

New cooling FANS for AdV Vacuum racks: preliminary tests

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Present (-like) fan

- EbmPapst 4650N

Bearing type = Sleeve

Speed = 44.17 Hz (2650rpm)

Air flow = 160 CFM

Noise = 46 dBA

Size = 119 x 119 x 38 (mm³)



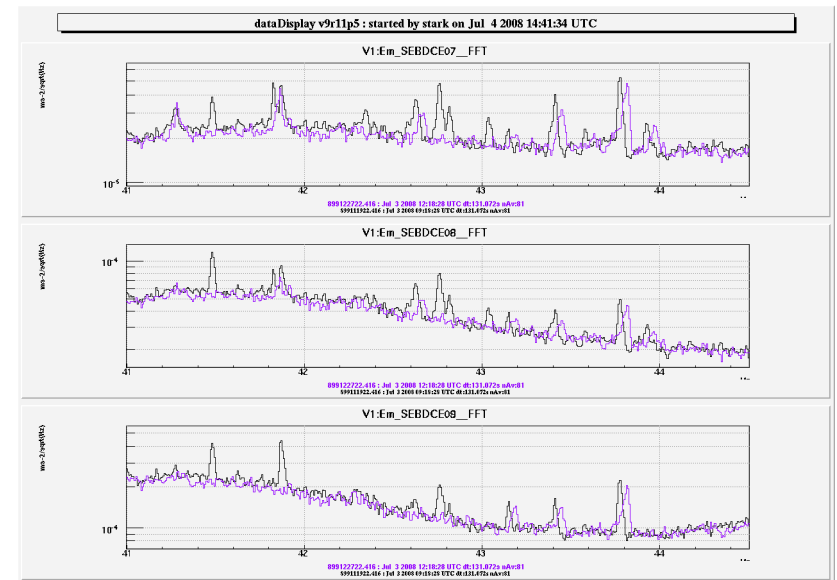
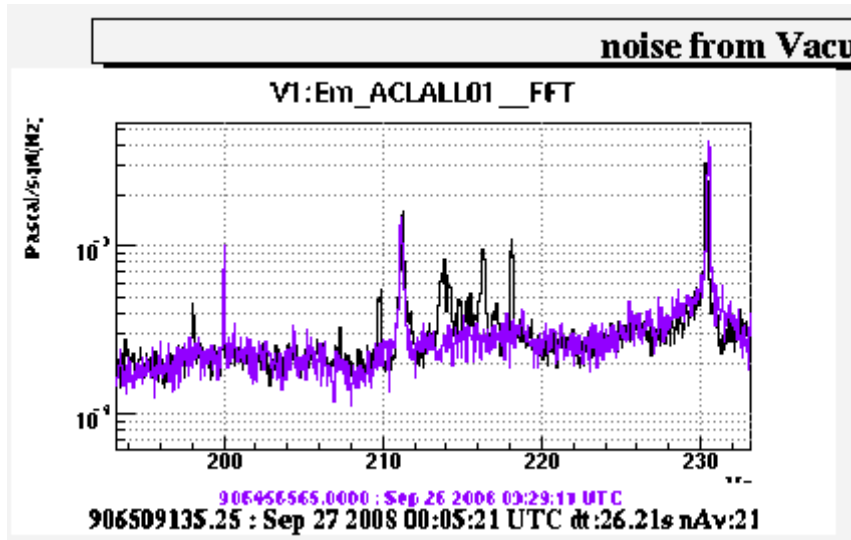
- For 1 rack: (4 fans in a tray) x 2

.... → 1280 CFM total flux

(to be CHECKED)

Acoustic noise problem

- In VSR1: lines in dark fringe associated to racks (Marque, [the 41-44Hz forest](#)). Then DET LAB racks moved to EE room. But still acoustic /seismic noise in LL from vacuum racks on the platform (C.Stark, [20745](#) and [switch off tests, report in VIR-064A-08](#)).



- Paths: although AdV most of external benches will be suspended and in-vacuum, yet acoustic noise can seismically excite vacuum tanks (possible diffused light)
- Requirement for AdV (see IME sec. in Final Design): 10 times reduction of amplitude monochromatic emissions (i.e. 6dB rms) in experimental halls.

Less noisy fans?

Noise is influenced by:

- **Speed:** noise rises with some power (3 to 6) of the blades rotation velocity
BUT, we need “large enough” air flux
→ go for SLOWER but LARGER fans
- **Bearings type:** friction, can produce harmonics. “ball” type is better than “sleeve” type, also “double ball” and better lubricated exist.
- **Mounting:** vibration of the fan case on the tray support
→ use of special rubber screws...

