

Acoustical Measurement of Sound System Equipment according IEC 60268-21

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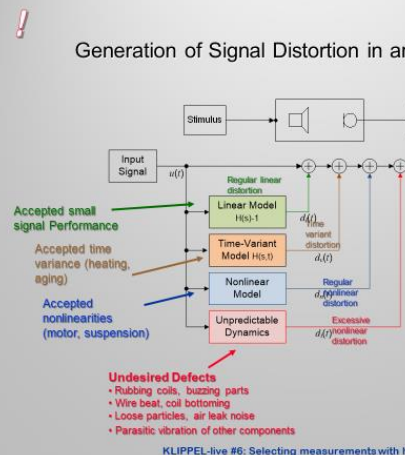


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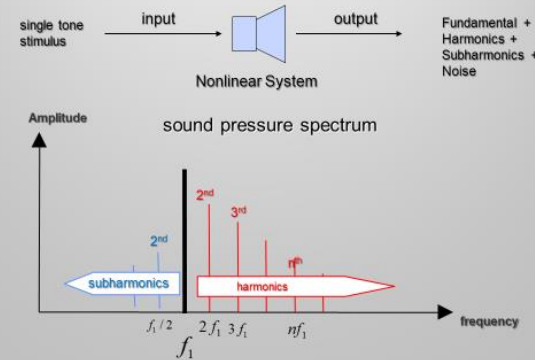


Acoustical testing of a modern active audio device



KLIPPEL-live #6: Selecting measurements with

Nonlinear Symptom: Harmonic Distortion



KLIPPEL LIVE #8: Harmonic Distortion Measurements - Best Practice, 4



9th KLIPPEL LIVE:
互调失真 – 音乐不仅仅是单音
Intermodulation Distortion – music is more than a single tone

今日话题 Topics today:

- **互调失真的物理原因** Physical causes for intermodulation distortion
- **符合IEC标准60268-21的测量** Measurements according to IEC Standard 60268-21
- **使用双音激励的测试** Testing with a two-tone stimulus
- **使用多音复合激励的测试** Testing with a multi-tone complex
- **结果的解读** Interpretation of the results
- **实际演示** Practical demos



Poll:

您是否评估互调失真?

Do you evaluate the intermodulation distortion ?

A. 否 No

B. 是, 通过听音乐 Yes, by listening to music

C. 是, 通过使用双音激励 Yes, by using a two tone stimulus

D. 是, 通过使用多音复合 Yes, by using a multi-tone complex

E. 是, 使用其他方法 Yes, by other ways

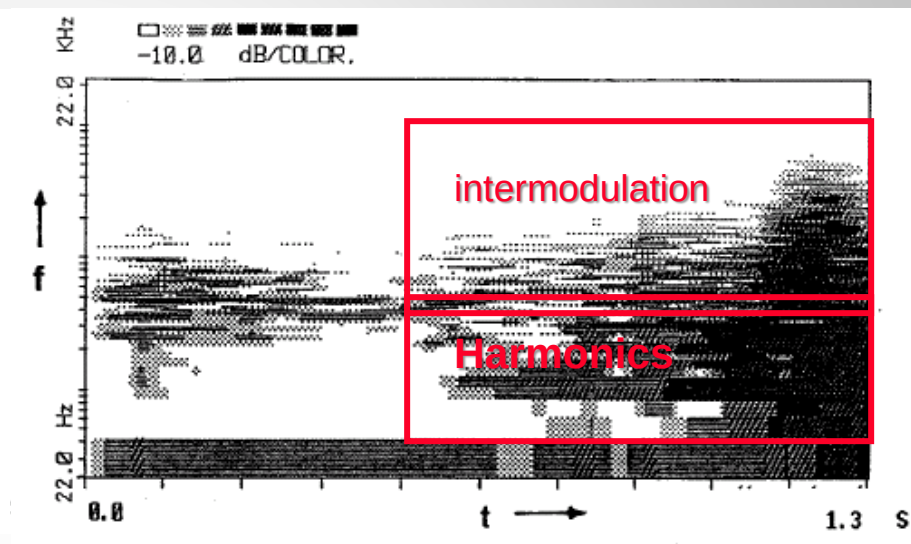


音乐中的BI失真

BI-Distortion in Music



未失真音乐信号 Undistorted music signal



仅BI(x) 产生的失真 Distortion generated by BI(x) only

需要高位移 → 信号低于 f_s → 低音信号 High displacement required → signal below f_s → bass signal

如果 $f_s < 100$ Hz, 音频带中的互调信号产生粗糙度

Intermodulation with signal in audioband generate roughness when $f_s < 100$ Hz

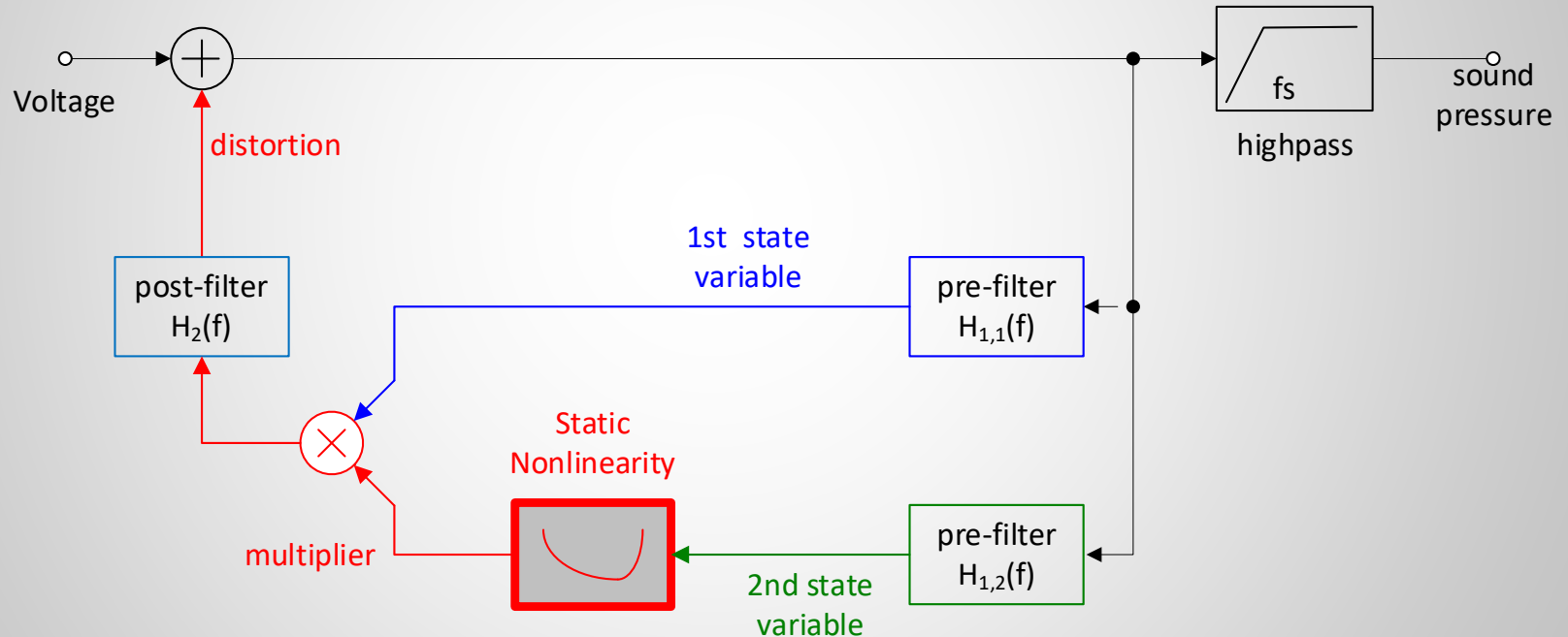
对音质有很高影响 High impact on sound quality





What causes the IM Distortion ?

广义信号流模型 Generalized Signal Flow Model
描述一个分离的非线性 describing a separated nonlinearity



两个不同状态变量的相乘会产生独特的互调失真！

The multiplication of two different state variables generates unique intermodulation distortion !





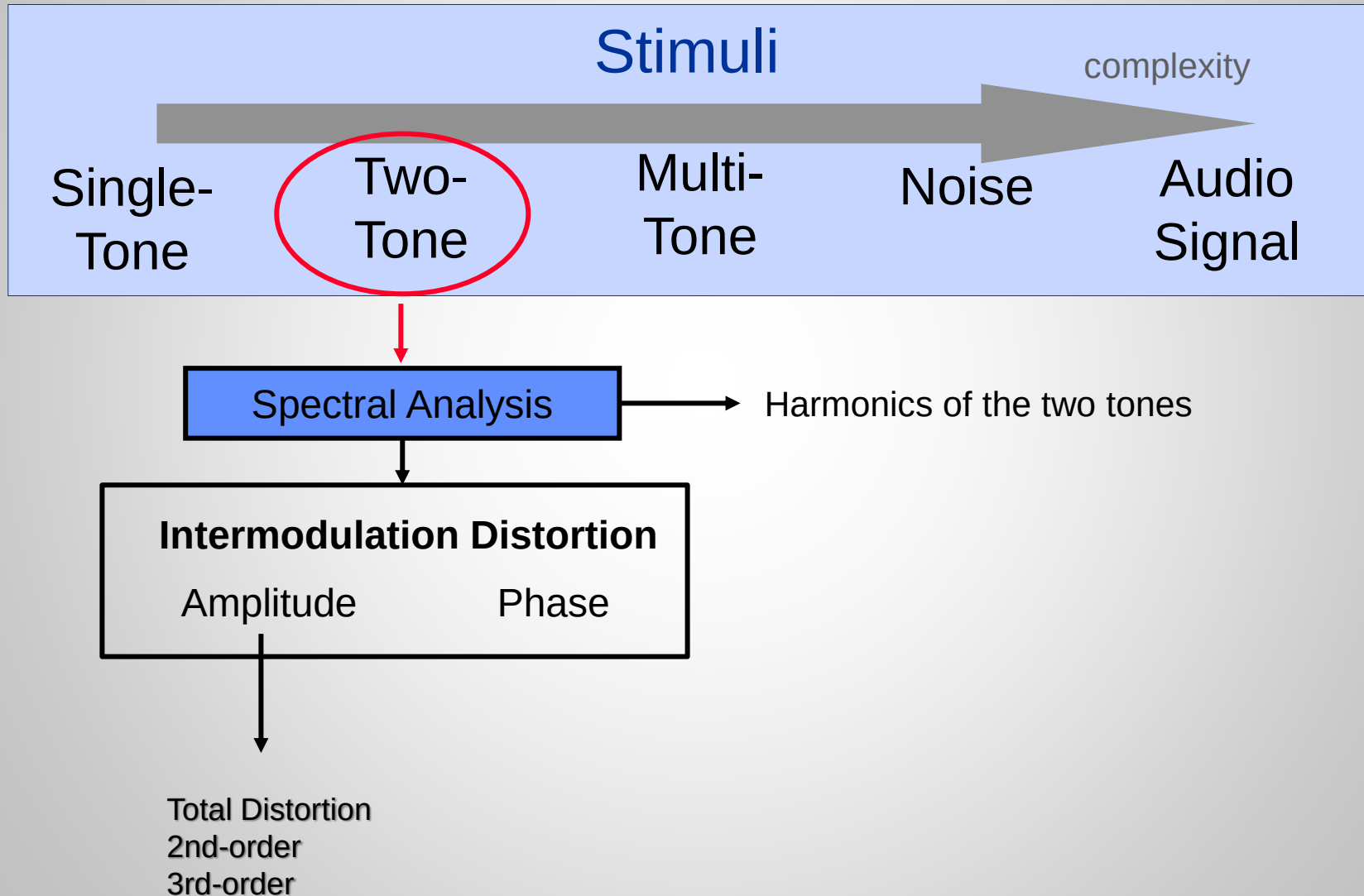
Causes for high IM-Distortion

NONLINEARITY	INTERPRETATION	PRE-FILTER $H_{1,1}(f)$ (output)	PRE-FILTER $H_{1,2}(f)$ (output)	
Stiffness $K_{ms}(x)$ of the suspension	restoring force	Low-pass (displacement x)	Low-pass (displacement x)	} Negligible THD $f > 2f_s$
Force factor $Bl(x)$	electro-dynamical force	Band-stop (current i)	Low-pass (displacement x)	
	nonlinear damping	Band-pass (velocity v)	Low-pass (displacement x)	} Negligible THD
Inductance $L_e(x)$	self-induced voltage	Band-stop (current i)	Low-pass (displacement x)	
	reluctance force	Band-stop (current i)	Band-stop (current i)	
Inductance $L_e(i)$	varying permeability	Band-stop (current i)	Band-stop (current i)	
Mechanical resistance $R_{ms}(v)$	nonlinear damping	Band-pass (velocity v)	Band-pass (velocity v)	
Young's modulus $E(\varepsilon)$ of the material	cone vibration	Band-pass (strain ε)	Band-pass (strain ε)	
Speed of sound $c(p)$	nonlinear sound propagation (wave steepening)	High-pass (sound pressure p)	High-pass (sound pressure p)	
Time delay $\tau(x)$	nonlinear sound radiation (Doppler effect)	High-pass (sound pressure p)	Low-pass (displacement x)	} Negligible THD

測量互调失真很重要 Measurements of Intermodulation Distortion is important !

