

Fundamentals of Electroacoustics



Is it really possible to calculate acoustics ?

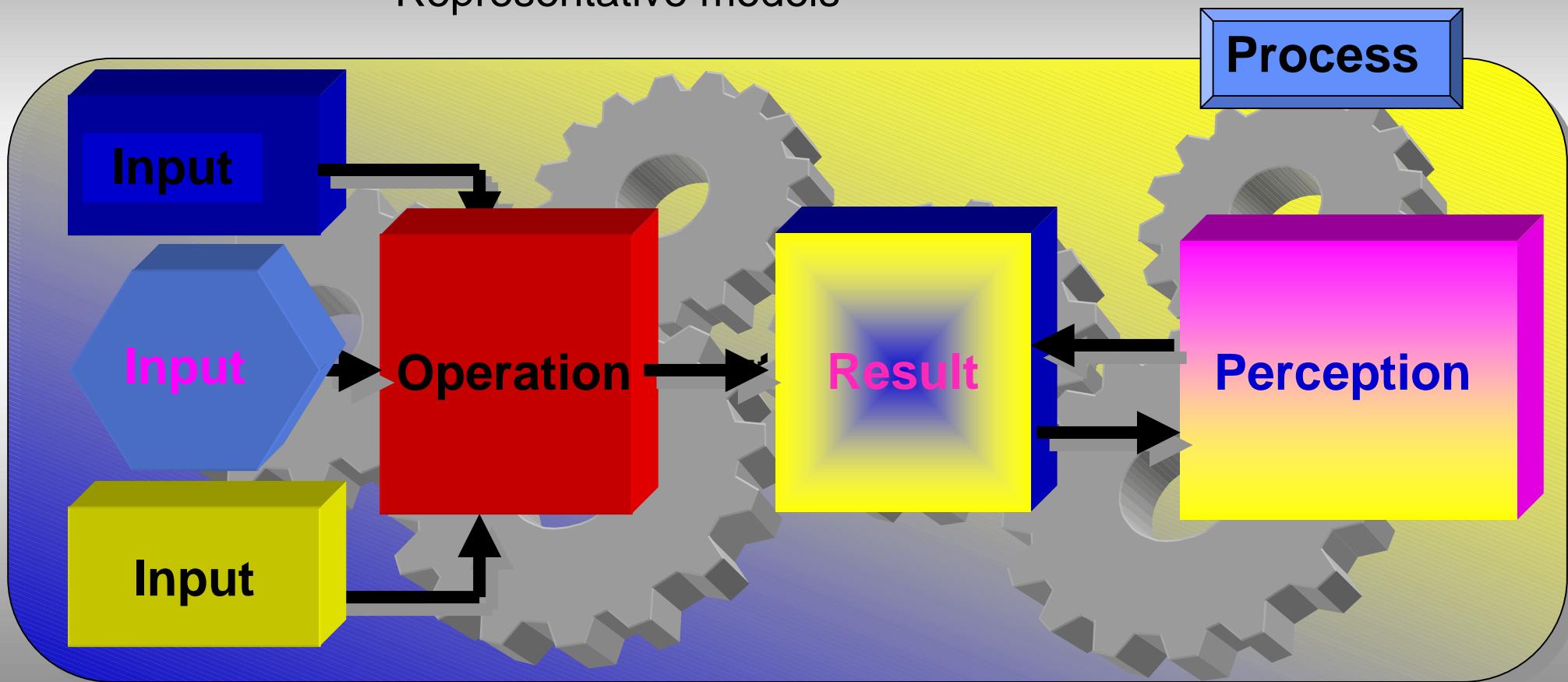
How does the acoustics of a room affect the sound of the loudspeakers ?

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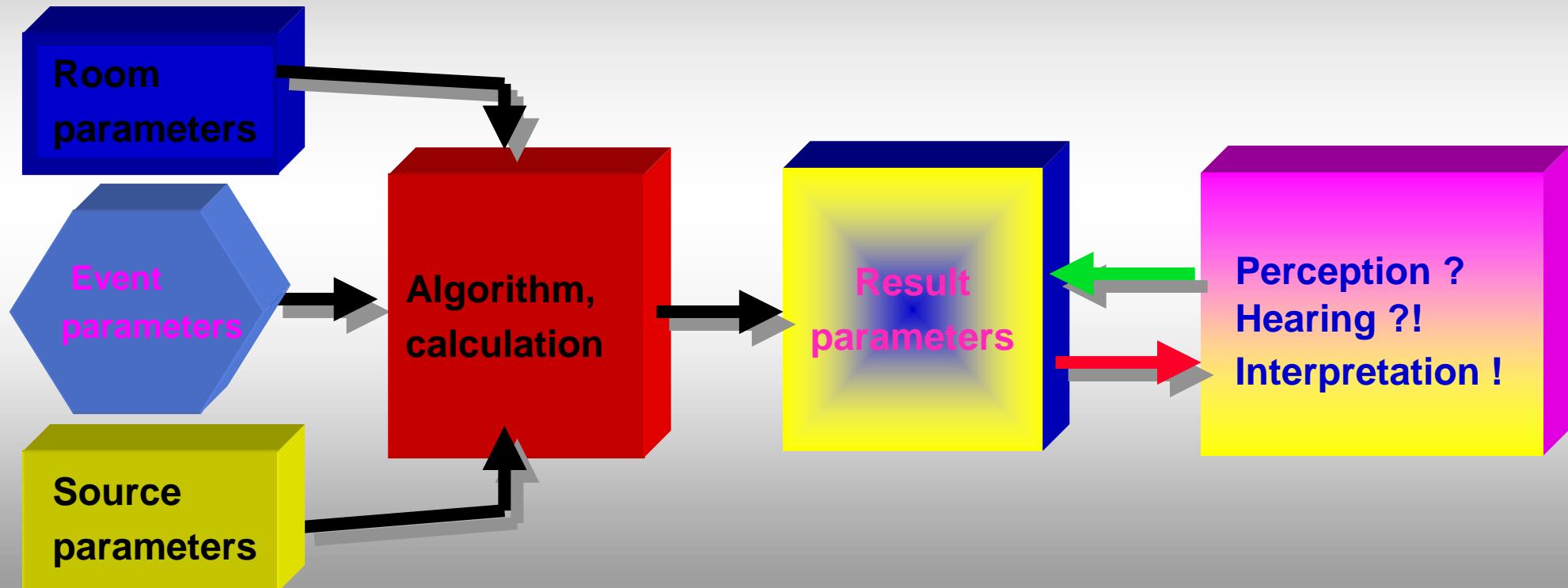
Preliminary remarks

- Processes of nature
- Subjective feeling
- Representative models

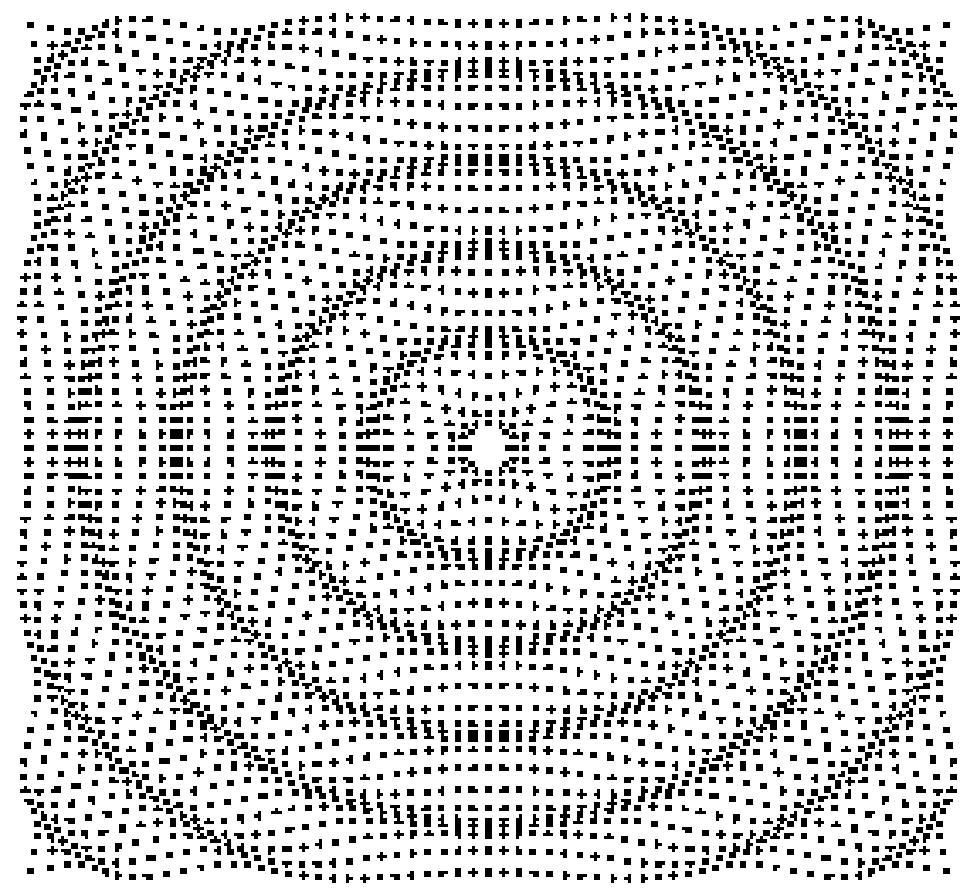


Models, algorithms

- Simplify the processes of the natural world
- Understand and recognise interrelations
- Calculate result parameters

