## The Ligeti Hall

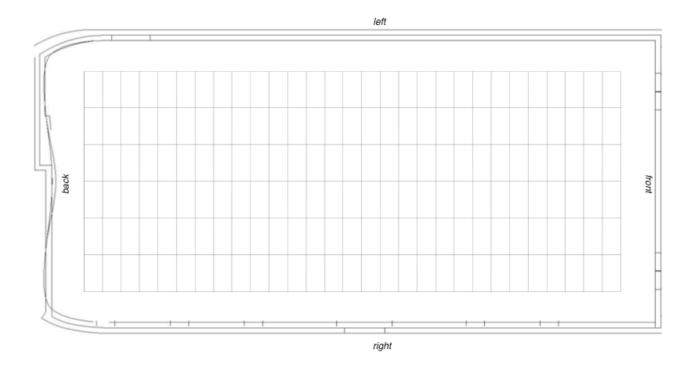
The *Ligeti Hall* has been our main laboratory during the *CoS* project. It is located at the *House for Music and Music-Drama*, the *Mumuth*.

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The *Ligeti Hall* is 15.5 m. wide by 33 m. long. The real ceiling is at 11.5 m, but there is a structure at 8 m. high with corridors alongside and nine gangways crossing transversally the hall.

The floor is composed of 29 x 6 tiles of 1m x 2m, surrounded by a corridor along all its perimeter.

As you see in the figure, there is a pre-defined orientation (front, back, left. right), and although this is not a precondition for its use, it is the 'canonic' approach and serves as a convention for a common understanding. At the back there are the main entrances to the Hall.



Below there are some photos from which you will be able to get some idea. It is rather difficult, however, to make photographs of the hall which may convey a real feeling of its breadth, or clearly show the speakers.

Installed in the hall there are two loudspeaker-systems, adding up to a total of 105 speakers, to which one can add a variable number of flying speakers, including two large subwoofers.

## The Motor-Telescope Speaker System: The Hemi

This is the main system of speakers at the Ligeti Hall. Our own nicknames: Hemi or Dome.

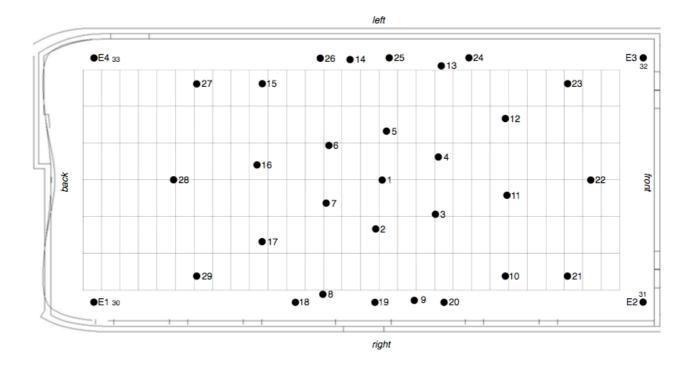
It comprises 33 active speakers on fixed positions but with variable elevation, azimuth and tilt, controlled by computer.

Speaker: Kling-und-Freitag K&F CA 1001 – SP (a 2-way active system: 10" / 1")

Elevation: Minimum: 1.66 m; Maximum: variable, but approx.7.50 m.

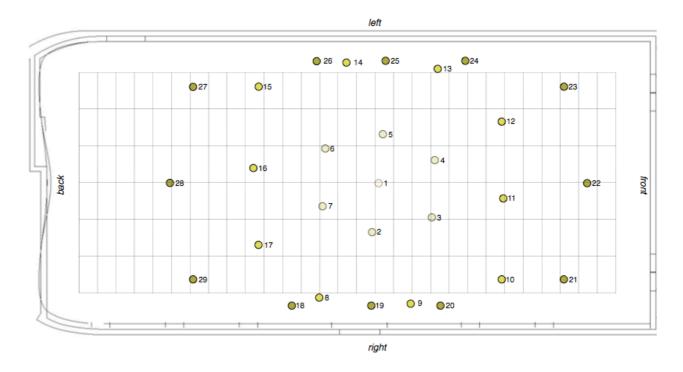
Azimuth: From $0^{\circ}$  to  $360^{\circ}$ Tilt: From -90° to +90°

The following figure shows the positions of the 33 K&F's in the Hall.