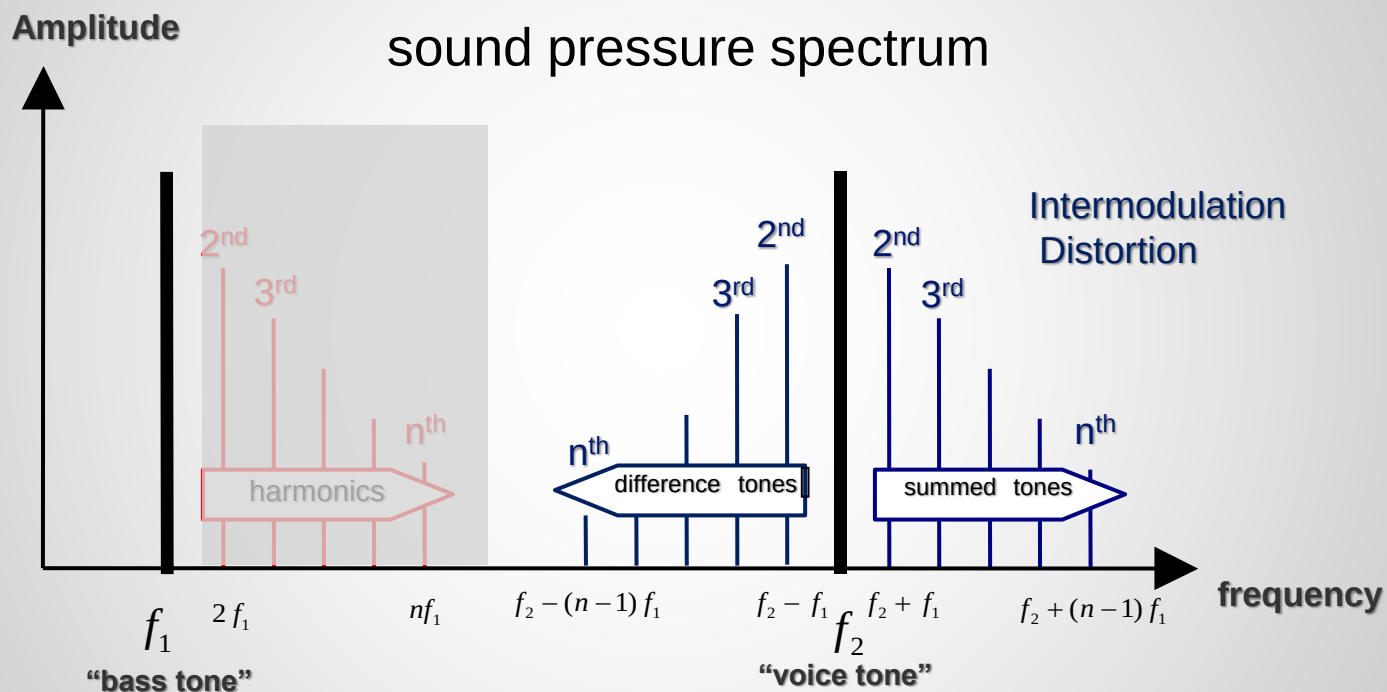


Sparse but Comprehensive Stimulus



Intermodulation distortion

generated by Two-tone Stimulus



简化各分量的识别 To simplify the identification of the components:

- 激励音 f_1 和 f_2 之间保持较大距离 Keep large distance between the exciting tones f_1 and f_2





IM-Distortion (two-tone signal)

Definitions according IEC 60268-21

Second-order Modulation

(FM + AM)

$$L_{2IMD} = 20 \lg \left(\frac{\tilde{p}(f_2 - f_1) + \tilde{p}(f_2 + f_1)}{\tilde{p}(f_2)} \right)$$

Third-order Modulation

(FM + AM)

$$L_{3IMD} = 20 \lg \left(\frac{\tilde{p}(f_2 - 2f_1) + \tilde{p}(f_2 + 2f_1)}{\tilde{p}(f_2)} \right)$$

Total Modulation Distortion

(FM+ AM)

$$L_{TIMD}(f_1, f_2) = 20 \lg \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^2 \tilde{p}(f_2 - kf_1) + \tilde{p}(f_2 + kf_1)}{\tilde{p}(f_2)} \right)$$

IEC60268-21中使用相对指标 (IMD分量除以载波)

The IEC 60268-21 uses relative measures (IMD component divided by carrier)

相对IMD类似于等效输入失真，因为频率距离 $|f_2 - f_1| \ll f_2$

The relative IMD are similar to the equivalent input distortion because the frequency distance $|f_2 - f_1| \ll f_2$

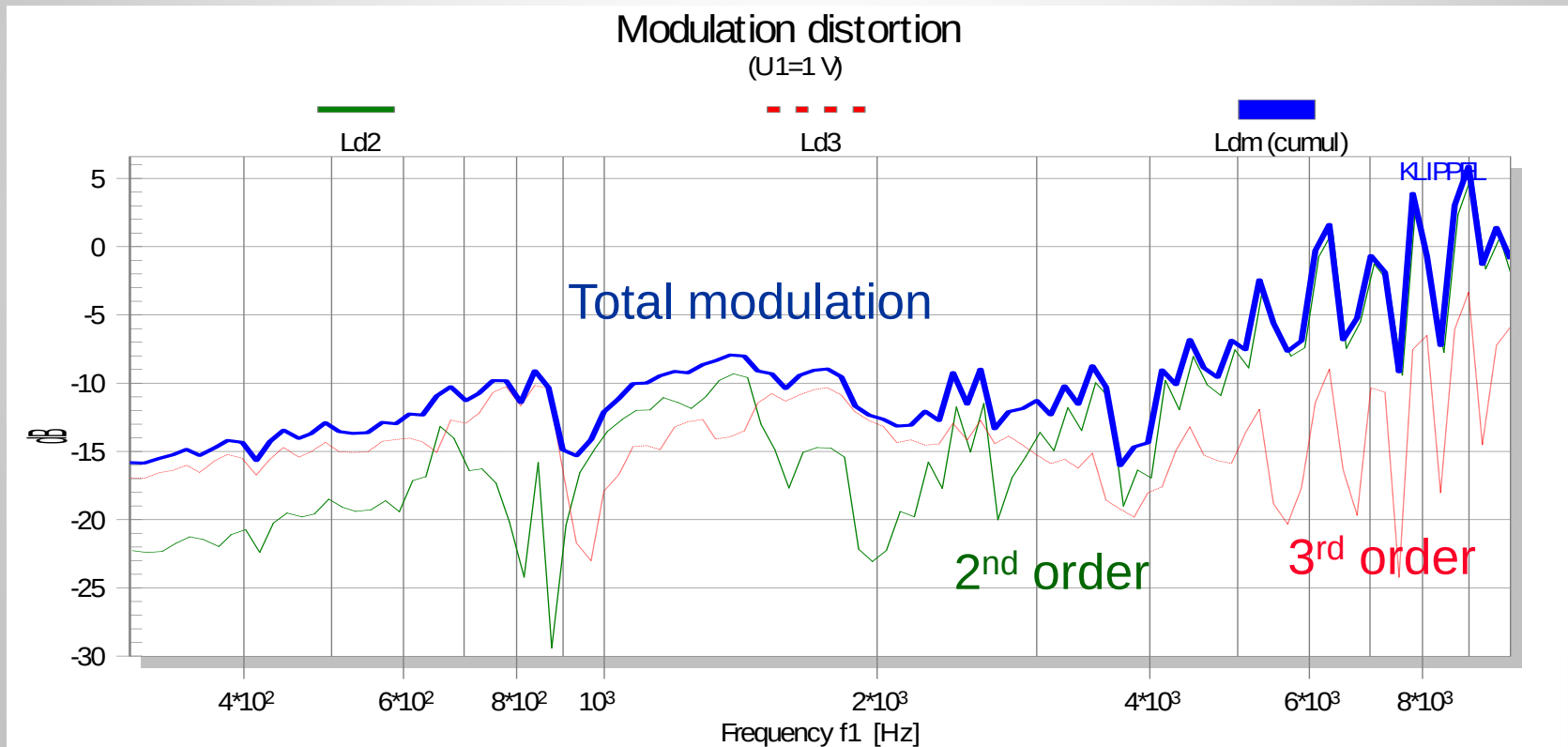
→ 可使用近场测量提高SNR Near field measurement can be used to improve SNR





2阶和3阶分量在整个互调失真中的贡献量

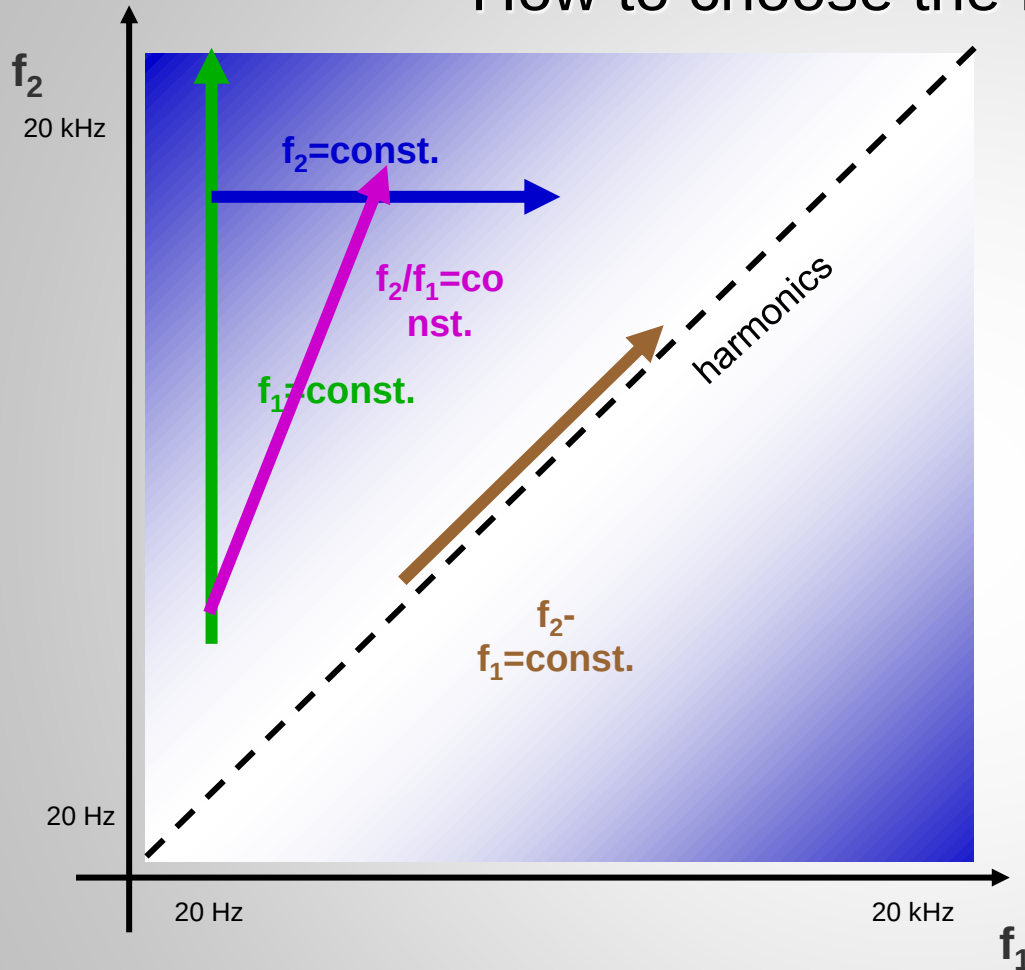
Contribution of 2nd and 3rd-order Components to the total intermodulation distortion



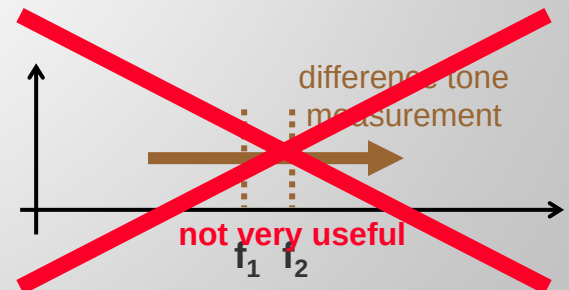
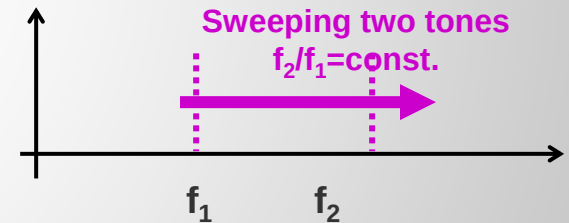
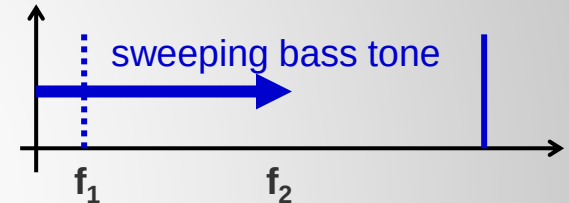
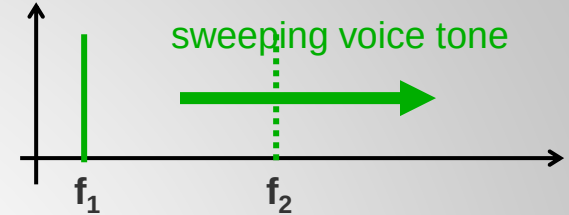


Sweeping the Two-Tone Signal

How to choose the frequencies ?



Exploit information for $f_2 \neq f_1$!!!



Poll:

您是如何设置测试激励中双音的频率的？

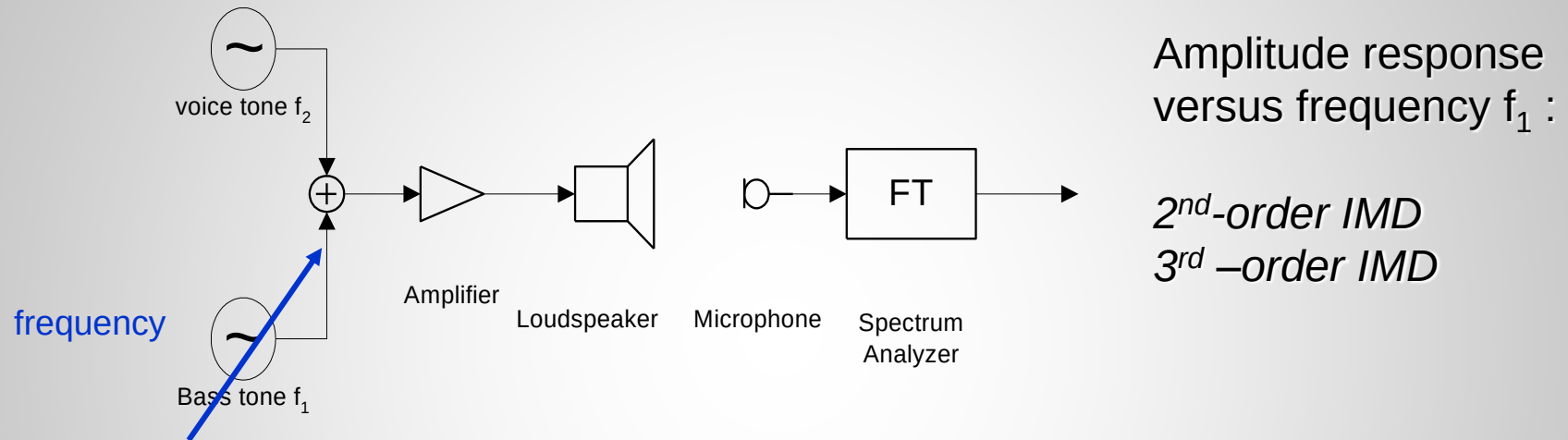
How do you set the frequencies of the two tones in the stimulus for the testing ?

