WAVE FIELD SYNTHESIS: BASICS AND APPLICATIONS

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ABSTRACT

The presentation first introduces the basic ideas of Wave Field Synthesis. Since the early research at Delft Technical University, many groups have startet research in WFS and first commercial applications are in place. WFS has been used for open air concerts, for theme parks, for virtual reality systems and is making the first steps into the world of digital cinema. The presentation will discuss some of these applications and current limitations of WFS.

1. BIOGRAPHY

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Dr. Karlheinz Brandenburg has been a driving force behind some of today's most innovative digital audio technology, notably the MP3 and MPEG audio standards. He is acclaimed for seminal work in digital audio coding and perceptual measurement techniques, Wave Field Synthesis (WFS) and psycho-acoustics.

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