A noise label for motor vehicles: towards quieter traffic

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Introduction

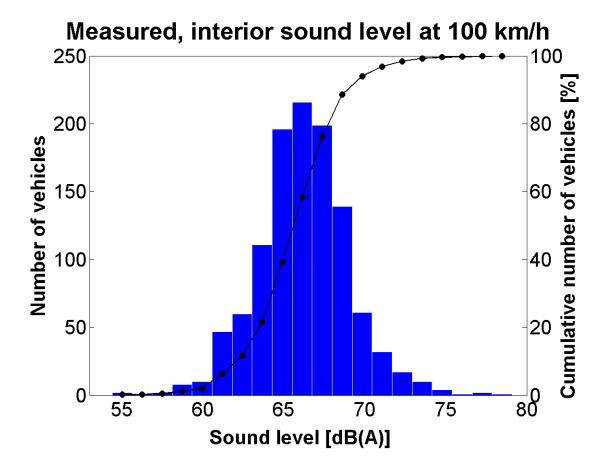
- Advantages
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Basic principles

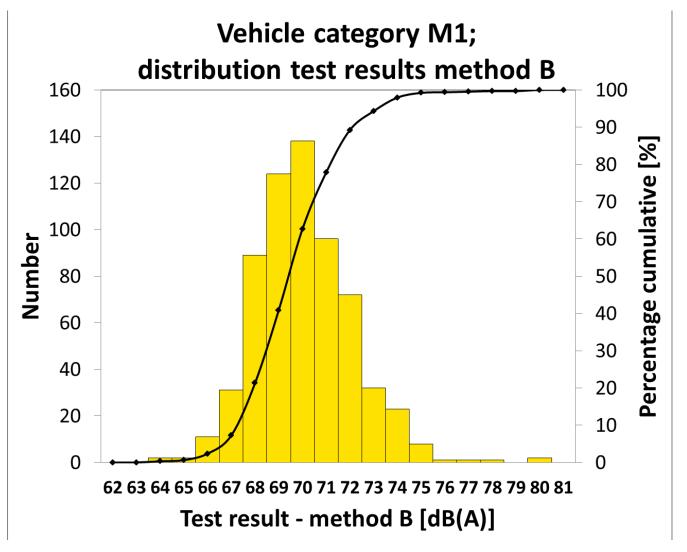
- Interior-external noise
- Other vehicle categories
- Whole vehicle type approval
- Interior-external, equal weight
- KISS

A possible noise label for vehicles

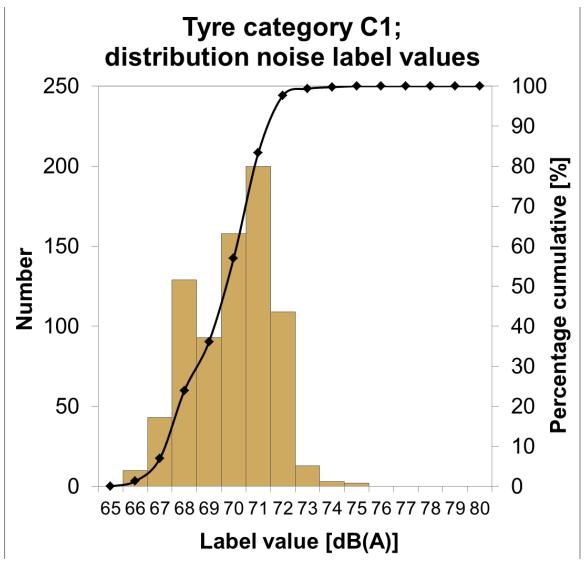
- Points rating for private cars
 - Interior noise
 - Powertrain noise
 - Tyre noise



Distribution of measured interior noise levels for passenger vehicles (category M1) at steady speed of 100 km/u



Distribution of test results for vehicles in category M1, as measured using the new method ('B') established by the Regulation on the sound level of motor vehicles



Distribution of noise label values for category C1 tyres sold in the Netherlands in 2013

Points scores for the noise rating of passenger vehicles (category M1)

Type of Noise	0 pnts	1 pnt	2 pnts	3 pnts	4 pnts	5 pnts
Interior	> 72-72 dB	71-70 dB	69-68 dB	67-66 dB	65-64 dB	<64 dB
Powertrain	72 dB	71-70 dB	69-68 dB	67-66 dB	65-64 dB	<64 dB
Tyre	74-73 dB	72-71 dB	70-69 dB	68-67 dB	66-65 dB	<65 dB

