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TESTREPORT Nr. AC 3946

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Test carried out: Measurement of the sound reduction index R of a building element

Product tested: Gypsum board wall on a metallic frame with Aluthermo Quattro®

References

EN ISO 140-3: 1995 Acoustics – Measurement of sound insulation in buildings and of building elements
– Part 3: Laboratory measurements of airborne sound insulation of building elements (ISO 140-3:1995)
EN ISO 717-1: 1996 Acoustics-Rating of sound insulation in buildings and of building elements
– Part 1: Airborne sound insulation (ISO 717-1:1996)

Date and reference of the order:	20-05-05	Nr. DE 631xA255
Receipt of the test element:	23-05-05	Nr. Test element: N-2005-21-013
Date of the test:	30-05-05	
Drafting date of the report:	30-05-05	

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- No sample
 Sample(s) submitted to a destructive test
 Sample(s) to be removed from our laboratories 10 calendar days after sending of the report, unless a written request is received by the demander of the test

Responsible engineer in charge of the test,

Chief technician,

The head of the laboratory,

ing. M. Van Damme

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ir. B. Ingelaere

Technical assistant : /



MEASUREMENT PRECISION, MEASUREMENT APPARATUS AND TEST CELLS

1 THE PRECISION OF THE MEASUREMENTS

The precision of the measurement results are : +/- 2dB from 100 Hz up to 315 Hz and +/- 1dB higher than 315 Hz.

2 TEST EQUIPMENT

Signal

- Brüel & Kjaer -1405: A noise generator
- Crown MacroTech 2400: An amplifier
- Nexo PS 15: A preamplifier
- Electro-Voice 2710: An equalizer
- 01dB-DO12: Loudspeakers

Microphones

- Bruël & Kjaer - 4165: One microphone on the emission side, one on the reception side
- Bruël & Kjaer - 2639: Two preamplifiers for microphones
- Bruël & Kjaer - 4220: Calibration source
- Bruël & Kjaer - 3923: Two rotating microphone booms; Number of rotations in each cell: 5; Number of inclinations: 5.
- Bruël & Kjaer - 2804: Two current supplies for microphones

Signal analysis

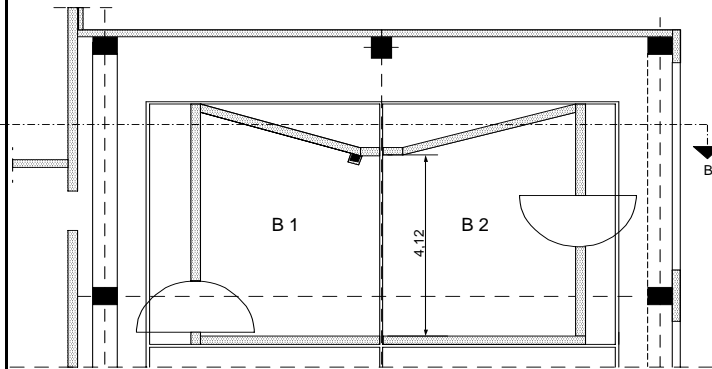
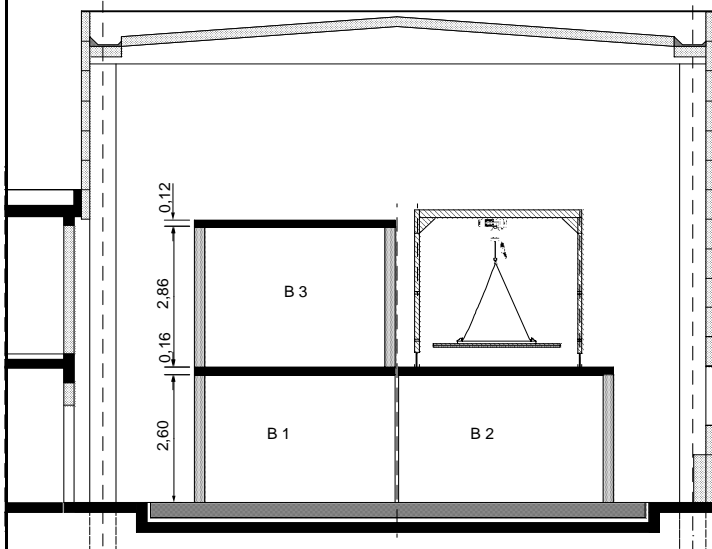
- A real time analyser Bruël & Kjaer - 2133
- Computer + software
- Averaging time per measurement: 5 x 64 s
- Number of reverberation time measurements: 5