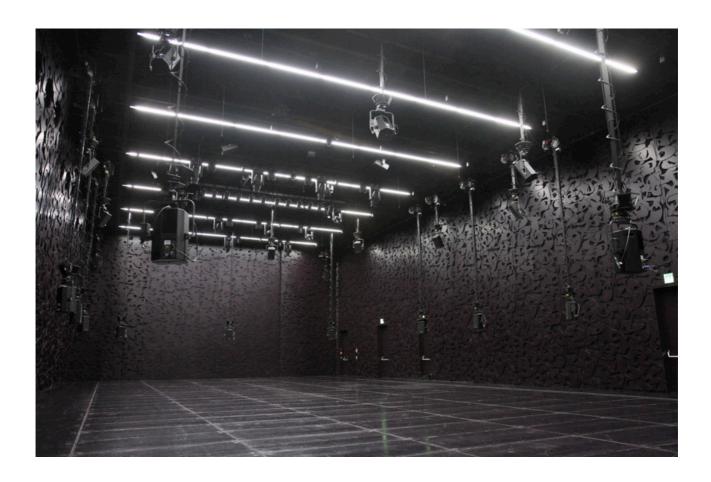


This position scheme comes from the design of an ambisonics dome of twenty-nine speakers, plus four extra corner speakers (E1, E2, E3, E4).

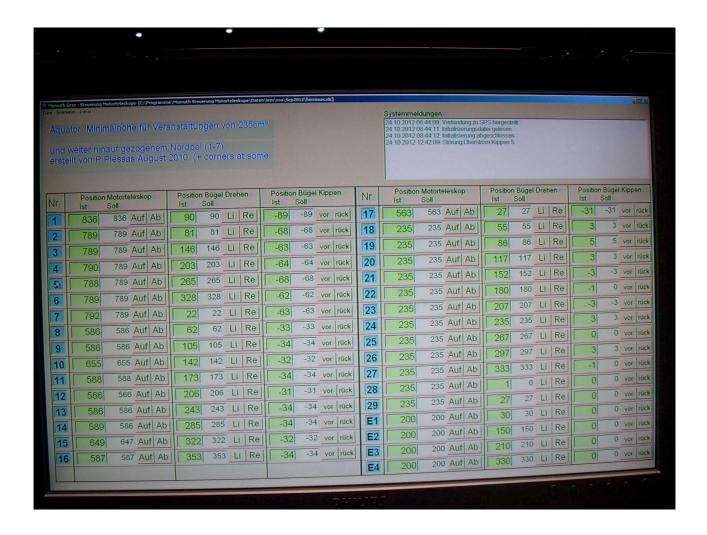
The next figure shows the dome of speakers (the lighter, the higher), composed of three "elliptical" rings of 12, 10 and 6 elements, plus a centered highest element.



A photograph of the dome (from back to front):



This photograph shows the screen of the computer controlling the parameters of the 33 speakers. Motors make different types of noises, and it takes time to change configurations. Otherwise it is quite straightforward, you can recall a complete configuration, and vary individually any of the three parameters (elevation, azimuth and tilt) for each speaker.

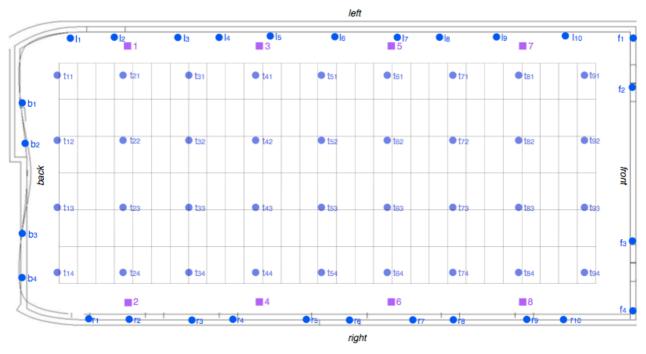


Further, there is the possibility to count with a number of variable position (flying) speakers set on stands, plus a couple of K&F sub-woofers (K&F SWi 118E – SP).

At the end of the document there is a photograph with a setup including a number of flying speakers. This is the setup of my piece *Topoi*.

## The Constellation Speaker System: The Sky

The original purpose of this set of speakers is as a Virtual Variable Acoustic System at the Hall. It comprises 64 x small speakers plus 8 x "small" subwoofers. The *Sky* has been our own nickname

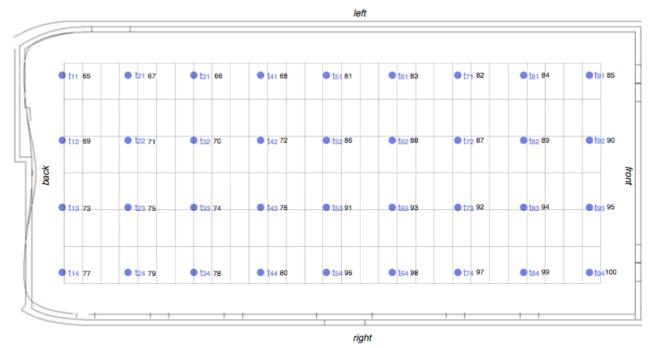


Speakers: Meyersound MM4 miniature speakers. 1-way passive (4") & Meyersound MM-10 miniature subwoofer. Passive (10")