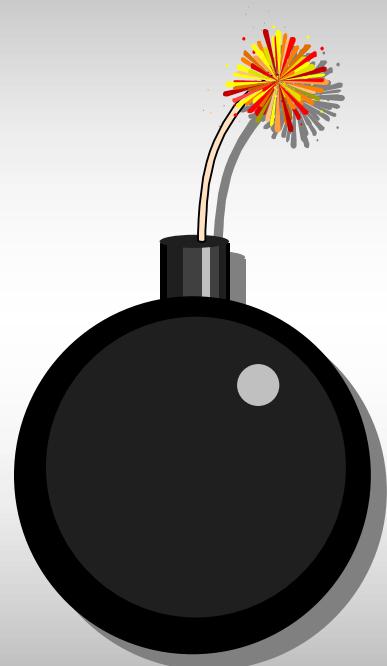


What is sound ?

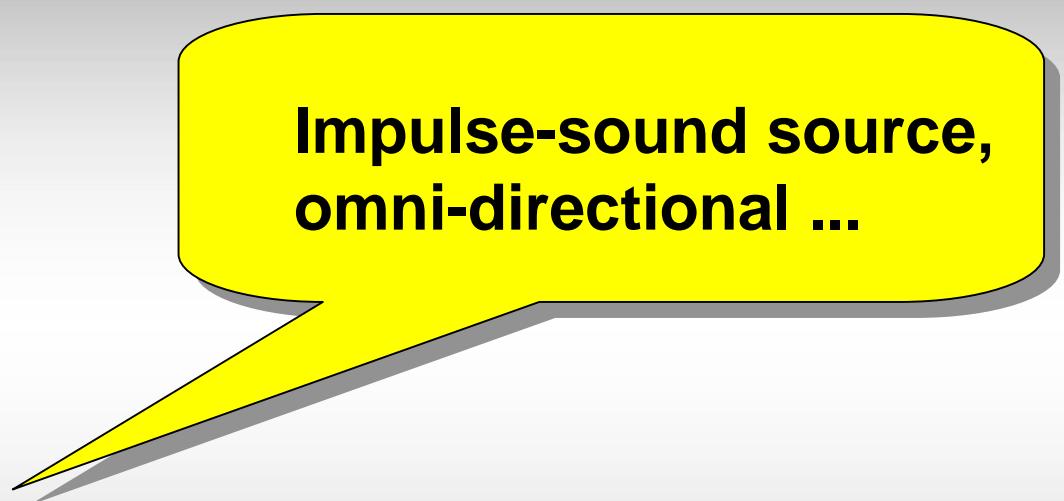


- Sound pressure, p
- Sound velocity, v
- Sound propagation velocity, c

Distance law

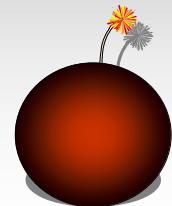


**Impulse-sound source,
omni-directional ...**