Test cells

- Volume of the emission room: 43.9 m³
- Volume of the reception room: 47.3 m³
- Total surface of the separating wall: 10.7 m²
- Surface of the test opening: 10.7 m²
- Diffusors and absorption material are present.

Fill up wall

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**SOUND REDUCTION INDEX - GELUIDVERZWAKKINGSINDEX
INDICE D'AFFAIBLISSEMENT ACOUSTIQUE - SCHALLDAMMINDEX**

EN ISO 140-3:1995 Acoustics-Measurement of sound insulation in buildings and of building elements - Part 3: Laboratory measurements of airborne sound insulation of building elements

EN ISO 717-1:1996 Acoustics - Rating of sound insulation in buildings and of building elements - Part 1: Airborne sound insulation

Date / Datum: 30/05/2005

Source room / Zendruimte / Salle d'émission / Senderaum:

B1 (V = 43.9 m³)

Receiving room / Ontvangstruimte / Salle de réception / Empfangsraum :

B2 (V = 47.3 m³) (% H2O = 48 %) (T = 21 °C)

N° test sample / N° testelement / N° de l'élément de l'essai / Nr. Testelementes:

N-2005-21-013

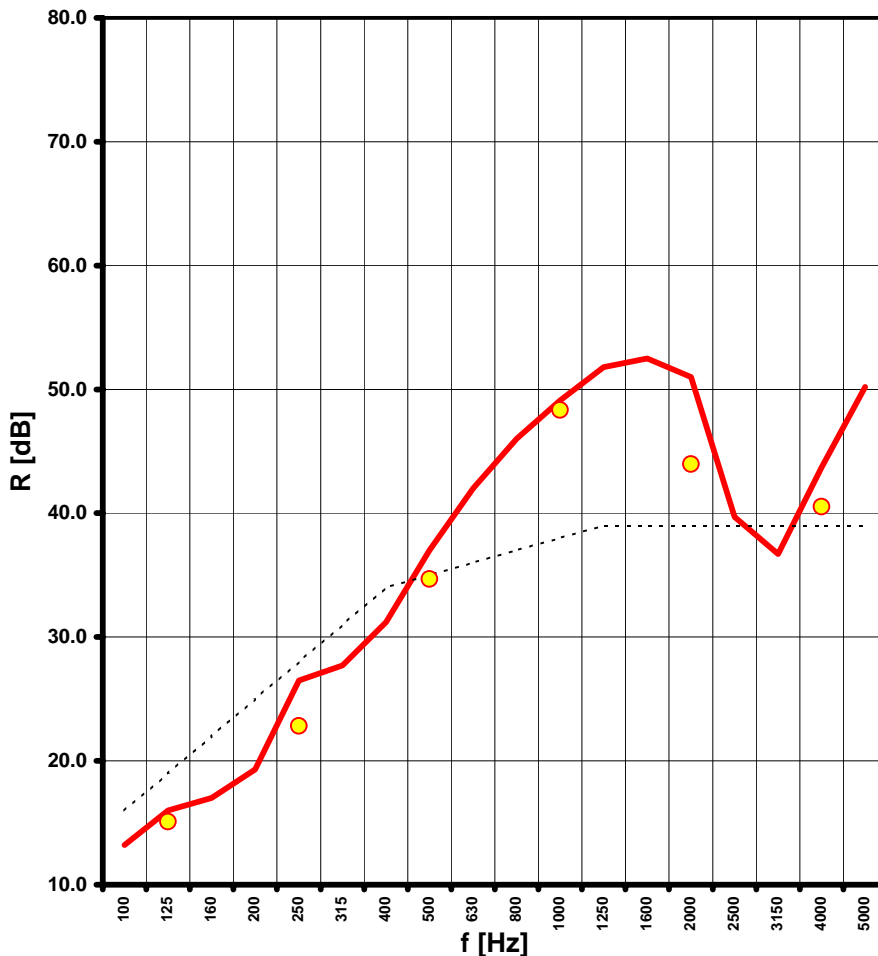
Area S of test element / Opp. S testelement / Surf. S de l'élément d'essai / Fläche S des Testelementes:

