

# Digital Speech and Audio Processing



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# DSAP Theory course

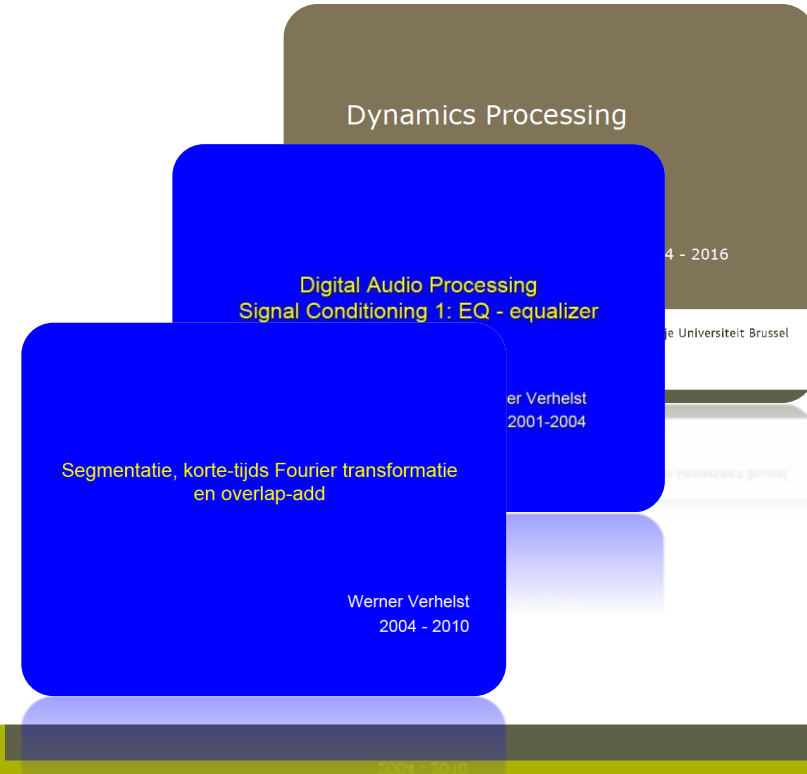
First...

A practical message from prof. Verhelst...

# DSAP Theory course

Make sure you look into the theory course slides and notes BEFORE the exams!

- There's a lot of information
- Possibility to ask questions



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Introduction to project 2



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# Who are we?

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# Practical arrangements

30h practical exercises

- Week 22-23, 25 - 28: Wednesday 10:00-12:00 @ K.3.125
- Week 31 - 36: Wednesday 09:00-12:00 @ K.3,115

**! Work in groups of 4 persons !**

# Practical arrangements

## 3 projects

- Project 1: Stereo to surround sound upmixing (week **23**, 25, 26)
- Project 2: surround sound reconstruction (week **27**, 28, 31, 32)
- Project 3: TBD (week **33**, 34, 35)
- Evaluation: week **36**

## Week 23,27,28,32

- Explanation of the projects
- Attendance obligatory

## Other weeks

- PC rooms available (attendance not obligatory)
- Assistance: available on request (send mail to make appointment)

# Evaluation

- Send code + files (email) on May 19th (week 35)
- Evaluation May 24th (week 36)
  - 15 min presentation
  - 5 min demo
  - 10 min questions



# Project 1: Stereo to surround sound upmixing



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# Project 1: Some remarks

- Equation (8) for the window is wrong

$$w(n) = \begin{cases} \sin\left(\frac{\pi(n+1/2)}{2(N-M)}\right), & 0 \leq n \leq M-1 \\ 1, & -M \leq n \leq M-1 \\ \sin\left(\frac{\pi(n-M+1/2)}{2(N-M)}\right), & M \leq n \leq N-1 \end{cases}, \quad (8)$$

➔ replace by a suitable window (constant overlap-add requirement for synthesis !!)