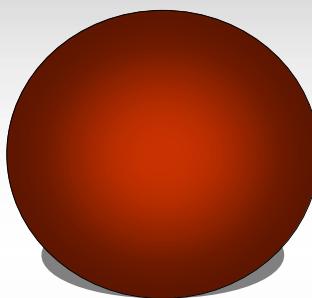


$t = 0 \text{ ms}$

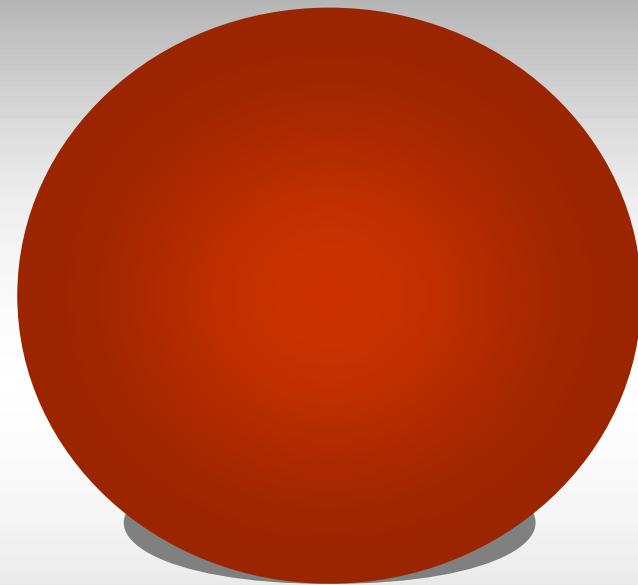
Distance law



$L_d = 0 \text{ dB}$
 $R = 1\text{m}$

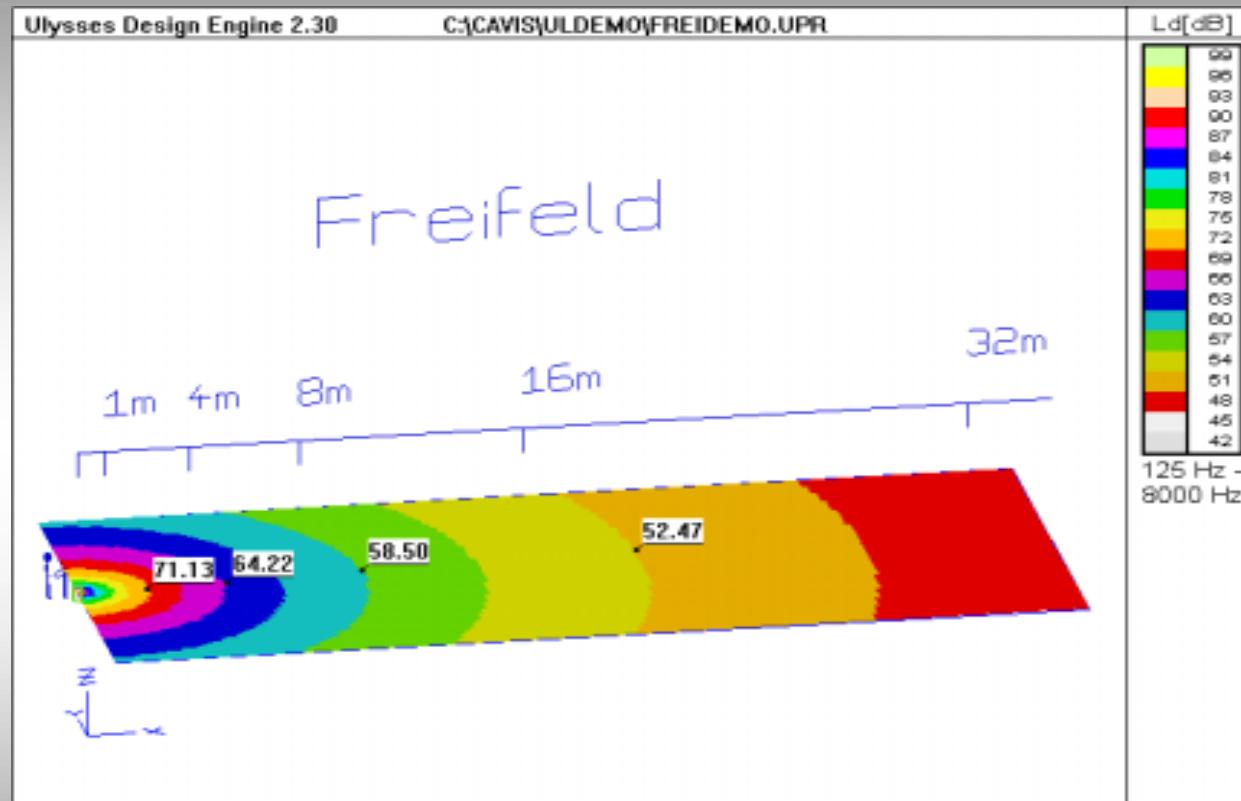


$L_d = -6\text{dB}$
 $R = 2\text{m}$

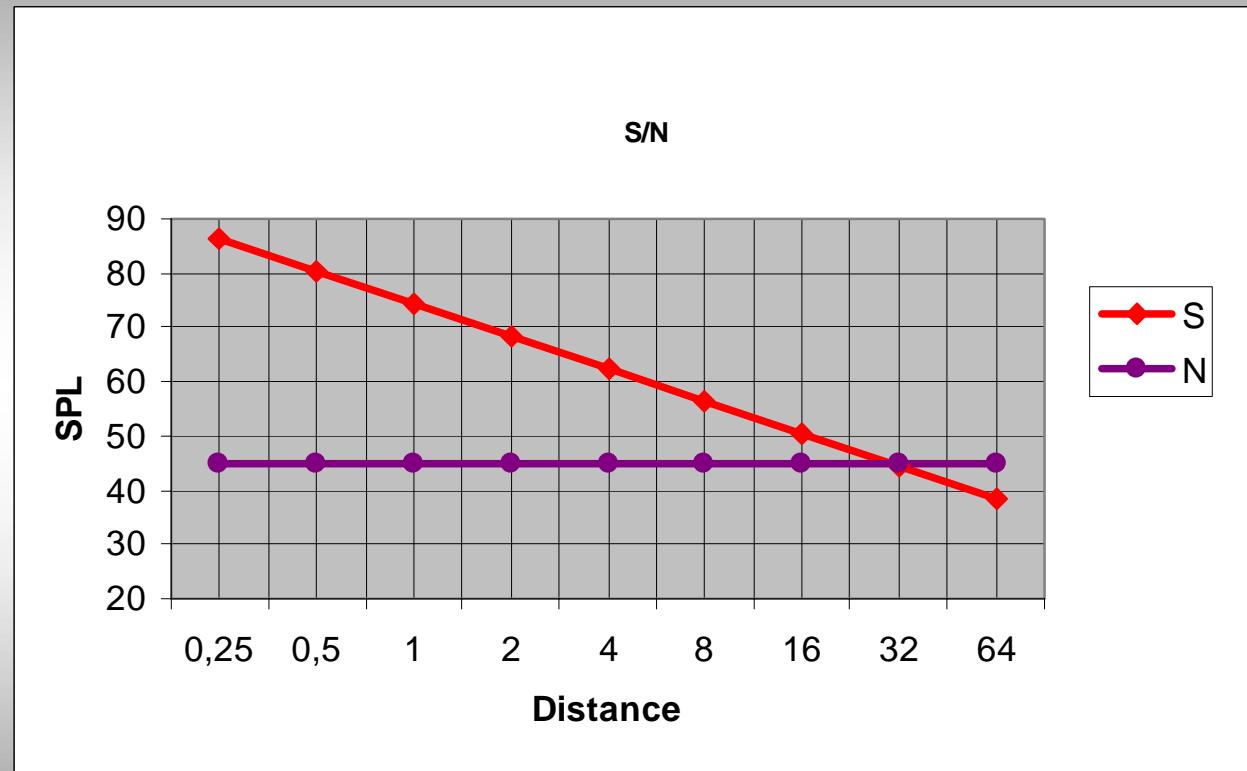


$L_d = -12\text{dB}$
