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An approximate solution for the acoustic coupling factor (the diffraction correction function)

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-	$F = \{z - 2F_0   (z/F_0 - z) (z - \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_0) + 1$
Flat plate	$-\cos\theta_2\cos\theta_0 + \sin\theta_2\sin\theta_0\cos\varphi_0]\}^{1/2}.$ (11)
	Letting $U_0 = \sin \theta_0 / \sin \alpha$ , and $U_2 = \sin \theta_2 / \sin \alpha$ , Eq. (11) becomes
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are the zeroth and first-order Lommel functions of the second kind. Substituting Eqs. (18) and (19) into Eq. (17), we have

$$D_F(z;f) = -\frac{Z}{Y} \left( \frac{\exp[j(Y/2 - Z^2/2Y)] - 1}{j(Y/2 - Z^2/2Y)} - \exp(jY)I_2(Y,Z) \right),$$
(20)

where

$$I_2(Y,Z) = 2 \int_{U_2=0}^{1} \exp\left(-j \frac{Y}{2} (1-U_2^2)\right) [v_0(Y,ZU_2)]$$

$$-jv_{1}(Y,ZU_{2})]U_{2}dU_{2}.$$
 (21)

The details for the reduction of Eq. (21) will not be given here. It is sufficient to state that by substituting Eq. (19) into Eq. (21), a summation of complex integrals in the form of  $\int_{U_2=0}^{1} U_2^{n+1} J_n(ZU_2) \exp[-j(Y/2)(1 - U_2^2)] dU_2$  for  $n \ge 0$  results and their solutions can be derived from similar expressions given in the text by Gray and Mathews.<sup>10</sup> After some lengthy manipulation, Eq.



FIG. 2. Amplitude of the acoustic coupling factor  $|D_F(z;f)|$  as a func-

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