

ELASTIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THE BOTTOM AT THE ACOUSTIC POLYGON IN PETER THE GREAT BAY (SEA OF JAPAN)

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The paper considers various remote and direct methods and approaches to obtaining the elastic properties of loose bottom sediments of the sea bottom. Some of the considered options for obtaining the elastic properties of the bottom were applied on an acoustic test site. The acoustic test site is located in the Peter the Great Bay of the Sea of Japan. The results of calculating the elastic properties of sediments by direct and indirect methods are shown. The direct method was proposed by Hamilton and Bachman. The velocities of the longitudinal, transverse waves and density are calculated based on empirical dependencies with the granulometric composition of samples of bottom sediments. Indirect methods for restoring the elastic properties of the bottom are based on data from high-frequency acoustic studies. The calculation of porosity, density, longitudinal and transverse velocities in bottom sediments was carried out using empirical communication models with a normal reflection coefficient from the bottom. The obtained results of calculating the elastic properties of the bottom by various methods are also compared. The obtained data on the elastic properties of bottom sediments served as the basis for the geoacoustic model of the bottom of the acoustic test site and the Peter the Great Bay as a whole.

Keywords. bottom elastic characteristics, high-frequency acoustics, granulometric composition, geoacoustic model, Peter the Great Bay

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