

COMPUTATIONAL AEROACOUSTICS INCLUDING FLUID-STRUCTURE-COUPLING WITH THE FINITE-ELEMENT- AND THE LATTICE BOLTZMANN-METHOD

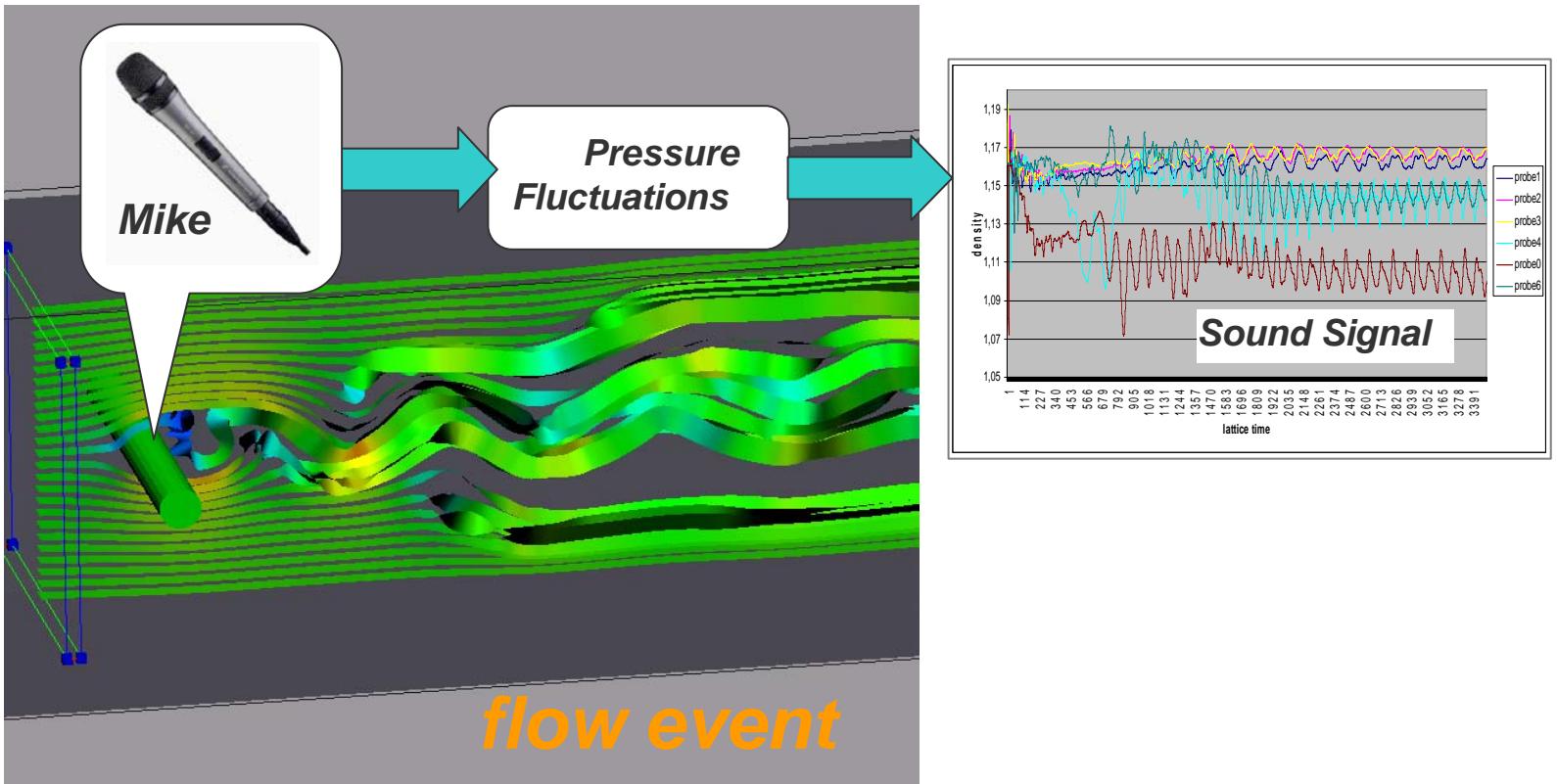
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Overview:

- *Motivation*
- *Basics of Applied Methods*
- *Coupling approach*
- *Realization*
- *Examples*
- *Summary*



Aeroacoustics: Flow Events lead to Sound Generation



Pressure Fluctuations in the hearable Range:
ca. 16-20 000 Hz,
ca. 20 dB (Hearing Threshold) –
130 dB (Threshold of Noise Pain)

Sound

Flow Induced Sound...

i.e. Wind, Ventilation, Cooling ...

- ***Flow around Obstacles ("v. Kármán Eddy Streets")***
- ***Flow over Openings (Windows / Slots ...)***
- ***Moving Structures (Fans, Rotors)***
- ***Turbulence (i.e. Open Jets, Eddy Separation)***
- ***Oscillating Air Columns (Music Instruments)***
- ***Modulated Air Flows (Sirens, Human Voice)***
- ***Supply / Removal of Media (Explosions, Cavitation)***



Interaction with structures

Structures can be

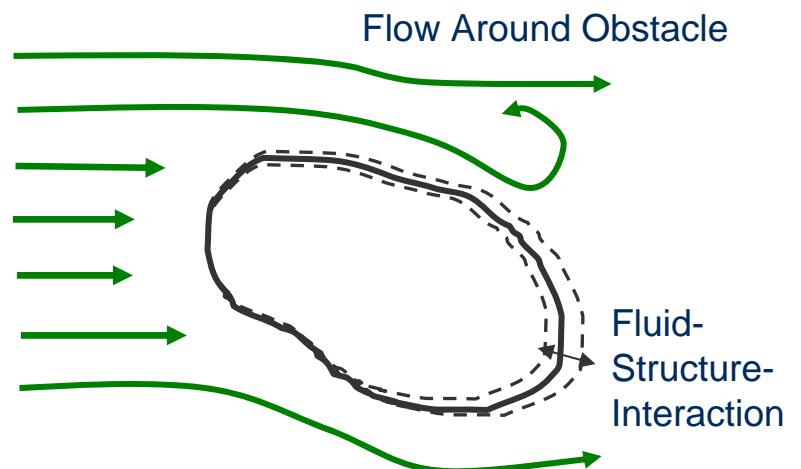
- *Obstacles within a Flow* or
- *Enclosures of Streaming Media*

