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## **Array Processing**

This is the first book to provide a single complete reference on microphone arrays. Top researchers in this field contributed articles documenting the current state of the art in microphone array research, development and technological application.

## **Mathematical Reviews**

## **Fundamentals of Spherical Array Processing**

Structural Health Monitoring with Piezoelectric Wafer Active Sensors, Second Edition provides an authoritative theoretical and experimental guide to this fast-paced, interdisciplinary area with exciting applications across a range of industries. The book begins with a detailed yet digestible consolidation of the fundamental theory relating to structural health monitoring (SHM). Coverage of fracture and failure basics, relevant piezoelectric material properties, vibration modes in different structures, and different wave types provide all the background needed to understand SHM and apply it to real-world structural challenges. Moving from theory to experimental practice, the book then provides the most comprehensive coverage available on using piezoelectric wafer active sensors (PWAS) to detect and quantify damage in structures. Updates to this edition include circular and straight-crested Lamb waves from first principle, and the interaction between PWAS and Lamb waves in 1-D and 2-D geometries. Effective shear stress is described, and tuning expressions between PWAS and Lamb waves has been extended to cover axisymmetric geometries with a complete Hankel-transform-based derivation. New chapters have been added including hands-on SHM case studies of PWAS stress, strain, vibration, and wave sensing applications, along with new sections covering essential aspects of vibration and wave propagation in axisymmetric geometries. Comprehensive coverage of underlying theory such as piezoelectricity, vibration, and wave propagation alongside experimental techniques Includes step-by-step guidance on the use of piezoelectric wafer active

sensors (PWAS) to detect and quantify damage in structures, including clear information on how to interpret sensor signal patterns Updates to this edition include a new chapter on composites and new sections on advances in vibration and wave theory, bringing this established reference in line with the cutting edge in this emerging area

## **Broadband Array Processing**

## **9th IEEE SP Workshop on Statistical Signal and Array Processing**

## **Fourier Acoustics**

Proceedings of SPIE present the original research papers presented at SPIE conferences and other high-quality conferences in the broad-ranging fields of optics and photonics. These books provide prompt access to the latest innovations in research and technology in their respective fields. Proceedings of SPIE are among the most cited references in patent literature.

## **A Perspective on Stereophonic Acoustic Echo Cancellation**

## **Focusing Filters for Wideband Array Processing**

## **Optoelectronic Signal Processing for Phased-array Antennas IV**

Automatic speech recognition (ASR) systems are finding increasing use in everyday life. Many of the commonplace environments where the systems are used are noisy, for example users calling up a voice search system from a busy cafeteria or a street. This can result in degraded speech recordings and adversely affect the performance of speech recognition systems. As the use of ASR systems increases, knowledge of the state-of-the-art in techniques to deal with such problems becomes critical to system and application engineers and researchers who work with or on ASR technologies. This book presents a comprehensive survey of the state-of-the-art in techniques used to improve the robustness of speech recognition systems to these degrading external influences. Key features: Reviews all the main noise robust ASR approaches, including signal separation, voice activity detection, robust feature extraction, model compensation and adaptation, missing data techniques and recognition of reverberant speech. Acts as a timely exposition of the topic in light of more widespread use in the future of ASR technology in challenging environments. Addresses robustness issues and signal degradation which are both key requirements for practitioners of ASR. Includes contributions from top ASR researchers from leading research units in the field

**Proceedings of the EAA Joint Symposium**

## **Selected Papers on Photonic Control Systems for Phased Array Antennas**

A comprehensive guide that addresses the theory and practice of spatial audio. This book provides readers with the principles and best practices in spatial audio signal processing. It describes how sound fields and their perceptual attributes are captured and analyzed within the time-frequency domain, how essential representation parameters are coded, and how such signals are efficiently reproduced for practical applications. The book is split into four parts starting with an overview of the fundamentals. It then goes on to explain the reproduction of spatial sound before offering an examination of signal-dependent spatial filtering. The book finishes with coverage of both current and future applications and the direction that spatial audio research is heading in. Parametric Time-frequency Domain Spatial Audio focuses on applications in entertainment audio, including music, home cinema, and gaming—covering the capturing and reproduction of spatial sound as well as its generation, transduction, representation, transmission, and perception. This book will teach readers the tools needed for such processing, and provides an overview to existing research. It also shows recent up-to-date projects and commercial applications built on top of the systems. Provides an in-depth presentation of the principles, past developments, state-of-the-art methods, and future

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research directions of spatial audio technologies Includes contributions from leading researchers in the field Offers MATLAB codes with selected chapters An advanced book aimed at readers who are capable of digesting mathematical expressions about digital signal processing and sound field analysis, Parametric Time-frequency Domain Spatial Audio is best suited for researchers in academia and in the audio industry.