- A. 没有 None
- B. 双音固定($f_1 > f_2$) Fixed setting two tones ($f_1 > f_2$)
- C. 低音 f_1 扫描(定量 $f_2 >$ 变量 f_1) Sweeping the Bass tone f_1 (fixed $f_2 >$ variable f_1)
- D. 语音 f_2 扫描(定量 $f_1 <$ 变量 f_2) Sweeping the voice tone f_2 (fixed $f_1 <$ variable f_2)
- E. 以恒定频率比率 $f_2/f_1 = \text{const}$ 扫描双音 Sweeping two tone sweep with constant frequency ratio $f_2/f_1 = \text{const}$
- F. 其他 Other



Setup for IMD in Sound Pressure

bass sweep technique



最佳激励 Optimal Stimulus:

双音激励 Two-Tone stimulus

低音频率在共振附近变化 $0.5f_s < f_1 < 2f_s$ Varying frequency of bass tone about resonance $0.5f_s < f_1 < 2f_s$

高于共振的恒定语音频率 $f_2 = 7f_s$ Constant frequency of voice tone above resonance $f_2 = 7f_s$

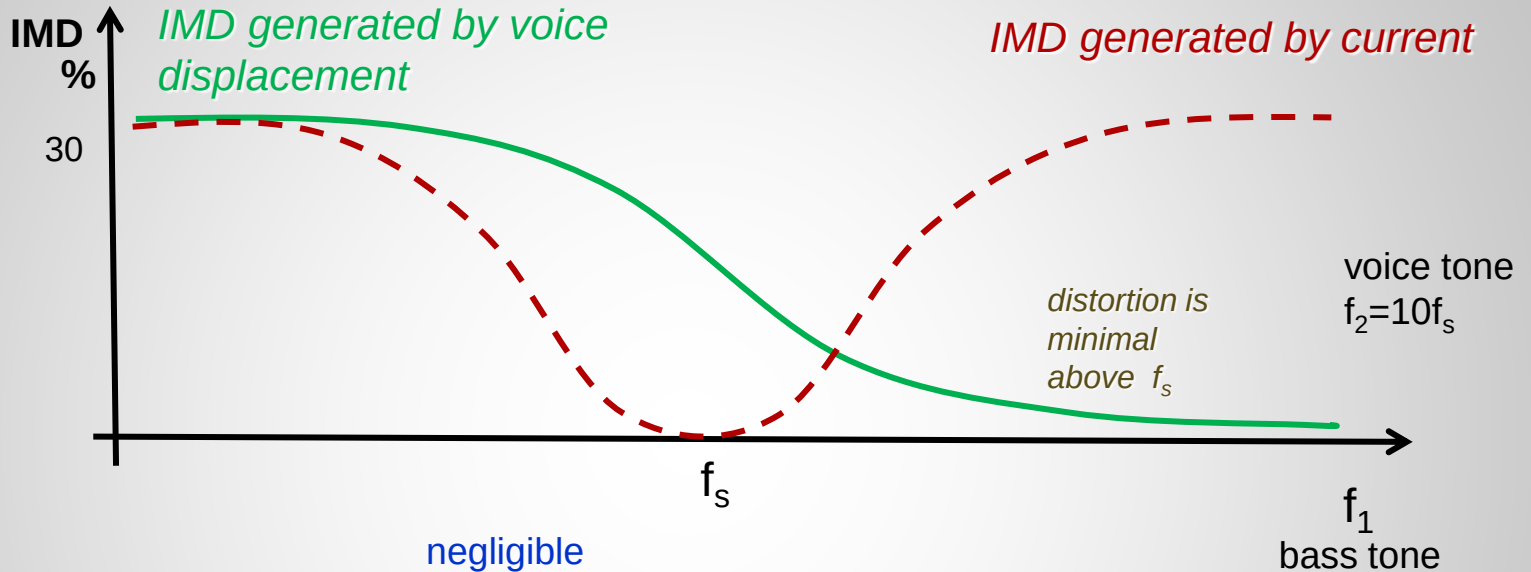
要求 Requirement:

两个正弦发生器、频谱分析仪 2 sinusoidal generators, Spectrum analyzer





Causes of IMD in Sound Pressure Output using bass sweep technique



Kms(x)

negligible

L(x)

L(x)

BI(x)

BI(x)

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Doppler

Doppler Effect

Cone Vibration

Cone Vibration

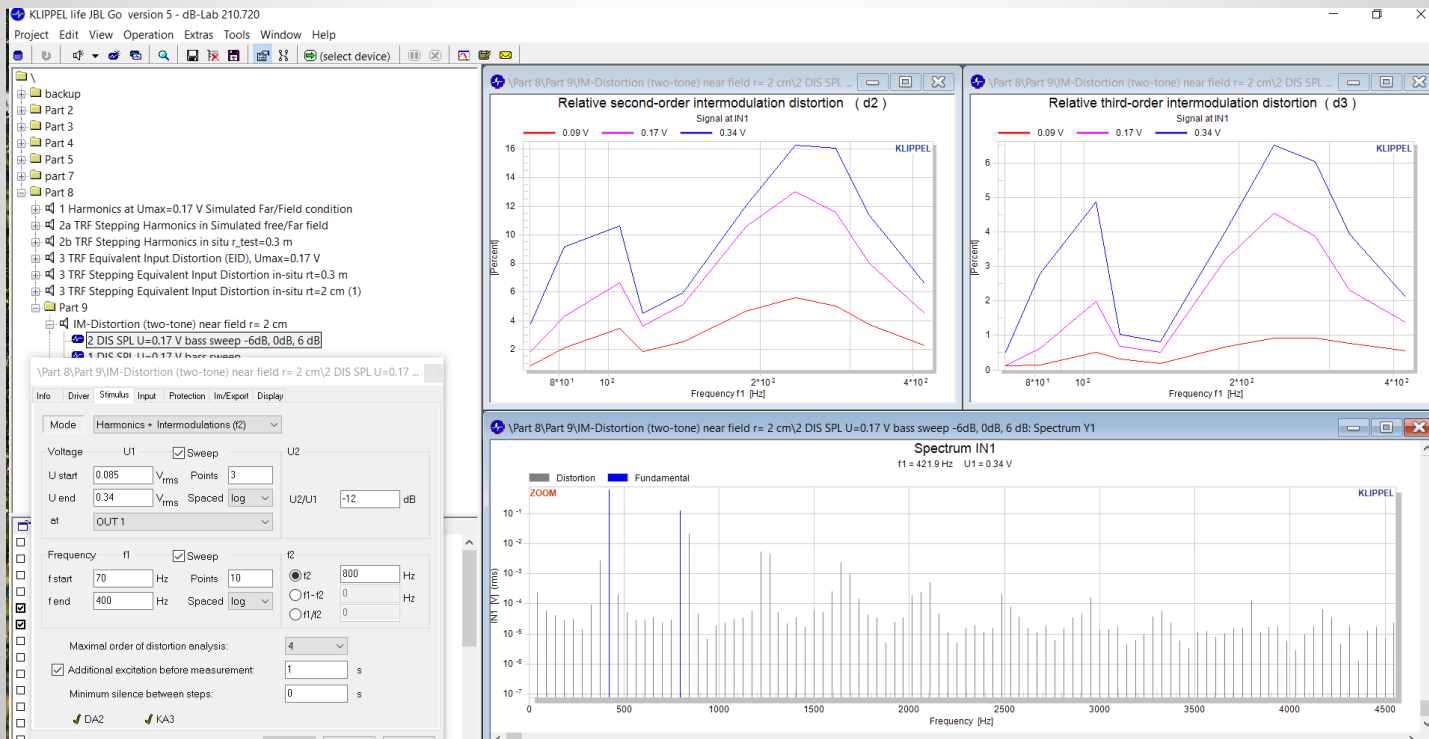


Demo: Intermodulation Distortion

2 tone stimulus with bass sweep

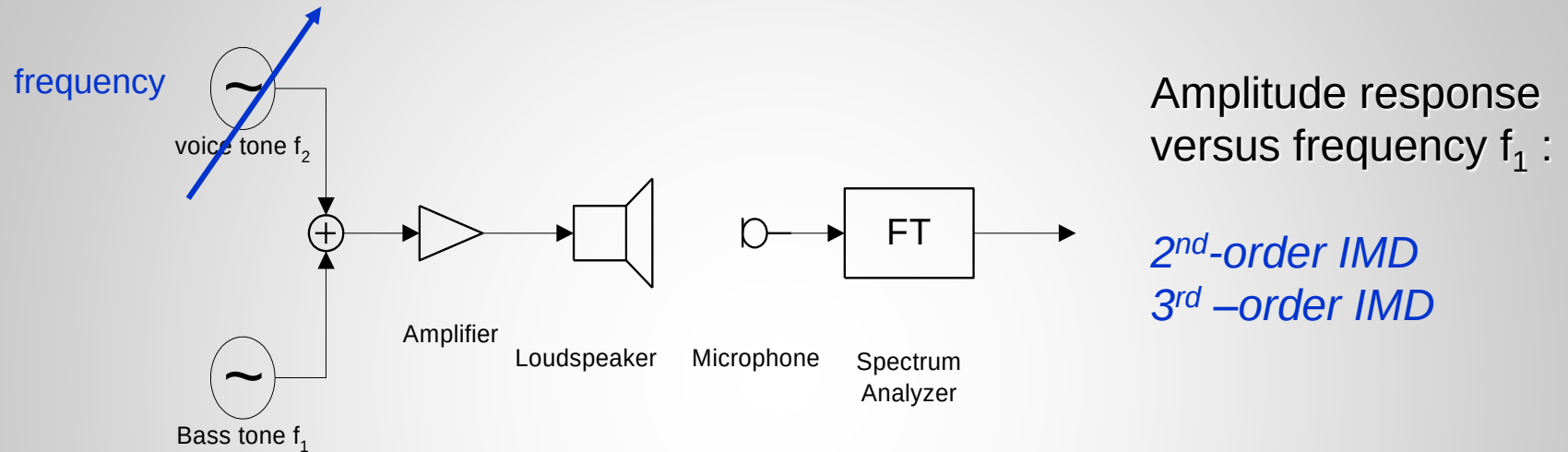
Tools of the KLIPPEL Analyzer:

- 3D Distortion Measurement (DIS)



Measurement of IMD in Sound Pressure

voice sweep technique



最佳激励 Optimal Stimulus:

双音激励 Two-Tone stimulus

语音频率高于共振处变化 $5f_s < f_2 < 20f_s$ Varying frequency of voice tone above resonance $5f_s < f_2 < 20f_s$

低于共振的恒定低音频率 $f_1 < 0.5f_s$ Constant frequency of bass tone below resonance $f_1 < 0.5f_s$

要求 Requirement:

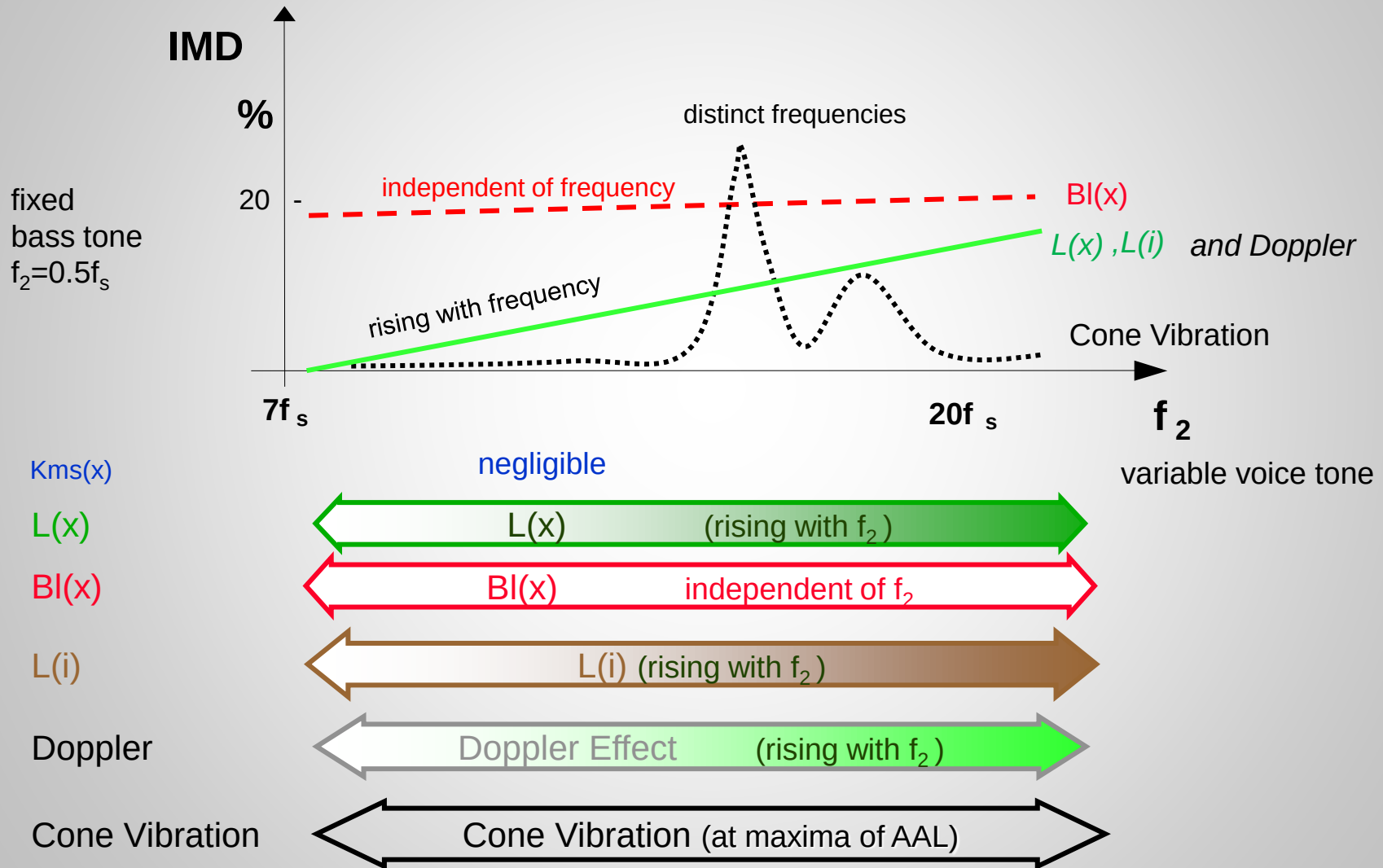
ALMA测试CD、双音发生器、频谱分析仪、麦克风 ALMA Test CD, 2 tone generators, Spectrum analyzer, Microphone