Purchased a few commercial fans

...easy to find, from internet sites farnel/digikey):

(The one in use)

Fan	Bearings type	Speed (RPM /Hz)	Air Flow (CFM)	Noise (dBA)	Weight (gr)	Size (mm ³)
Papst 4650N	Sleeve	2650 /44.1	160	46	550	119x119x38
Sunon DP203A	Ball	2225 /37.08	127	38	550	120x120x38
Sunon DP203AT	Ball	1800/ 30	86	38.5	330	119x119x25
EbmPapst 4890N	Sintec	1550 /25.83	80	25	540	119x119x38
EbmPapst 3956L	Sintec	1550 /25.83	31	24	280	92x92x25

Test setup

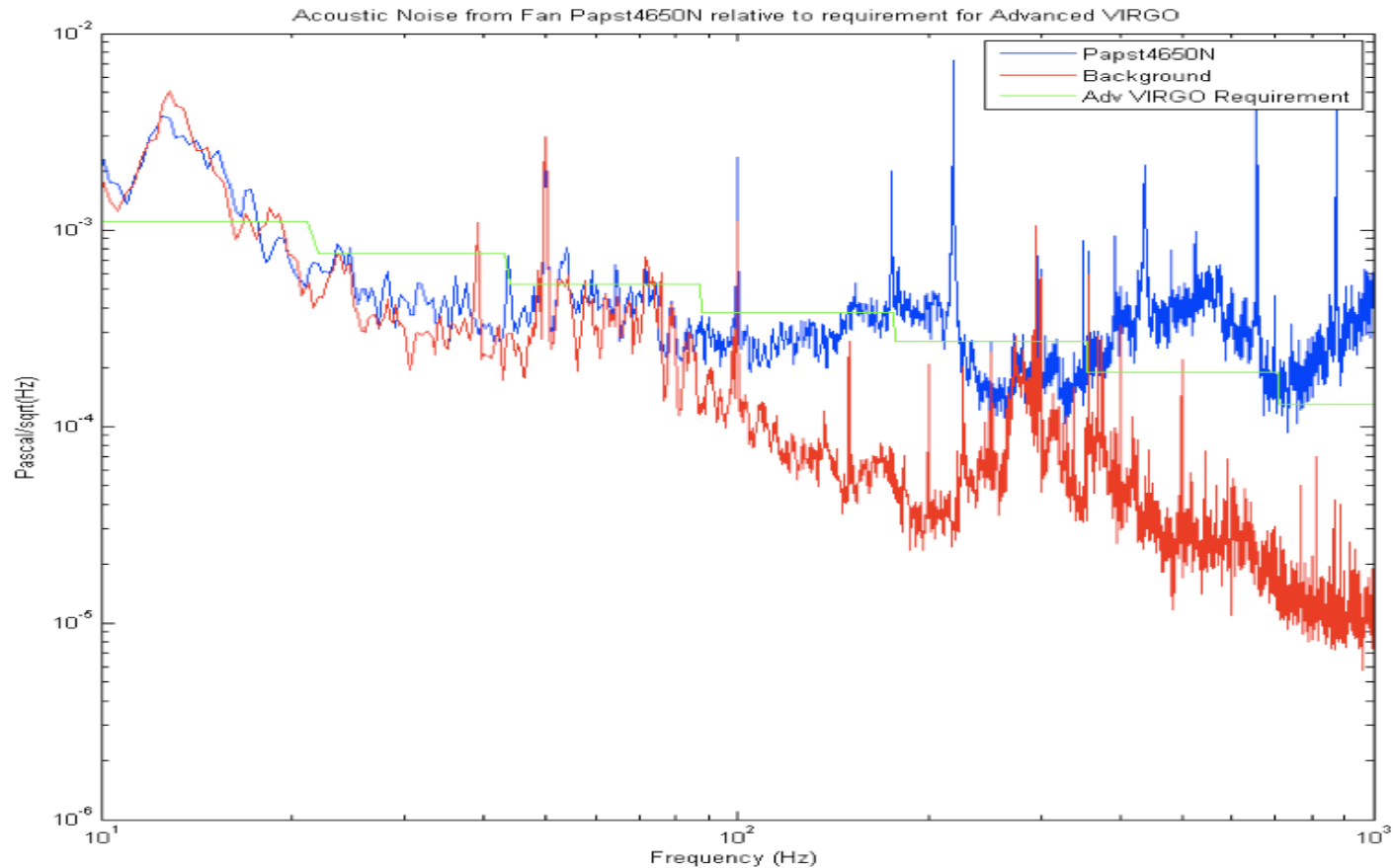
- Measured acoustic emission of single fan

- 1) need QUIET location: into arm tunnel, about 100m from 1500N lab.
- 2) we suspended the fan to seismically decouple it from the support → avoid acoustic noise possibly emitted by the vibration of the support.
- 3) Microphone (B&K mod. 4190)
Larson 2210 power supply and ONOSOKKI
sepectrum analyzer.
- 4) Microphone placed behind the fan
(i.e. side of the incoming air flux)
and along the fan axis,
about 30cm from the fan.



