t)$  is clearly a mathematically well-defined vector quantity:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{y}_a(\vec{r}, t) &\equiv \frac{\tilde{u}(\vec{r}, t)}{\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t)} = \tilde{y}_{a_x}(\vec{r}, t)\hat{x} + \tilde{y}_{a_y}(\vec{r}, t)\hat{y} + \tilde{y}_{a_z}(\vec{r}, t)\hat{z} = \frac{\tilde{u}_x(\vec{r}, t)}{\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t)}\hat{x} + \frac{\tilde{u}_y(\vec{r}, t)}{\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t)}\hat{y} + \frac{\tilde{u}_z(\vec{r}, t)}{\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t)}\hat{z} \\ &= \frac{[\tilde{u}_x(\vec{r}, t)\hat{x} + \tilde{u}_y(\vec{r}, t)\hat{y} + \tilde{u}_z(\vec{r}, t)\hat{z}]}{\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t)} = \frac{\tilde{u}(\vec{r}, t)}{\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where: } \tilde{y}_{a_x}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\tilde{u}_x(\vec{r}, t)}{\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t)}, \quad \tilde{y}_{a_y}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\tilde{u}_y(\vec{r}, t)}{\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t)}, \quad \tilde{y}_{a_z}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\tilde{u}_z(\vec{r}, t)}{\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t)}$$

The complex 3-D vector **specific** acoustic impedance  $\vec{z}_a(\vec{r}, t) \equiv \tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t)/\tilde{u}(\vec{r}, t)$  may initially seem like a mathematically less well-defined vector quantity. However, on physical/common sense grounds, we know that *e.g.* the **magnitudes** of the complex 3-D vector **specific** acoustic immittances,  $|\vec{y}_a(\vec{r}, t)|$  and  $|\vec{z}_a(\vec{r}, t)|$  must both be **invariant** (*i.e.* unchanged) under simple coordinate transformations – *e.g.* rotations and/or translations of the local coordinate system, as well as **invariant** under *e.g.* simple rotations of the sound source under investigation.

Consider a simple, 1-D monochromatic/single-frequency sound field – such as an acoustic traveling plane wave propagating *e.g.* in the local  $+\hat{x}$  direction. Then  $\tilde{u}_x(\vec{r}, t) = u_o e^{i(\omega t - k_x x)} \neq 0$ , with  $\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t) = p_o e^{i(\omega t - k_x x)} \neq 0$ , whereas  $\tilde{u}_y(\vec{r}, t) = \tilde{u}_z(\vec{r}, t) = 0$ . The components of the complex 3-D vector **specific** acoustic admittance are  $\tilde{y}_{a_x}(\vec{r}, t) = \tilde{u}_x(\vec{r}, t)/\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t) = u_o e^{i(\omega t - k_x x)} / p_o e^{i(\omega t - k_x x)} = u_o/p_o \neq 0$ , whereas  $\tilde{y}_{a_y}(\vec{r}, t) = \tilde{y}_{a_z}(\vec{r}, t) = 0$ .