The Causes of IMD in Sound Pressure Output

voice sweep technique

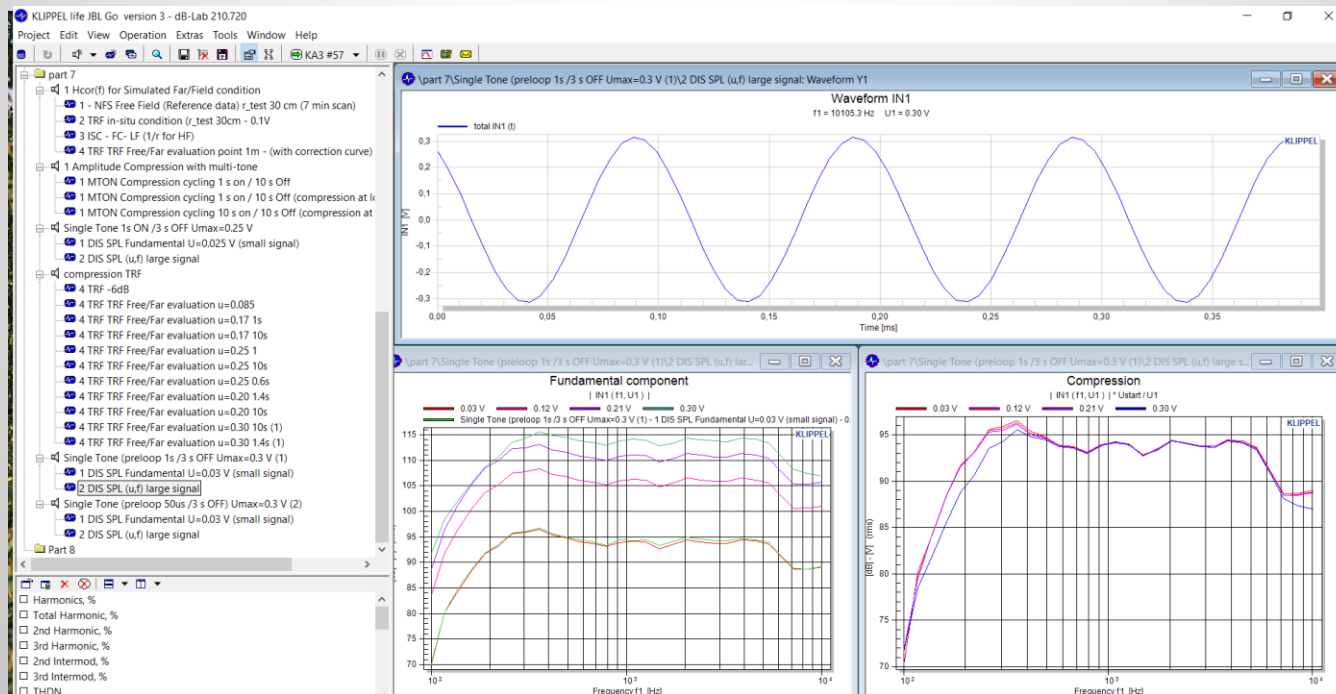


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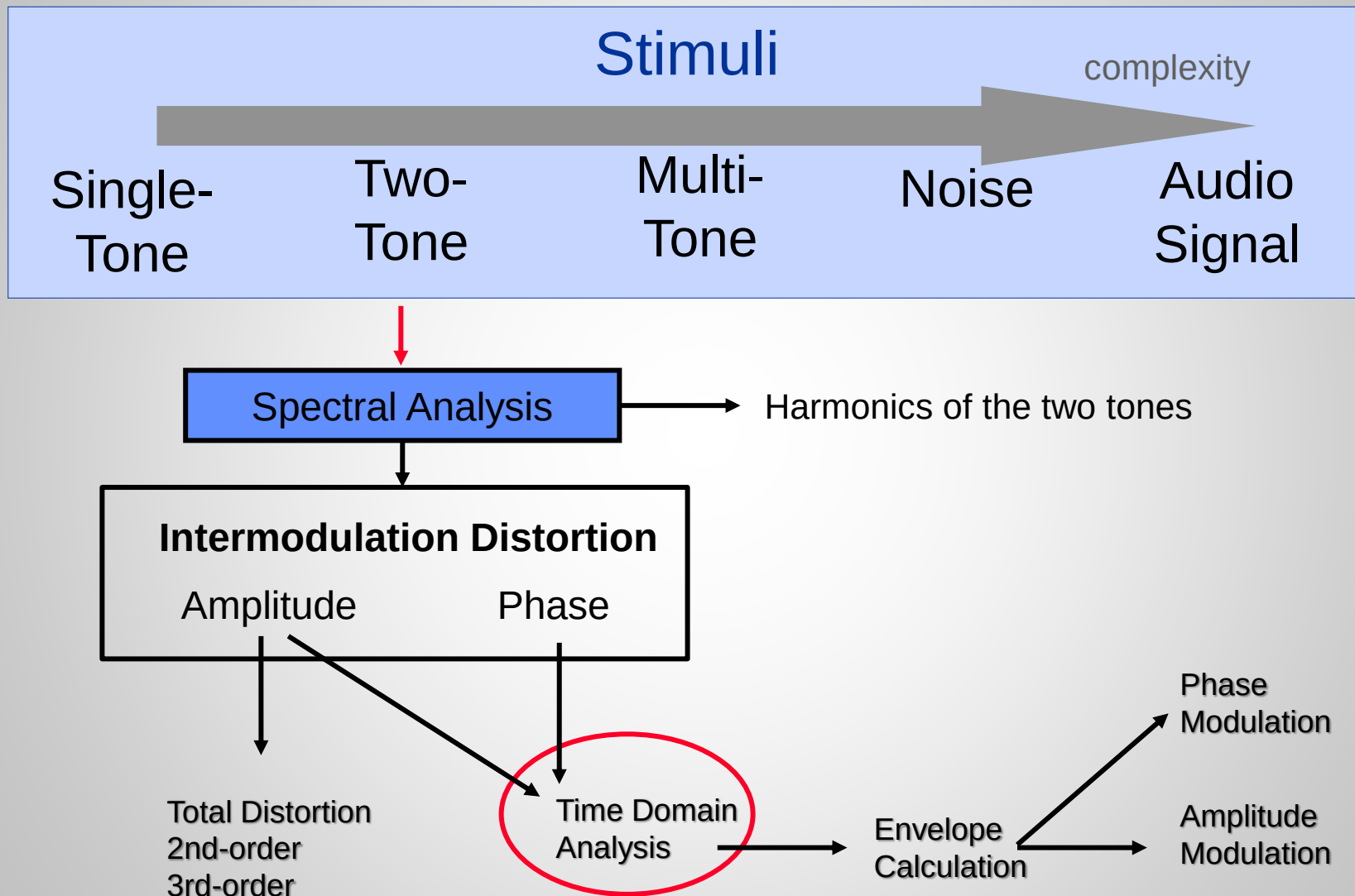
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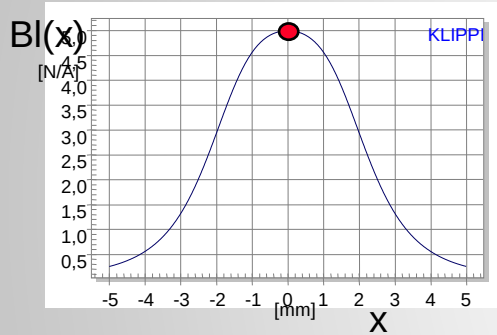
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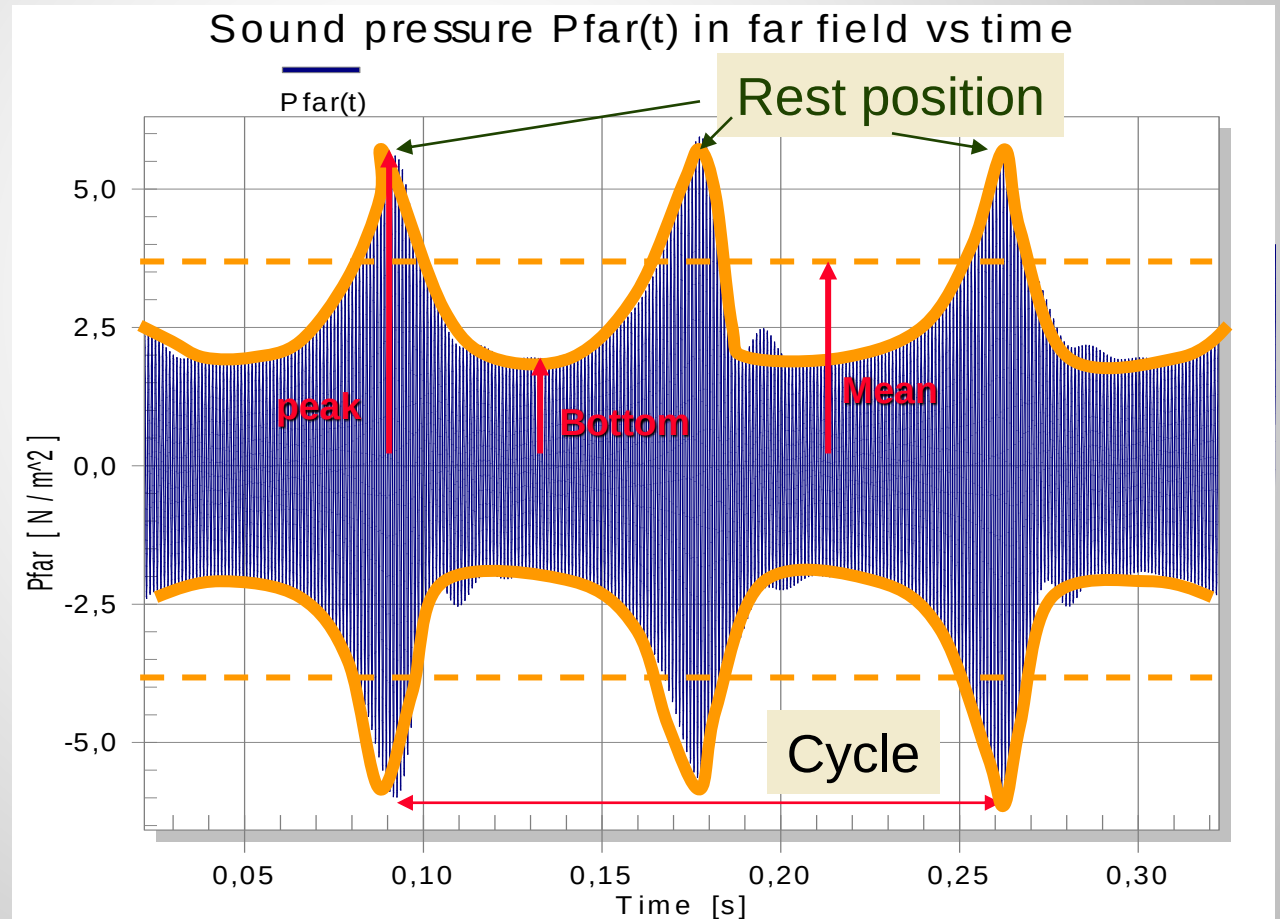


