

# CURRICULUM VITA

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### PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS

Automatic speech recognition, auditory perception, acoustics, signal processing, biomedical instrumentation

### EDUCATION

- Ph.D. (1977) Electrical Engineering and Computer Science  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA
- M.S. (1972) Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences  
University of California, Berkeley, CA
- S.B. (1970) Electrical Engineering  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

### EXPERIENCE

- 1995 - present Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering  
Carnegie Mellon University.
- 1988 - present Associate Professor and Professor by Courtesy, Language  
Technologies Institute, Computer Science Department, Biomedical  
Engineering Department
- 2009 - present Lecturer, School of Music  
Carnegie Mellon University
- 1995 - 2003 Associate Director of the Information Networking Institute  
Carnegie Mellon University
- 1982 - 1995 Associate Professor of Electrical and Biomedical Engineering  
Carnegie Mellon University
- 1985 Visiting Professor in Speech and Communication Sciences, Nippon  
Telegraph and Telephone Electrical Communications Laboratory,  
Tokyo, Japan
- 1977 - 1982 Assistant Professor of Electrical and Biomedical Engineering  
Carnegie Mellon University

1979 - 1981                      Adjunct Assistant Professor of Otolaryngology  
University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine

1973 - 1976                      Teaching and Research Assistant, Department of Electrical  
Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (partial listing)**

Distinguished Lecturer, International Speech Communication Association, 2008-2009.

General Chair, INTERSPEECH International Conference on Spoken Language Processing, September, 2006.

Technical Program Co-Chair, IEEE Workshop on Automatic Speech Recognition and Understanding, December 2005.

Technical Program Chair, 141<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, June 2002.

General Chair, DARPA Spoken Language Technologies Workshop, March, 1994.

Publications Chair, ARPA Spoken Language Technology and Applications Day, April, 1993.

Publications Chair, IEEE Workshop on Applications of Signal Processing to Audio and Acoustics, October, 1993.

Chair, standing DARPA Speech and Natural Language Workshop Organizing Committee, 1991 - 1992.

Secretary, ARPA Spoken Language Coordinating Committee, 1990 - 1995.

General Chair, DARPA Speech and Natural Language Workshop, June, 1990.

International Advisory Board, International Speech Communication Association, 2006 - present.

International Advisory Board, Center for Speech and Language Technologies, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China, 2007 - present.

Chair, Selection Committee for IEEE James L. Flanagan Speech & Audio Processing Award, 2006 - 2008.

IEEE Signal Processing Society Technical Committee on Audio and Electroacoustics, 1991 - 1995.

IEEE Signal Processing Society Technical Committee on Speech, 1993 - 1997.

Editorial board, *Journal of Computer Speech and Language*, 1994 - present.

Editorial board, *Free Speech Journal*, 1996 - 1998.

Ongoing collaborative research in binaural hearing with the Department of Otolaryngology at the University of Connecticut Medical School, Farmington, CT.

Member of Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Acoustical Society of America,

International Speech Communication Association, Association for Research in Otolaryngology, Audio Engineering Society

Reviewer for National Science Foundation, International Speech Communication Association, IEEE, *J. Acoust. Soc. Amer.*, *Hearing Research*, *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing*, *IEEE Transactions on Speech and Language*, *IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics*, and *Communications of the Association of Computing Machinery*.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

Fellow, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)

Fellow, International Speech Communication Association (ISCA)

Fellow, Acoustical Society of America (ASA)

Distinguished Lecturer of the International Speech Communication Association, 2008 to 2009

Allen Newell Award for Research Excellence, Carnegie Mellon University Department of Computer Science, 1992

IEEE Student Branch Award for Teacher of the Year, Carnegie Mellon University Department of Electrical Engineering, 1979

## PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS

### Papers in Archival Journals

STERN, R. M., COLBURN, H. S., BERNSTEIN, L. R., AND TRAHOTIS, C. (2018). "Current fMRI data do not constrain how the human midbrain represents interaural time delay," *Journal of the Association for Research in Otolaryngology* (submitted for publication).

DIETZ, M., LESTANG, J.-H., MAJDAK, P., STERN, R. M., MARQUARDT, T., EWERT, S. D., HARTMANN, W. M., and GOODMAN, D. F. M. (2017). "A Framework for Testing and Comparing Binaural Models," *Hearing Research* **360**:92-106.

DE LA CALLE SILOS, F., and STERN, R. M. (2017). "Synchrony-based feature extraction for robust automatic speech recognition," *IEEE Signal Processing Letters* **24**:1158-1162.