## **Modal Array Signal Processing: Principles and Applications of Acoustic Wavefield Decomposition**

This book deals with the problem of detecting and localizing multiple simultaneously active wideband acoustic sources by applying the notion of wavefield decomposition using circular and spherical microphone arrays. A rigorous derivation of modal array signal processing algorithms for unambiguous source detection and localization, as well as performance evaluations by means of measurements using an actual real-time capable implementation, are discussed.

## **The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America**

Fourier Acoustics develops the theory of sound radiation completely from the viewpoint of Fourier analysis. This powerful perspective of sound radiation provides the reader with a comprehensive and practical understanding which will enable him or her to diagnose and solve sound and vibration problems

of the 21st century. As a result of this perspective, Fourier Acoustics is able to present thoroughly and simply, for the first time in book form, the theory of nearfield acoustical holography, an important technique which has revolutionized the measurement of sound. The book includes: The physics of wave propagation and sound radiation in homogeneous media Acoustics, such as radiation of sound, and radiation from vibrating surfaces Inverse problems, for example the thorough development of the theory of nearfield acoustical holography Mathematics of specialized functions, such as spherical harmonics The author is an internationally recognized acoustician whose pioneering research in the field of nearfield acoustical holography has impacted acoustics research and development throughout the world. Dr. Williams' research has been formally recognized by NRL as one of its most innovative technologies over the past 75 years. Relying little on material outside the book, Fourier Acoustics will be invaluable as a graduate level text as well as a reference for researchers in academia and industry. The book is unique amongst acoustics texts, it is well illustrated and it includes exercises to enforce the theory.

## **Government Reports Announcements & Index**

This book describes the background and technology of array signal modeling. It presents the concept and formulation of beamformers and discusses several commonly used array performance measures. It also

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introduces two traditional types of beamformers: delay-and-sum and optimum beamformers. Chapter 1 includes background information on array processing, while Chapters 2 and 3 discuss the DFT-based frequency-domain implementation of a broadband beamformer and the design of subband beamformers for frequency-domain broadband beamformers. Chapter 4 presents the FIR-based, time-domain implementation of the broadband beamformer, where the FIR beamformer is designed by separately designing the subband beamformers and the corresponding FIR filters. The techniques for optimal design of the FIR beamformer are developed in Chapter 5, and Chapters 6 and 7 focus on the modal beamforming problem for circular arrays for the frequency-domain modal beamformer and the time-domain modal beamformer. Lastly, the final chapters present frequency-domain and time-domain modal beamformers for spherical arrays.

## **Parametric Time-Frequency Domain Spatial Audio**

Acoustic Signal Processing for Ocean Exploration has two major goals: (i) to present signal processing algorithms that take into account the models of acoustic propagation in the ocean and; (ii) to give a perspective of the broad set of techniques, problems, and applications arising in ocean exploration. The book discusses related issues and problems focused in model based acoustic signal processing methods. Besides addressing the problem of the propagation of acoustics in the ocean, it presents relevant acoustic

signal processing methods like matched field processing, array processing, and localization and detection techniques. These more traditional contexts are herein enlarged to include imaging and mapping, and new signal representation models like time/frequency and wavelet transforms. Several applied aspects of these topics, such as the application of acoustics to fisheries, sea floor swath mapping by swath bathymetry and side scan sonar, autonomous underwater vehicles and communications in underwater are also considered.