Amplitude Modulation

two-tone stimulus $f_1 < f_s$, $f_2 > f_s$

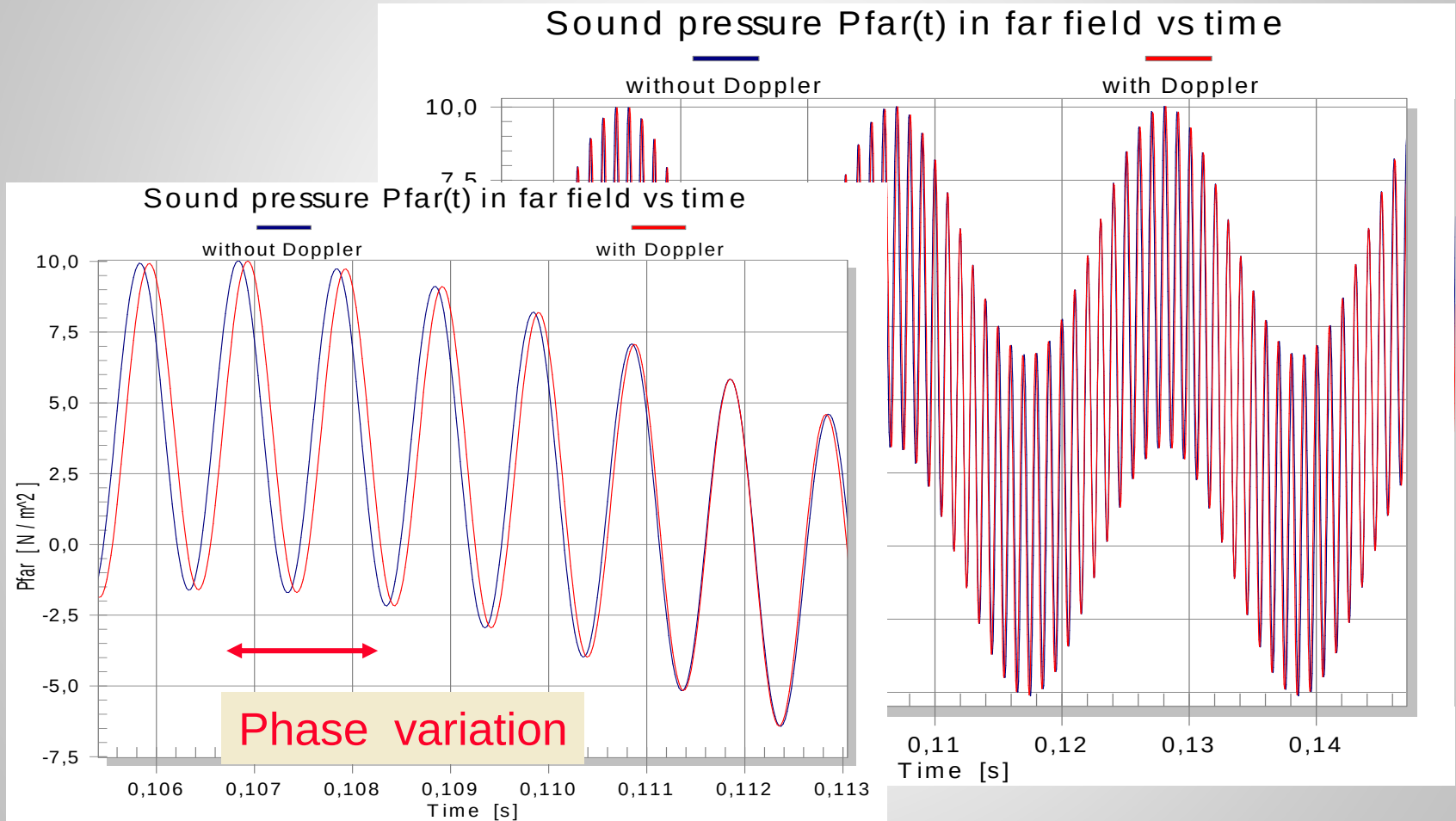


Symmetrical
Force factor
 $BI(x)$



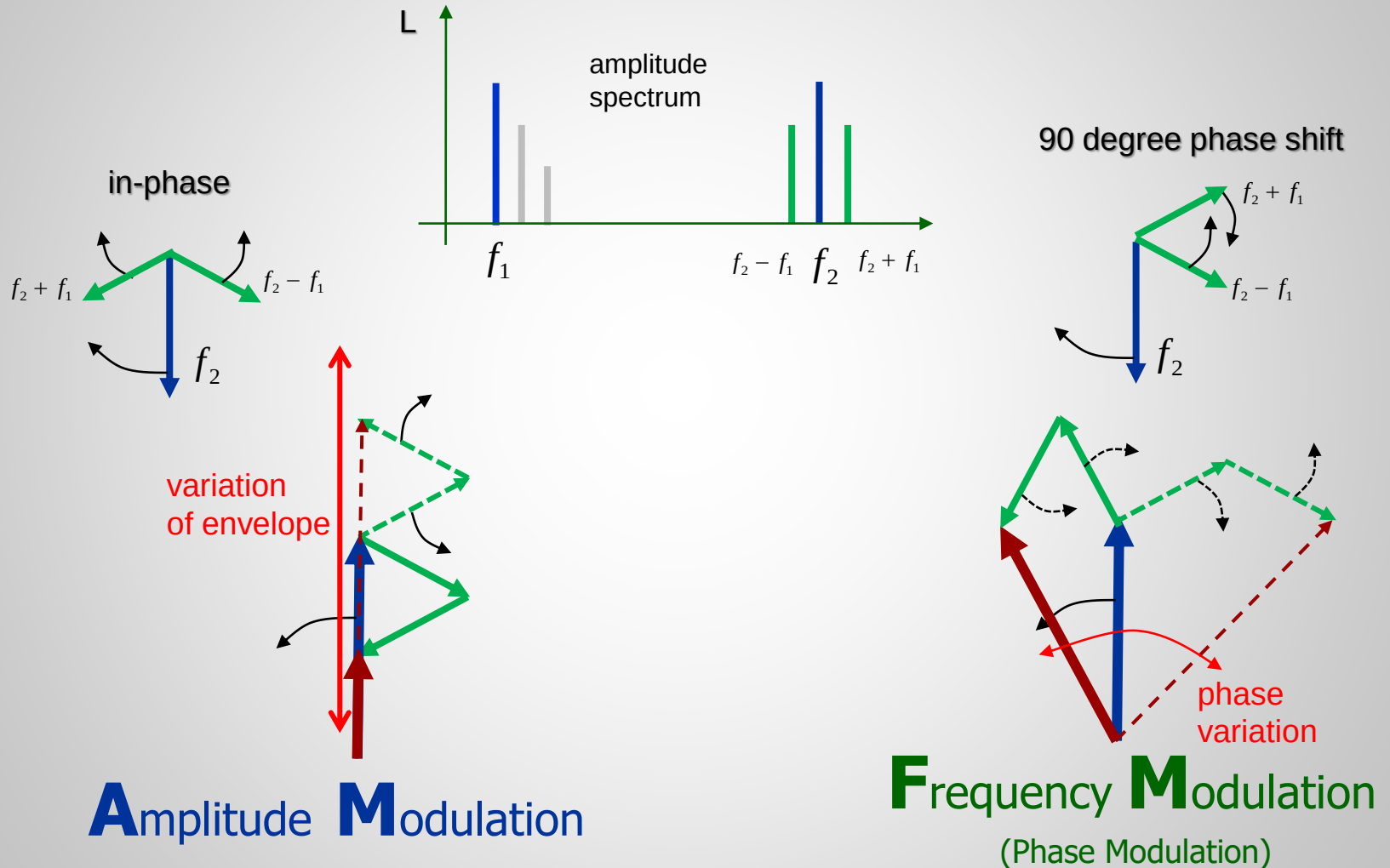


Phase (Frequency) Modulation caused by Doppler Effect





Phase of Intermodulation Distortion





互调失真的可听度

Audibility of Intermodulation Distortion

关键条件 Critical condition:

- 低音调制频率要足够低($f_B < 30$ Hz) modulation frequency of the „bass tone“ is sufficiently low ($f_B < 30$ Hz)
- 语音载波频率在1kHz (80 dB SPL) Carrier frequency of the voice tone is at 1 kHz tone (80 dB SPL)

简短总结 Short summary

- **AM调制** (例如力因数失真) 在3%时可闻并被感知为粗糙度
AM modulation (e.g. force factor distortion) are audible at 3 % and perceived as roughness
- **FM调制的阈值在30%变得可闻** Threshold of **FM modulation** become audible at 30 %
- **多普勒失真不重要** Doppler distortion are not critical

Zwicker, Fastl, 1999

更多内容在第14期: 为信号失真设置有意义的公差 (8月12日)

More in section #14: Setting meaningful tolerances for Signal Distortion (August 12th)





IM-Distortion (two-tone signal)

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(FM + AM)

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Total Modulation Distortion

(FM+ AM)

$$L_{TMD}(f_1, f_2) = 20 \lg \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^2 \tilde{p}(f_2 - kf_1) + \tilde{p}(f_2 + kf_1)}{\tilde{p}(f_2)} \right)$$

Amplitude Modulation

(AM only)

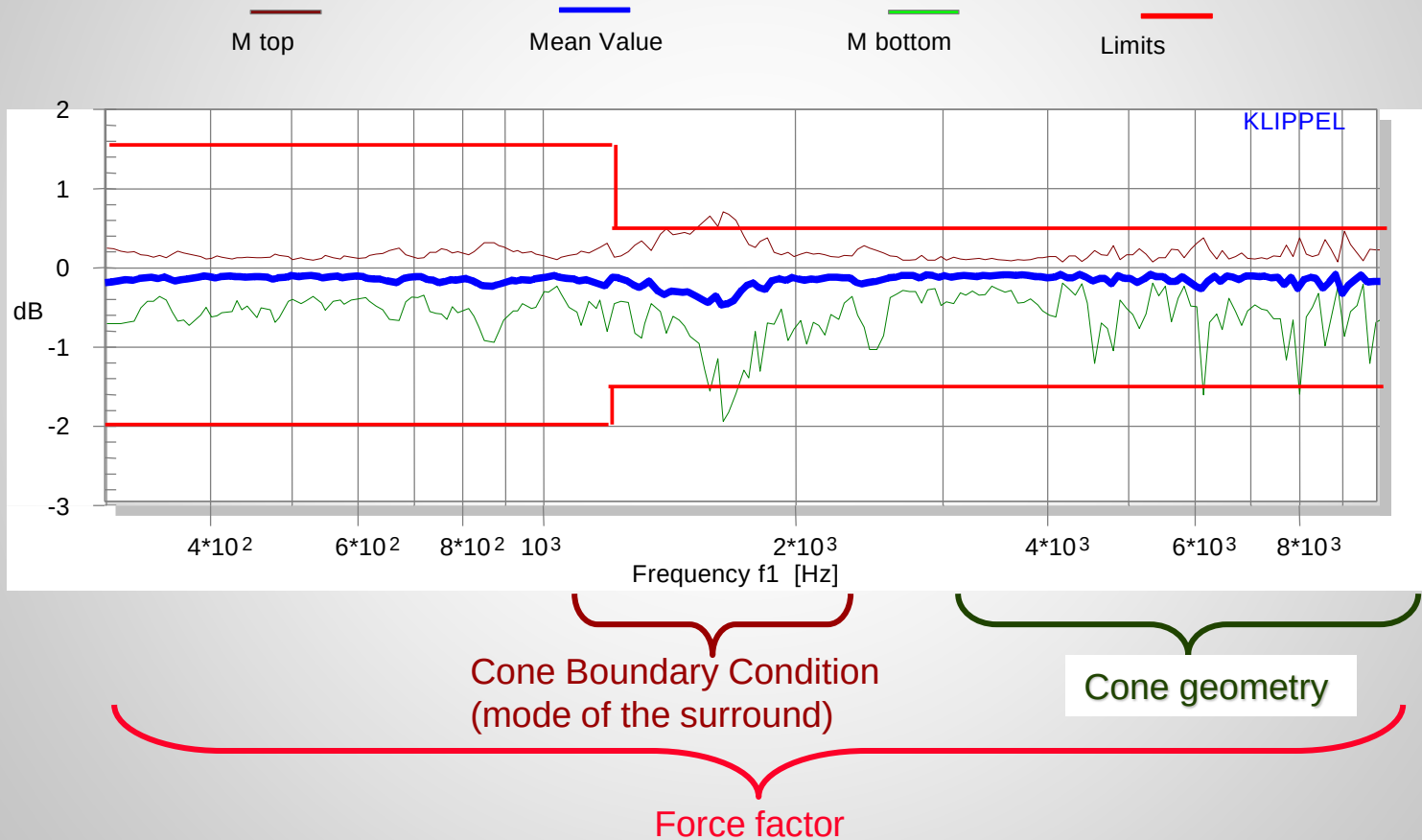
$$d_{AMD} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{2}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K (E[k] - \bar{E})^2}}{\bar{E}} * 100 \% \quad L_{AMD} = 20 \lg \left(\frac{d_{AMD}}{100} \right)$$
$$\bar{E} = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K E[k]$$