FREDES, J., NOVOA, J., KING, S., STERN, R. M., and BECERRA YOMA, N. (2017). "Locally-normalized filter banks applied to deep neural network-based robust speech recognition," *IEEE Signal Processing Letters* **24**:377-381.

KIM, C., and STERN, R. M. (2016). "Power-normalized cepstral coefficients (PNCC) for robust speech recognition," *IEEE Trans. on Audio, Speech, and Language Processing* **24**:1315-1329.

CHO, B. J., KWON, H. Cho, J.-W., KIM, C., STERN, R. M. and PARK, H.-M. (2016). "A subband-based stationary-component suppression method using harmonics and power ratio for reverberant speech recognition," *IEEE Signal Processing Letters*, **23**:780-784.

ROMIGH, G. D., BRUNGART, D. S., STERN, R. M., and SIMPSON, B. D. (2015). "Efficient real spherical harmonic representation of head-related transfer functions," *IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Signal Processing*, **9**: 921-930, August 2015.

- POBLETE, V., ESPIC, F., KING, S., STERN, R. M., HUENEPAN, F., and BECERRA YOMA, N. (2015). "A perceptually-motivated low-complexity channel normalization technique applied to speaker verification." *Computer Speech and Language*, **31**:1-27, 2015.
- POBLETE, V., BECERRA YOMA, N., and STERN, R. M. (2014). "Optimizing the parameters characterizing sigmoidal rate-level functions based on acoustic features," *Speech Communication*, **56**:19-34, January 2014.
- HERMANSKY, H., COHEN, J. R., and STERN, R. M. (2013). "Perceptual properties of current speech recognition technology," *Proc. IEEE* **101**:1968-1985, September 2013.
- STERN, R. M., and MORGAN, N. (2012). "Hearing is believing: biologically-inspired methods for robust speech recognition," *IEEE Signal Processing Magazine* **29**:34-43, November, 2012.
- CHIU, Y.-H. B., RAJ, B., and STERN, R. M. (2012). "Learning-based auditory encoding for robust speech recognition," *IEEE Trans. on Audio, Speech, and Language Processing* **20**:900-914, March 2012.
- KIM, W., and STERN, R. M. (2011). "Mask classification for missing-feature reconstruction for robust speech recognition," *Speech Communication*, **53**:1-11, January 2011.
- PARK, H.-M., and STERN, R. M. (2009). "Spatial Separation of Speech Signals using Continuously-Variable Weighting Factors Estimated from Comparisons of Zero Crossings," *Speech Communication Journal*, **51**(1):15-25, January 2009.
- SELTZER, M. L., and STERN, R. M. (2006). "Subband Likelihood-Maximizing Beamforming for Speech Recognition in Reverberant Environments," *IEEE Transactions of Speech, Language, and Audio Processing* **14**(6): 2109-2121, November 2006.
- RAJ, B., and STERN, R. M. (2005). "Missing-Feature Methods for Robust Automatic Speech Recognition," *IEEE Signal Processing Magazine*, September 2005.
- KIM, N. S., LIM, W., and STERN, R. M. (2005). "Feature compensation based on switching linear dynamic model," *IEEE Signal Processing Letters*, **12**(6): 473-476.
- SELTZER, M. L., RAJ, B., and STERN, R. M. (2004). "Likelihood-Maximizing Beamforming for Robust Hands-Free Speech Recognition," *IEEE Transactions of Speech and Audio Processing*, **12**(5): 489-498, September 2004.
- OBUCHI, Y., HATAOKA, N., and STERN, R. M. (2004), "Normalization of Time-Derivative Parameters for Robust Speech Recognition in Small Devices," *IEICE Trans. on Information and Systems*, **87-D**(4): 1004:1011, April 2004.
- RAJ, B., SELTZER, M. L., and STERN, R. M. (2004), "Reconstruction of Missing Features for Robust Speech Recognition," *Speech Communication Journal*, **43**(4): 275-296, September 2004.
- SELTZER, M. L., RAJ, B., and STERN, R. M. (2004). "A Bayesian Framework for Spectrographic Mask Estimation for Missing Feature Speech Recognition," *Speech Communication Journal*, **43**(4): 379-393, September 2004.
- SINGH, R., RAJ, B., and STERN, R. M. (2001), "Automatic Generation of Sub-Word Units for Speech Recognition Systems," *IEEE Trans. on Speech and Audio Proc.* **10**(2):89-99.
- HUERTA, J. M., and STERN, R. M. (2001). "Distortion-Class Modeling for Robust Speech Rec-

ognition under GSM RPE-LTP Coding," *Speech Communication Journal*, **34**:213-225 (invited paper).