A Flow leads to

- *Pressures Acting upon a Structure*
- *Deformation / Movement of a Structure*

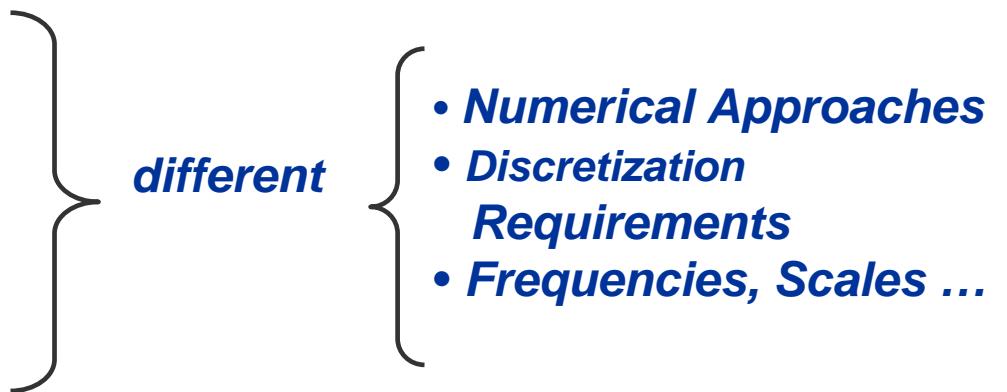
These may lead to:

- *Variation of the Flow Enclosures*
- *Variation of the Fluids Boundary Conditions*



3 subproblems:

- **Flow Field**
- **Acoustic Field**
- **Structure-mechanical Behaviour**



Flow Field

“classical” CFD
(Finite Volume Methods)

Acoustic Field

(Boundary Element Method,
Finite Element Method)

Structure Mechanics

(Finite Element Method)

Flow and Acoustic Field:

Basic Step:

Solution of the Flow Problem

Navier-Stokes Equations

(containing the Acoustic Behaviour)

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho \bar{u}_i)}{\partial x_i} = 0 \quad (\text{Continuity})$$

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial u_j}{\partial t} + u_i \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right) = - \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ij} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i} \right) \right] + \rho g_j \quad (\text{Momentum})$$

$$\rho c_p \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + u_i \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i} \right) = \lambda \cdot \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x_i^2} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial t} + \mu \phi \quad (\text{Energy})$$

Resolution of

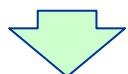
- **Acoustic Wavelength**
- **Relevant Flow Scales**

The Lattice Boltzmann-Method

**Statistical Physics: Dynamics
of Particle Distribution Probabilities
(Boltzmann equation)**



**Simplified Collision Operator
(Bhatnagar, Gross, Krook),
Valid for Ideal Gases /
low Knudsen Numbers**



**Discretization in the microscopic
Velocity Space
(Discrete Boltzmann Equation)**



**Discretization in Space and Time
(Lattice-Boltzmann Equation)**

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \xi \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{x}} = \Omega(f)$$

$$\Omega(f) = -\frac{1}{\tau} (f - f^{(0)})$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \vec{e}_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{x}} = -\frac{1}{\tau} (f - f^{(0)})$$

$$f_i(t + \Delta t, \bar{x} + e_i \Delta t) = \\ = f_i(t, \bar{x}) - \frac{\Delta t}{\tau} (f_i(t, \bar{x}) - f_i^{(0)}(t, \bar{x}))$$

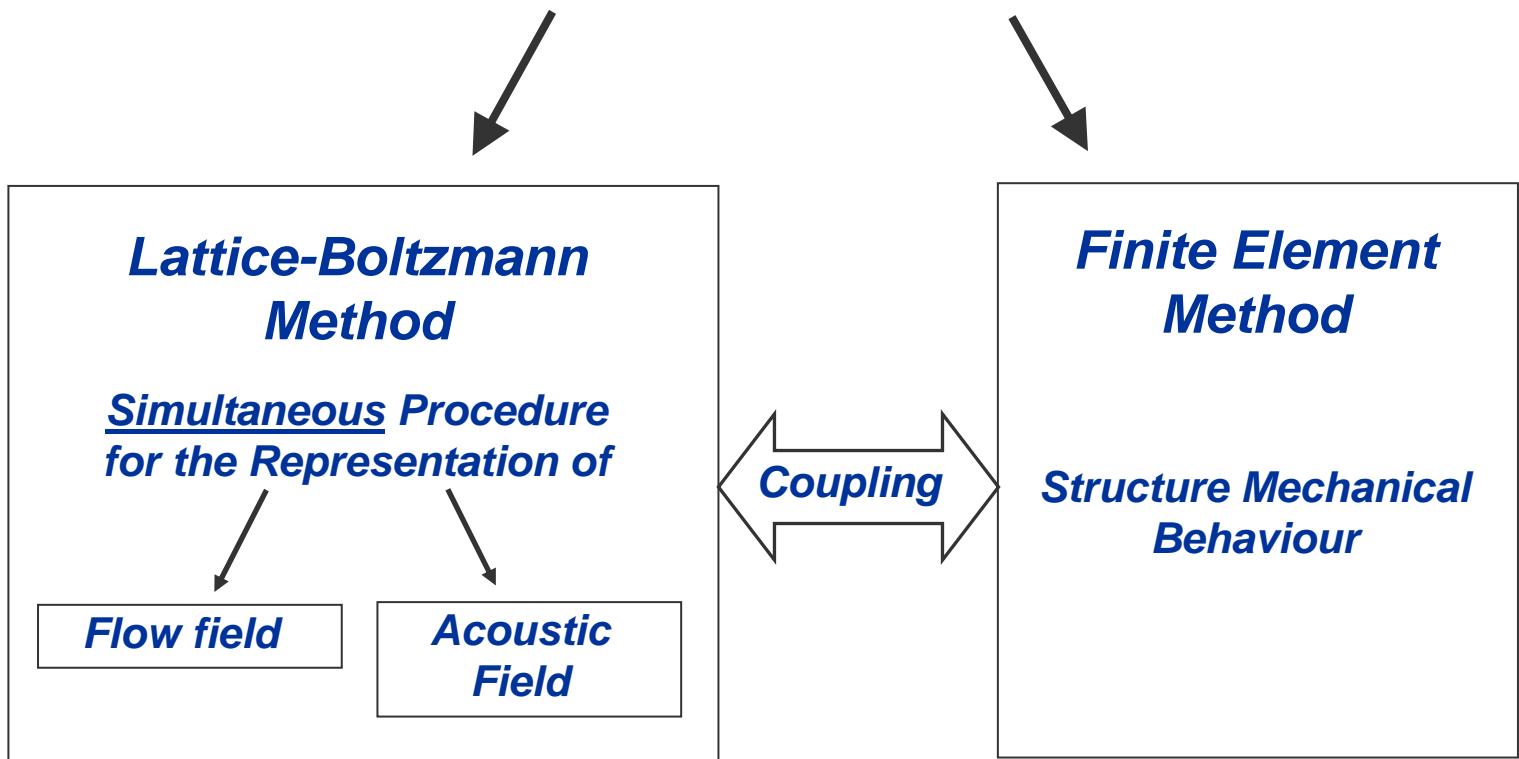
Some Characteristics of the Lattice-Boltzmann Method