## **Techniques for Noise Robustness in Automatic Speech Recognition**

## **Operational Modal Analysis of Civil Engineering Structures**

This book provides a comprehensive introduction to the theory and practice of spherical microphone arrays, and was written for graduate students, researchers and engineers who work with spherical microphone arrays in a wide range of applications. The new edition includes additions and modifications, and references supplementary Matlab code to provide the reader with a straightforward start for own implementations. The book is also accompanied by a Matlab manual, which explains how to implement the examples and simulations presented in the book. The first two chapters provide the reader with the necessary mathematical and physical background, including an introduction to the spherical Fourier

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transform and the formulation of plane-wave sound fields in the spherical harmonics domain. In turn, the third chapter covers the theory of spatial sampling, employed when selecting the positions of microphones to sample sound pressure functions in space. Subsequent chapters highlight various spherical array configurations, including the popular rigid-sphere-based configuration. Beamforming (spatial filtering) in the spherical harmonics domain, including axis-symmetric beamforming, and the performance measures of directivity index and white noise gain are introduced, and a range of optimal beamformers for spherical arrays, including those that achieve maximum directivity and maximum robustness are developed, along with the Dolph-Chebyshev beamformer. The final chapter discusses more advanced beamformers, such as MVDR (minimum variance distortionless response) and LCMV (linearly constrained minimum variance) types, which are tailored to the measured sound field. Mathworks kindly distributes the Matlab sources for this book on <https://www.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/68655-fundamentals-of-spherical-array-processing>.

## **Surface Acoustic Wave Devices and Their Signal Processing Applications**

This third volume, edited and authored by world leading experts, gives a review of the principles, methods and techniques of important and emerging research topics and technologies in array and statistical signal processing. With this reference

source you will: Quickly grasp a new area of research  
Understand the underlying principles of a topic and its  
application Ascertain how a topic relates to other  
areas and learn of the research issues yet to be  
resolved Quick tutorial reviews of important and  
emerging topics of research in array and statistical  
signal processing Presents core principles and shows  
their application Reference content on core principles,  
technologies, algorithms and applications  
Comprehensive references to journal articles and  
other literature on which to build further, more  
specific and detailed knowledge Edited by leading  
people in the field who, through their reputation, have  
been able to commission experts to write on a  
particular topic

## **Microphone Array Signal Processing**

Single-channel hands-free teleconferencing systems are becoming popular. In order to enhance the communication quality of these systems, more and more stereophonic sound devices with two loudspeakers and two microphones are deployed. Because of the coupling between loudspeakers and microphones, there may be strong echoes, which make real-time communication very difficult. The best way we know to cancel these echoes is via a stereo acoustic echo canceller (SAEC), which can be modelled as a two-input/two-output system with real random variables. In this work, the authors recast this problem into a single-input/single-output system with complex random variables thanks to the widely linear model. From this new convenient formulation, they re-

derive the most important aspects of a SAEC, including identification of the echo paths with adaptive filters, double-talk detection, and suppression.

## **Digital Signal Processing Techniques and Applications in Radar Image Processing**

Presented in a clear and concise way as an introductory text and practical handbook, the book provides the basic physical phenomena governing underwater acoustical waves, propagation, reflection, target backscattering and noise. It covers the general features of sonar systems, transducers and arrays, signal processing and performance evaluation. It provides an overview of today's applications, presenting the working principles of the various systems. From the reviews: "Presented in a clear and concise way as an introductory text and practical handbook, the book provides the basic physical phenomena governing underwater acoustical waves, propagation, reflection, target backscattering and noise. It provides an overview of today's applications, presenting the working principles of the various systems." (Oceanis, Vol. 27 (3-4), 2003) "This book is a general survey of Underwater Acoustics, intended to make the subject as easily accessible as possible, with a clear emphasis on applications. In this the author has succeeded, with a wide variety of subjects presented with minimal derivation. There is an emphasis on technology and on intuitive physical explanation." (Darrell R. Jackson, Journal of the Acoustic Society of America, Vol. 115 (2),

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February, 2004) "This is an exciting new scientific  
publication. It is timely and welcome. Furthermore,  
it is up to date and readable. It is well researched,  
excellently published and ranks with earlier books in  
this discipline. Many persons in the marine science  
field including acousticians, hydrographers,  
oceanographers, fisheries scientists, engineers,  
educators, students and equipment manufacturers  
will benefit greatly by reading all or part of this text.  
The author is to be congratulated on his fine  
contribution." (Stephen B. MacPhee, International  
Hydrographic Review, Vol. 4 (2), 2003)

## **An Introduction to Underwater Acoustics**

This is an up-to-date reference and textbook on modern acoustics from a signal-theoretic point of view, as well as a wave-theoretic approach for students, engineers, and researchers. It provides readers the fundamental basis of acoustics and vibration science and proceeds up to recent hot topics related to acoustic transfer functions and signal analysis including a perceptual point of view. In the first part, the work uniquely introduces into the fundamentals without using heavy mathematics. The following, advanced chapters deal with new and deep insights into acoustic signal analysis and investigation of room transfer functions based on the poles and zeros.