# Project 1: Some remarks

- Error in equation (9)

$$y(n) = \mathbf{w}^T(n) \mathbf{x}(n) = \cancel{\mathbf{w}(n)^T} \mathbf{x}(n), \quad (9)$$

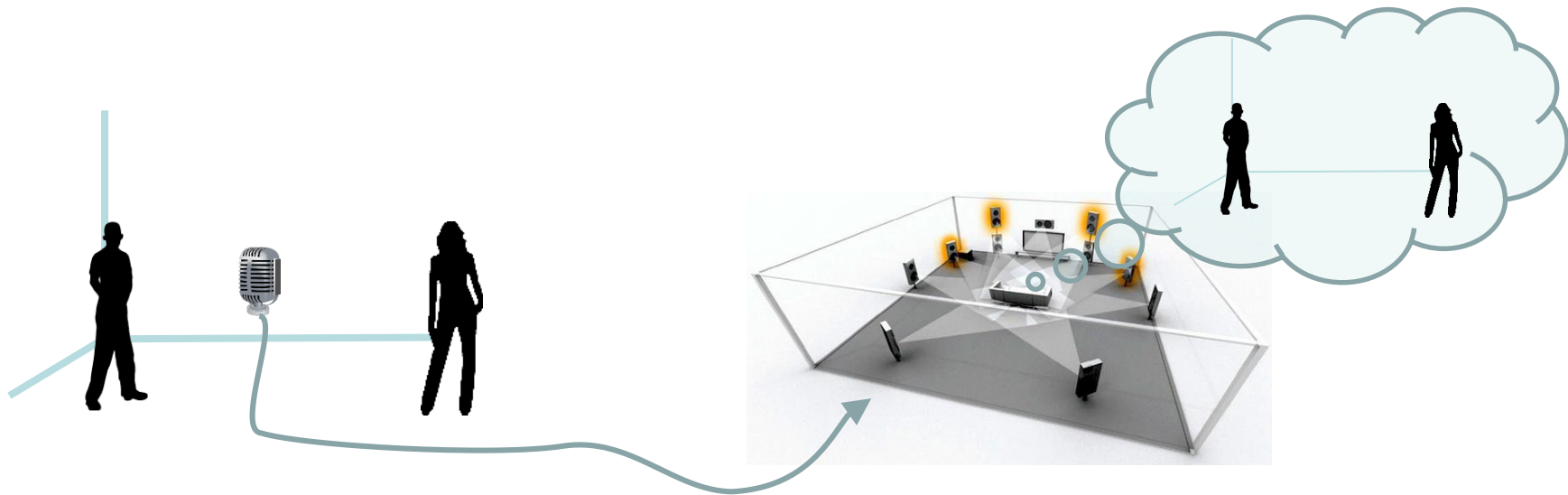
# Project 2: Surround sound scene reconstruction