- *Description of the Movement of Distribution Probabilities $f(t, x_i, \xi_i)$ on a regular Grid*
- *Approximation of (macroscopic) Navier-Stokes Equations*
- *Simulations always transient, explicit Method*
- *Weak Compressibility
(expansion around equilibrium distribution $f^{(0)}$)*
- *Validity: low Mach Numbers (< 0.3 – 0.4)*
 - *Sound Waves resemble small Disturbances within a Flow*
 - *Lattice-Boltzmann Method contains the Description of linear Wave Propagation*

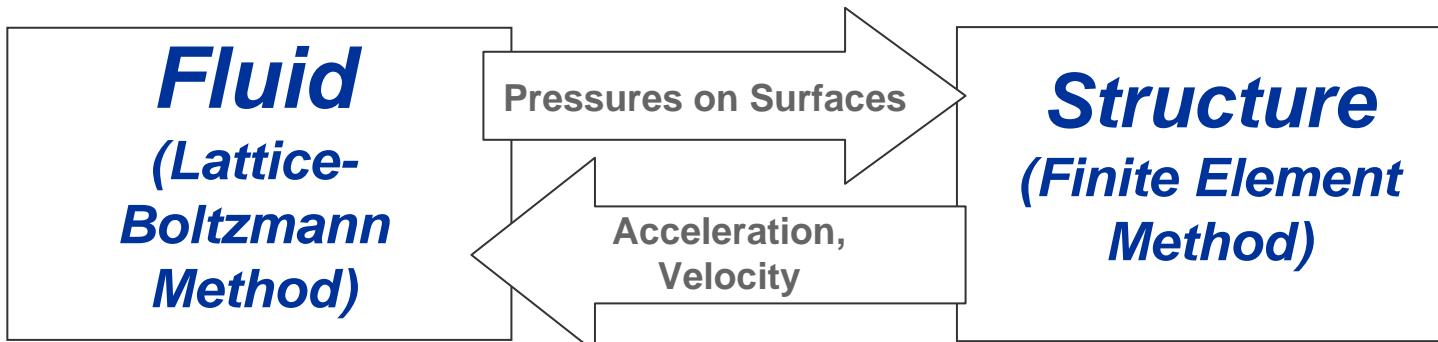


Coupling Approach (1)

Partitioned Approach:



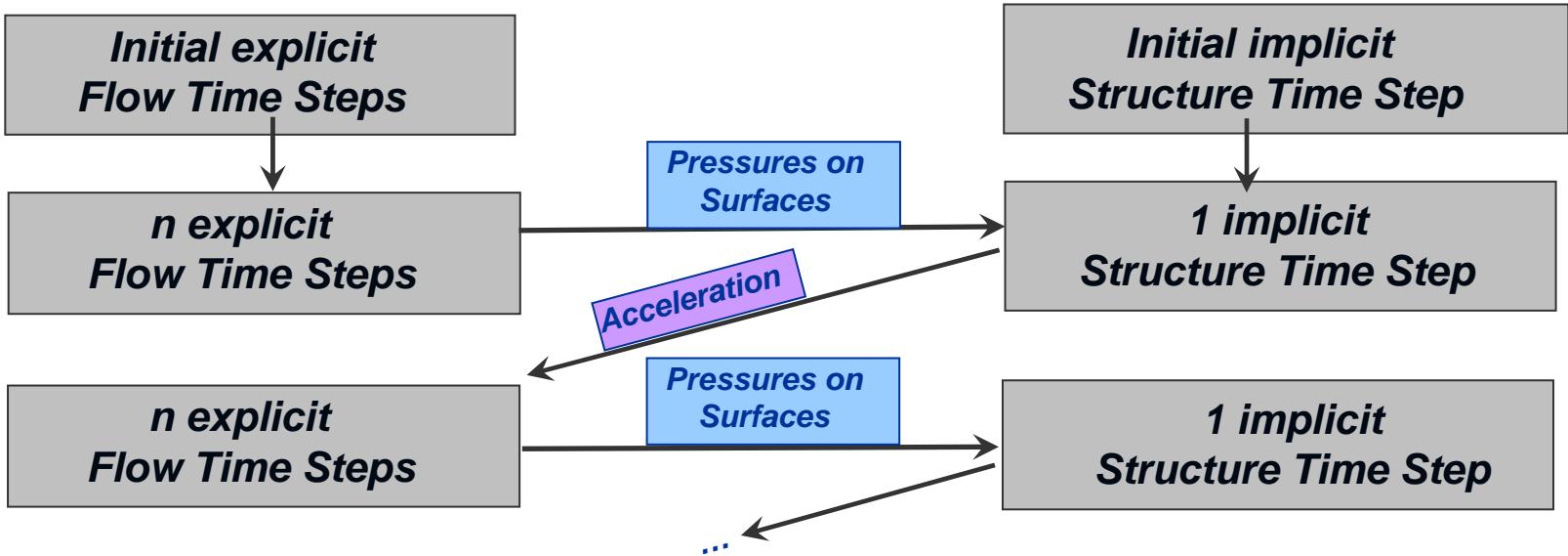
Coupling Approach (2)



Software:

- Comercially Available Software Tools
(*Exa PowerFlow*, *ANSYS*), executed als Child-Processes by the Coupling Routine
- Advantages:
 - Utilization of necessary and existing Features
(*Turbulence Model, Distributed Computing, Element Libraries, Material Models, Optimized Solvers ...*)
 - Industrial Standard
- Disadvantages :
 - Limited Possibilities of Interference with Programs
 - Data Exchange Difficult

Coupling Algorithm:



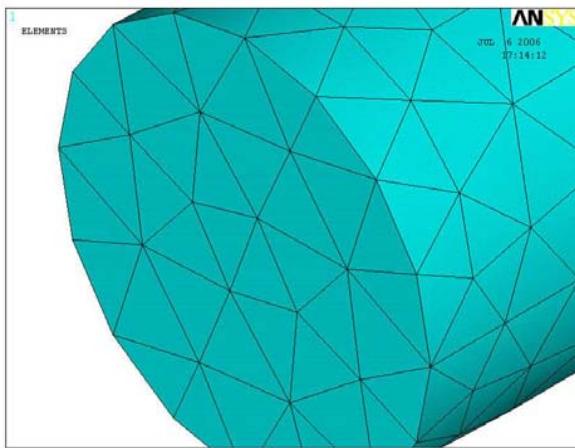
2 Interfaces required:

Interface 1
Structure Results → **Fluid**

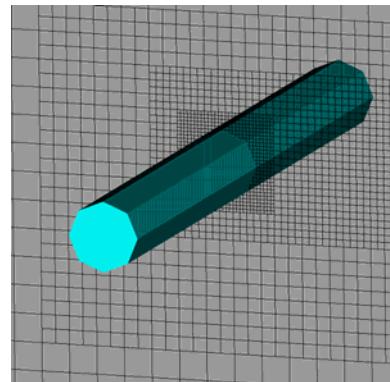
Interface 2
Fluid Results → **Structure**

Data exchange between FE Mesh and CFD Grid

**Structure:
FE Mesh**



**Fluid:
Regular Grid,
Surface Facets**



Interface 1:

- **Inter-, Extrapolation of Velocities on the Surface to a Grid suitable for the respective Frequencies**
 - suitable Accuracy for Sound Radiation Problems
 - low Number of Export Values

• **Interpolation onto Surface Facets in the Flow Model**

Interface 2:

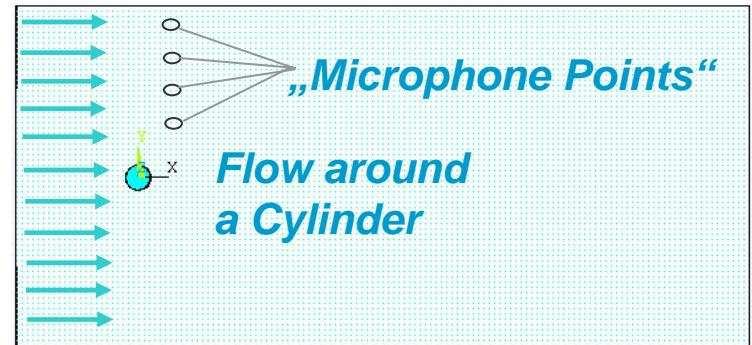
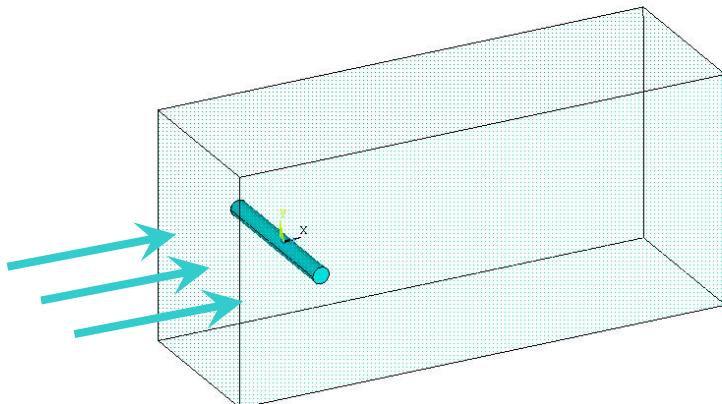
- **Flow Pressures: 'Closest Facet' –Information for Pressure Load**
- **Export, Application on FE-Mesh**

Example 1:

One-directional Coupling: Flow - Structure

Flow around a Cylinder:

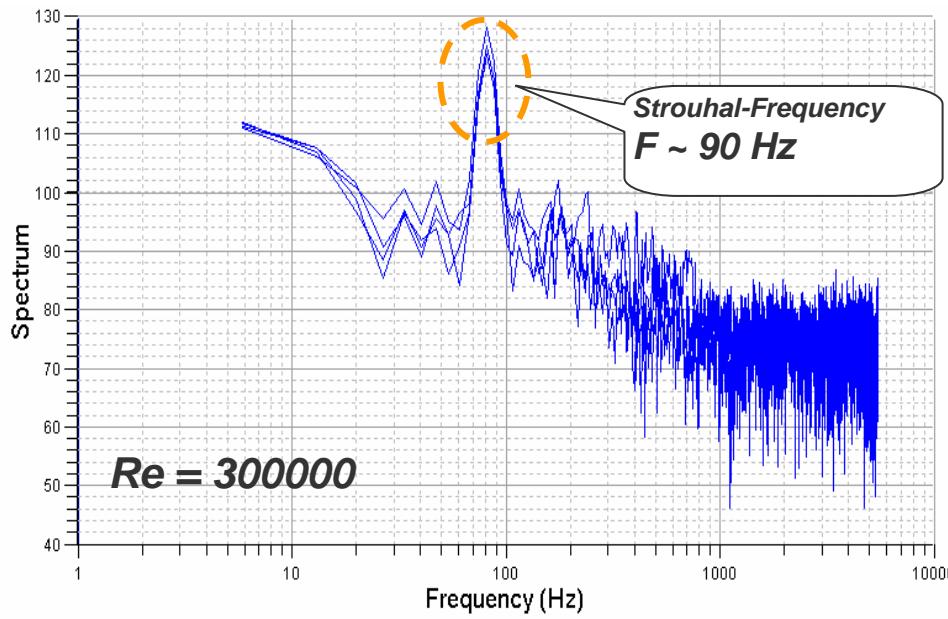
- Aeolian Tones
- v. Kármán Eddy Street
- Digital Wind Tunnel:



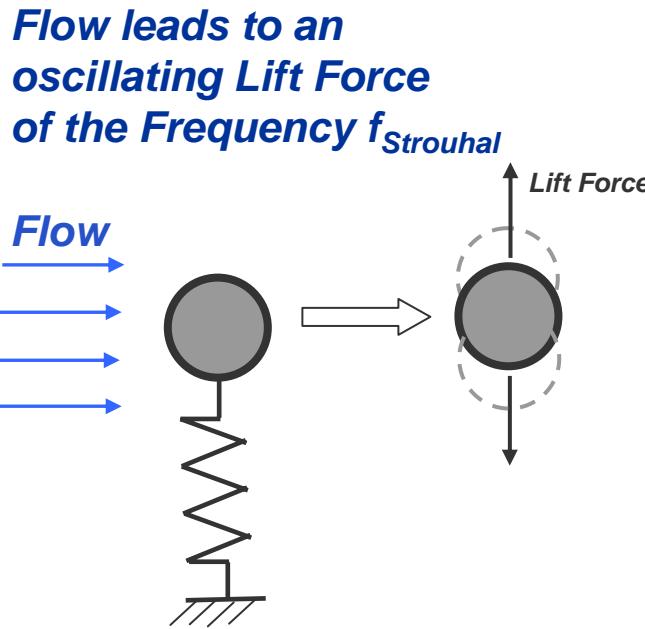
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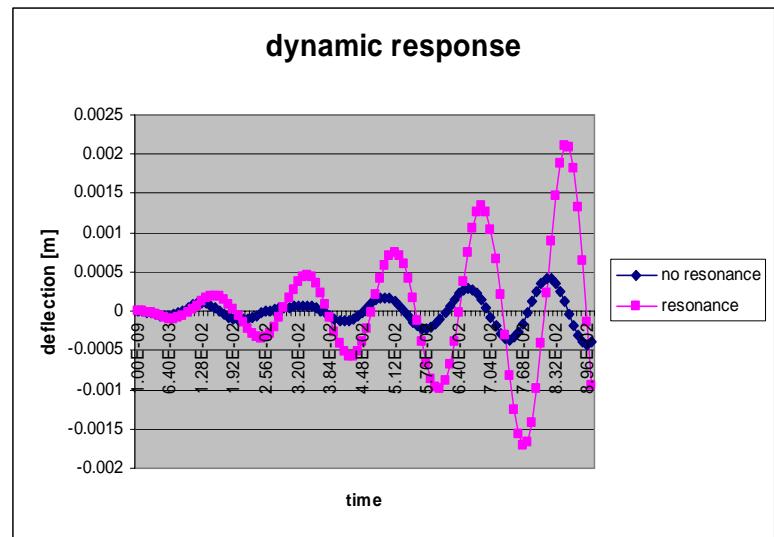
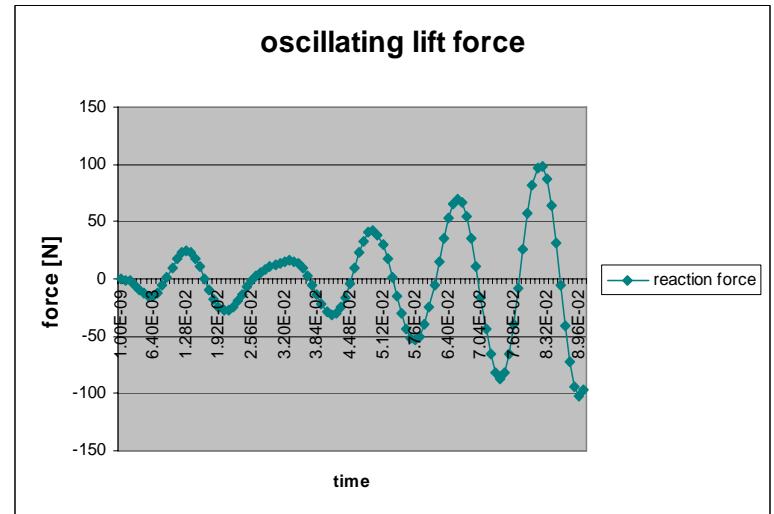
- Analysis in the Frequency Domain
- Frequency Spectrum
- Identification of narrow-banded Sound
- Frequency according to Strouhal Number



One-directional coupling: Flow - Structure Elastically Beded, Rigid Cylinder

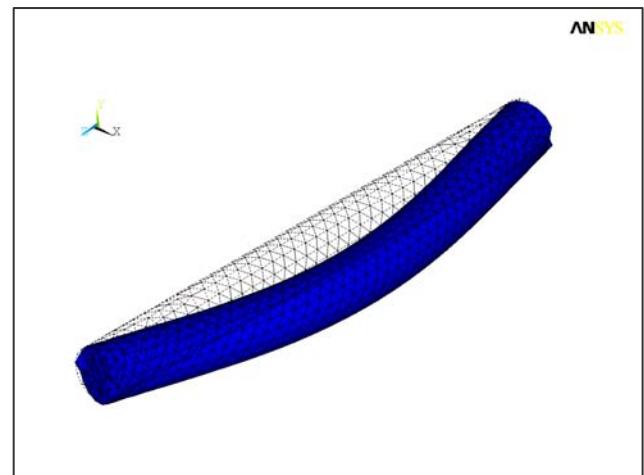
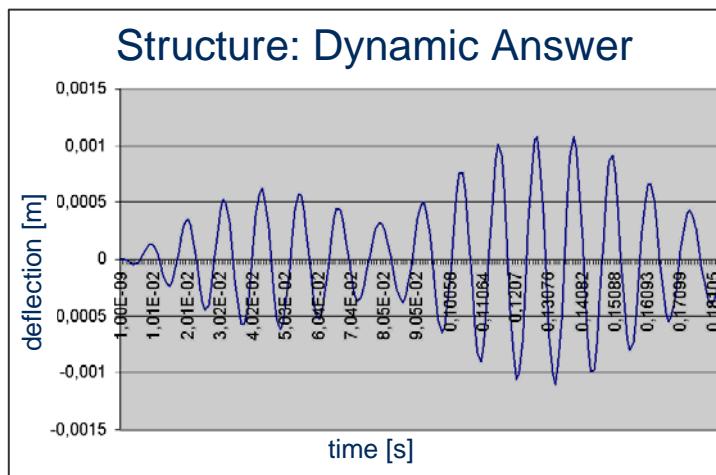
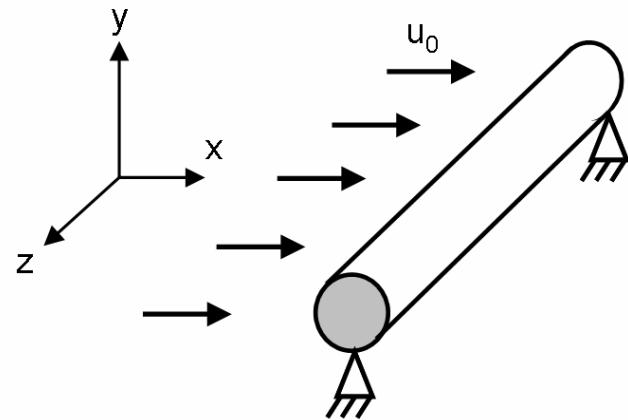


- Structure dynamical answer:**
- 1.) **Eigenfrequency $\neq f_{Strouhal}$**
no Resonance
 - 2.) **Eigenfrequency $= f_{Strouhal}$**
Resonance,
Phase shift = π