Interpretation of the Envelope

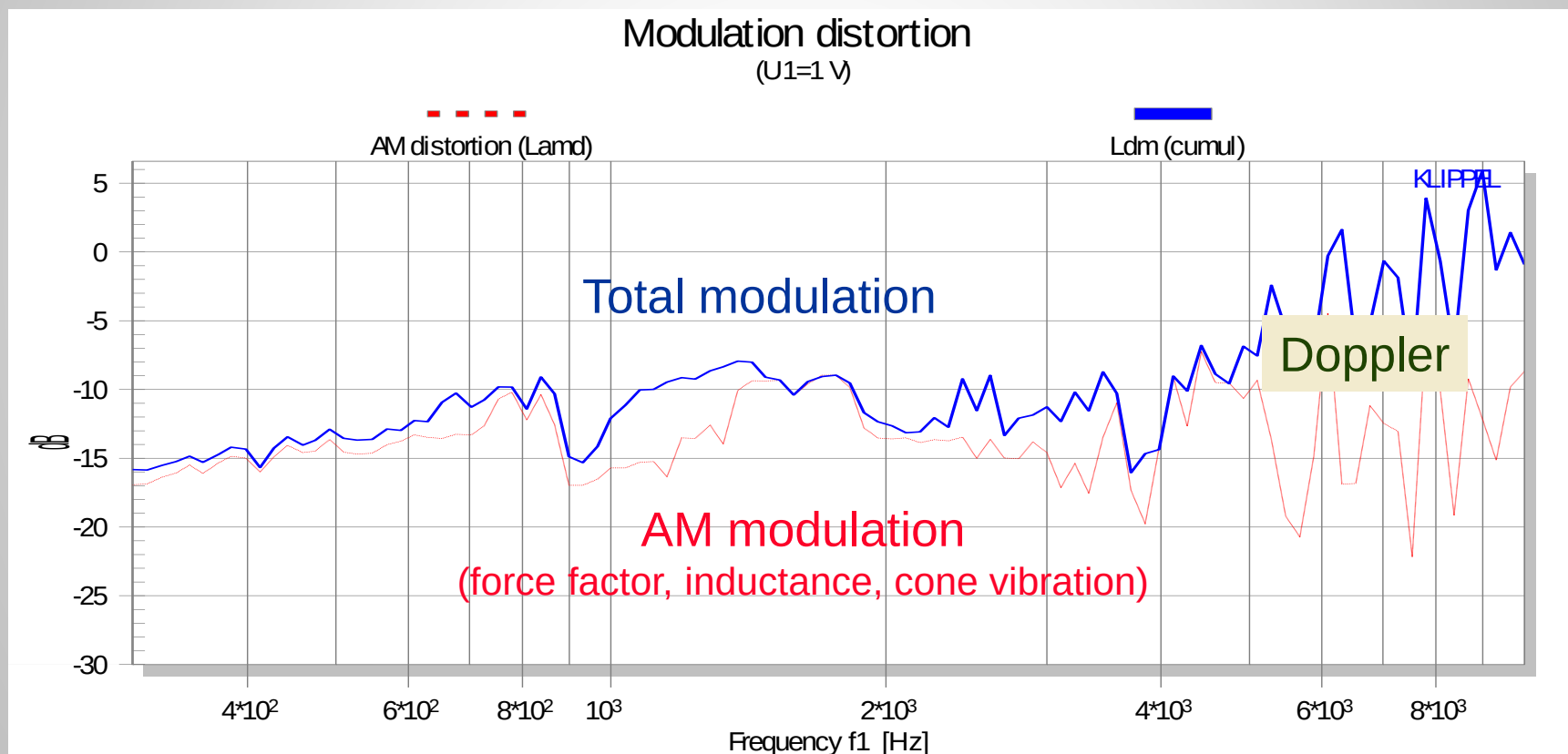
Amplitude modulation distortion





幅度调制在总互调失真中的贡献

Contribution of Amplitude Modulation to the total intermodulation distortion

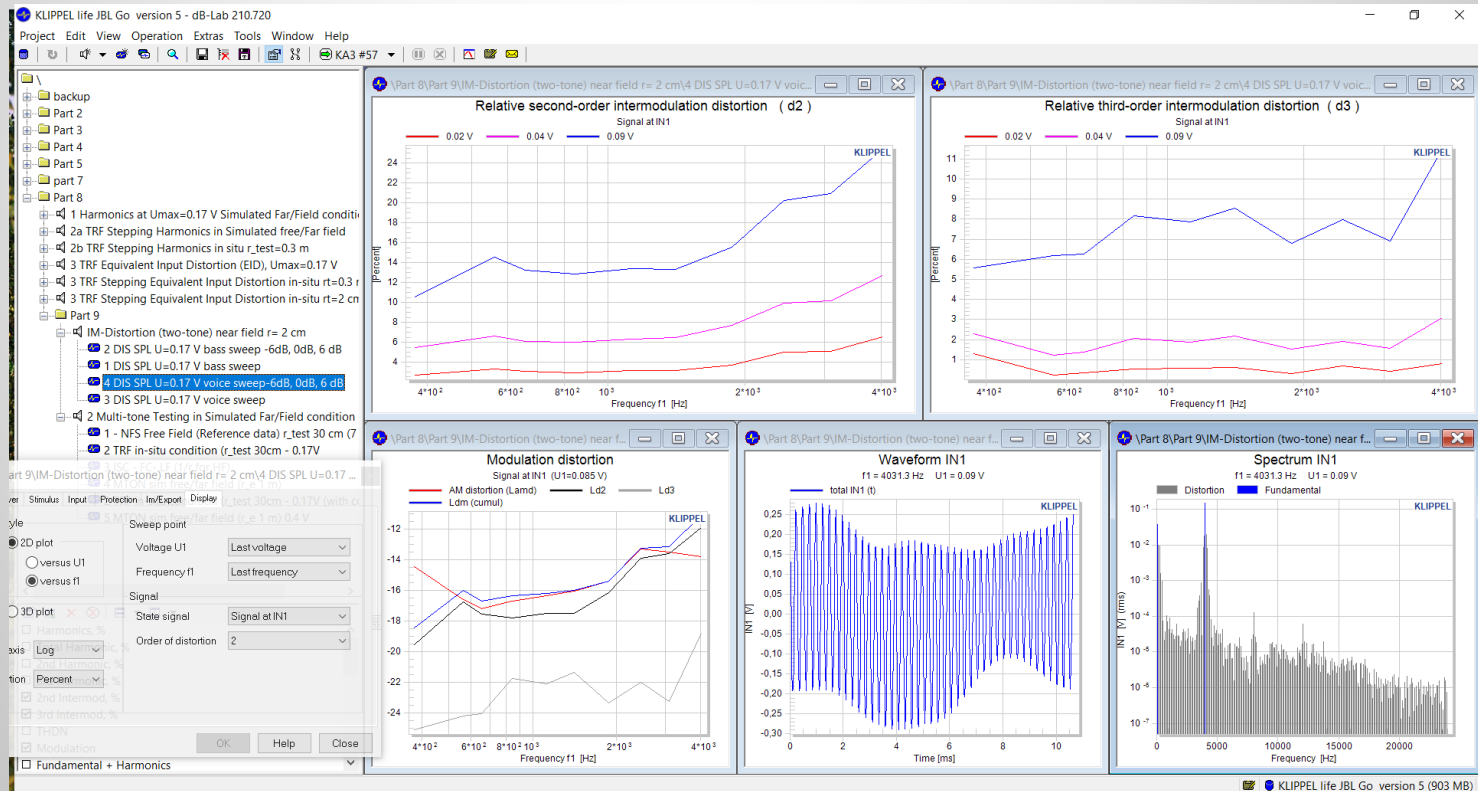


Demo: Amplitude Modulation

2 tone stimulus with voice sweep

Tools of the KLIPPEL Analyzer:

- 3D Distortion Measurement (DIS)





Intermodulation Measurement

using a Two-Tone Stimulus

优点 Advantages:

- 易于生成（使用两个正弦发生器） Simple generation (by using two sinusoidal generators)
- 分离噪声和失真 Separation of noise and distortion
- 易于解读 Easy to interpret
- 适于研发中的扬声器诊断 Good for loudspeaker diagnostics in R&D
- 灵敏激励也适用于听音测试 Sensitive stimulus also for listening tests

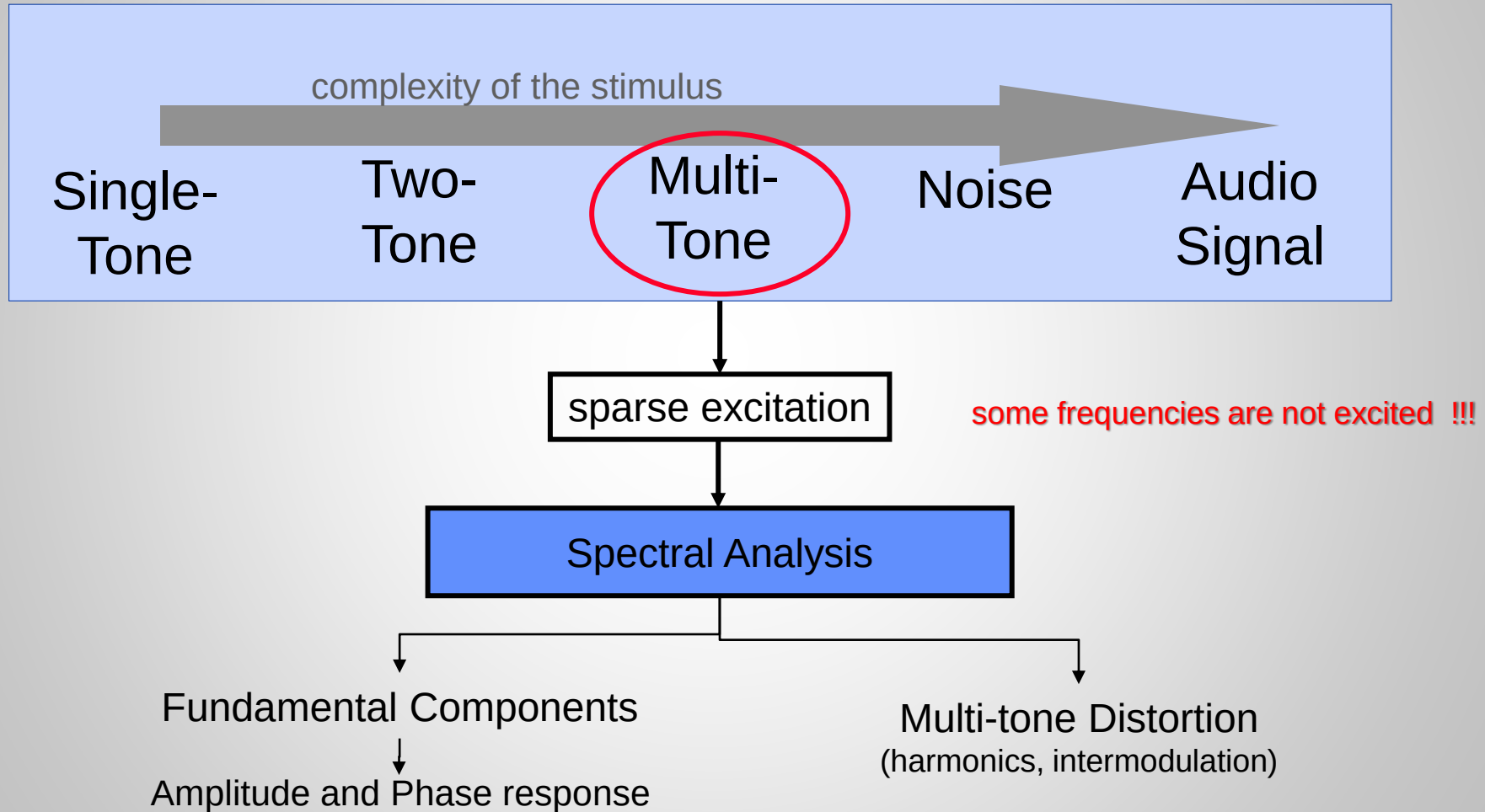
缺点 Disadvantages:

- 激励音频率需要小心设置 Frequency of excitation tones have to be set carefully

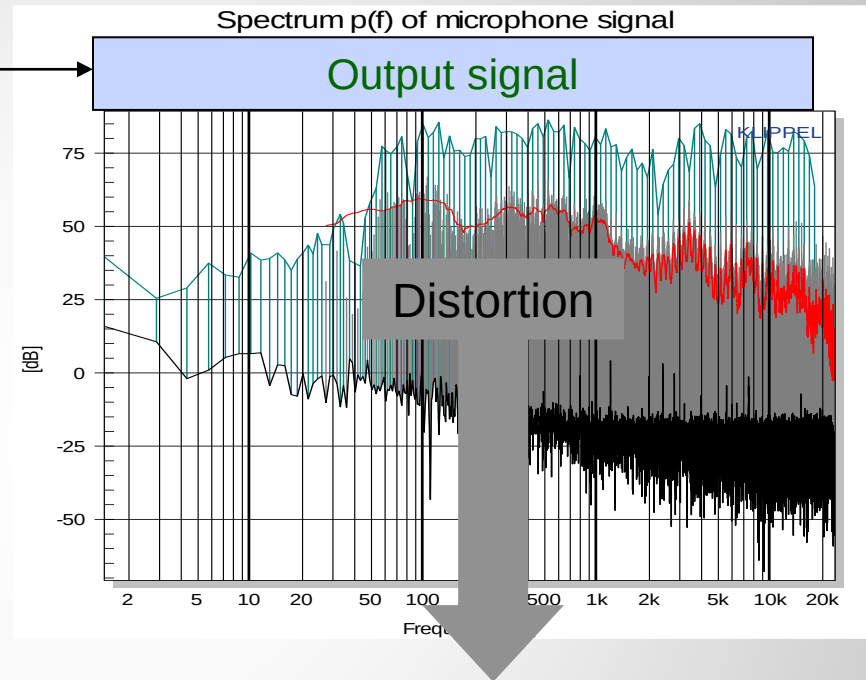
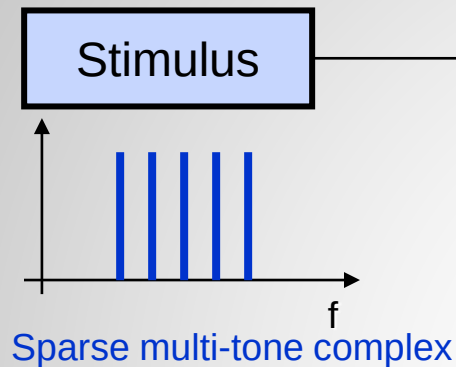


Universal Stimulus

complex, steady-state, like an organ tone



Multi-Tone Distortion (MTD)



→ MTD没有详细显示生成过程
MTD don't show the generation process in detail

→ “指纹”特性 (适用于质控)
„Fingerprint“ (good for quality control)

- 基波频率处的失真 distortion at fundamental frequencies
 - 谐波分量 harmonic components
 - 差频分量 difference-tone components
 - 和频分量 summed tone components
- } 互调 intermodulation



Poll:

您是否评估多音激励产生的失真?

Do you evaluate the distortion generated by a multi-tone stimulus ?

A. Yes

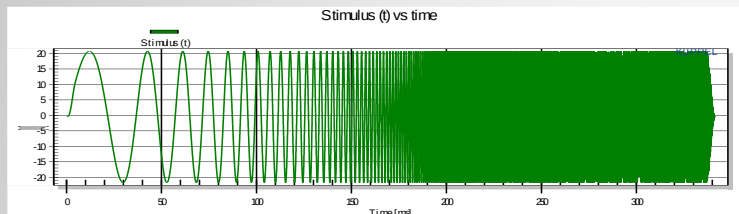
B. No



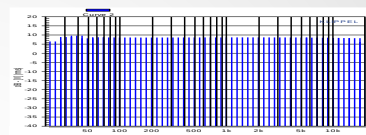


激励音的相位很重要！ Phase of the Excitation Tones is important !!

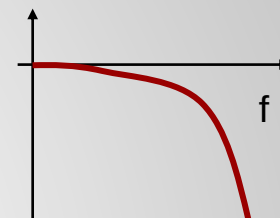
Time signal (logarithmic sweep)



Amplitude spectrum



Phase spectrum



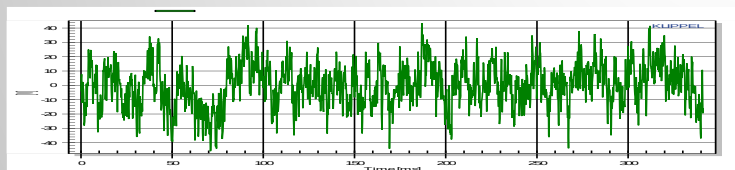
一次只有一个频率分量！

At one time there is only one frequency component !!!