## **Academic Press Library in Signal Processing**

## **Acoustic Signal Processing for Ocean Exploration**

Topics in this volume include: antenna beamforming using optical processor; novel optical techniques for phased-array processing; and optically-controlled phased array radar receiver using SLM switched real time delays.

## **Broadband Performance of Time-reversing Arrays in Shallow Water**

The focus of this book is on array processing and beamforming with Kronecker products. It considers a large family of sensor arrays that allow the steering vector to be decomposed as a Kronecker product of two steering vectors of smaller virtual arrays. Instead of directly designing a global beamformer for the original array, once the steering vector has been decomposed, smaller virtual beamformers are designed and separately optimized for each virtual array. This means the matrices that need to be inverted are smaller, which increases the robustness of the beamformers, and reduces the size of the observations. The book explains how to perform beamforming with Kronecker product filters using an unconventional approach. It shows how the Kronecker product formulation can be used to derive fixed, adaptive, and differential beamformers with remarkable flexibility. Furthermore, it demonstrates

how fixed and adaptive beamformers can be intelligently combined, optimally exploiting the advantages of both. The problem of spatiotemporal signal enhancement is also addressed, and readers will learn how to perform Kronecker product filtering in this context.

## **Training and Development Organizations Directory**

Annotation The conference, organized by the Office of Naval Research, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, focused on methods leading toward the solution of practical problems in engineering and the physical sciences, and to that end entertained a few papers on advanced linear techniques despite the title. The areas covered are mathematical frontiers, the predictability and control of chaos, detection and classification, advance applied signal processing methods, stochastic resonance, machine diagnostics, turbulence, geophysics, medicine, and new methods for modeling nonlinear systems. Among the 58 topics are measures of complexity in signal analysis, channel equalization for communication with chaotic signals, the evolution of frequency content in fluid flow noise,, and an oscillatory neural network unit model. No subject index. Annotation c. by Book News, Inc., Portland, Or.

## **1988 International Symposium on Flow-Induced Vibration and Noise: Flow-induced vibration and noise in cylinder arrays**

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This open access book provides a concise explanation of the fundamentals and background of the surround sound recording and playback technology Ambisonics. It equips readers with the psychoacoustical, signal processing, acoustical, and mathematical knowledge needed to understand the inner workings of modern processing utilities, special equipment for recording, manipulation, and reproduction in the higher-order Ambisonic format. The book comes with various practical examples based on free software tools and open scientific data for reproducible research. The book's introductory section offers a perspective on Ambisonics spanning from the origins of coincident recordings in the 1930s to the Ambisonic concepts of the 1970s, as well as classical ways of applying Ambisonics in first-order coincident sound scene recording and reproduction that have been practiced since the 1980s. As, from time to time, the underlying mathematics become quite involved, but should be comprehensive without sacrificing readability, the book includes an extensive mathematical appendix. The book offers readers a deeper understanding of Ambisonic technologies, and will especially benefit scientists, audio-system and audio-recording engineers. In the advanced sections of the book, fundamentals and modern techniques as higher-order Ambisonic decoding, 3D audio effects, and higher-order recording are explained. Those techniques are shown to be suitable to supply audience areas ranging from studio-sized to hundreds of listeners, or headphone-based playback, regardless whether it is live, interactive, or studio-produced 3D audio material. This work was published by Saint Philip

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## **Sound and Signals**

This volume covers topics including: array processing; detection and estimation; signal processing for mechanical systems; frequency and spectrum estimation; and non-Gaussian statistics.