Noise label	Points total	Description of quality
Α	14-15	Excellent
В	12-13	Good
С	10-11	Fair
D	8-9	Satisfactory
E	6-7	Moderate
F	4-5	Noisy
G	0-3	Extremely noisy

Model for a possible noise label for passenger vehicles

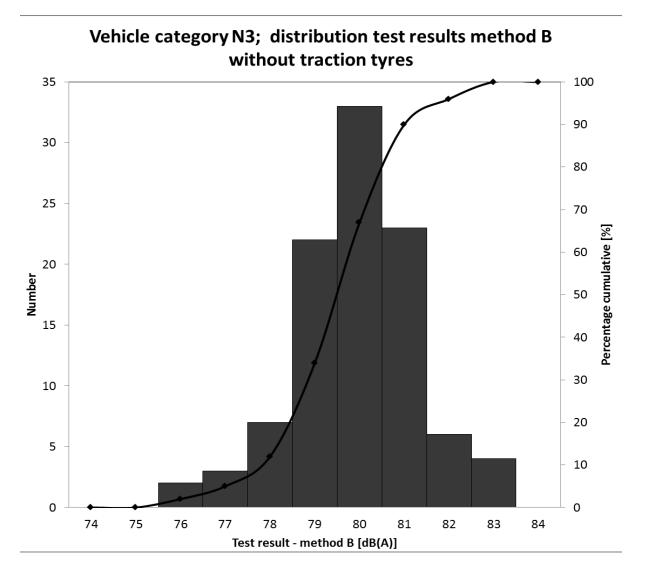
Gurka S	Interior (69 dB)	Powertrain (68 dB)	Tyre (66 dB)
Label D	Insufficient ^a	Insufficienta	Gooda
Satisfac.	2 pts	2 pts	4 pts
8 pts			
Remarks: In terms of noise emissions, this model is average for its type and class.	At 100 km/h, the interior noise level is 3 dB above the baseline ^b .	The engine and exhaust system produces 4 dB above the baseline ^b .	These tyres are quiet tyres, 4 dB lower than the baseline ^b .

Model for a noise label for a fictitious car

^a Score in each sub-category: 5 = Excellent; 4 = Good; 3 = Satisfactory; 2 = Insufficient; 1 = Bad b A difference of -3 dB represents a 50% reduction in the emission of acoustic energy.

Other vehicle categories (1)

- M2-N3
- Interior noise
- Powertrain noise



Distribution of test results for vehicles in categories N3, as measured using the new 'B' method of the Regulation on the sound level of motor vehicles¹

Vehicle category	Regulation limits	0 pts	1 pt	2 pts	3 pts	4 pts	5 pts
M2	69-72 dB	72 dB	71 dB	70 dB	69 dB	68 dB	<68 dB
М3	73-77 dB	77 dB	76 dB	75 dB	74 dB	73 dB	<73 dB
N1	69-71 dB	71 dB	70 dB	69 dB	68 dB	67 dB	<66 dB
N2	74-75 dB	75 dB	74 dB	73 dB	72 dB	71 dB	<71 dB
N3	76-79 dB	79 dB	78 dB	77 dB	76 dB	75 dB	<75 dB

Emission limits for motor vehicles (phase 3) of the Regulation on the sound level of motor vehicles, and possible points scores for powertrain noise in vehicle categories M2-N3

Other categories (2)

- Tyre noise
- Distribution C2 and C3 and tyre limits

Type of tyre	Regulation limits	0 pts	1 pt	2 pts	3 pts	4 pts	5 pts
C2	72 and 73 dB	72-73 dB	71 dB	70 dB	69 dB	68 dB	<68 dB
С3	73 and 75 dB	73-75 dB	72 dB	71 dB	70 dB	69 dB	<69 dB

Emission limits for tyre noise of the Regulation on general safety of motor vehicles and possible points scores to support a noise label for vehicles in categories M2-N3

Discussion/attention points

- Demand for vehicle noise labels
- Clean, Quiet and Economical
- Six labels!
- Dynamic scoring system
- Noise level
- Opportunities
- GreenNCAP
- Integrate later !!!!!