 $R = 4\text{ m}$

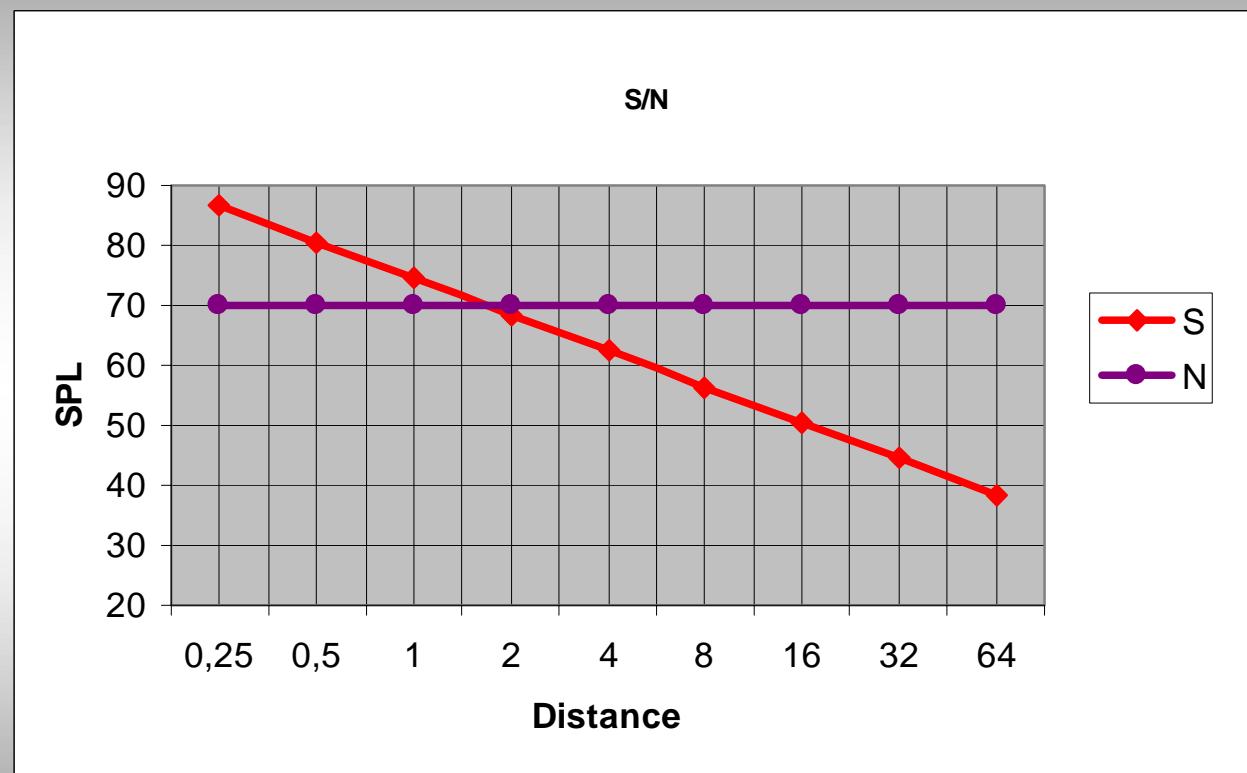
Freefield



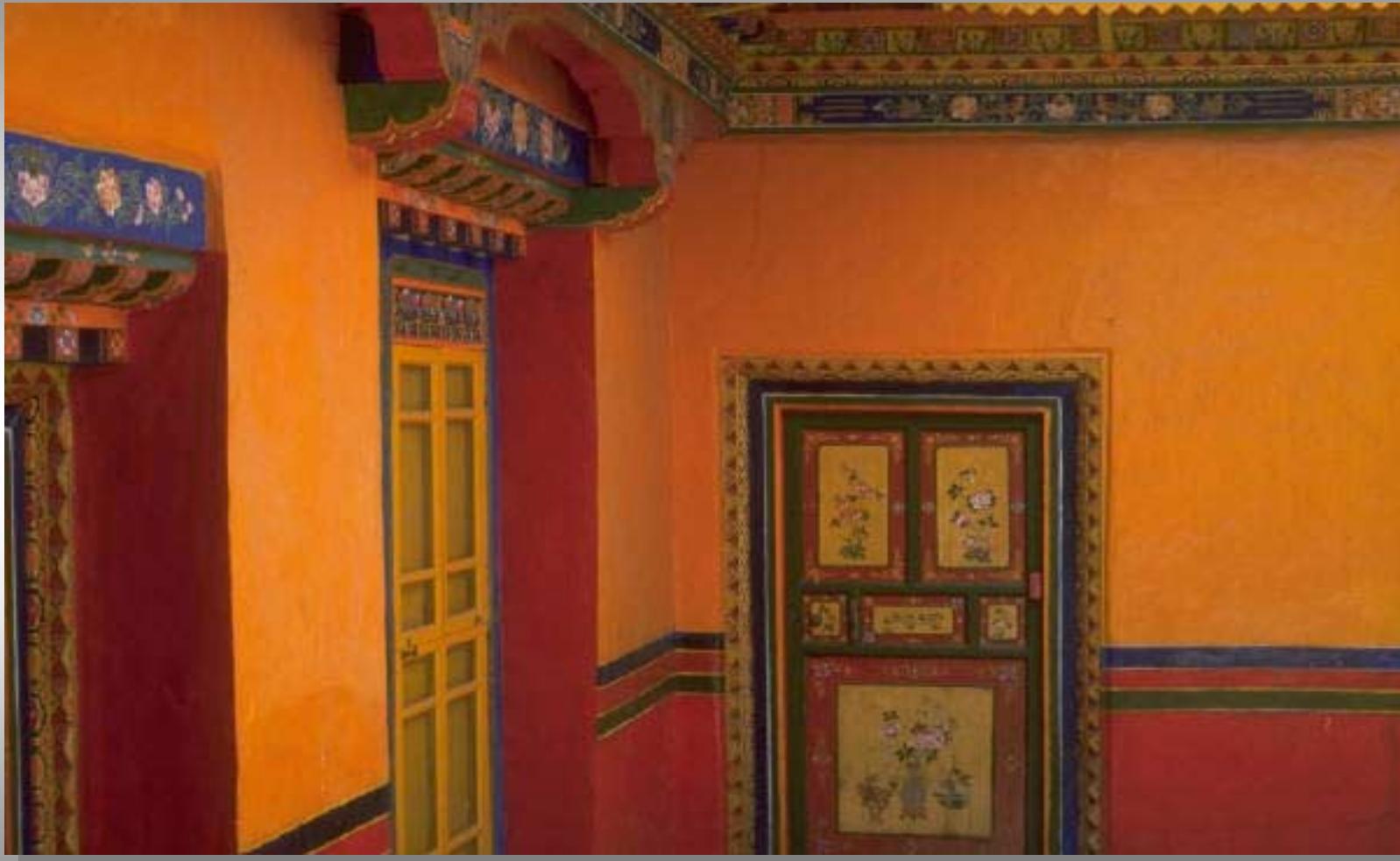
Signal / Noise



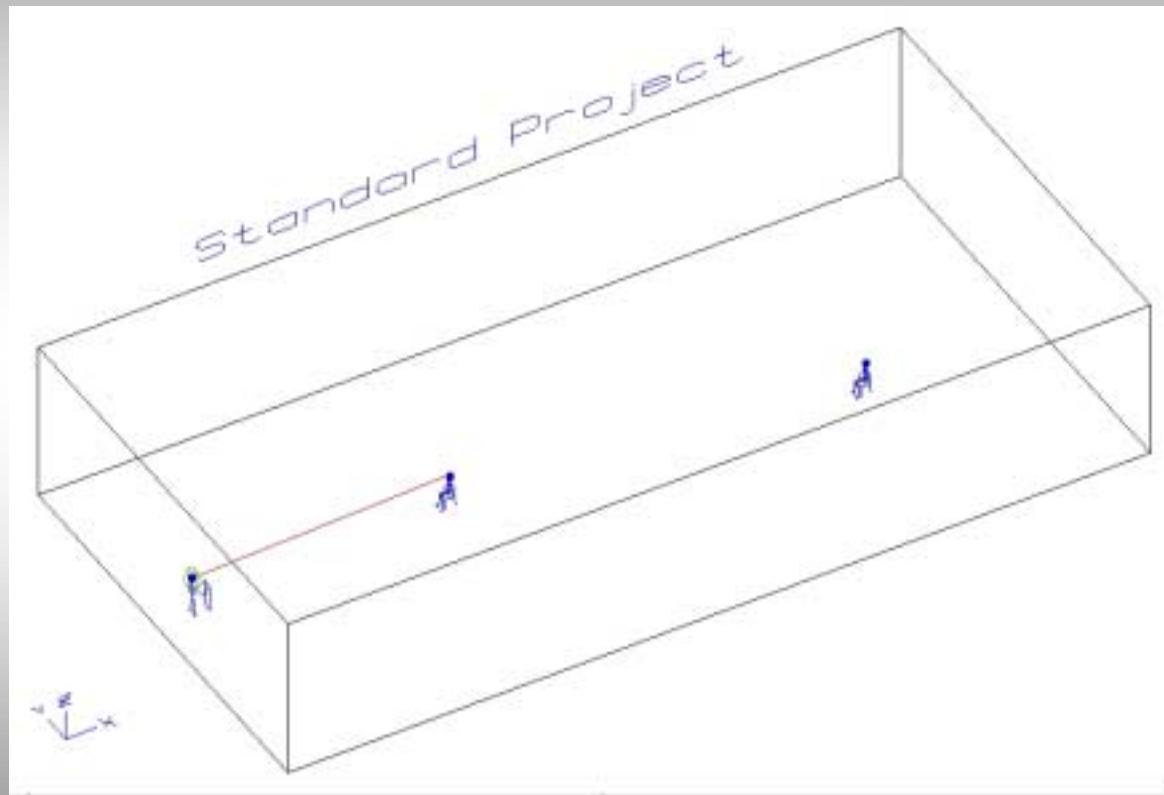
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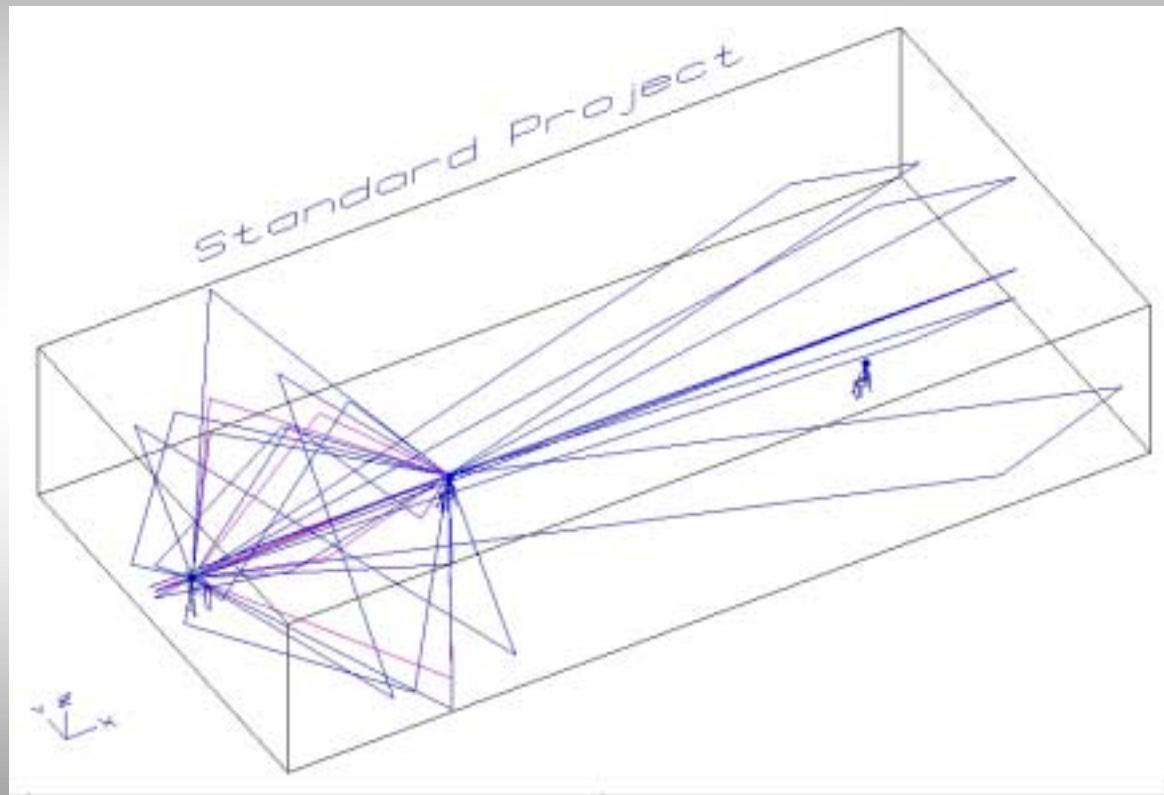
The room