MORENO, P. J., RAJ, B., and STERN, R. M. (1998). "Data-Driven Environmental Compensation for Speech Recognition: A Unified Approach," *Speech Communication Journal*, **24**: 267-85.

STERN, R. M., and SHEAR, G. D. (1996a) "Lateralization and Detection of Low-Frequency Binaural Stimuli: Effects of Distribution of Internal Delay," *J. Acoust. Soc. Amer.* **100**: 2278-2288.

STERN, R. M., and SHEAR, G. D. (1996b) "Lateralization and Detection of Low-Frequency Binaural Stimuli: Specification of the Extended Position-Variable Model," *Physics Auxiliary Publication Service*, AIP document E-JASMA-100-2278- 0.175MB via <http://www.aip.org/epaps/epaps.html>.

TRAHIOTIS, C., and STERN, R. M. (1994) "Across-Frequency Interaction in Lateralization of Complex Binaural Stimuli," *J. Acoust. Soc. Amer.* **96**: 3804- 3806 (L).

STERN, R. M., ZEPPEFELD, T., and SHEAR, G. D. (1991). "Lateralization of Rectangularly-Modulated Noise: An Explanation for Counterintuitive Reversals," *J. Acoust. Soc. Amer.* **90**: 1901-1907.

COAST, D. A., STERN, R. M., CANO, G. G., and BRILLER, S. A. (1990). "An Approach to Cardiac Arrhythmia Analysis Using Hidden Markov Models," *IEEE Trans. Biomed. Eng.* **37**: 826-836.

TRAHIOTIS, C., and STERN, R. M. (1989). "Lateralization of Bands of Noise: Effects of Bandwidth and Differences of Interaural Time and Phase," *J. Acoust. Soc. Amer.* **86**: 1285-1293.

RUDNICKY, A. I., and STERN, R.M. (1989). "Spoken Language Research at Carnegie Mellon," *Speech Technology Magazine* **4**: 38-43.

STERN, R. M., ZEIBERG, A. S., and TRAHIOTIS, C. (1988). "Lateralization of Complex Binaural Stimuli: A Weighted Image Model," *J. Acoust. Soc. Amer.* **84**, 156-165.

STERN, R. M., and LASRY, M. J. (1987). "Dynamic Speaker Adaptation for Feature-Based Isolated Letter Recognition," *IEEE Trans. on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing* **35**: 751-763.

STERN, R. M., and COLBURN, H. S. (1985). "Lateral-Position Models of Interaural Discrimination," *J. Acoust. Soc. Amer.* **77**: 753-755.

STERN, R. M., and COLBURN, H. S. (1985). "Subjective Lateral Position and Interaural Discrimination," *Physics Auxiliary Publication Service*, AIP document no. PAPS JASMA-77-753-29.

LASRY, M. J., and STERN, R. M. (1984). "A Posteriori Estimation of Correlated Jointly Gaussian Mean Vectors," *IEEE Trans. on Pattern Anal. and Mach. Intel.* **6**: 530-535.

CROWLEY, J. L., and STERN, R. M., Jr. (1984). "Fast Computation of the Difference of Low Pass (DOLP) Transform," *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence* **6**: 212-222.

STERN, R. M., Jr., SLOCUM, J. E., and PHILLIPS, M. S. (1983). "Interaural Time and Amplitude Discrimination in Noise", *J. Acoust. Soc. Amer.* **73**:1714-1722.

YOST, W. A., GRANTHAM, D. W., LUFTI, R. A., and STERN, R. M., Jr. (1982). "The Phase Angle of Addition in Temporal Masking for Diotic and Dichotic Listening Conditions," *Hearing Res.* **7**: 247-259.

MURTI, K. G., STERN, R. M., CANTEKIN, E. I. and BLUESTONE, C. D. (1982). "Classification of Spectral Patterns Obtained from Eustacian Tube Sonometry," *IEEE Trans. Biomed. Eng.* **29**: 473-477.

MURTI, K. G., STERN, R. M., Jr., CANTEKIN, E. I. and BLUESTONE, C. D. (1980). "Sonometric Evaluation of Eustachian Tube Function Using Broadband Stimuli", *Annals of Otology, Rhinology, and Laryngology*, (Suppl. 68) 89, 178-189.