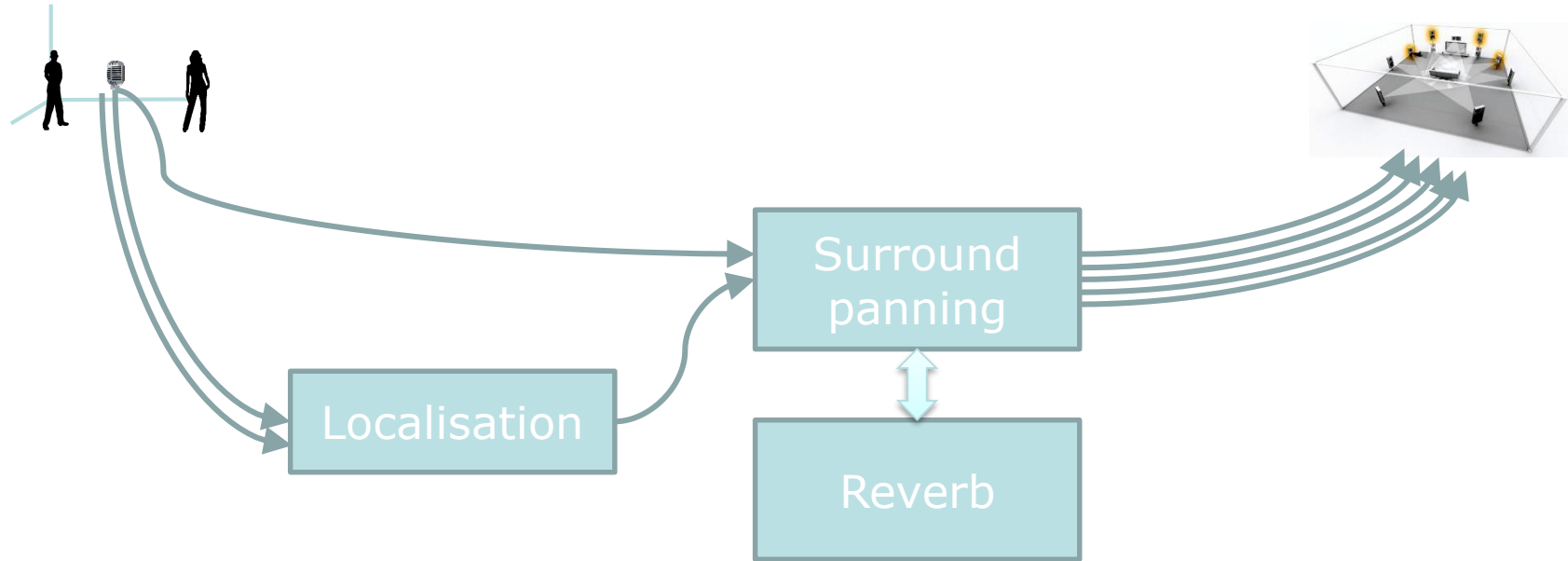
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# Surround sound scene reconstruction

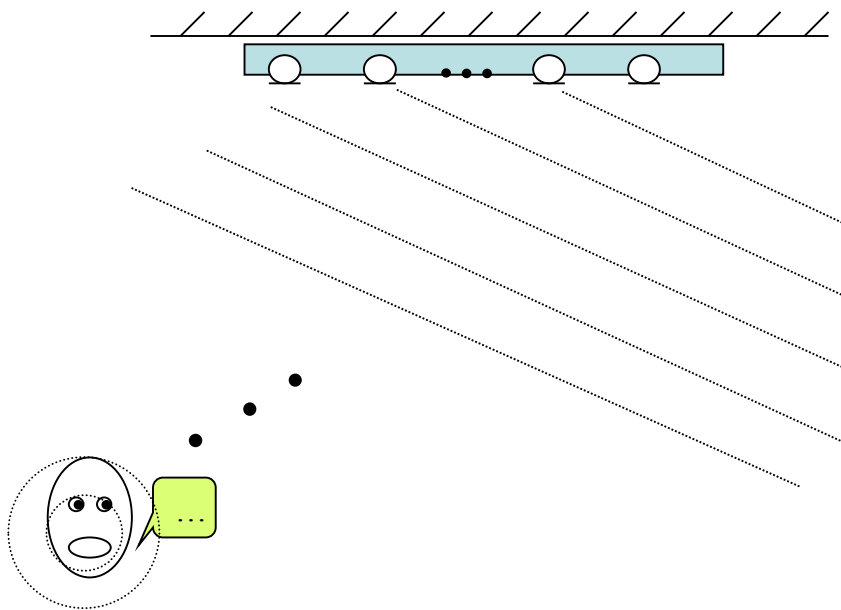
Goal: record and reconstruct a surround sound scene