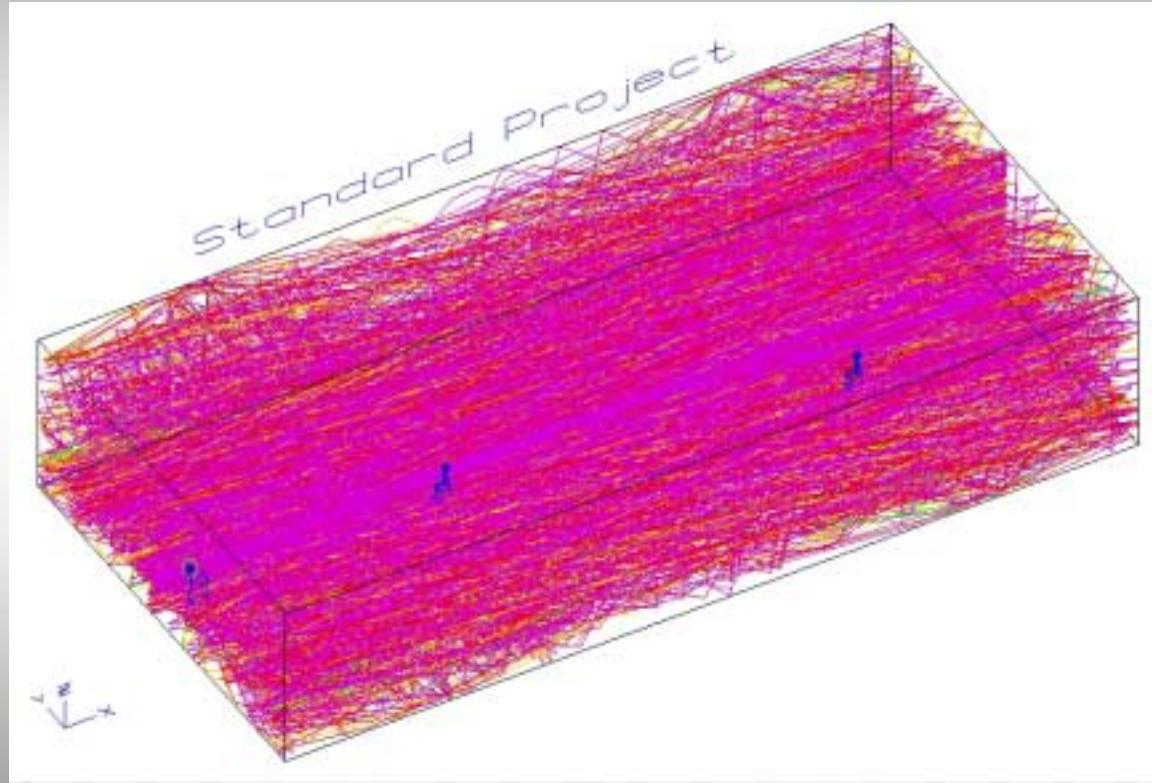
Direct sound Ld



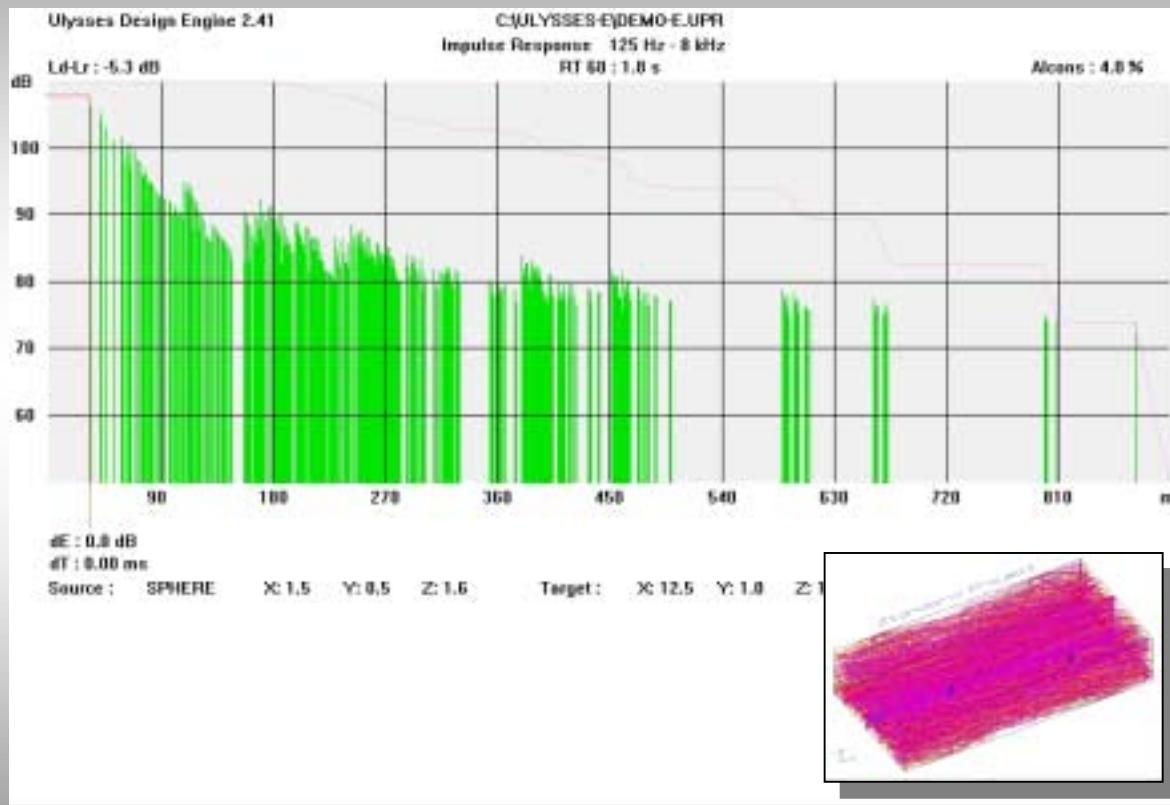
Reflections



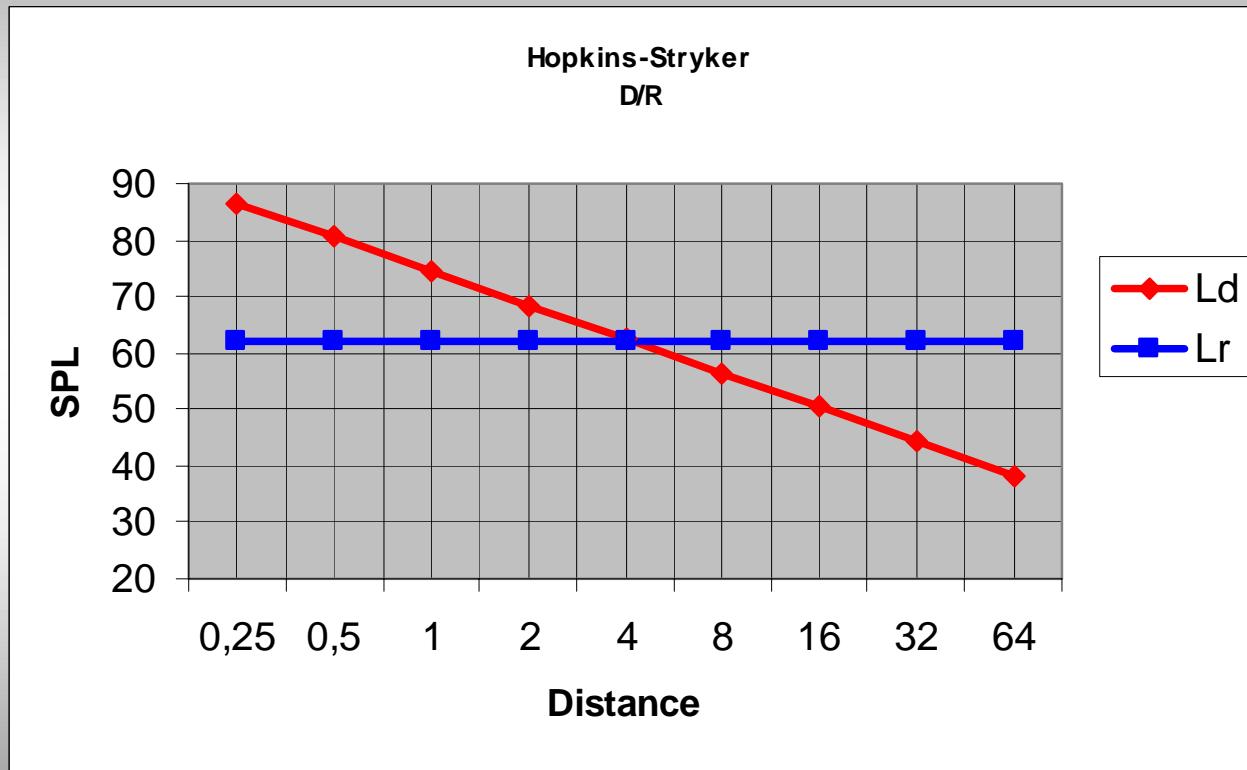
Diffuse field or reverberation field, L_r



