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The main changes are as follows:

- restructuring of the document into new sections 1) Projectile sound, 2) Source description, 3) Sound exposure level at the receiver, and 4) Uncertainty;
- separation of source and propagation terms;
- included (from ISO 17201-2) and updated: the source level for non-streamlined projectiles;
- updated the Clause on uncertainty;
- added <u>Annex B</u> on ballistic trajectories;
- added <u>Annex C</u> on projectile velocity change;
- added <u>Annex D</u> with informative examples.

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Introduction

Shooting sound registered around shooting ranges consists in general of three components: muzzle blast sound, impact sound and projectile sound. This document deals solely with the projectile sound from supersonic projectiles. It specifies a method for calculating the source sound exposure level of projectile sound. It also provides a method for calculating the propagation of projectile sound, accounting for its distinct characteristics that set it apart from the propagation of sound originating from other sources.

This document is intended for calibres of less than 20 mm but can also be used for larger calibres.

Projectile sound is described as originating from a certain point on the projectile trajectory, the "source point".

The source sound exposure level is calculated from the geometric properties and the speed of the projectile along its trajectory. Methods are given on how the sound exposure level at a receiver location is to be calculated from this source sound exposure level, taking into account geometrical attenuation, atmospheric absorption and attenuation and frequency shift due to non-linear effects. In addition, the effects on the sound exposure level due to the decrease of the projectile speed and atmospheric turbulence are taken into account.

In a restricted region, the Mach region (region II – see 4.2), the projectile sound exposure level is significant compared to the muzzle blast sound exposure level. Outside this region only diffracted or scattered projectile sound is received, with considerably lower levels than in this Mach region. Projectile sound behind the Mach region (region I) is negligible compared to muzzle sound, except for contributions due to reflections from other regions. In this document, a computational scheme for the levels in regions II and III is provided. The levels in region III are typically 10 dB to 15 dB lower compared to region II.

Two computational methods are given to be able to calculate the projectile sound for streamlined and non-streamlined projectiles such as pellets. Default values of parameters used in this document are given for a temperature of 10 °C, 80 % relative humidity, and a pressure of 1 013 hPa. Annex A can be used for calculations for other atmospheric conditions. For calibres < 20 mm, the source spectrum is dominated by high frequency components. As air absorption is rather high for these frequency components, calculations are performed in one-third octave bands, in order to obtain more accurate results.

For projectiles with a speed just above the speed of sound the computational methods are less accurate. Guidance is given how to deal with this increased uncertainty.

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Part 4:

Calculation of projectile sound

1 Scope

This document provides computational methods for determining the acoustical source level of projectile sound and its one-third octave band spectrum, expressed as the sound exposure level for nominal mid band frequencies from 12,5 Hz to 10 kHz. It also gives a method on how to use this source level to calculate the sound exposure level at a receiver position.

Results obtained with the standard can be used as a basis for assessment studies for sound around shooting ranges. Additionally, the data can be used to compare sound emission or immission from different types of ammunition used with the same weapon. The prediction methods apply to outdoor conditions and straight projectile trajectories. Two computational methods are given to determine the acoustical source level: one for streamlined projectile shapes and one for non-streamlined shapes, such as pellets.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 9613-2, Acoustics — Attenuation of sound during propagation outdoors — Part 2: Engineering method for the prediction of sound pressure levels outdoors

ISO 80000-8, Quantities and units — Part 8: Acoustics

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- ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp
- IEC Electropedia: available at https://www.electropedia.org/

3.1

streamlined projectile

projectile that has a shape that can be described as a body of revolution of which the first derivative of the cross-sectional area A(x) at a distance x behind the nose of the body is continuous for $0 < x < l_n$

Note 1 to entry: For the definition of effective projectile length, $l_{\rm p}$, see $\underline{3.3}$.

3.2

non-streamlined projectile

projectiles that have a body different from streamlined projectiles. These can be multi part projectiles, such as shotgun pellets, or single part projectiles with a non-streamlined form, such as shotguns slugs (see Figure 1)



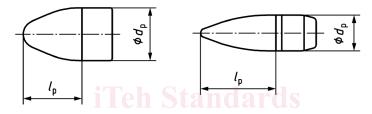
Figure 1 — Examples of non-streamlined projectiles

Note 1 to entry: For the definition of effective projectile length, l_p , see 3.3.

3.3 effective projectile length

 $l_{\rm p}$ distance between the nose and the cross-section of streamlined projectiles where it reaches the maximum diameter of the projectile (see Figure 2)

Note 1 to entry: The effective length of the projectile is measured along the length-axis of the projectile and is expressed in metres (m).