# Surround sound scene reconstruction



# Sound source localisation



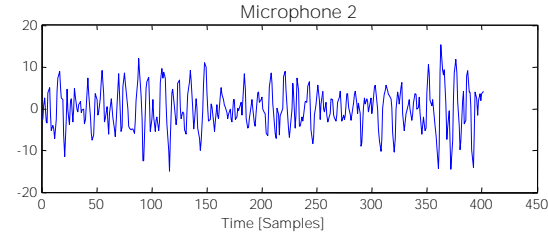
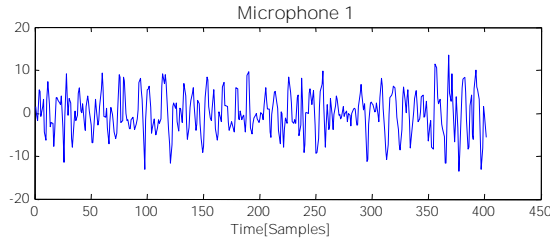
Signal, picked up by microphone  $i$  at location  $\vec{r}_i$  :

$$x_i(t) = A_i(\vec{r}_s - \vec{r}_i) \cdot s(t - \Delta_t(\vec{r}_s - \vec{r}_i))$$

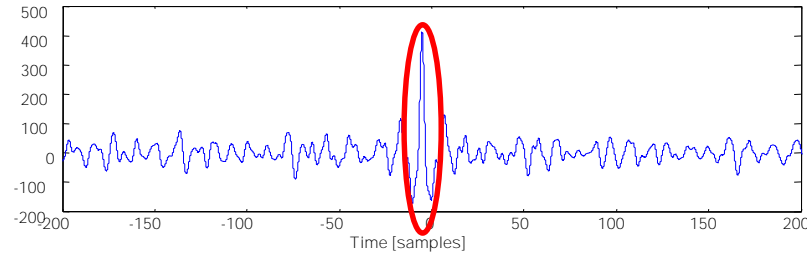
By measuring the time difference on arrival (TDOA) of the sound at different microphones, a microphone array can localise sound sources

$$TDOA(i, j) = \Delta_t(\vec{r}_s - \vec{r}_j) - \Delta_t(\vec{r}_s - \vec{r}_i)$$

# TDOA Measurement



(Generalised) Cross Correlation:

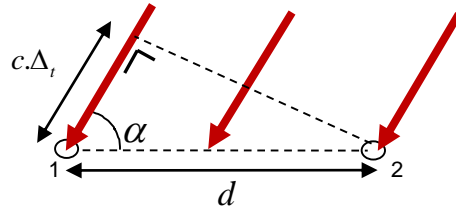


Time-domain maxima in the GCC indicate possible TDOA values



# From TDOA to Location

- Based on TDOA, a microphone pair (1,2) allows determination of the incidence angle relative to the pair's axis:

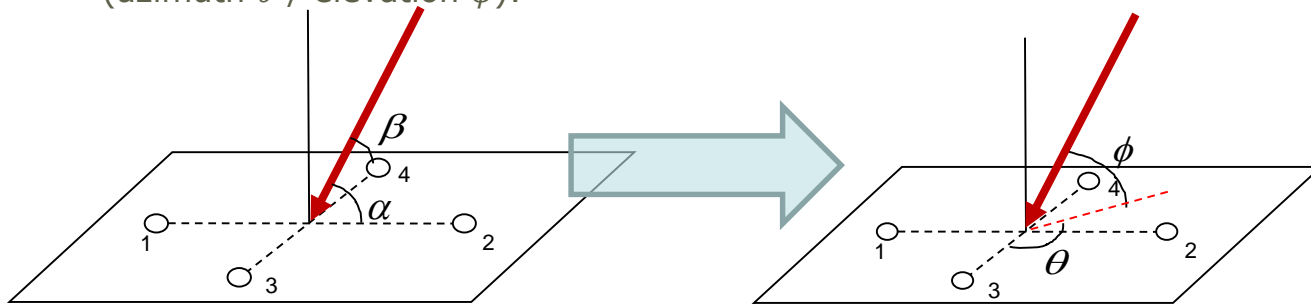


$$\alpha = \arccos\left(\frac{c \cdot \Delta_t}{d}\right)$$

$$\Delta_t = TDOA$$

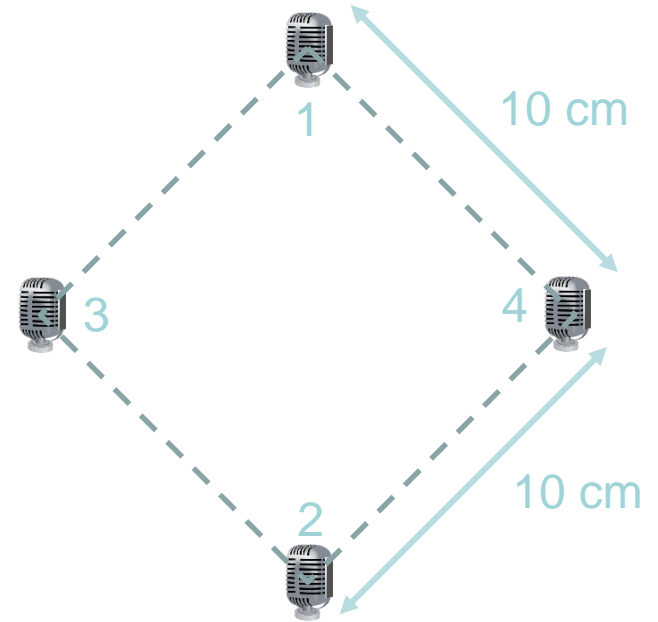
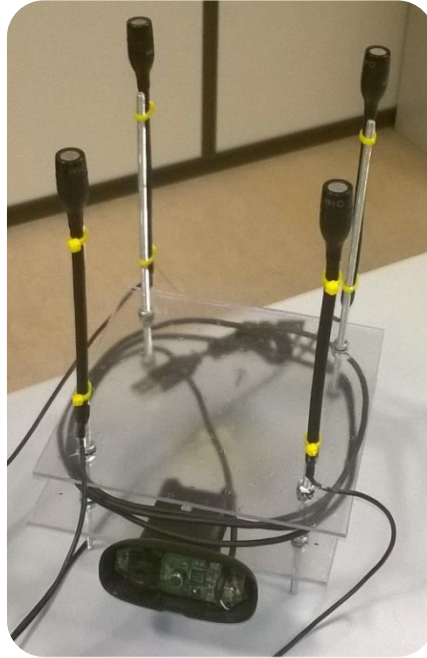
$$c = 340m/s \quad \text{speed of sound}$$

- Combine two orthogonal pairs (1,2) and (3,4) to obtain spherical coordinates (azimuth  $\theta$  / elevation  $\phi$ ):