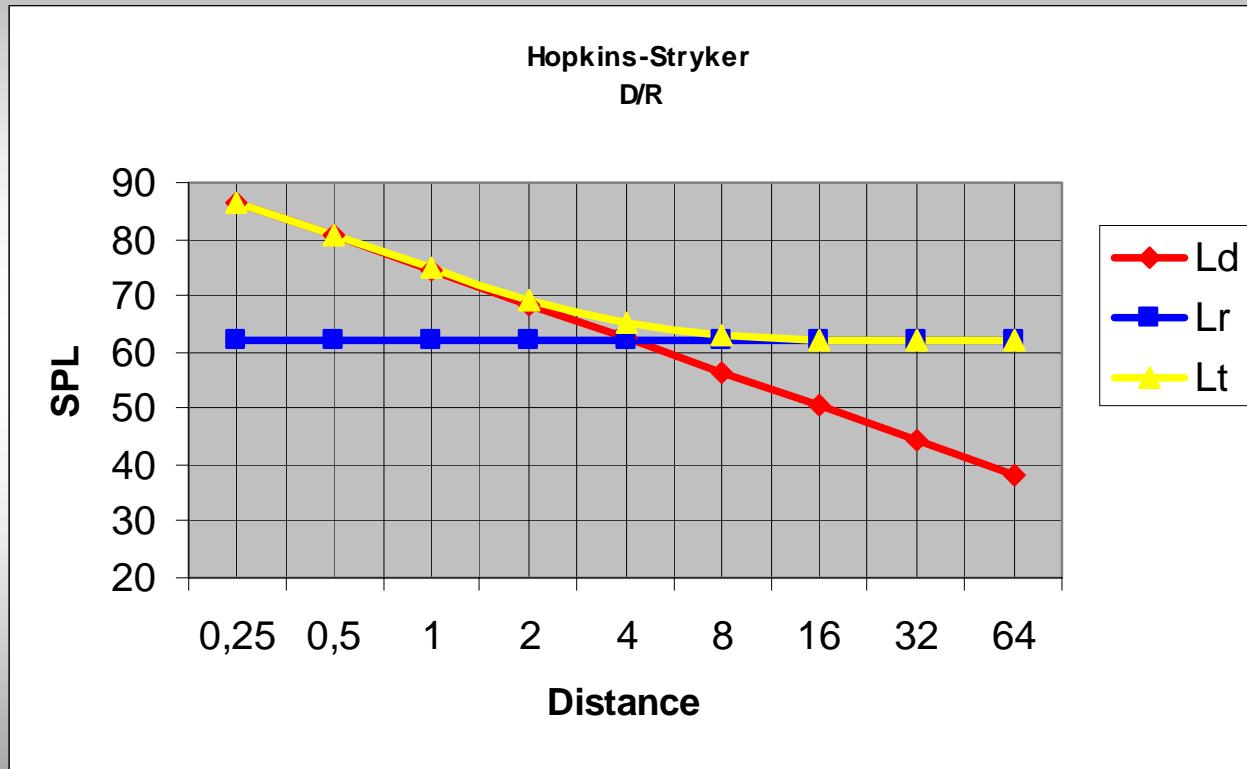
Energy vs. time, reflectogram, reverberation



