

Since $\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t) = \tilde{p}(\vec{r}, \omega) \cdot e^{i\omega t}$ and $\tilde{u}(\vec{r}, t) = \tilde{u}(\vec{r}, \omega) \cdot e^{i\omega t}$, the complex 3-D vector **specific** acoustic impedance {here} is:

$$\tilde{z}_a(\vec{r}, \omega) = \frac{\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, \omega)}{\tilde{u}(\vec{r}, \omega)} = \frac{\cancel{\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t)}}{-\frac{1}{\rho_o \omega} \left[\vec{\nabla} \varphi_p(\vec{r}, \omega) - i \frac{\vec{\nabla} |\tilde{p}_o(\vec{r}, \omega)|}{|\tilde{p}_o(\vec{r}, \omega)|} \right] \cancel{\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, t)}} = - \frac{\rho_o c (\omega/c)}{\left[\vec{\nabla} \varphi_p(\vec{r}, \omega) - i \frac{\vec{\nabla} |\tilde{p}_o(\vec{r}, \omega)|}{|\tilde{p}_o(\vec{r}, \omega)|} \right]}$$

The **purely real** quantity $z_o \equiv \rho_o c = 1.204 (\text{kg/m}^3) \cdot 343 (\text{m/s}) \approx 413$ (*Pascal-sec/m* \equiv *Rayls* $= \Omega_a$)

@ NTP is known as the **characteristic longitudinal specific acoustic impedance** of **free air**.

Its inverse is the **purely real characteristic longitudinal specific acoustic admittance** of **free air**:

$$y_o = 1/z_o = 1/\rho_o c \approx 1/413 \approx 2.42 \times 10^{-3} (\Omega_a^{-1}).$$

Note that c , ρ_o , z_o and y_o are **not** constants, they are dependent *e.g.* on the air temperature, T as shown in the table below, for an ambient pressure of $P_{\text{atm}} = 1.0$ atmosphere:

Temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	c (m/s)	ρ_o (kg/m^3)	z_o (Ω_a)	y_o (Ω_a^{-1})
-10	325.2	1.342	436.1	2.293×10^{-3}
-5	328.3	1.317	432.0	2.315×10^{-3}
0	331.3	1.292	428.4	2.334×10^{-3}
+5	334.3	1.269	424.3	2.357×10^{-3}
+10	337.3	1.247	420.6	2.378×10^{-3}
+15	340.3	1.225	416.8	2.399×10^{-3}
+20	343.2	1.204	413.2	2.420×10^{-3}
+25	346.1	1.184	409.8	2.440×10^{-3}
+30	349.0	1.165	406.3	2.461×10^{-3}

For the specific case of a monochromatic 3-D traveling plane wave propagating *e.g.* in “free air”, using $k = \omega/c$, where $k = |\vec{k}| = \sqrt{k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2}$ (m^{-1}) and using the relation $z_o \equiv \rho_o c$, we can rewrite the above expression for the complex 3-D vector **specific** acoustic impedance for the specific case of a monochromatic 3-D traveling plane wave propagating *e.g.* in “free air” as:

$$\tilde{z}_a(\vec{r}, \omega) = \frac{\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, \omega)}{\tilde{u}(\vec{r}, \omega)} = - \frac{k}{\left[\vec{\nabla} \varphi_p(\vec{r}, \omega) - i \frac{\vec{\nabla} |\tilde{p}_o(\vec{r}, \omega)|}{|\tilde{p}_o(\vec{r}, \omega)|} \right]} \cdot z_o$$

We can also write this as a dimensionless relation, and since $\tilde{z}_a(\vec{r}, t) = \rho_o \tilde{c}_a(\vec{r}, t)$, we have:

$$\frac{\tilde{z}_a(\vec{r}, \omega)}{z_o} = \frac{\tilde{c}_a(\vec{r}, \omega)}{c} = - \frac{k}{\left[\vec{\nabla} \varphi_p(\vec{r}, \omega) - i \frac{\vec{\nabla} |\tilde{p}_o(\vec{r}, \omega)|}{|\tilde{p}_o(\vec{r}, \omega)|} \right]}$$