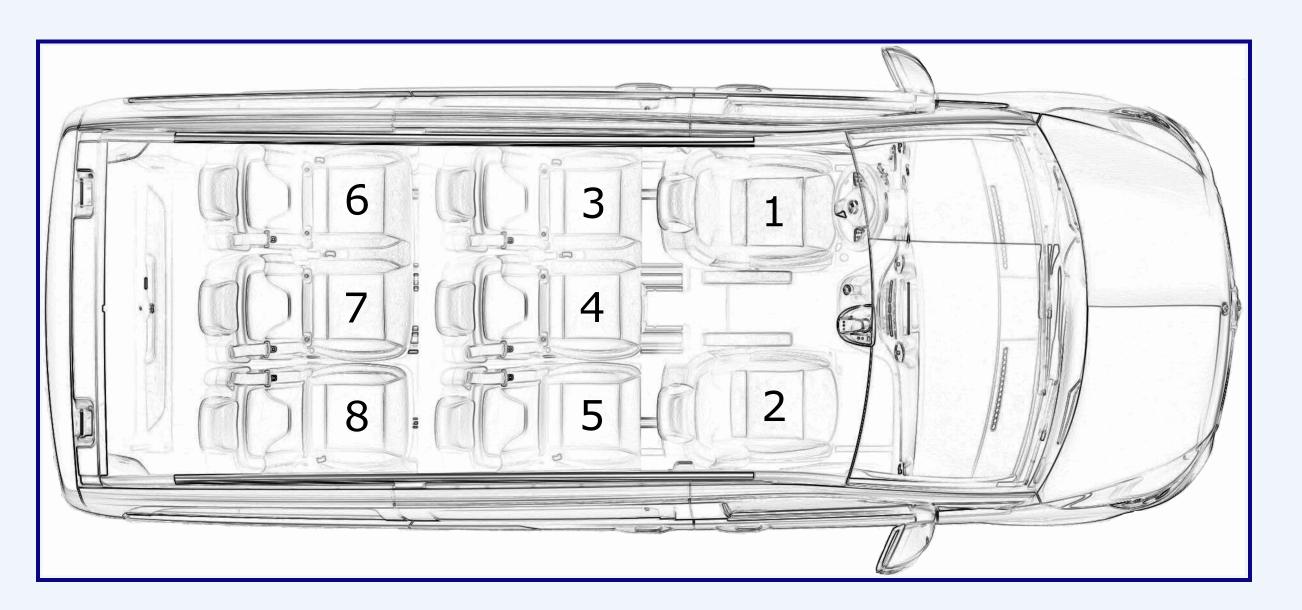


A Background Noise and Impulse Response Corpus for Research in Automotive Speech and Audio Processing

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Overview

- ➤ Automotive Noise and Impulse Response (ANIR) Corpus provides background noise recordings and impulse responses inside automotive vehicles (currently in a Daimler V Class)
- ► Current state enables simulation and evaluation of hands-free or in-car communication systems
- System and Head-And-Torso-Simulator (HATS) loudspeakers/microphones in up to 8 zones
- ▶ Loudspeaker/microphone positions available for simulating, e.g., array processing
- ▷ Synchronized multi-channel background noise recordings for 33 driving conditions
- ▷ 682 impulse responses to model acoustic signal paths inside vehicle



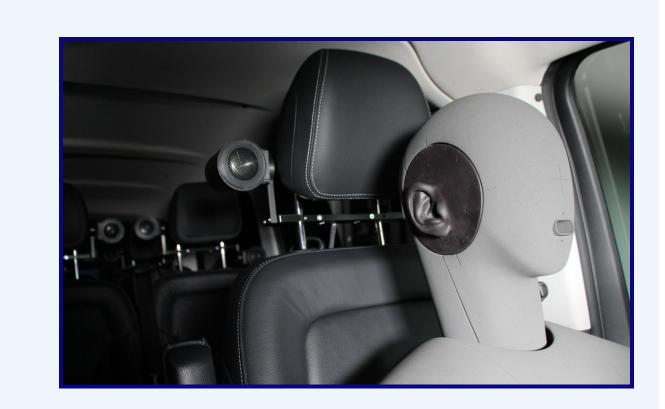




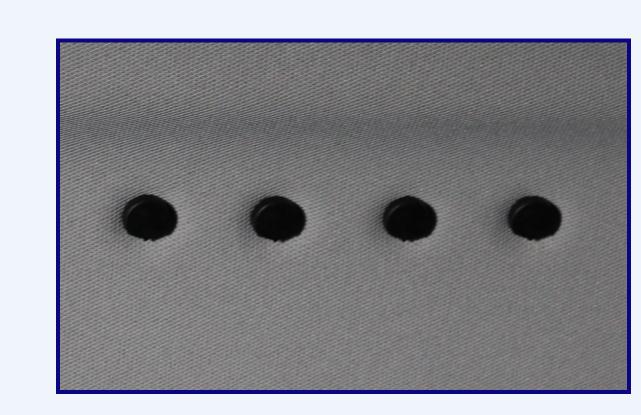
Link to corpus.

Measurement Setup

- ► HATS according to ITU-T Rec. P.58 or Head acoustics BHS II in zones 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8
- ► Mechakustik EBM1 microphones mounted to inside of roof
- Single in zones 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8
- ▶ Arrays between zones 1/2 and in zones 4 and 7
- ▷ Add. single on B-pillar in zone 1
- ▶ Pairs of custom headrest loudspeakers in all 8 zones
- ► HELIX V EIGHT DSP MK2 to route to the 4 built-in car loudspeakers



HATS and headrest speakers.



Microphone array.

► Total of 31 microphone and 22 loudspeaker positions in corpus

Background Noise

- ▶ 31 synchronized channels with a duration of 30s at 48 kHz in each of the 33 conditions
- ► Microphone calibration included
- Calibration using a gauged 1 kHz calibrator
- ▷ 114 dBSPL correspond to an unweighted digital power level of -10 dB
- ► Ear-microphone equalization included
- □ Linear-phase filters for constant group delay
- ▶ Compensation of group delay to maintain synchronicity
- ➤ Visualization of the time-domain signals, power spectral densities, and spectrograms available alongside the time-domain signals in 32-bit IEEE float format

Impulse Responses

- ► Measured between all available loudspeaker/microphone pairs using the NLMS algorithm at 48 kHz
- ► SPL at microphones according to background noise calibration convention
- ➤ For standard-conforming testing: Speech excitation of -26 dBov results in an average sound pressure of -1.7 dBPa at the mouth-reference-point of a corresponding HATS
- ► Both ear-microphone and mouth-loudspeaker equalization included
- ▶ Linear-phase filters for constant group delay
- Compensation of group delay
- ► Removal of measurement equipment delay included
- ➤ Visualization of impulse responses, magnitude responses, and energy decays available alongside binary impulse response files in float format