10.70 m²

f (Hz)	R (dB)	
	1/3oct	oct
50		
63		
80		
100	13.2	
125	16.0	15.1
160	17.0	
200	19.3	
250	26.5	22.8
315	27.7	
400	31.2	
500	37.0	34.7
630	42.0	
800	46.0	
1000	49.1	48.3
1250	51.8	
1600	52.5	
2000	51.0	44.0
2500	39.7	
3150	36.7	
4000	43.7	40.5
5000	50.2	

**R_w (C;C_{tr}) =
35 (-2;-7) dB**

C₅₀₋₃₁₅₀= - C_{tr,50-3150}= -
C₅₀₋₅₀₀₀= - C_{tr,50-5000}= -
C₁₀₀₋₅₀₀₀= - C_{tr,100-5000}= -



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TEST ELEMENT / PROEFELEMENT / ELEMENT D'ESSAI / PRÜFMUSTER:

(Short description by the manufacturer, details: see page 4 *** Beknopte beschrijving door het bedrijf, details: zie pag. 4 *** Description sommaire par l'entreprise, détails: voir page 4 *** Kurze Beschreibung durch den Hersteller, Details auf Seite 4)

NL: Geen nederlandse beschrijving beschikbaar

FR: Cloison à ossature métallique (50 mm) avec parement en plaques de plâtre cartonné (une plaque de 12.5 mm fixée de chaque côté de la cloison) - vide rempli de Aluthermo Quattro®

GB: Gypsum board wall (a 12.5mm board fixed on both sides of the wal) on a metallic frame (50 mm). Cavity filled with Aluthermo Quattro®

D: Keine Deutsche Beschreibung verfügbar



BIJLAGE 1: OUDE EENGETALSAANDUIDINGEN - ANNEXE 1: ANCIENNES UNIVALEURS - ANNEX 1: OLD SINGLE VALUE RATINGS

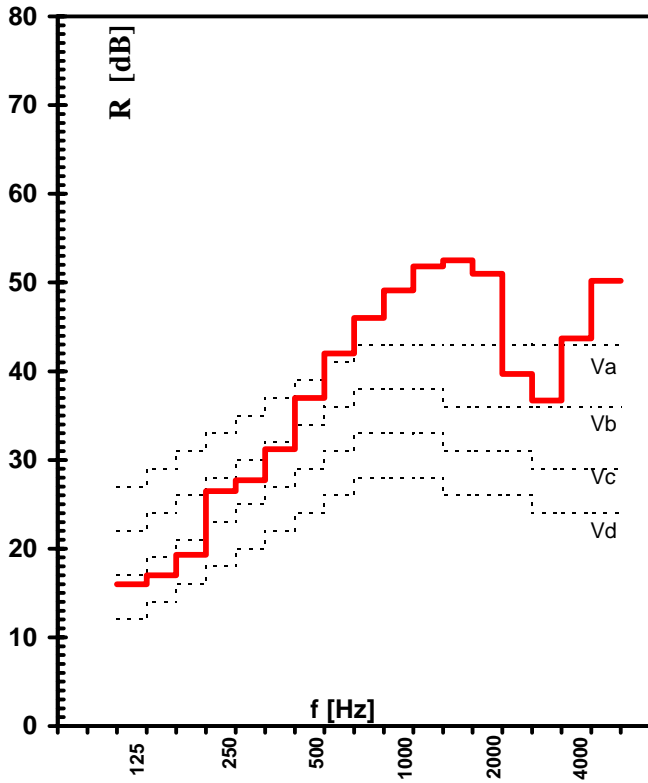
1. BELGIUM: NBN S01-400:1977 - Criteria van de akoestische isolatie - Critères de l'isolation acoustique