Key

 $l_{\rm p}$ effective projectile length, expressed in metres (m)

 $d_{\rm p}$ maximum diameter of projectile, expressed in metres (m)

Figure 2 — Effective projectile length

For non-streamlined projectiles: The distance between the two points on the longitudinal axis of the projectile at which the radius of the projectile changes the most is used as the effective length for non-streamlined projectiles. If this is not applicable due to the special shape of the projectile other methods shall be used to determine the effective length, e.g. via sound measurements.

Note 2 to entry: For non-streamlined projectiles: The distance between the two points on the longitudinal axis of the projectile at which the radius of the projectile changes the most is used as the effective length for non-streamlined projectiles. If this is not applicable due to the special shape of the projectile other methods shall be used to determine the effective length, e.g. via sound measurements.

For projectiles consisting of pellets as used mainly in shotguns, the effective length is set to the diameter of the barrel of the shotgun.

3.4

N-wave

idealized waveform of a sound having a pressure variation with time described by a sudden initial increase to a maximum followed by a linear decay to a minimum and ending with a sudden increase back to the initial sound pressure (see Figure 3)

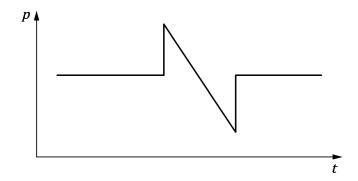


Figure 3 — Assumed N-shaped waveform for sound of supersonic projectile at 1 m from source point on projectile's trajectory

Note 1 to entry: Measurements show deviation from the idealized N-wave that is increasing with distance.

3.5

duration time

 T_{c}

time between two pressure increases of the N-wave

Note 1 to entry: The duration time is expressed in seconds (s).

Note 2 to entry: T_c will change along the sound propagation path resulting from non-linear acoustic effects.

3.6

characteristic frequency

 $f_{\rm c}$

inverse of the duration time, $T_{\rm c}$

 $f_{\rm c} = \frac{1}{T_{\rm c}}$

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Note 1 to entry: The characteristic frequency is expressed in Hertz (Hz).

3.7

co-ordinate system (x, y)

plane co-ordinate system describing geometry, where the x-axis denotes the line of fire with x = 0 at the muzzle, and the y-axis measures the perpendicular distance from the line of fire in any plane around the line of fire

Note 1 to entry: The sound field of projectile sound is rotational symmetric around the line of fire.

Note 2 to entry: The co-ordinates are given in metres (m).

3.8

coherence distance

 $R_{\rm coh}$

distance between the source point on the projectile trajectory and a receiver beyond which the contribution of different parts of the trajectory are incoherent due to atmospheric turbulence

Note 1 to entry: The coherence distance is expressed in metres (m).

3.9

Mach number

Μ

ratio of the projectile speed to the local sound speed

3.10

source sound exposure level

 $L_{\rm E,s}$

sound exposure level expected at a distance of 1 m from the source point

Note 1 to entry: The source sound exposure level is expressed in decibels (dB).

Note 2 to entry: The reference distance of 1 m is defined in the direction of the receiver and not perpendicular to the trajectory.

3.11

source point

point where a line from the receiver perpendicular to the wave front of the projectile sound intersects the projectile trajectory

Note 1 to entry: The projectile radiates sound along the whole trajectory and is therefore in principle a line source. In this document, a source point is used to represent the position of the trajectory (see Formula (9)].

3.12

projectile launch speed

 $v_{\rm n0}$

speed of the projectile as it leaves the muzzle

Note 1 to entry: The muzzle velocity is expressed in metres per second (m/s).

3.13

projectile speed

 $v_{\rm n}$

speed of the projectile along the trajectory

Note 1 to entry: The projectile speed is expressed in metres per second (m/s).

Note 2 to entry: Published data on the projectile speed as a function of distance refer to air density at sea level. For other elevations above sea level, changes of density shall to be taken into account.

3.14

reference sound speed

 $c_{\rm ref}$

adiabatic sound speed averaged over a period of at least 10 min -4:2024

Note 1 to entry: The reference sound speed is expressed in metres per second (m/s).

3.15

fluctuating effective sound speed

sum of the instantaneous adiabatic sound speed and the instantaneous horizontal wind velocity component in the direction of the sound propagation

Note 1 to entry: The fluctuating effective sound speed is expressed in metres per second (m/s).

3.16

standard deviation of the fluctuating acoustical index of refraction

 μ_0

standard deviation of the ratio of the reference sound speed to the fluctuating effective sound speed

Note 1 to entry: In accordance with, [3] a value of $\mu_0^2 = 10^{-5}$ is used within the context of this document (see Formula (20)).

3.17

projectile speed change

K

local change of projectile speed along the trajectory per length unit of trajectory

Note 1 to entry: The speed change is expressed in reciprocal seconds $[(m/s \cdot per m) = 1/s]$.

Note 2 to entry: It is negative for non-self-propelled projectiles.