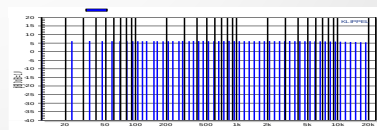


只有谐波 Harmonics only

Time Signal (Multi-tone complex)



Amplitude spectrum



Phase spectrum



任何时候都有多个频率分量相互作用！

At any time there are multiple frequency components interacting !!!



互调+谐波 Intermodulation + Harmonics



符合IEC60268-21多音激励的定义属性 Defined Properties of Multi-tone Stimulus

according IEC 60268-21

目标 Objective:

- 确保不同仪器测量结果的可比性 ensure comparability of the results measured by different instruments
- 易于生成（通过软件实现） easy to generate (by software implementation)
- 激励的修改是可行的（带宽、分辨率R） Modification of the stimulus should be possible (bandwidth , resolution R)

Amplitude spectrum

$$x(t) = \sum_{i=1}^N U(f_i) \cos(2\pi f_i t + \varphi_i)$$

Frequencies of the sparse line spectrum logarithmically spaced

$$f_i = \frac{1}{T} \text{int} \left(T \cdot f_{\text{start}} \cdot 2^{i/R} \right) \quad \text{with } i = 1, \dots, N$$

Duration
(periodicity)

Starting
frequency

Max. Number of
frequencies

Pseudo-random phase

$$\varphi_{i+1} = \frac{2\pi}{m} \left[\left(\frac{a\varphi_i * m}{2\pi} \right) \bmod m \right]$$

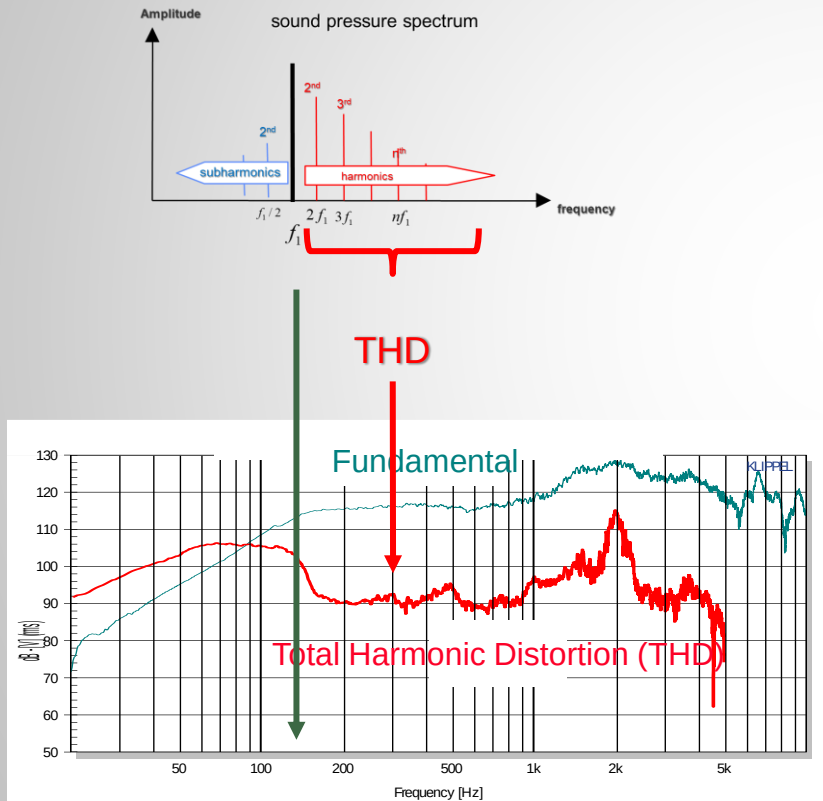
Seeds (a=48271, m=2³¹-1 and φ₁=1)





Interpretation of the Distortion

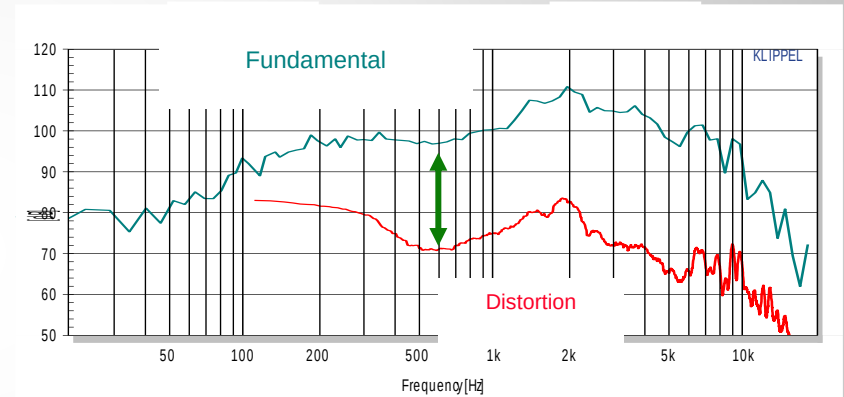
Total Harmonic Distortion (THD)



frequency of the fundamental tone →

Multi-tone Distortion

Sound pressure spectrum



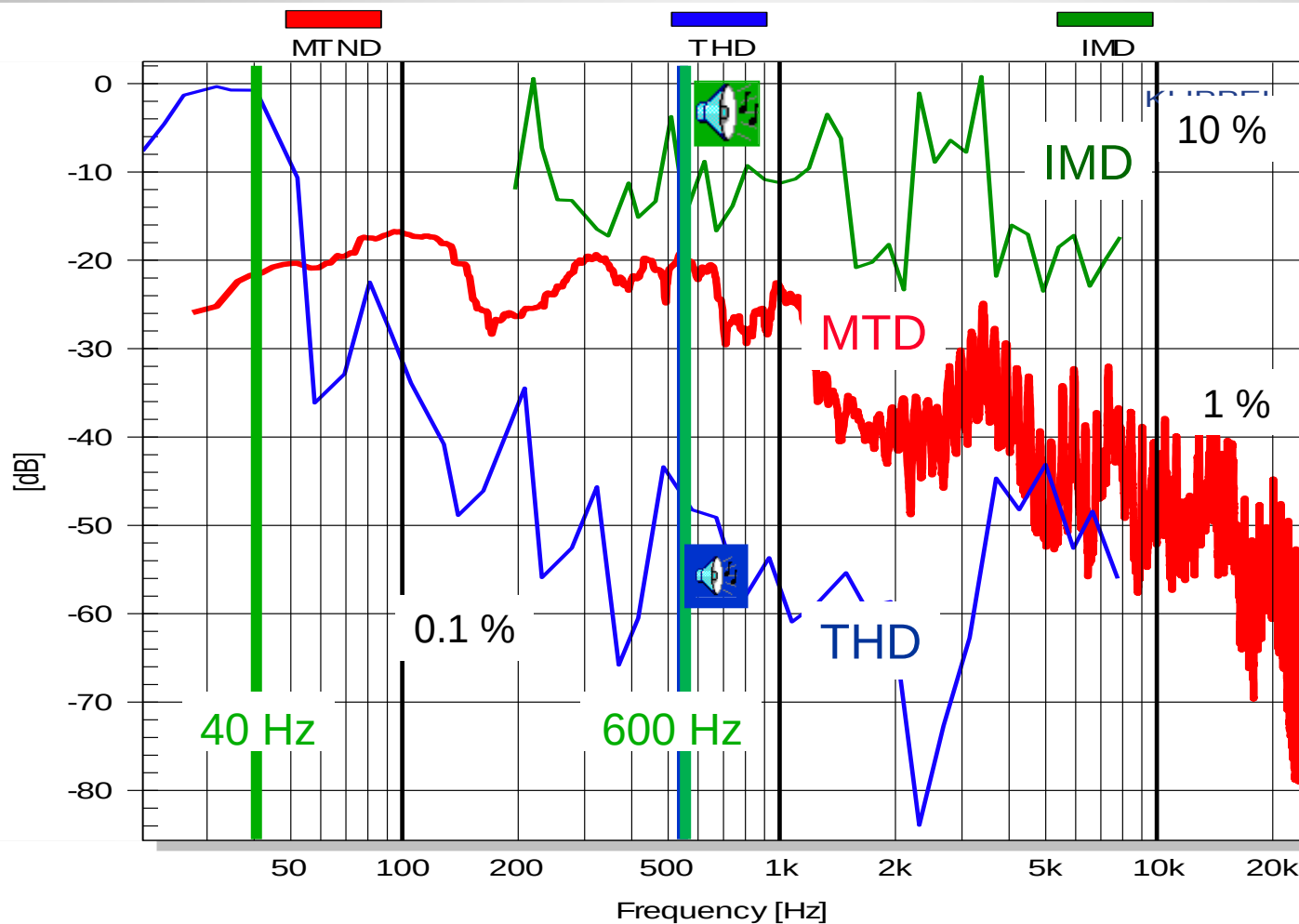
frequency of the spectral components →

好处：基波和失真之间的距离对于感知掩盖效应很有意义 Benefit: Distance between fundamentals and distortions is meaningful for perceptual masking





Multi-tone Distortion Measurement compared with traditional THD, IMD



IMD:
f1 = 50 Hz @15 V
+ sweep @ 3V

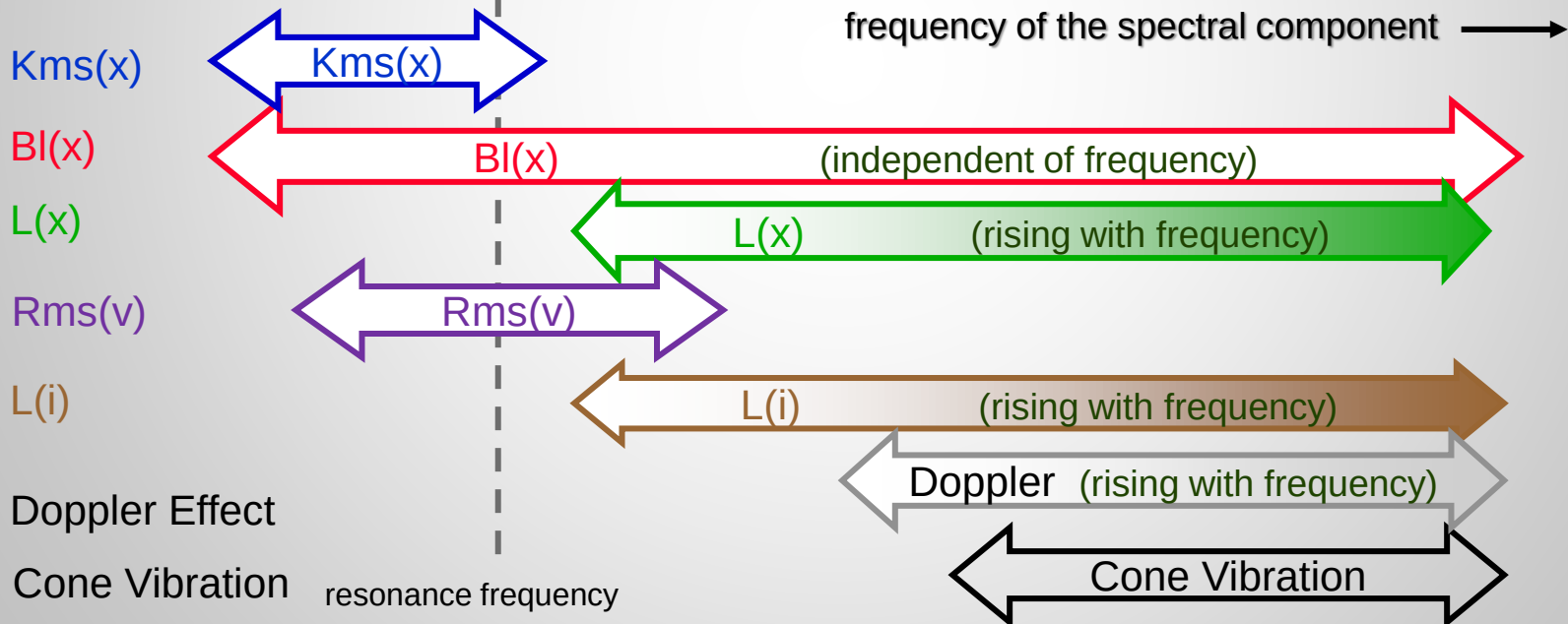
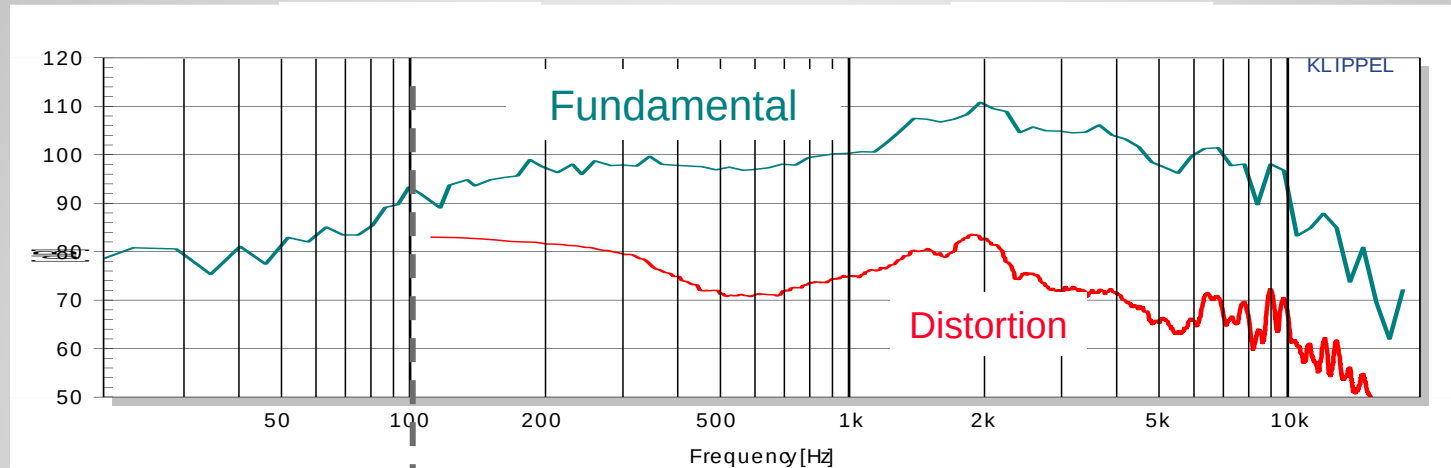
MTD:
Multitone @ 15V