categorie binnenwanden - catégorie parois intérieures - category interior walls:

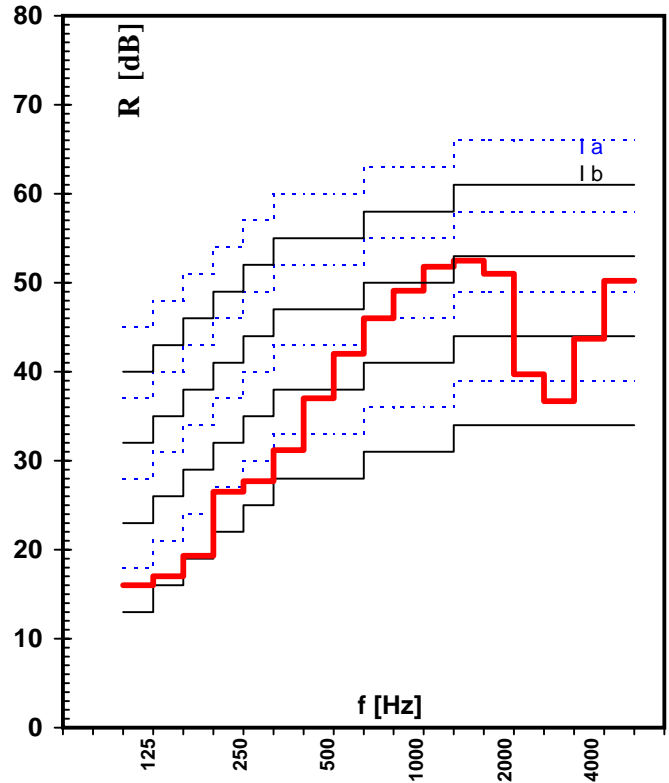
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cat V c



FACADES - GEVELS - FACADES



INTERIOR WALLS - BINNENWANDEN - CLOISONS

f	100	125	160	200	250	315	400	500	630	800	1000	1250	1600	2000	2500	3150	4000	5000	[Hz]
R	13.2	16.0	17.0	19.3	26.5	27.7	31.2	37.0	42.0	46.0	49.1	51.8	52.5	51.0	39.7	36.7	43.7	50.2	[dB]

2. NETHERLANDS: NEN 5079: mei 1989 Geluidwering in woongebouwen. Het weergeven in één getal van de geluidisolatie van bouwelementen, gemeten in het laboratorium.

A-gewogen geluidisolatie

buitengeluid:

$R_A = 27.3 \text{ dB(A)}$

wegverkeer:

$R_{A,v} = 27.3 \text{ dB(A)}$

railverkeer:

$R_{A,r} = 36.4 \text{ dB(A)}$

luchtverkeer:

$R_{A,l} = 31.3 \text{ dB(A)}$

Laboratoriumisolatie-index voor luchtgeluid

$I_{lu, lab} = -18 \text{ dB}$

3. FRANCE: NF S 31-051 (Décembre 1985) - Acoustique - Mesure du pouvoir d'isolation acoustique des éléments de construction et de l'isolement des immeubles. Mesure en laboratoire du pouvoir d'isolation acoustique au

Indice d'affaiblissement R exprimé en dB(A) pour un bruit rose à l'émission:

$R_{rose} = 34.3 \text{ dB(A)}$

Indice d'affaiblissement R exprimé en dB(A) pour un bruit routier à l'émission:

$R_{route} = 28.3 \text{ dB(A)}$

4. DEUTSCHLAND, GREAT-BRITAIN

The old national single ratings are the same as the R_w -EN ISO-value in this report

**ANNEX 2: MEASUREMENT METHOD AND SINGLE VALUE RATINGS****1. MEASUREMENT METHOD TO DETERMINE R**

A detailed description of the measurement method to determine the spectrum of the sound reduction indices R, can be found in the EN ISO 140-3:1995 standard (see references on the title page). In a limited and thus incomplete way, the test method can be described as follows: The measurements happen in a special laboratory construction composed of a source and a receiving room. In the source room a steady pink noise is emitted. It is generated by sound sources so as to obtain an as good as possible diffuse sound field. The average sound pressure level spectrum is measured per 1/3d octave bands in the source and receiving room using a continuous rotating microphone. Measurements are carried out during at least a full rotation in 3 different planes. In that way, an integration in time and space of the sound pressure level is obtained, resulting in an average sound pressure level spectrum for the source and receiving room.

The reverberation time T is equally measured in the receiving room which allows to calculate the correction term in the formula for the sound reduction index R (via the equation of Sabine: $A=0.16V/T$, V = volume of the receiving room). The sound reduction index R is calculated with the formula:

$$R = L_{pm1} - L_{pm2} + 10 \log(S/A) \text{ [dB]}$$

L_{pm1} = the average (space / time) sound pressure level per 1/3d octave bands in the source room [dB] (ref. 20 micro Pa)

L_{pm2} = the average (space / time) sound pressure level per 1/3d octave bands in the receiving room [dB] (ref. 20 micro Pa)

S = the surface of the test element in m²;

A = the equivalent absorption-surface of the receiving room in m² (obtained by Sabine's equation)

Temperature (°C) and relative humidity (%) of the air are measured in the receiving room and mentioned between brackets in the graphics on page 3 and 4 (next to the volume of the receiving room).

More information about the measurement equipment, the setup and the testcells can be found in annex 3

2. $R_w(C;C_{tr})$: RATING OF THE SOUND INSULATION

$R_w + C_{tr}$: Characterizes the sound insulation against dominantly low frequency noise of a test element in a single value.

$R_w + C$: Characterizes the sound insulation against NON-dominantly low frequency noise of an element in a single value.

Calculations are carried out as to EN ISO 717-1:1996 (see references title page) and cannot be explained in a few lines. On page 4, additional sound ratings are given as to old national standards in different countries (B, NL, FR). Calculation modules and supplementary information about the rating of sound insulation (and about standards related to building acoustics in general) are given on the website of the laboratory of acoustics at the following address:

<http://www.normes.be>



ANNEX 3: DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE BUILDING ELEMENT

This description is given by the producer of the test element and is not guaranteed by the laboratory. The equivalence between the tested product in this report and the commercialised product is the sole responsibility of the producer.

Gypsum board wall (a 12.5mm board fixed on both sides of the wal) on a metallic frame (50 mm). Cavity filled with Aluthermo Quattro®

	thickness [mm]	ρ [kg/m ³]	m" [kg/m ²]	description
1	12.5 mm	1000 kg/m ³	12.5 kg/m ²	Gypsum board
2	10 mm	kg/m ³		Absorption
3	40 mm	0.001 kg/m ³	0.00004 kg/m ²	Air
4	12.5 mm	1000 kg/m ³	12.5 kg/m ²	Gypsum board
5				
6				
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8				
9				
10				
11				
12				

CALCULATED TOTAL THICKNESS = 75 mm
MEASURED TOTAL THICKNESS = 0 mm

CALCULATED TOTAL OF THE SURFACE MASS = 25 kg/m²
MEASURED TOTAL OF THE SURFACE MASS = 0 kg/m²