4 Projectile sound

4.1 Introduction

Due to the supersonic flight of a projectile a shock wave is generated, which has a cone-shaped wave front originating from the nose of the projectile. This is shown in Figure 3 for a constant projectile speed. However, as the projectile speed decreases along its trajectory, the wave front becomes curved. The area around the trajectory can be divided into three regions, each requiring different methods to calculate sound levels. This is explained in 4.2.

The time-history of the shock wave has the shape of the letter N and is therefore referred to as an N-wave. The spectrum of this N-wave can be calculated as detailed in 4.3.

<u>Clause 5</u> outlines the calculation of the source sound exposure level for both streamlined and non-streamlined projectiles.

In <u>Clause 6</u>, a method is described to calculate the sound exposure level of projectile sound at a receiver position, taking into account several attenuation terms that must be subtracted from the source sound exposure level.

4.2 Regions

Three regions (I, II and III) are distinguished around the trajectory to describe projectile sound (see <u>Figure 4</u>). In regions I and III sound exposure levels are considerably lower than in region II. In this document, a computational scheme for the sound exposure levels in regions II and III is provided. The levels in region I are negligible in comparison to the muzzle blast. The projectile speed is locally approximated by a linear function of the distance *x* along the projectile trajectory, according to <u>Formula (1)</u>:

$$v_p(x) = v_{p0} + \kappa x$$
 (https://standards.iteh.ai) (1)

The boundaries of region II are described with the angles ξ_0 and ξ_e , shown in <u>Figure 4</u>. These angles are given by <u>Formula (2)</u>:

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$$\xi_0 = \arccos\left(\frac{c_{\text{am}}}{v_{p0}}\right)$$
 and $\xi_e = \arccos\left(\frac{c_{\text{am}}}{v_{\text{pe}}}\right)^{\text{rEN ISO } 17201-4:2024}$

where

 $v_{\rm pe}$ is the projectile speed at the end of the trajectory, in metres per second (m/s);

 $c_{\rm am}$ is the speed of sound in metres per second (m/s).

The speed of sound is a function of the absolute temperature of the ambient air, T_{am} , in Kelvin and is given by Formula (3):

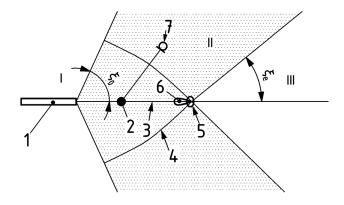
$$c_{\rm am} = c_{\rm ref} \left(\frac{T_{am}}{T_{\rm ref}}\right)^{1/2} \tag{3}$$

where

 $T_{\rm ref}$ = 283,15 K (10 °C);

 $c_{\text{ref}} = 337.6 \text{ m/s}$ (the speed of sound at T_{ref}).

When the projectile speed along the trajectory decreases below the speed of sound, the angle ξ_e becomes zero; the region III vanishes in this case.



Key

3

1 weapon 5 target

2 source point 6 projectile

projectile trajectory 7 receiver

4 wavefront

Figure 4 — The three regions for describing the sound of a projectile

4.3 The spectrum of an N-wave

To determine the spectrum of the projectile sound at a distance r_s from the source point a relative spectrum $L_{E,rel}(f_i, r_s)$ is used based on the characteristic frequency f_c of the N-wave at this distance. This characteristic frequency, determined in hertz, shall be calculated with Formula (4)

$$f_{c}(r_{s}) = f_{0} \frac{\left(M^{2} - 1\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}}{M^{\frac{3}{4}}} \frac{l_{p}^{\frac{1}{4}}}{l_{p}^{\frac{1}{4}}} \frac{r_{0}}{l_{p}} \frac{\text{ttps://standards.iteh.ai}}{\text{Document Preview}}$$
(4)

where

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 $r_{\rm s}$ is the distance from the source point to the receiver (see <u>Figure 4</u>), expressed in metres (m); $r_{\rm s}$

 f_0 is the reference frequency, equal to 175,2 Hz at 10 °C (see Clause A.3);

M is the mach speed of the projectile at the source point (x_s) . A minimum value of M = 1,02 shall be used in the formula to prevent an indeterminate result from Formulae (6) and (7).

NOTE 1 Formula (4) shows that the characteristic frequency, f_c , decreases with increasing distance, r_s . This is a consequence of pulse broadening due to non-linear effects.

Over the range of nominal mid-band frequencies, f_i , from 12,5 Hz to 10 kHz and with the characteristic frequency f_c , calculated according to Formula (4), the one-third octave band relative spectrum with spectral roll-off to lower and higher frequencies is given by Formula (5):

$$L_{E,\text{rel}}(f_i; r_s) = C_i(f_i; r_s) - C_{\text{tot}}(r_s)$$

$$(5)$$

where

$$C_i(f_i; r_s) = 2.5 + 28 \lg \left(\frac{f_i}{f_c(r_s)}\right) dB \text{ if } f_i < 0.65 f_c$$
 (6)