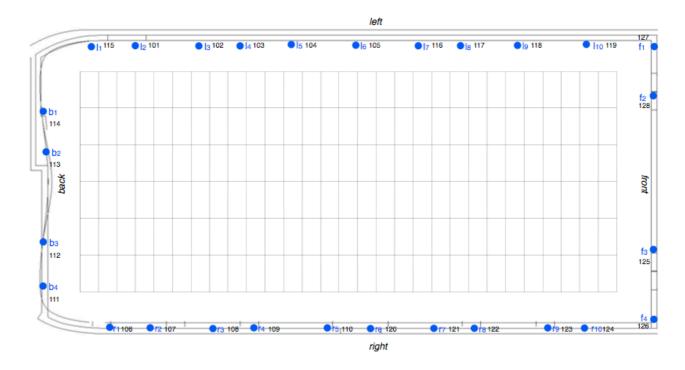
In the next figures, a graphic "analysis" of the different elements composing the global *Sky* system.

Name convention: 
$$t = top$$
;  $f = front$ ;  $b = back$ ;  $r = right$ ;  $l = left$ 

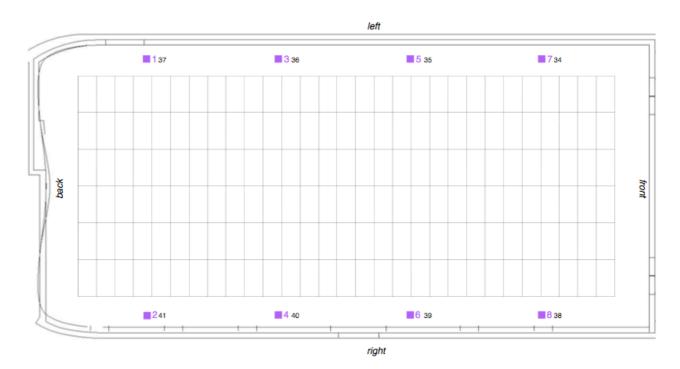
36 x sky-Top speakers, placed on the ceiling structure looking downwards. Height: 8 m. approx.

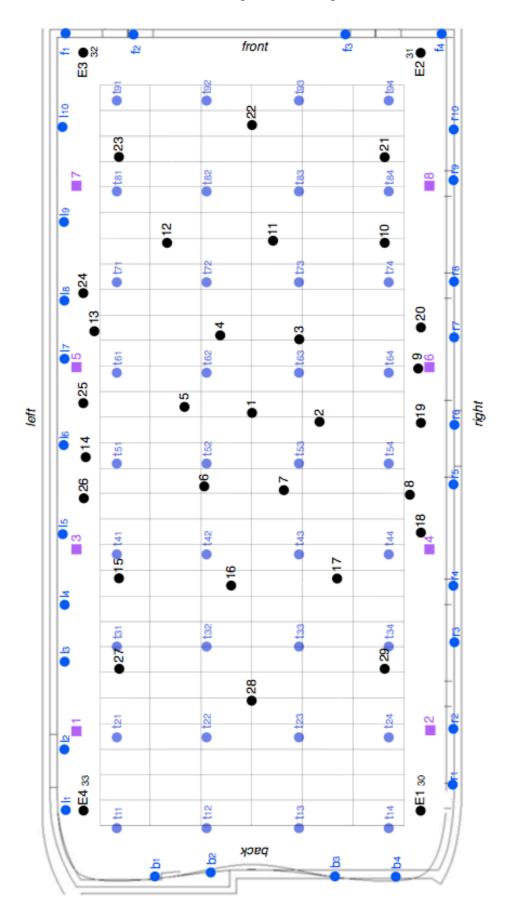


28 x sky-Wall speakers placed on the walls looking horizontally. Height: 5.5 m. approx. (Wall: Back, Front, Right & Left)

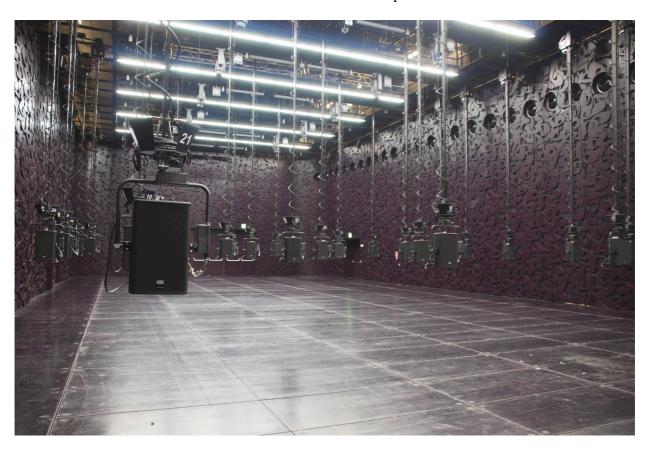


The 8 x sky-subwoofers, on the ceiling structure looking downwards.





View of the hall from back to front with all *Hemi* speakers in their lowest elevation.



View of the Hall from front to back with several flying speakers

