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Research Interests

Spatial Audio Processing, Microphone Array Processing, Beamforming, Audio Signal Processing, Room Acoustics Modeling, Machine Learning, Virtual Acoustics Perception

Education

Aalto University **Espoo, Finland**
D.Sc.(Tech) / PhD Acoustics and Audio Signal Processing 2020–present

Department of Information and Communications Engineering, Acoustics Lab
Supervisor: Prof. Ville Pulkki

Friedrich-Alexander-University (FAU) **Erlangen, Germany**
M.Sc. Electrical Engineering, Grade: 1.5 – "Very Good" – 90/100 2016–2019

Thesis: *Impact of Diffuse and Disturbed Reflections on Room Geometry Inference Algorithms*
International Audio Laboratories Erlangen - Joint Institution of Fraunhofer IIS and FAU

Regensburg University of Applied Science **Regensburg, Germany**
B.Eng. Electrical Engineering, Grade: 1.8 - "Good" – 84/100 2012–2016

Thesis: *Multichannel Room Impulse Response Measurement for the Determination of Room Acoustic Parameters*
Electroacoustics Lab, Regensburg University of Applied Science

Experience

AAC Technologies **Turku, Finland**
Project Employee 2021–2023

Microphone array design, implementation of beamforming algorithms and development of parametric time-frequency domain spatial post-filtering algorithms for hand-held devices (MATLAB)

Aalto University **Espoo, Finland**
Research Assistant 2020

Implementation of a real-time binaural rendering system for the evaluation of virtual acoustic perception (Max/MSP)

Fraunhofer IIS **Erlangen, Germany**
Graduate Research Assistant 2019

Implementation of FDN reverberation algorithms for the evaluation and comparison to real-world recordings (MATLAB)

FAU **Erlangen, Germany**
Research Internship 2018

Implementation and extension of an independent vector analysis algorithm to support block-online processing (Python)

National Instruments Germany GmbH **Munich, Germany**
Application Engineering Intern 2014–2015

Others

Aalto University

Teaching Assistant, Acoustics and Physics of Sound

Espoo, Finland

2021–2024

Aalto University

Thesis Advisor

Espoo, Finland

Master Thesis

“Real-time Implementation and Evaluation of Acoustic Occlusion in Virtual Reality”, Andrés Ortiz Pachón, 2021

“Evaluation of Pair-Wise Similarity Spotforming Algorithm on Real Omnidirectional Signals and Ambisonic Signals with Search for Improvements on the Algorithm”, Antoine Souchaud, 2024

Computer skills



MATLAB



Max/MSP



Python



Assembler



C



VHDL



C++



LabVIEW

Publications

- [1] **Wirler, Stefan**, Nils Meyer-Kahlen, and Sebastian J Schlecht. **Towards transfer-plausibility for evaluating mixed reality audio in complex scenes**. In *Audio Engineering Society Conference: 2020 AES International Conference on Audio for Virtual and Augmented Reality*. Audio Engineering Society, 2020.
- [2] **Wirler, Stefan**, Sebastian J Schlecht, and Ville Pulkki. **Machine learning based auralization of rigid sphere scattering**. In *2021 Immersive and 3D Audio: from Architecture to Automotive (I3DA)*. IEEE, 2021.
- [3] **Wirler, Stefan** and Ville Pulkki. **Spatial post-filter estimation based on low-order beam-formers**. In *International Congress on Acoustics*. Acoustical Society of Korea (ASK), 2022.
- [4] **Wirler, Stefan**, Vasileios Bountourakis, and Ville Pulkki. **Space-domain cross-pattern coherence post-filter for speech enhancement with linear microphone arrays**. In *Audio Engineering Society Convention 154*. Audio Engineering Society, 2023.
- [5] **Wirler, Stefan**, Nils Meyer-Kahlen, and Ville Pulkki. **Enhancing Spatial Post-Filters through Non-Linear Combinations**. In *Audio Engineering Society Convention 157*. Audio Engineering Society, 2024.
- [6] **Wirler Stefan** and Ville Pulkki. **Spatially Selective Sound Capture Based on Aggregated Pair-Wise Similarity Measures**. *Journal of Audio Engineering Society*, 2025. [Accepted for Publication].
- [7] **Wirler, Stefan**, Nils Meyer-Kahlen, and Ville Pulkki. **Synthesizing a Virtual Height Channel from Planar Microphone Arrays**. In *EUSIPCO*, 2025. [Accepted for Publication].
- [8] Nils Meyer-Kahlen, Daniel Rudrich, Manuel Brandner, **Wirler, Stefan**, Simon Windtner, and Matthias Frank. **Diy modifications for acoustically transparent headphones**. In *Audio Engineering Society Convention 148*. Audio Engineering Society, 2020.