## **Robust Adaptive Beamforming**

## **Digital Signal Processing Technology**

A self-contained approach to DSP techniques and applications in radar imaging The processing of radar images, in general, consists of three major fields: Digital Signal Processing (DSP); antenna and radar operation; and algorithms used to process the radar images. This book brings together material from these different areas to allow readers to gain a thorough understanding of how radar images are processed. The book is divided into three main parts and covers:

- \* DSP principles and signal characteristics in both analog and digital domains, advanced signal sampling, and interpolation techniques
- \* Antenna theory (Maxwell equation, radiation field from dipole, and linear phased array), radar fundamentals, radar modulation, and target-detection techniques (continuous wave, pulsed Linear Frequency

Wavefield Decomposition, Lecture Notes In Control And Information Sciences) \* Properties of radar images, algorithms used for radar image processing, simulation examples, and results of satellite image files processed by Range-Doppler and Stolt interpolation algorithms The book fully utilizes the computing and graphical capability of MATLAB<sup>®</sup> to display the signals at various processing stages in 3D and/or cross-sectional views. Additionally, the text is complemented with flowcharts and system block diagrams to aid in readers' comprehension. Digital Signal Processing Techniques and Applications in Radar Image Processing serves as an ideal textbook for graduate students and practicing engineers who wish to gain firsthand experience in applying DSP principles and technologies to radar imaging.

## **Training and Development Organizations Directory**

Surface Acoustic Wave Devices and Their Signal Processing Applications is a textbook that combines experiment and theory in assessing the signal processing applications of surface acoustic wave (SAW) devices. The operating principles of SAW devices are described from a circuit design viewpoint. This book is comprised of 18 chapters and begins with a historical background on surface acoustic waves and a discussion on the merits of SAW devices as well as their applications. The next chapter introduces the reader to the basics of acoustic waves and piezoelectricity, together with the effect of acoustic bulk waves on the performance of SAW filters. The principles of linear phase SAW filter design and

equivalent circuit models for a SAW filter are then described. The remaining chapters focus on trade-offs in linear phase SAW filter design; compensation for second-order effects; harmonic SAW delay lines for gigahertz frequencies; and coding techniques using linear SAW transducers. The final chapter highlights some other significant alternative design techniques and applications for SAW devices. This monograph will be suitable for engineering or physics students as well as engineers, scientists, and technical staff in industry who seek further information on SAW-based circuits, systems, and applications.

## **Electromagnetic Wave Theory**

### **Structural Health Monitoring with Piezoelectric Wafer Active Sensors**

Learn the technology behind hearing aids, Siri, and Echo Audio source separation and speech enhancement aim to extract one or more source signals of interest from an audio recording involving several sound sources. These technologies are among the most studied in audio signal processing today and bear a critical role in the success of hearing aids, hands-free phones, voice command and other noise-robust audio analysis systems, and music post-production software. Research on this topic has followed three convergent paths, starting with sensor array processing, computational auditory scene analysis, and machine learning based approaches such as independent component analysis,

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respectively. This book is the first one to provide a comprehensive overview by presenting the common foundations and the differences between these techniques in a unified setting. Key features: Consolidated perspective on audio source separation and speech enhancement. Both historical perspective and latest advances in the field, e.g. deep neural networks. Diverse disciplines: array processing, machine learning, and statistical signal processing. Covers the most important techniques for both single-channel and multichannel processing. This book provides both introductory and advanced material suitable for people with basic knowledge of signal processing and machine learning. Thanks to its comprehensiveness, it will help students select a promising research track, researchers leverage the acquired cross-domain knowledge to design improved techniques, and engineers and developers choose the right technology for their target application scenario. It will also be useful for practitioners from other fields (e.g., acoustics, multimedia, phonetics, and musicology) willing to exploit audio source separation or speech enhancement as pre-processing tools for their own needs.

## **Chaotic, Fractal, and Nonlinear Signal Processing**

## **Audio Source Separation and Speech Enhancement**

"Directory of members" published as pt. 2 of Apr.

## **Highly Innovative Space Telescope Concepts**

The latest research and developments in robust adaptive beamforming. Recent work has made great strides toward devising robust adaptive beamformers that vastly improve signal strength against background noise and directional interference. This dynamic technology has diverse applications, including radar, sonar, acoustics, astronomy, seismology, communications, and medical imaging. There are also exciting emerging applications such as smart antennas for wireless communications, handheld ultrasound imaging systems, and directional hearing aids. Robust Adaptive Beamforming compiles the theories and work of leading researchers investigating various approaches in one comprehensive volume. Unlike previous efforts, these pioneering studies are based on theories that use an uncertainty set of the array steering vector. The researchers define their theories, explain their methodologies, and present their conclusions. Methods presented include: Coupling the standard Capon beamformers with a spherical or ellipsoidal uncertainty set of the array steering vector Diagonal loading for finite sample size beamforming Mean-squared error beamforming for signal estimation Constant modulus beamforming Robust wideband beamforming using a steered adaptive beamformer to adapt the weight vector within a generalized sidelobe canceller formulation Robust Adaptive Beamforming

provides a truly up-to-date resource and reference for engineers, researchers, and graduate students in this promising, rapidly expanding field.