THD:
sweep @ 15 V





The Causes of Multi-Tone Distortion

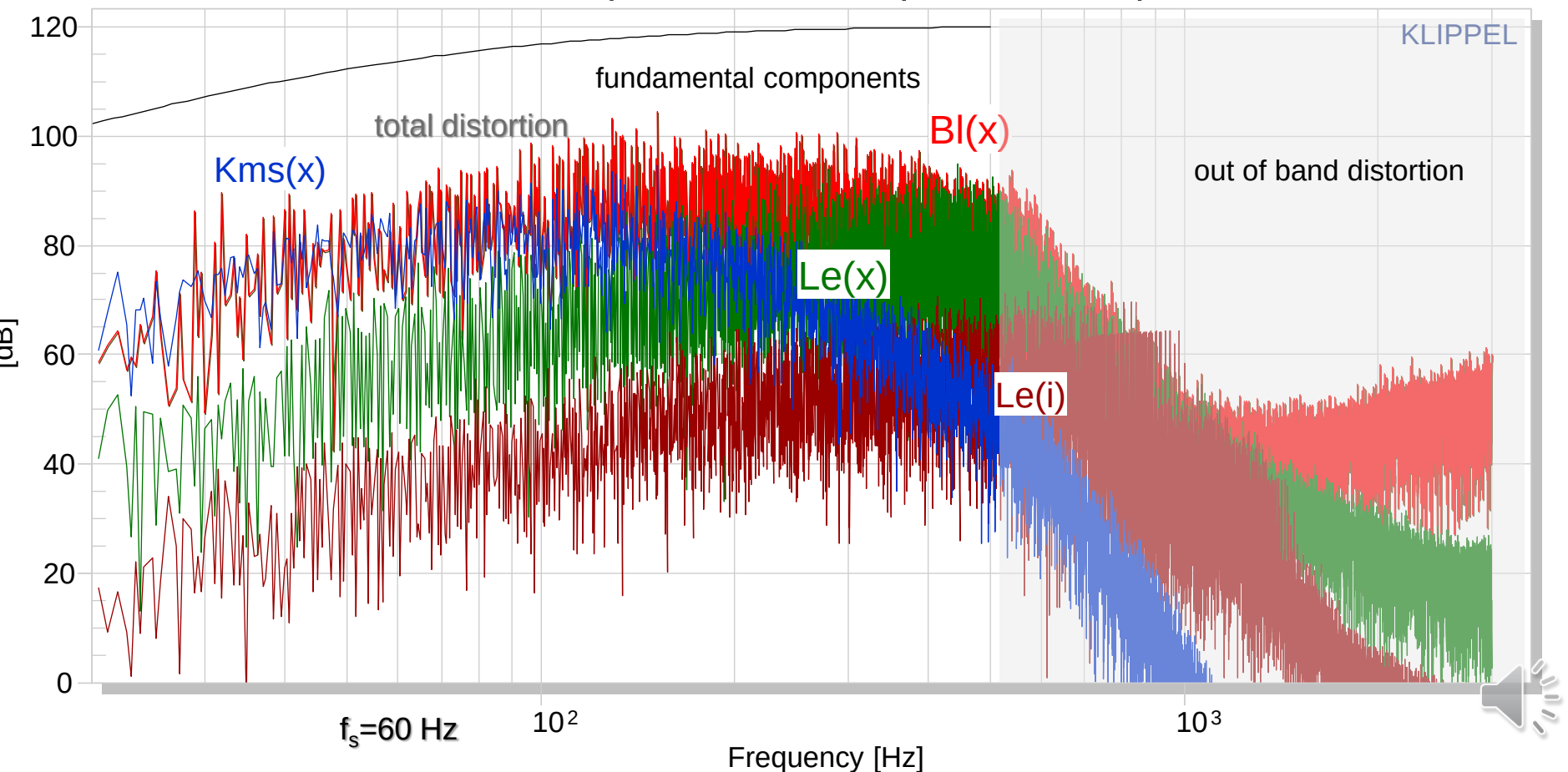


Exercise: Woofer

Analysis of Multi-tone Distortion

causes: $Le(x)$ $Kms(x)$ $Bl(x)$ $Rms(v)$ $Le(i)$ Doppler Effect Cone Vibration

Spectrum sound pressure output

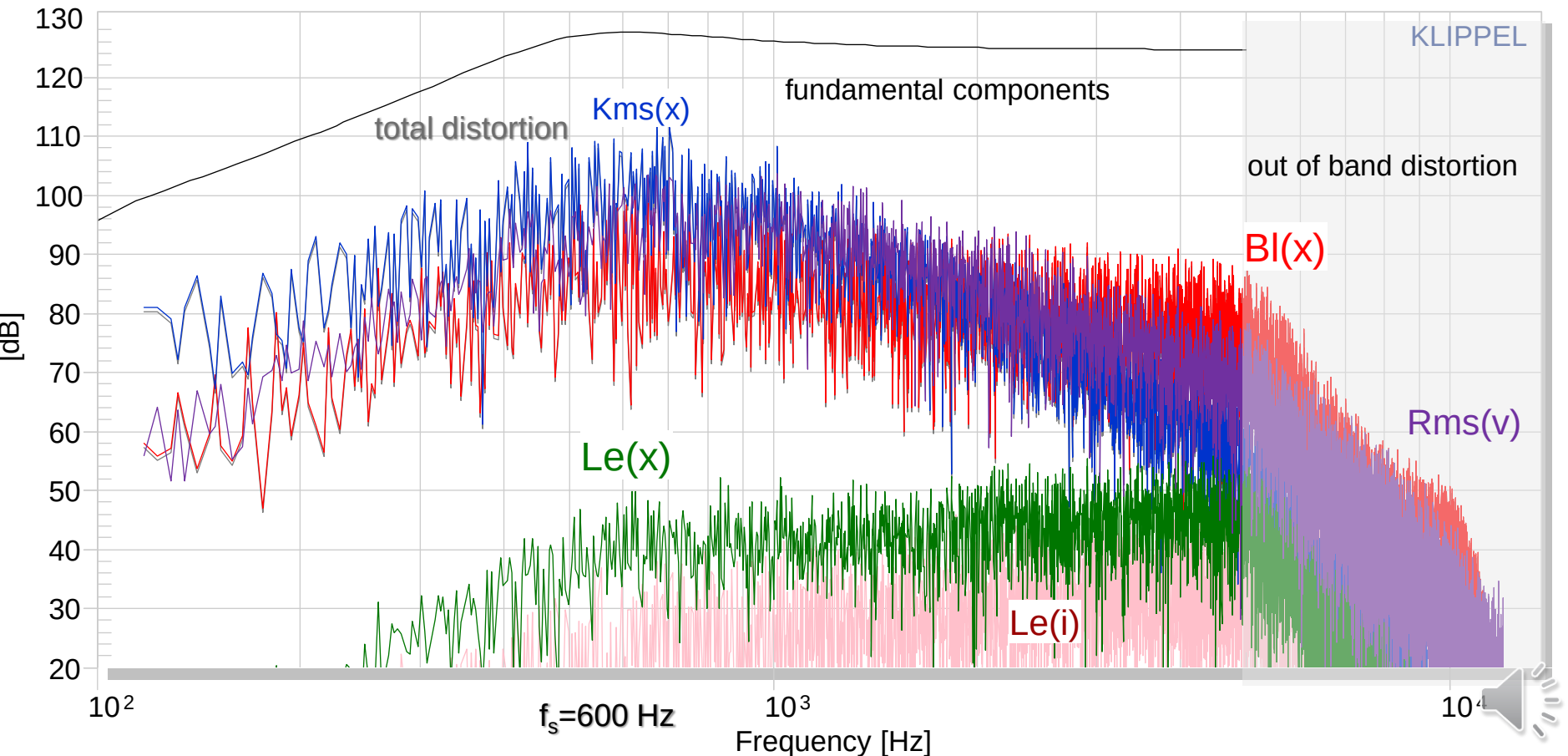


Exercise: Microspeaker

Analysis of Multi-tone Distortion

causes: $Le(x)$ $Kms(x)$ $Bl(x)$ $Rms(v)$ $Le(i)$ Doppler Effect Cone Vibration

Distortion Components





多音失真的测量

Measurement of Multi-Tone Distortion

优点 Advantages:

- 考虑了互调分量 Considers intermodulation components
- 类音频信号 Audio-like signal
- 分离噪声和失真 Separation of noise and distortion
- 快速（非常适合质控） fast (perfect for quality control)

缺点 Disadvantages:

- 激励的幅值和相位必须由标准定义 Amplitude and phase of stimulus have to be defined by standard
- 奇次和偶次失真分量不能分离 no separation of odd- and even-order distortion components
- 不能揭示非线性的非对称性 does not reveal the asymmetry of the nonlinearities
- 谐波和互调不能分离 no separation of harmonics and intermodulation
- 基波分量也失真了 fundamental components are also distorted

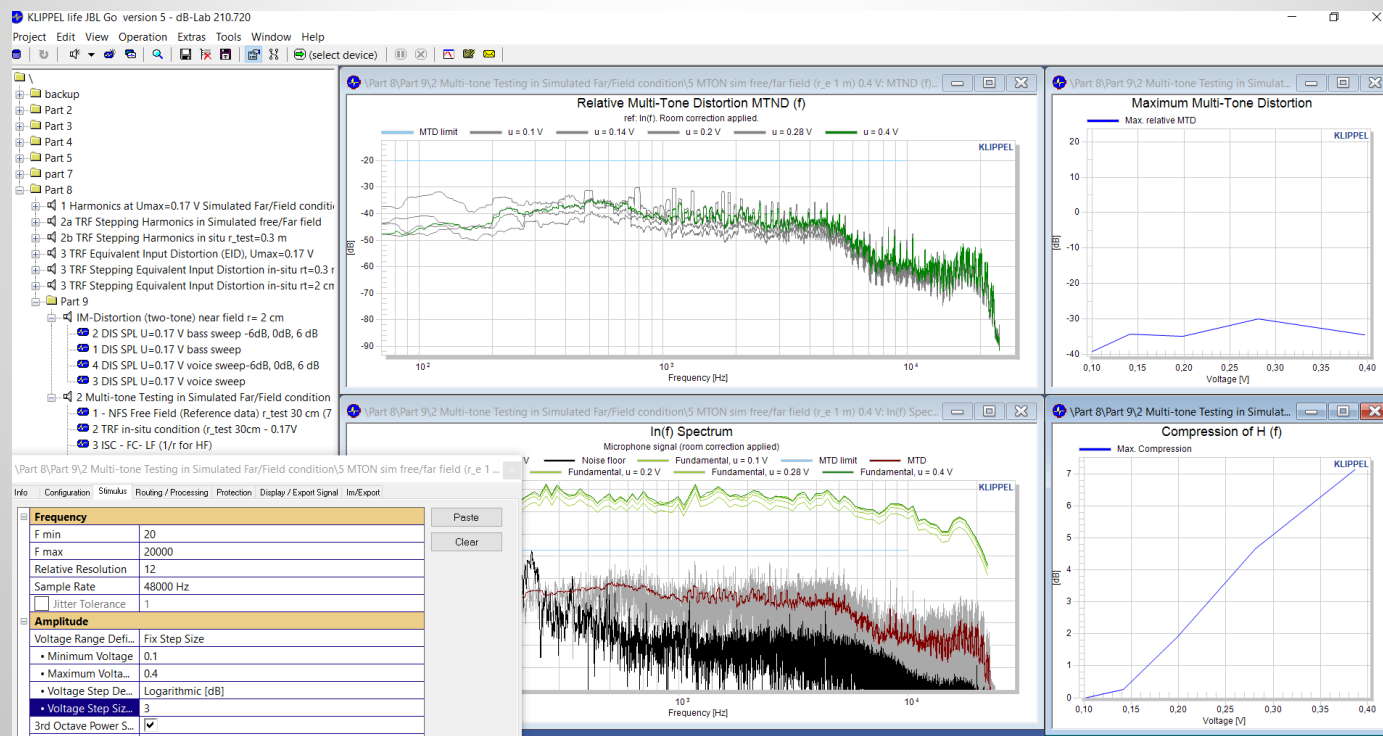
此测量在扬声器诊断中非常强大！

This measurement is very powerful in loudspeaker diagnostics !



Demo. Multi-tone Distortion

Tool: Using a dedicated software module MTON (multi-tone) of the KLIPPEL Analyzer



Discussion



Summary

- 互调失真可提供谐波无法提供的有价值的诊断信息
IM-Distortion give valuable diagnostic information not provided by harmonics
- 互调失真是 $L(x)$ 非线性的唯一症状（通过短路环减少）
IM-Distortion is the only symptom for $L(x)$ nonlinearity (reduced by shorting rings)
- 多音测量提供了所有非线性失真分量的全面指纹信息
Multi-tone measurements gives a comprehensive fingerprint of all nonlinear distortion components
- 多音测试显示程序材料的影响
Multi-tone testing shows the impact of the program material
- 双音激励提供更多详细信息，是听音的最关键信号
Two-tone stimulus gives more detailed information and is the most critical signal for listening



Open Questions

如何评估音频设备的非常规性能？

How to evaluate the irregular properties of the audio device ?

第10期网络研讨会主题 The next 10th KLIPPEL live webinar entitled

脉冲失真 – 异音、异常行为、缺陷

Impulsive distortion - rub&buzz, abnormal behavior, defects

将讨论 will address the points:

- 需要比人耳更灵敏的特殊测量
Need for special measurements more sensitive than the human ear
- 时频分析能展示什么 What the Time-Frequency analysis shows
- 在时域调查脉冲失真的精细结构
Inspecting the fine-structure of impulsive distortion in the time domain
- 如何找出非常规行为的根本原因 How to find the root cause of the irregular behavior
- IEC 60268-21提供的新解决方案 New solutions provided by IEC 60268-21



Next Section

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