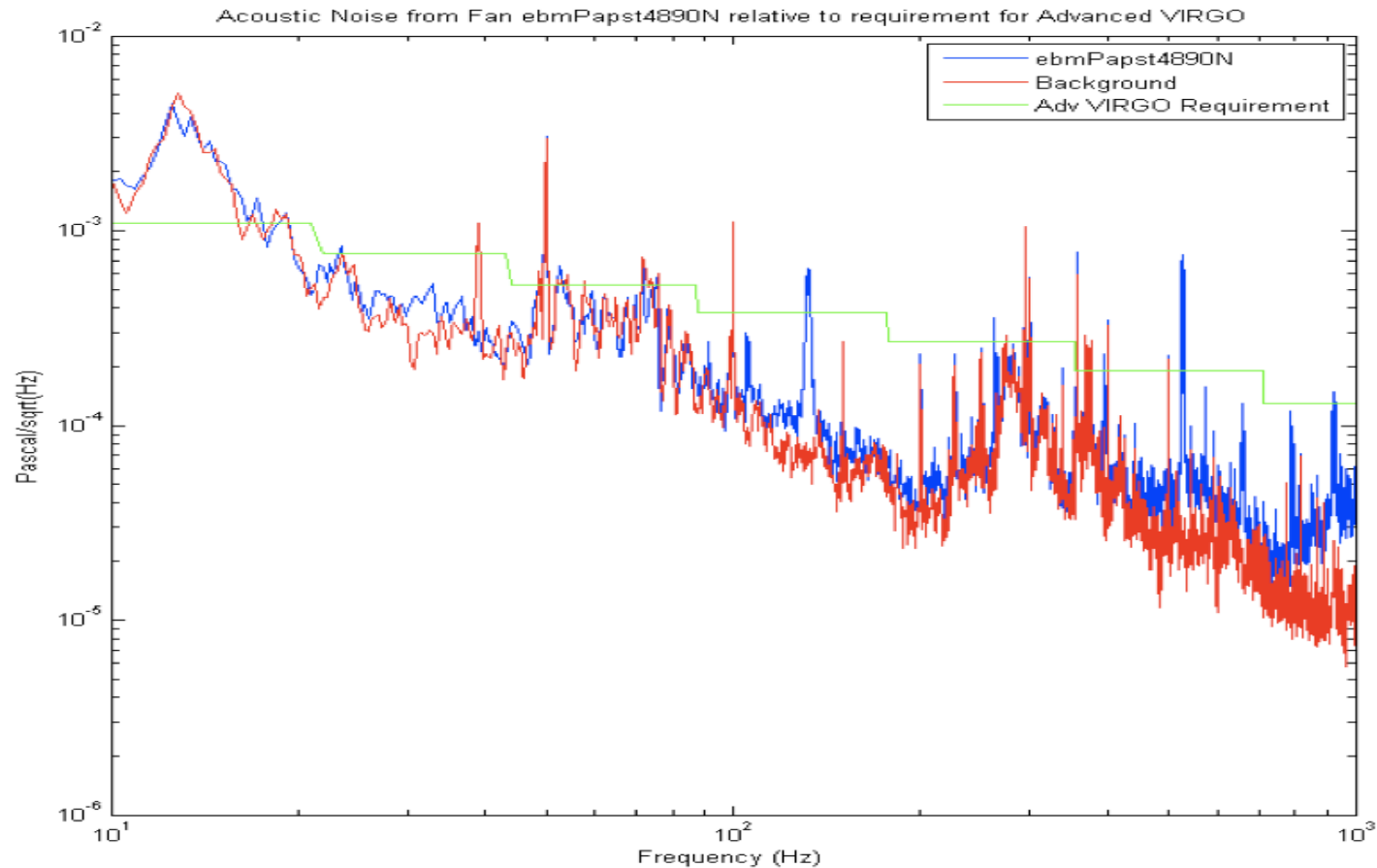
Results

- Papst 4650 (currently in use), 160 CFM, 44Hz



Results

- EbmPapst 4890, 80 CFM, 26Hz, Better bearings



RMS noise / air flux

We want to OPTIMIZE this number.

FAN	RMS (Pa)	Air Flux (CFM)	RMS/CFM
Papst 4650N	17.6 E-3	160	0.11
Sunon DP203A	8.5 E-3	127	0.07
Sunon DP203AT	5.6 E-3	86	0.07
EbmPapst 4890N	2.4 E-3	80	0.03
EbmPapst 3956L	2.9 E-3	31	0.09

Conclusions

- Tested some “easy to find on the market” fans.
- One model with “better” bearings is significantly less noisy, but gives half the flux.

David is preparing a report with all measurements.

Go on with:

- Test some Larger size fan (next slide)
- Need to know which is the necessary AIR FLUX, and if possible to reduce the total air flux.

Larger and slower fans, examples:



NILOX, 140x140x25 mm, 1000 rpm, CFM not given
Easy to find at PC shop EFFEGI in Pisa

Looks many available on the market, especially for application in Personal Computers
(silent PC: <http://www.pcsilenzioso.it/forum/showthread.php?t=6421>)
Sizes from 20cm to 60cm and speed in the range 1000-600rpm.