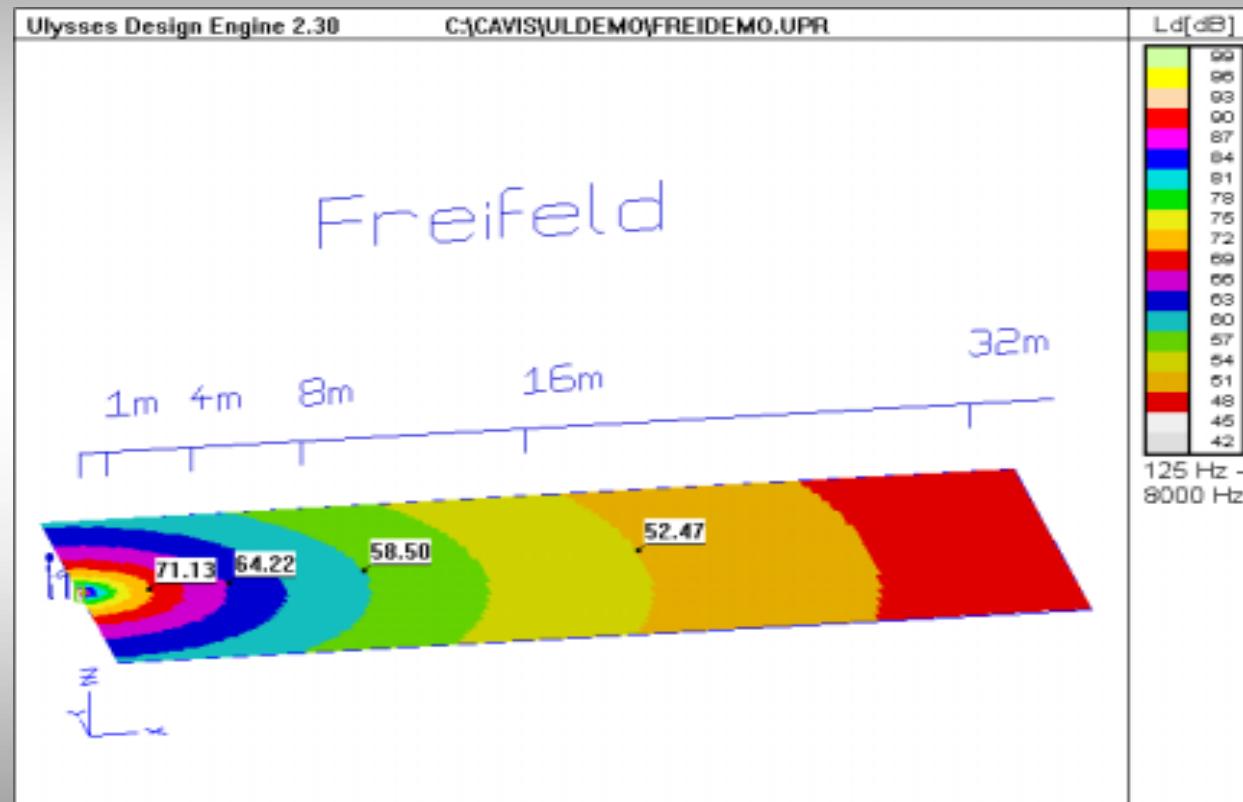
Direct sound and reverberation, Ld & Lr



Total sound field $L_t = L_d + L_r$

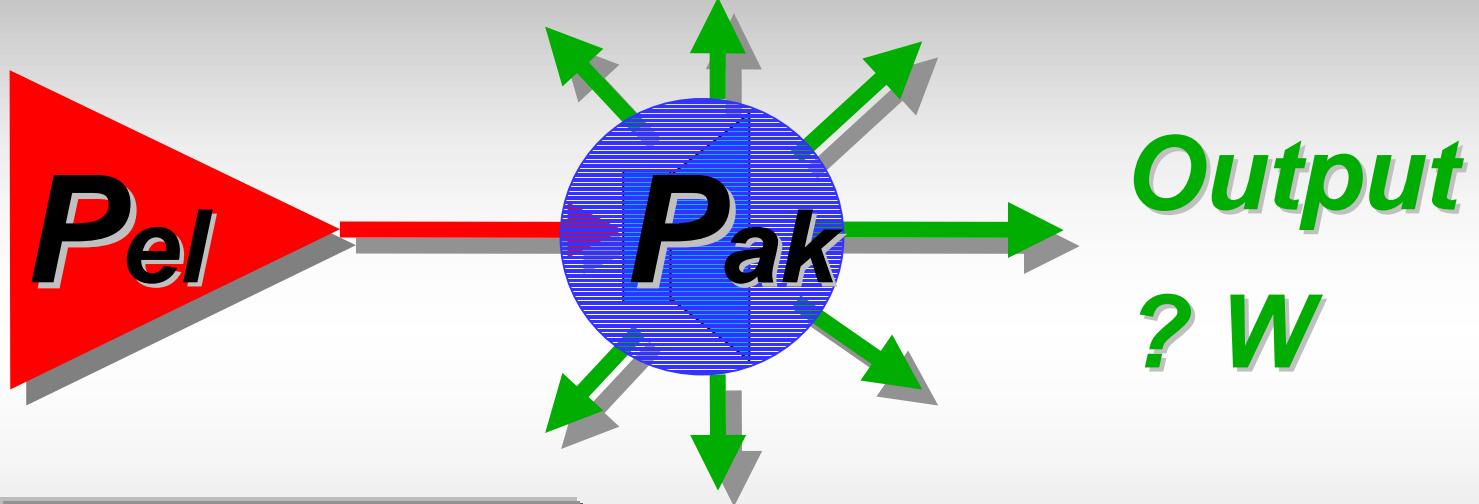


Direct sound distribution, Speaker Direct Field



Efficiency η

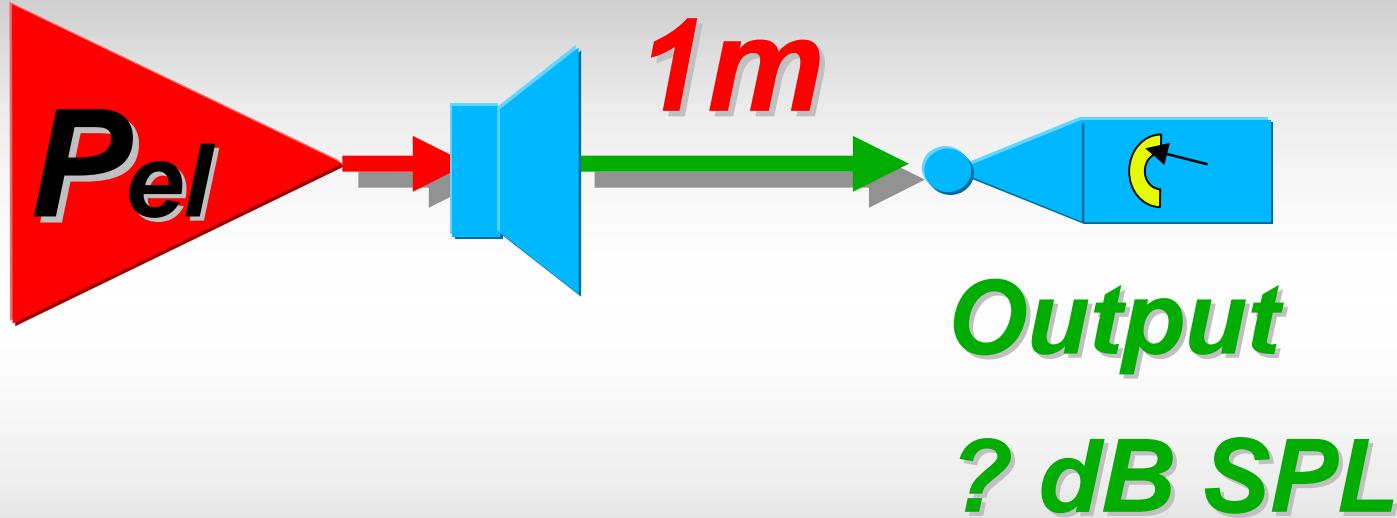
Input
1 W



$$\eta = \frac{P_{ak}}{P_{el}}$$

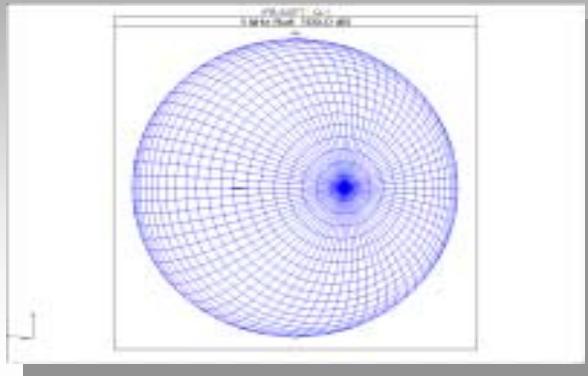
Sensitivity

Input
1 W

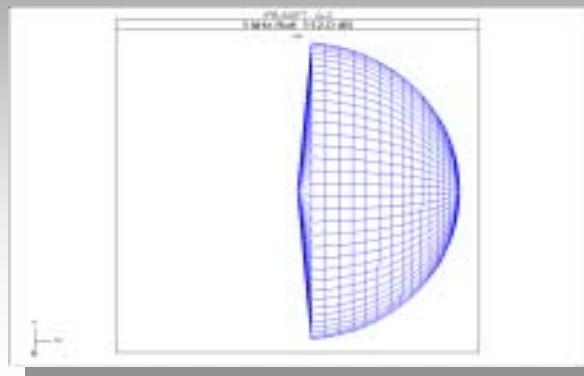


$$L_{\text{sens}} = ? \text{ dB SPL} / 1W / 1m$$

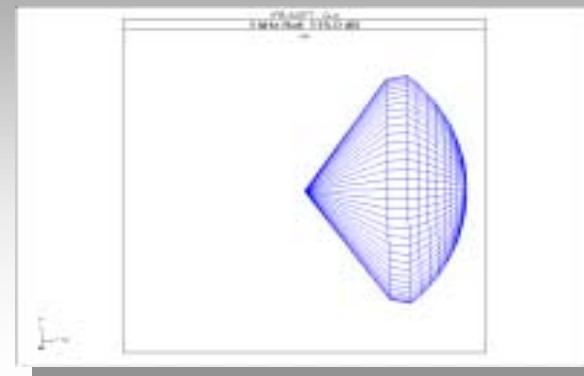
Directivity Q & DI



$Q = 1$
 $DI = 0 \text{ dB}$



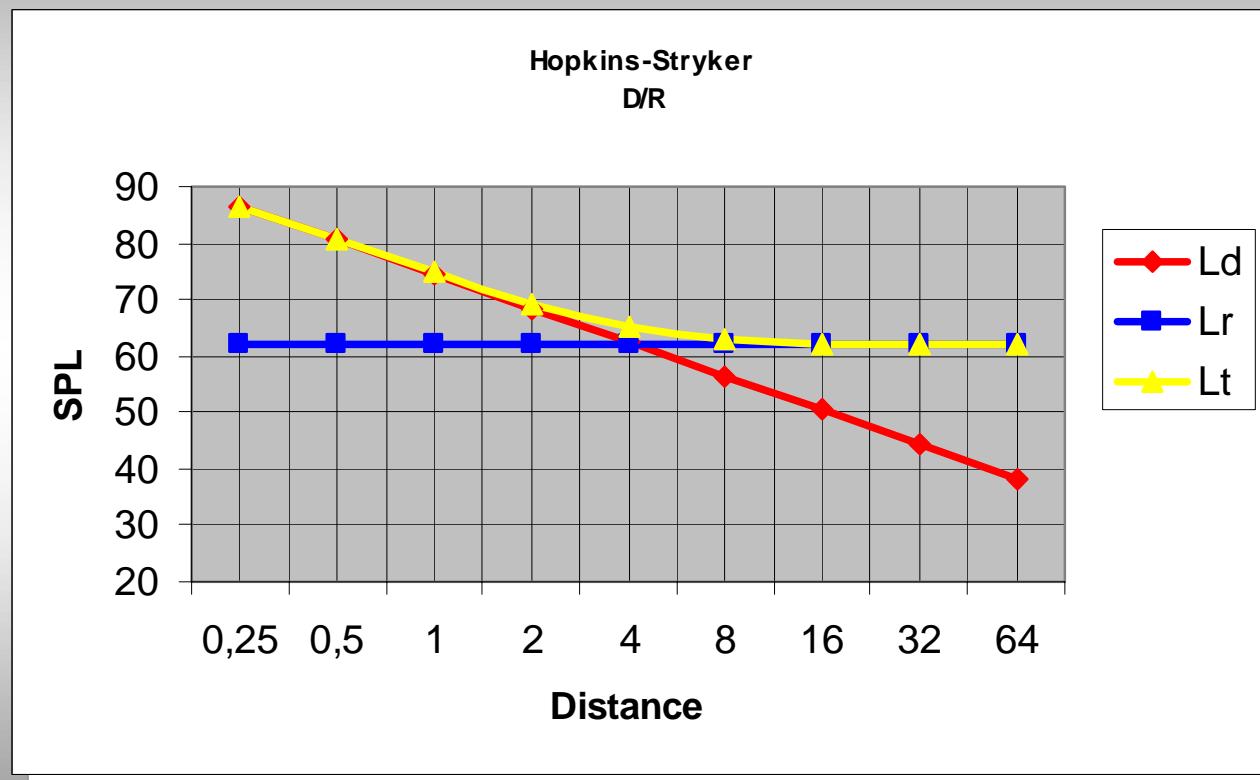