RUOTOLO, B. R., STERN, R. M., Jr., and COLBURN, H. S. (1979). "Discrimination of Symmetric, Time- Intensity Traded Binaural Stimuli," *J. Acoust. Soc. Amer.*, **66**: 1733-1737.

STERN, R. M., Jr. and COLBURN, H. S. (1978). "Theory of Binaural Interaction Based on Auditory-Nerve Data. IV. A Model for Subjective Lateral Position," *J. Acoust. Soc. Amer.*, **64**: 127-140.

### **Critically-Reviewed Books, Book Chapters, and Theses**

MITRA, V., FRANCO, H., STERN, R. M., VAN HOUT, J., FERRER, L., GRACIARENA, M., WANG, W., VERGYRI, D., ALWAN, A., and HANSEN, J.H.L. (2017). "Robust features in Deep Learning based Speech Recognition," Chapter in *New Era for Robust Speech Recognition: Exploiting Deep Learning*, S. Watanabe, M. Delcroix, F. Metze, & J. R. Hershey (eds.), pp. 165-196, Springer International Publishing.

STERN, R. M. and MORGAN, N. (2013). "Features Based on Auditory Physiology and Perception," Chapter in *Noise-Robust Techniques for Automatic Speech Recognition*, T. Virtanen, R. Singh, and B. Raj, Eds., Wiley Press.

STERN, R. M., WANG, D., and BROWN, G. (2006). "Binaural Sound Localization," Chapter in *Computational Auditory Scene Analysis: Principles, Algorithms and Applications*, D. Wang and G. Brown, Eds., Wiley and IEEE Press.

STERN, R. M., TRAHOTIS, C., and RIPEPI, A. M. (2006). "Fluctuations in Amplitude and Frequency Enable Interaural Delays to Foster the Identification of Speech-like Stimuli," Chapter in *Dynamics of Speech Production and Perception*, P. Divenyi, Ed., IOS Press.

TRAHOTIS, C., BERNSTEIN, L. R., STERN, R. M., and BUELL, T. N. (2005). "Interaural Correlation as the Basis of a Working Model of Binaural Processing: An Introduction," Chapter in *Springer Handbook of Auditory Research: Sound Source Localization*, R. Fay and T. Popper, Eds., Springer-Verlag.

STERN, R. M. (2004). "Signal Separation Motivated by Human Auditory Perception: Applications to Automatic Speech Recognition," Chapter in *Speech Separation by Humans and Machines*, P. Divenyi, Ed., Springer-Verlag.

SINGH, R., STERN, R. M., and RAJ, B. (2002). "Signal and Feature Compensation Methods for Robust Speech Recognition," Chapter in *CRC Handbook on Noise Reduction in Speech Applications*, Gillian Davis, Ed., Boca Raton: CRC Press.

SINGH, R., RAJ, B., and STERN, R. M. (2002). "Model Compensation and Matched Condition Methods for Robust Speech Recognition," Chapter in *CRC Handbook on Noise Reduction in*

*Speech Applications*, Gillian Davis, Ed., Boca Raton: CRC Press.

STERN, R. M., ACERO, A., LIU, F.-H., and OHSHIMA, Y. (1996). "Signal Processing for Robust Speech Recognition," Invited chapter in *Speech Recognition*, pp. 351-378, C.-H. Lee and F. Soong, Eds., Boston: Kluwer Academic Publishers.

STERN, R. M., and TRAHOTIS, C. (1996). "Models of Binaural Perception," Invited chapter in *Binaural and Spatial Hearing in Real and Virtual Environments*, pp. 499-531, R. Gilkey and T. R. Anderson, Eds. New York: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates

STERN, R. M. (1995). "Robust Speech Recognition," Invited chapter in *Survey on the State of the Art in Speech and Natural Language Processing*, R. A. Cole et al., Ed.

STERN, R. M., and TRAHOTIS, C. (1995). "Models of Binaural Interaction," Invited chapter in *Handbook of Perception and Cognition, Volume 6: Hearing*, pp. 347-386, B. C. J. Moore., Ed. New York: Academic Press.

STERN, R. M., Jr. (1976b). *Lateralization, Discrimination, and Detection of Binaural Pure Tones*, Ph.D. Thesis, Electrical Engineering Department, MIT, December, 1976.

### **Invited Conference Presentations**

STERN, R. M. (2017). "Predicting Binaural Lateralization, Interaural Discrimination, and Binaural Detection Using the Position-Variable Model," invited talk at the Macquarie University ARC Laureate Workshop: Creating a Sense of Auditory Space, October 2017, Sydney, Australia.