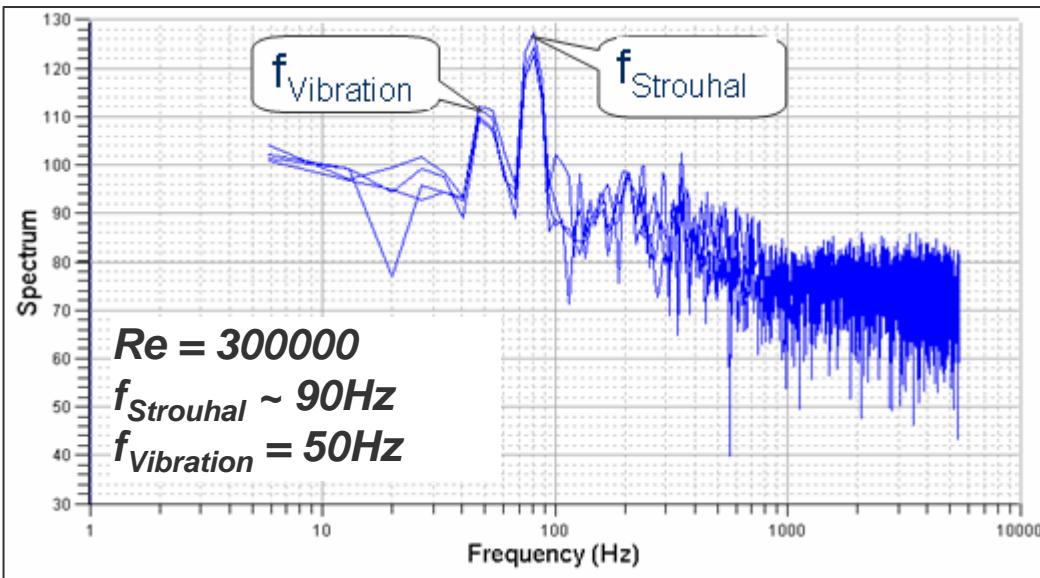
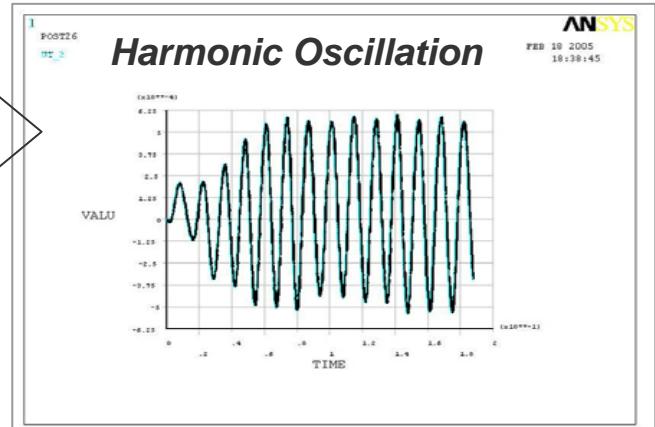
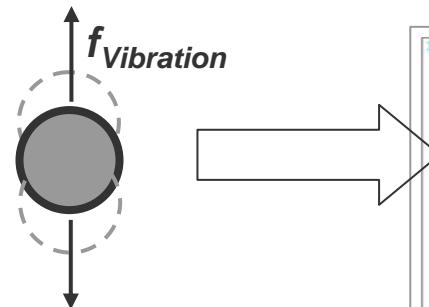
One-directional Coupling: Fluid - Structure End-Fixed, Elastic Cylinder

- Alternating Pressures lead to bending Oscillations



Example 2: One_directional Coupling: Structure - Fluid

- Flow around a rigid Cylinder
- Forced, harmonic Oscillation of the Body
- Vibrations cause further Sound Phenomena

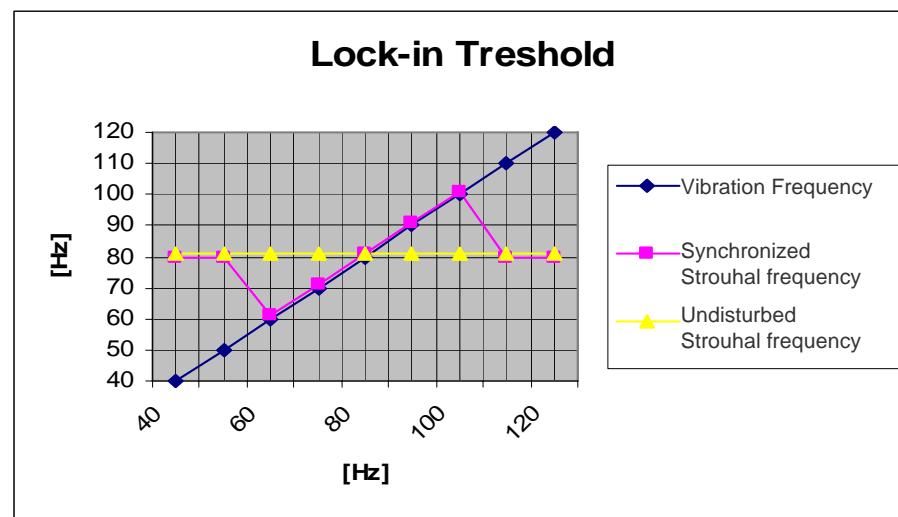
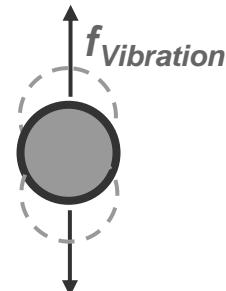
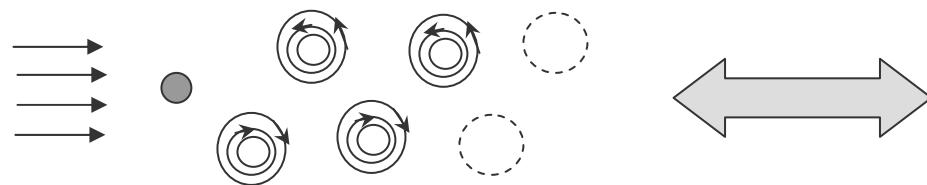


One Directional Coupling: Structure – Fluid Lock-in Effect

Interaction of weakly coupled Oscillators

Coupling of:

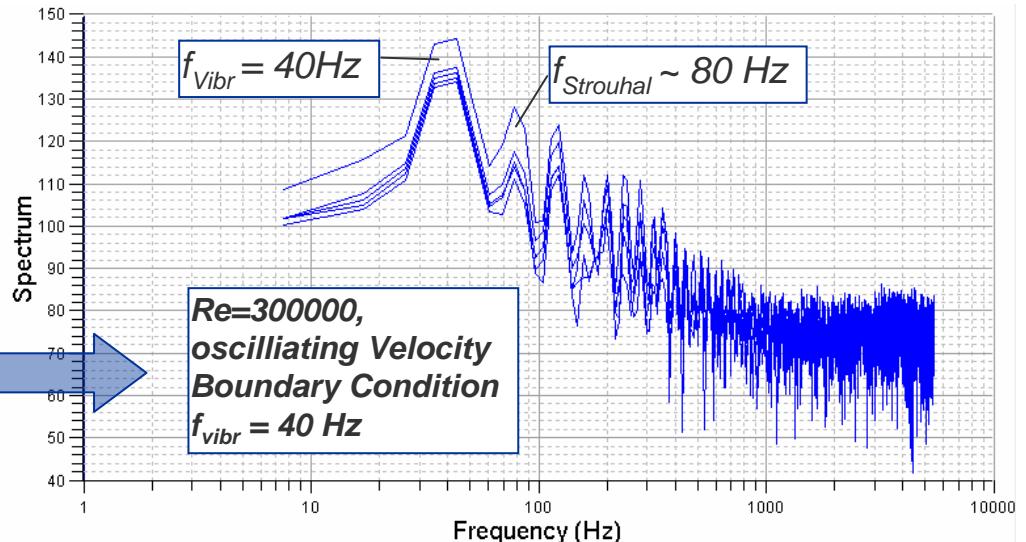
Eddy separation / Vibration of Obstacle



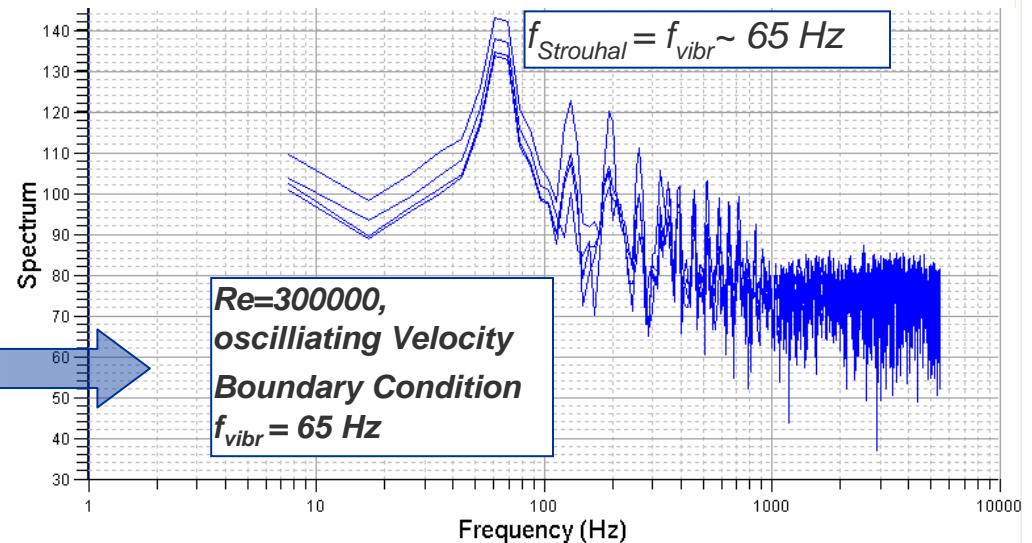
Lock-in Effect (2)