## **1974 U.R.S.I. Symposium on Electromagnetic Wave Theory, 9-12, July 1974 [held at The] Imperial College of Science and Technology**

This book covers all aspects of operational modal analysis for civil engineering, from theoretical background to applications, including measurement hardware, software development, and data processing. In particular, this book provides an extensive description and discussion of OMA methods, their classification and relationship, and advantages and drawbacks. The authors cover both the well-established theoretical background of OMA methods and the most recent developments in the field, providing detailed examples to help the reader better understand the concepts and potentialities of the technique. Additional material is provided (data, software) to help practitioners and students become familiar with OMA. Covering a range of different aspects of OMA, always with the application in mind, the practical perspective adopted in this book makes it ideal for a wide range of readers from researchers to field engineers; graduate and undergraduate students; and technicians interested in structural dynamics, system identification, and Structural Health Monitoring. This book also: Analyzes OMA methods extensively, providing details on implementation not easily found in the literature Offers tutorial for

development of customized measurement and data processing systems for LabView and National Instruments programmable hardware Discusses different solutions for automated OMA Contains many explanatory applications on real structures Provides detail on applications of OMA beyond system identification, such as (vibration based monitoring, tensile load estimation, etc.) Includes both theory and applications

## **International Aerospace Abstracts**

In the past few years we have written and edited several books in the area of acoustic and speech signal processing.

The reason behind this endeavor is that there were almost no books available in the literature when we first started while there was (and still is) a real need to publish manuscripts summarizing the most useful ideas, concepts, results, and state-of-the-art algorithms in this important area of research.

According to all the feedback we have received so far, we can say that we were right in doing this. Recently, several other researchers have followed us in this journey and have published interesting books with their own visions and perspectives. The idea of writing a book on Microphone Array Signal Processing comes from discussions we have had with many colleagues and friends. As a consequence of these discussions, we came up with the conclusion that, again, there is an urgent need for a monograph that carefully explains the theory and implementation of microphone arrays. While there are many manuscripts on antenna arrays

from a narrowband perspective (narrowband signals and narrowband processing), the literature is quite scarce when it comes to s- sor arrays explained from a truly broadband perspective. Many algorithms for speech applications were simply borrowed from narrowband antenna - rays. However, a direct application of narrowband ideas to broadband speech processing may not be necessarily appropriate and can lead to many m- understandings.

## **Journal of the Audio Engineering Society**

### **Ambisonics**

In consideration of the remarkable intensity of research in the field of Virtual Acoustics, including different areas such as sound field analysis and synthesis, spatial audio technologies, and room acoustical modeling and auralization, it seemed about time to organize a second international symposium following the model of the first EAA Auralization Symposium initiated in 2009 by the acoustics group of the former Helsinki University of Technology (now Aalto University). Additionally, research communities which are focused on different approaches to sound field synthesis such as Ambisonics or Wave Field Synthesis have, in the meantime, moved closer together by using increasingly consistent theoretical frameworks. Finally, the quality of virtual acoustic environments is often considered as a result of all processing stages mentioned above, increasing the need for discussions on consistent strategies for

evaluation. Thus, it seemed appropriate to integrate two of the most relevant communities, i.e. to combine the 2nd International Auralization Symposium with the 5th International Symposium on Ambisonics and Spherical Acoustics. The Symposia on Ambisonics, initiated in 2009 by the Institute of Electronic Music and Acoustics of the University of Music and Performing Arts in Graz, were traditionally dedicated to problems of spherical sound field analysis and re-synthesis, strategies for the exchange of ambisonics-encoded audio material, and – more than other conferences in this area – the artistic application of spatial audio systems. This publication contains the official conference proceedings. It includes 29 manuscripts which have passed a 3-stage peer-review with a board of about 70 international reviewers involved in the process. Each contribution has already been published individually with a unique DOI on the DepositOnce digital repository of TU Berlin. Some conference contributions have been recommended for resubmission to Acta Acustica united with Acustica, to possibly appear in a Special Issue on Virtual Acoustics in late 2014. These are not published in this collection.

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