$Q = 2$
 $DI = 3 \text{ dB}$



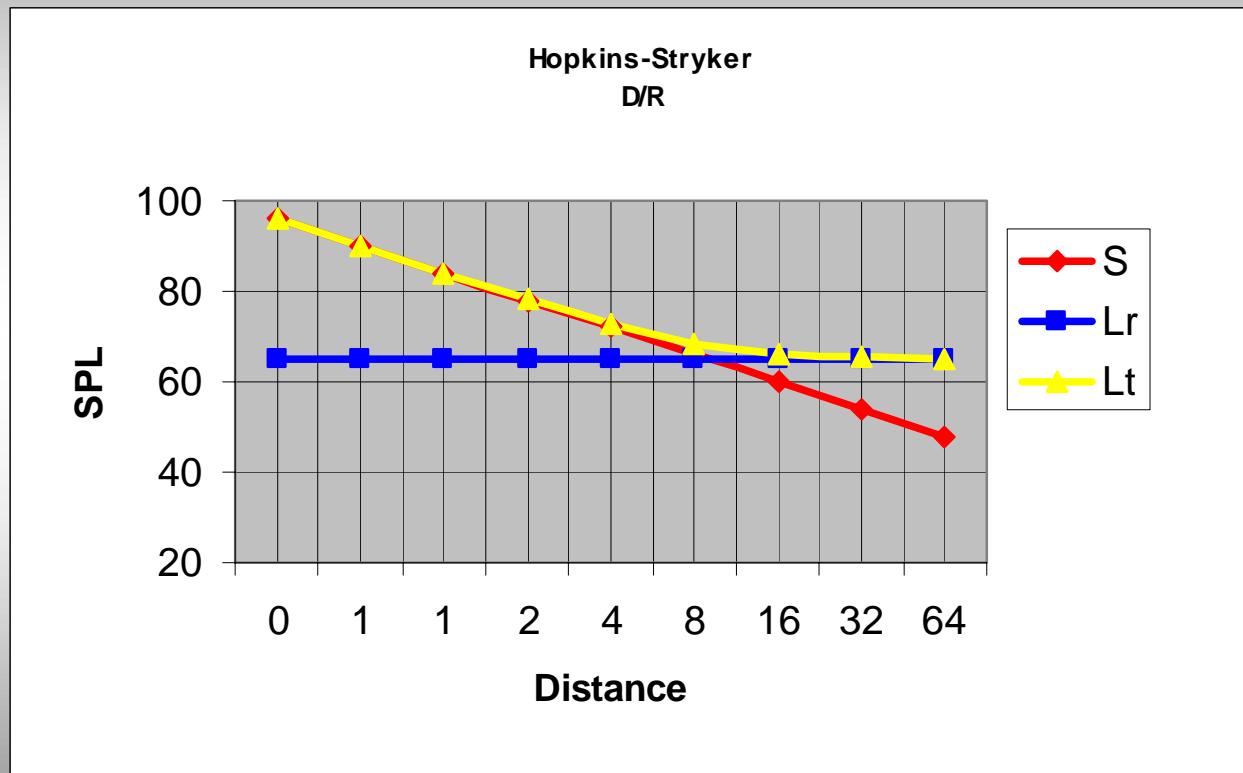
$Q = 4$
 $DI = 6 \text{ dB}$

$$DI = 10 \log Q$$

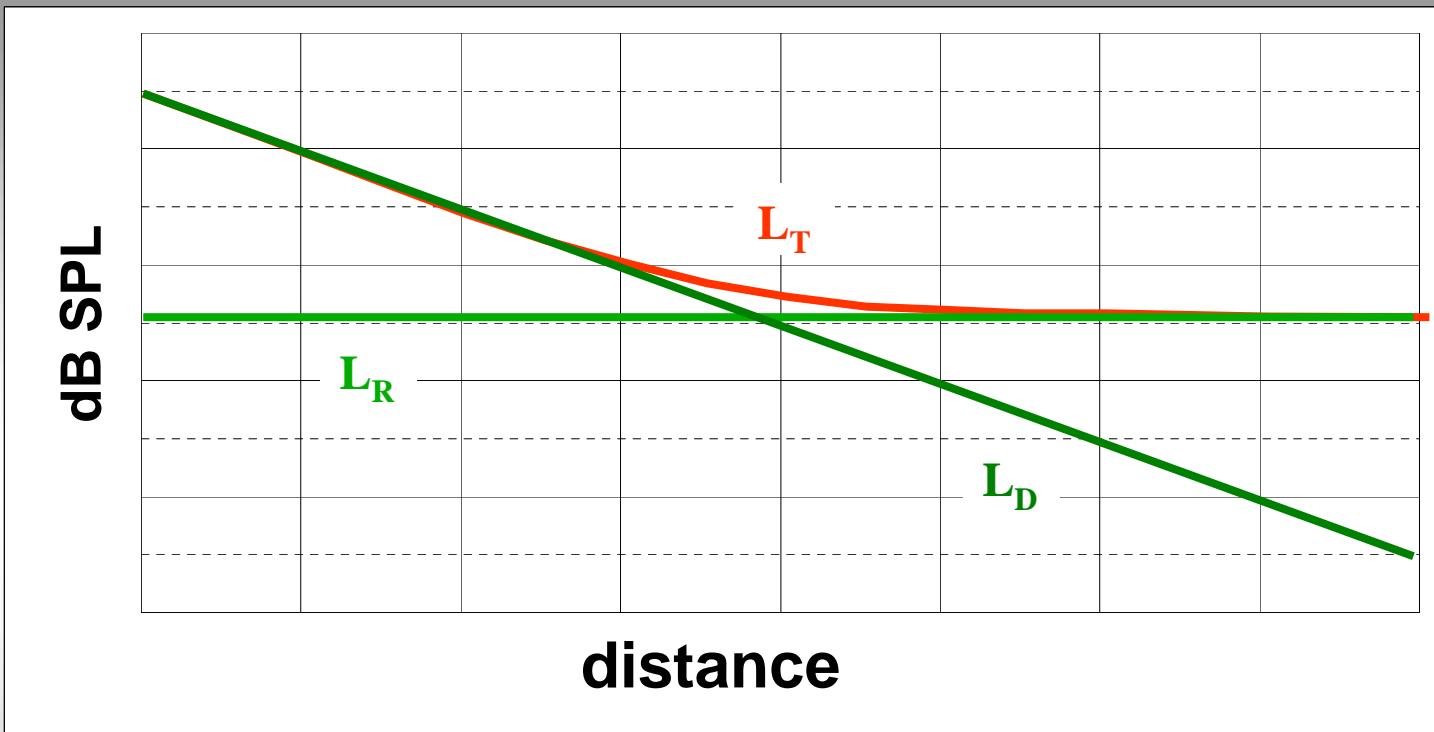
Total sound field $L_t = L_d + L_r$, $Q= 1$, $D_l= 0\text{dB}$



Total sound field $L_t = L_d + L_r$, $Q=8$, $D_l=9$ dB



Hopkins Stryker Equation



$$\Delta L_D = 10 \log \frac{Q}{4 \pi r^2}$$

$$\Delta L_R = 10 \log \frac{4}{S \alpha}$$

$$\Delta L_T = 10 \log \left(\frac{Q}{4 \pi r^2} + \frac{4}{S \alpha} \right)$$

Discussion

- Any question is welcome ...

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Thank you for your attention!