Vibration Frequency

*far beneath
undisturbed
Strouhal frequency
-> no Synchronization*

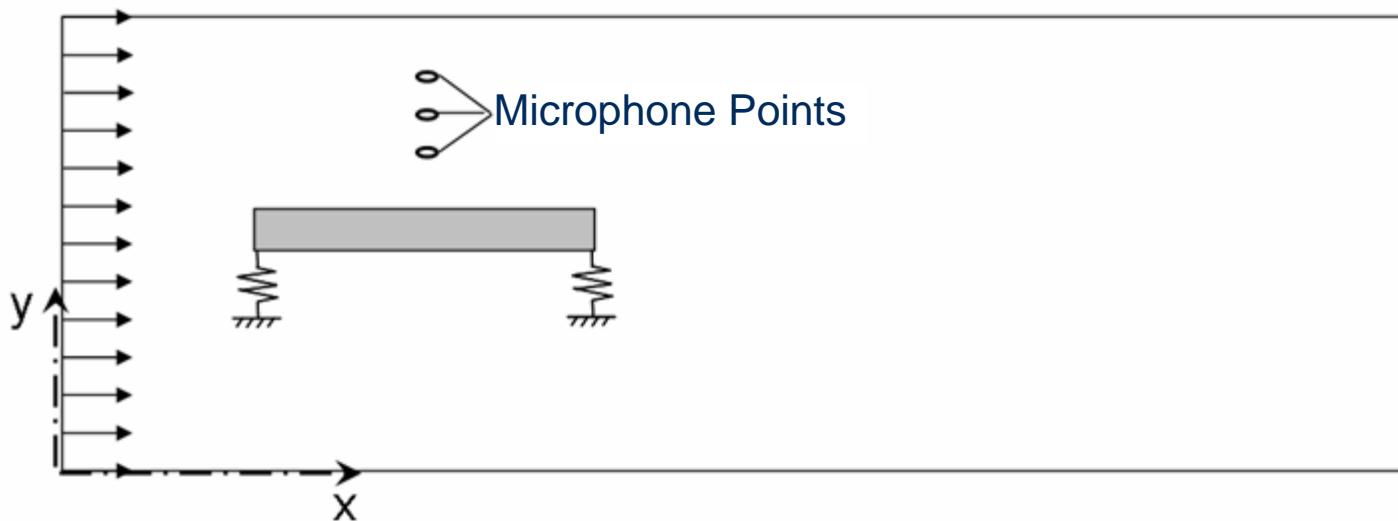


*close to undisturbed
Strouhal frequency
-> Synchronization*



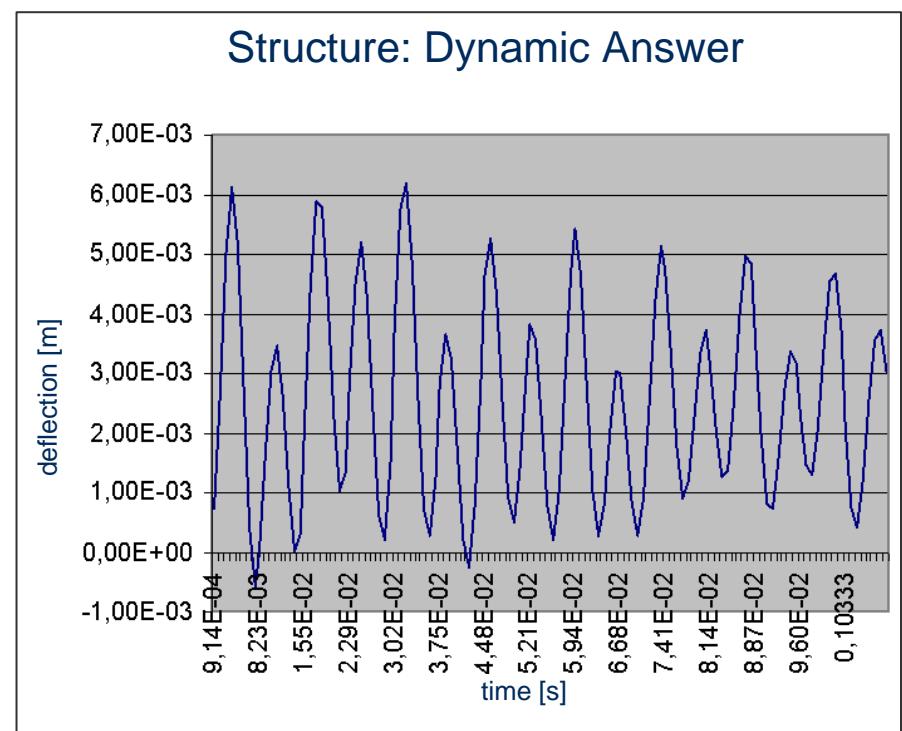
Example 3: Bidirectional Coupling Flow around an elastically bedded Plate (1)

- *Vibrating plane Structures cause higher Sound Pressure Levels*
- *Wind Tunnel: Model Setup*



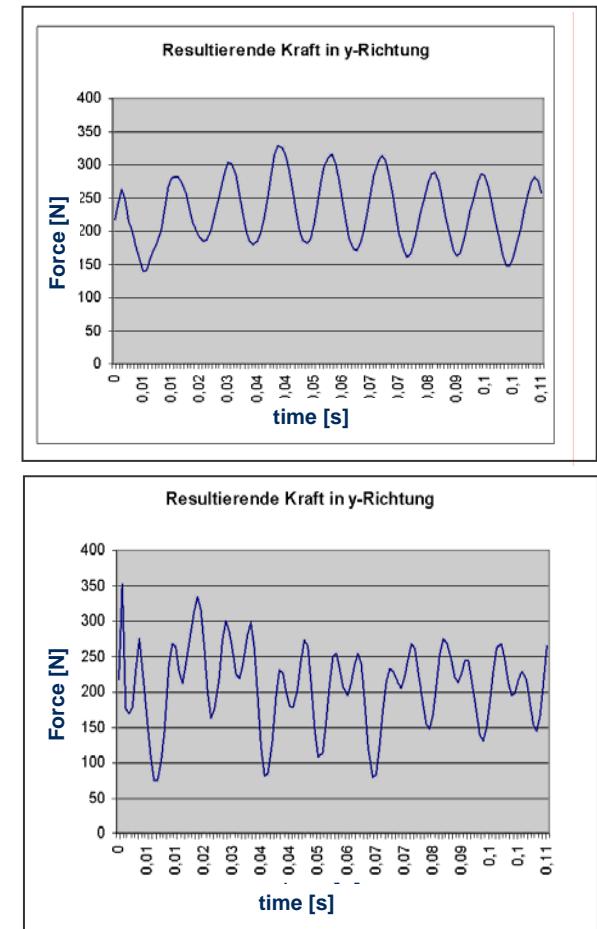
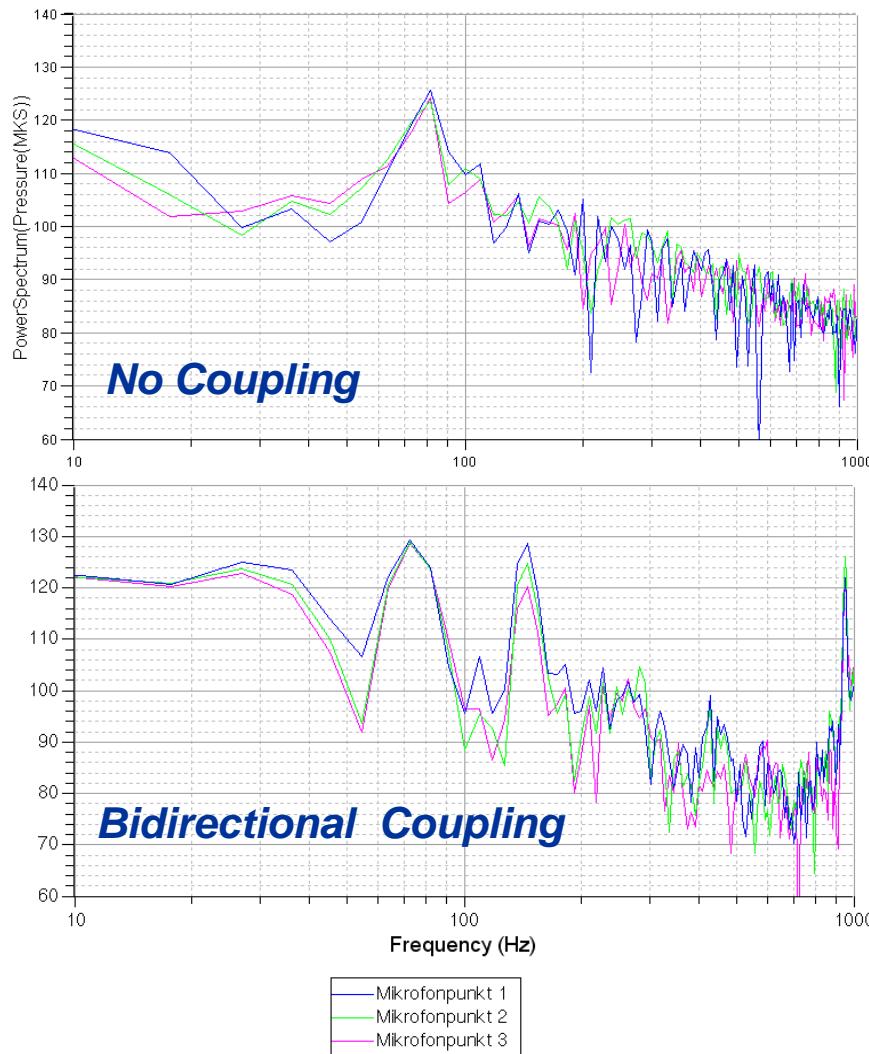
Example 3: Bidirectional Coupling Flow around an elastically bedded plate (2)

- *Flow leads to mechanical Vibration in the Systems Eigen Frequency*
- *Vibrations act back onto the Fluid*



Example 3: Bidirectional Coupling

Comparison of Results in Frequency and Time Domain:



Application Cases:

- *High Speed Trains (Pantographs, ...)*
- *Automotive*
- *Aviation*
- *Consumer Goods*
- *Civil Engineering*
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