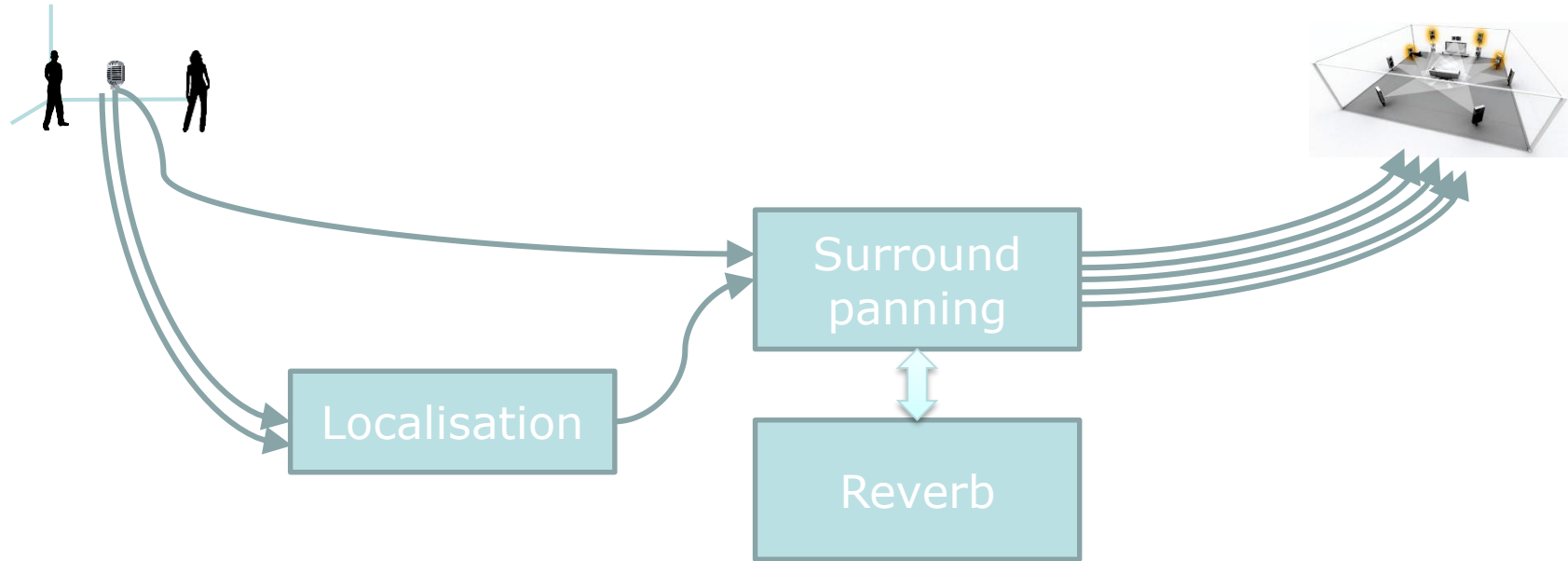


# Sound source localisation

The array:

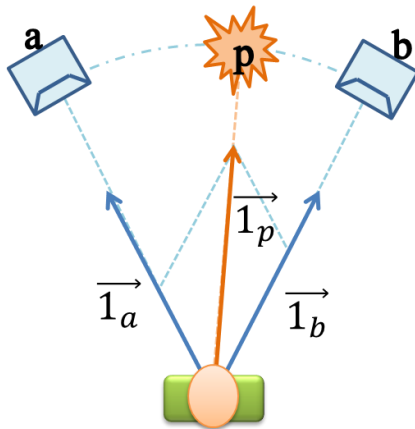


# Surround sound scene reconstruction



# Sound scene reconstruction

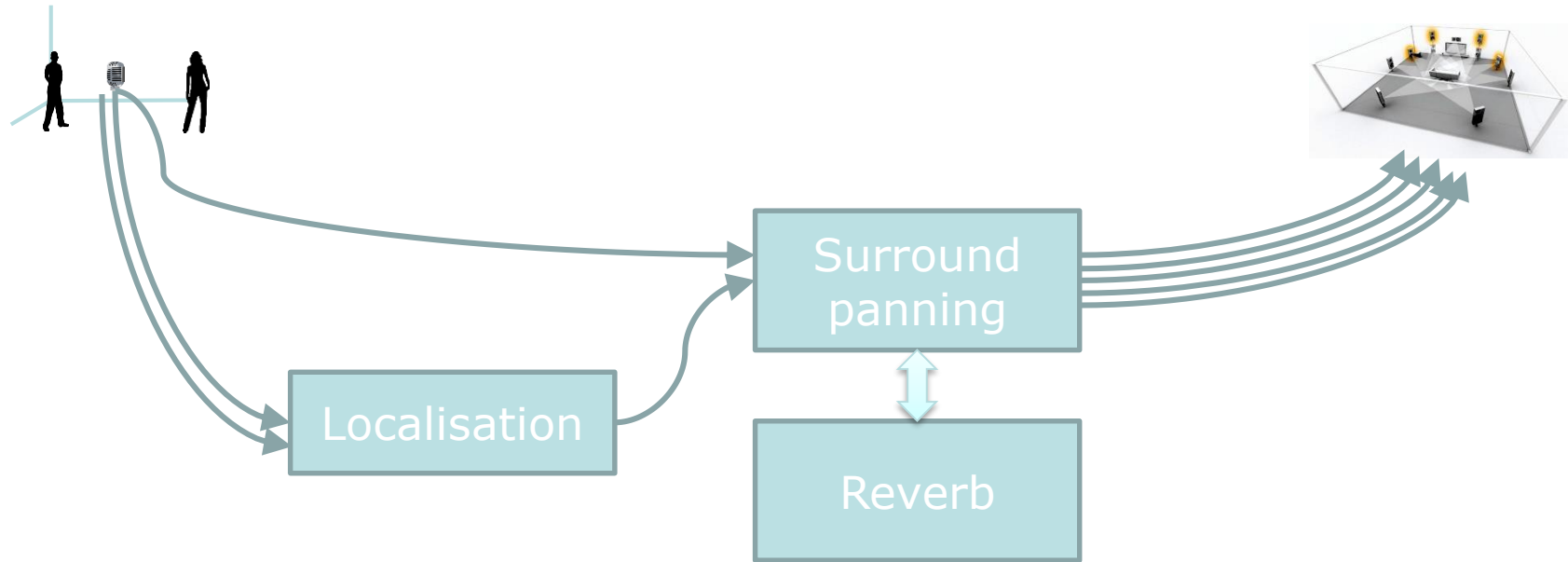
## 1. Surround panning: Vector-Base Amplitude Panning



- Virtual sound source  $p$ , reproduced in a position between two real loudspeakers  $a$  and  $b$
- Gains  $g_a$  and  $g_b$ , applied to the signal for loudspeakers  $a$  and  $b$  (normalise  $g_a, g_b$ ):

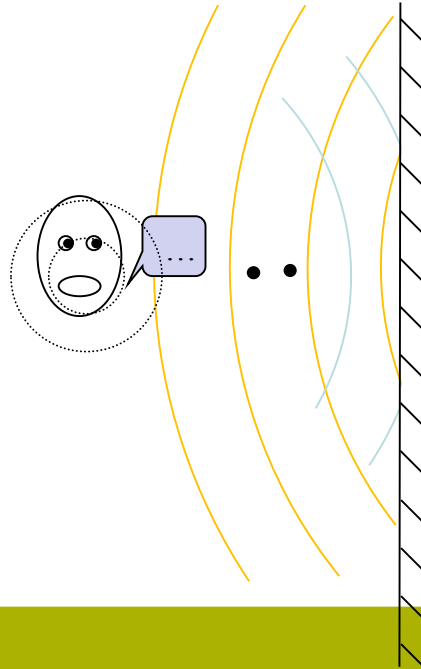
$$\begin{cases} \vec{1}_a = (x_a, y_a) \\ \vec{1}_b = (x_b, y_b) \\ \vec{1}_p = (x_p, y_p) \end{cases} \Rightarrow (g_a \quad g_b) = (x_p \quad y_p) \begin{pmatrix} x_a & y_a \\ x_b & y_b \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

