Tutorial 2: Interfacing from MATLAB/GNU Octave for adaptive measurements

Summary

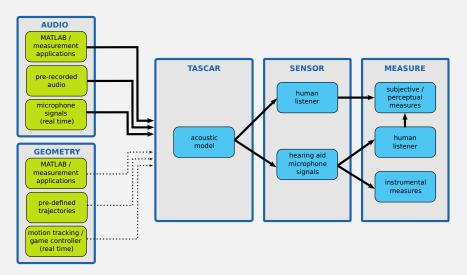
In this tutorial you will learn how to control TASCARpro from MATLAB or GNU Octave. You will learn how to (automatically) change TASCARpro parameters from MATLAB/GNU Octave and how to start, stop or rewind the playing back of a scene. At the end you will have a setup of an adaptive measurement procedure, e.g., minimum audible angle in spatially complex masking environments.

What will I learn?

- Change simulation parameters from MATLAB/GNU Octave
- · Control the playback/time line of a scene

What can I use it for?

· Psycho-acoustic measurements in virtual acoustics



Part I: loading, closing, generating a scene, modifying OSC variables

- Open script task2_example1_1.m in MATLAB (or GNU Octave) and your own copy of a file task2_basic1.tsc in text editor. (To open MATLAB type matlab & in a terminal)
- Using task2_example1_1.m load task2_basic1.tsc in TASCARpro.
- In the TASCARpro window go to $View \to OSC$ variables. What are the OSC variables you can access?
- Using task2_example1_1.m play with changing the scene variables and with playing/recording the scene from MATLAB.
- Open script task2_example1_2.m in MATLAB.
- Using task2_example1_2.m generate a new TASCARpro scene. Open this scene in text editor and load in TASCARpro to see what you have generated.
- Try to modify the osc parameters of the new generated scene from MATLAB, try playing back and recording for this scene.

Part II: modifying xml document, offline rendering

- Load task2_basic2.tsc to tascar and have a look at the corresponding scene definition file.
- Using task2_example2.m modify scene task2_basic2.tsc (Here you learn to modify the xml document offline). Open both unomdified and modified scene definition in text editor and in TASCARpro to see and hear what you have changed.
- Using task2_example2.m render the static impulse response and image source model of the modified and unmodified scene you can compare your rendered signals. heeelp

Part III: AFC experiment

Design your own AFC experiment with TASCARpro and TASCARpro MATLAB tools.
Can you measure MAA in noise as a function of noise direction? Or spatial release from masking?

You may use our AFC toolbox. Type afcgui maa subjected in MATLAB to start an example measurement (MAA). Modify functions afccfg_maa.m and afc_maa_play_interval.m to fit your needs.