# Surround sound scene reconstruction



# Sound scene reconstruction

## 2. Virtual room ambience: reverberation



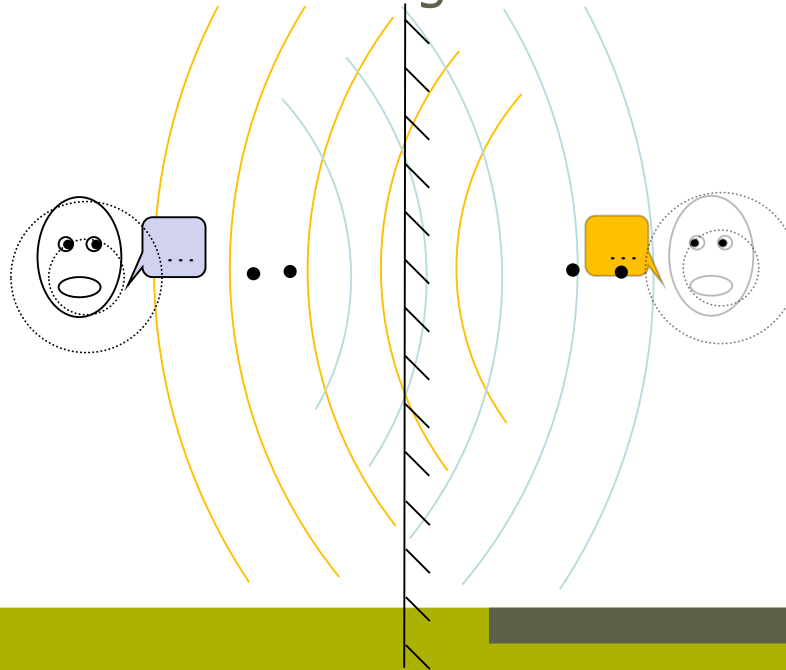
Sound waves reflect on the walls and cause reverberation



delayed and attenuated repetitions of the original sound source

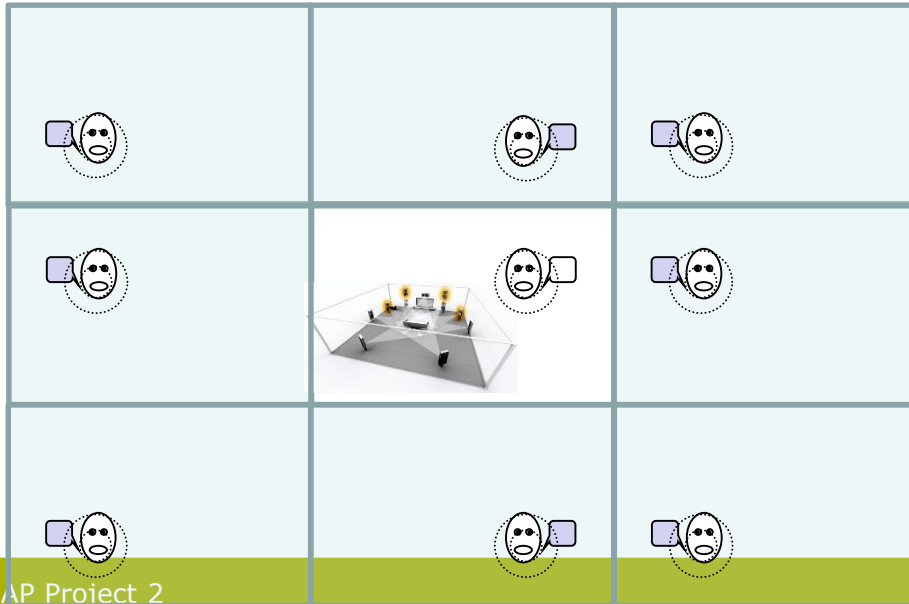
# Sound scene reconstruction

## 2. Virtual room ambience: “image” model



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Reverberation adds virtual sources, each with its own:

- Location
- Delay
- Amplitude



# Surround sound scene reconstruction

- Implement sound source localisation
  - Paper: “The Generalized Correlation Method for Estimation of Time Delay”, C.H.Knapp et al.
  - Paper: “A closed-form location estimator for use with room environment microphone arrays”, M.S.Brandstein et al.
- Implement VBAP for sound scene reconstruction
  - Paper: “Virtual Sound Source Positioning Using Vector Base Amplitude Panning”, V.Pulkki [link](#)
- Combine VBAP with virtual room reverberation
  - Paper: “Image Method for Efficiently Simulating Small-room Acoustics”, J.B.Allen and D.A.Berkley [link](#)
- Apply to real recordings
  - to be scheduled based on group lists