STERN, R. M, KIM, C., MOHGHIMI, A.R., and MENON, A. (2016). "Binaural technology and automatic speech recognition," invited talk at the International Congress on Acoustics, September 2016, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

STERN, R. M. (2016). "Applying Models of Auditory Processing to Automatic Speech Recognition: Progress and Promise," invited keynote talk at the 2015 Meeting of the Information Processing Society of Japan: Special Interest Group in Spoken Language Processing, Toyama, Japan, February, 2016.

STERN, R. M. (2014). "Applying Models of Auditory Processing to Automatic Speech Recognition: Progress and Promise," invited talk at the Frederick Jelinek Memorial Workshop on Meaning Representations in Language and Speech Processing, Prague, Czech Republic, July, 2014.

STERN, R. M. (2014). "Robust Automatic Speech Recognition in the 21st Century," invited keynote talk at the 2014 AFEKA Conference for Speech Processing, Tel Aviv, Israel, July, 2014.

STERN, R. M. (2014). "Applying Models of Auditory Processing to Automatic Speech Recognition: Promise and Progress," International Symposium on Speech Recognition, University of Zaragoza, Spain, May, 2014.

STERN, R. M. (2011). "Applying Physiologically-Motivated Models of Auditory Processing to Automatic Speech Recognition," invited talk at the Third International Symposium on Auditory and Audiological Research, Nyborg, Denmark, August, 2011.

STERN, R. M. (2010). "The impact of the distribution of internal delays in binaural models on predictions for psychoacoustical data," invited talk at the 161th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, Cancun, Mexico, November, 2010.

STERN, R. M. (2009). "New Directions in Robust Speech Recognition: What We Can Learn from Auditory Models," invited keynote address at the Symposium on Frontiers of Research in Speech and Music, Gwalior, India, December, 2009.

STERN, R. M. (2009). "New Directions in Robust Automatic Speech Recognition," invited keynote address at the Workshop on Image and Speech Processing, Hyderabad, India, December, 2009.

STERN, R. M. (2008). "Applying Physiologically-Motivated Models of Auditory Processing to Automatic Speech Recognition: Promises, Progress, and Problems," Invited keynote address at the ISCA Tutorial and Research Workshop on Statistical and Perceptual Audition, Brisbane, Australia, September, 2008.

STERN, R. M., GOUVEA, E., KIM, C., KUMAR, K., and PARK, H.-M. (2008). "Binaural and Multiple-Microphone Processing for Robust Automatic Speech Recognition," Invited keynote address at the IEEE Workshop on Hands-free Speech Communication and Microphone Arrays, Trento, Italy, May, 2008.

STERN, R. M. (2004). "Signal Processing for Sound Separation and Robust Representation," Invited keynote address at AFOSR/NSF Symposium on Speech Separation and Comprehension in Complex Acoustic Environments, Montreal, Quebec, November 2004.

STERN, R. M. (2003). "Signal Separation Motivated by Auditory Processing: Applications to Speech Recognition," invited review talk at the NSF Symposium on Signal Separation, Montreal, Quebec, November, 2003.

STERN, R. M. (2003). "Signal Processing for Robust Recognition," invited talk at the NAIST International Center of Excellence Symposium, Nara, Japan, March, 2003.

STERN, R. M. (2002). "Using Computational Models of Binaural Hearing to Improve Automatic Speech Recognition Accuracy: Promise, Progress, and Problems," AFOSR Workshop on Computational Audition, Columbus, Ohio, August, 2002.

STERN, R. M. (2000). "Robust Signal Representations for Automatic Speech Recognition," Institute for Mathematics and Its Applications Workshop on the Mathematical Foundations of Speech Processing and Recognition, Minneapolis, Minnesota, September, 2000.

STERN, R. M. (2000). "The Language of Music," invited keynote talk presented at the Third International Symposium on Text, Speech, and Dialog, Brno, Czech Republic, September, 2000.

STERN, R. M. (2000). "Tendencias Actuales en el Procesamiento del Lenguaje Hablado y Sistemas Conversacionales (Current Trends in Spoken Language Processing and Conversational Systems)," invited keynote talk at the XV Simposium Internacional de Electrónica y Comunicación, Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey Mexico, February, 2000.

STERN, R. M. (1999). "Tendencias Actuales en el Procesamiento del Lenguaje Hablado y Sistemas Conversacionales (Current Trends in Spoken Language Processing and Conversational Systems)," invited keynote talk at the XXIV Simposium Internacional de Sistemas Computacionales, Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey, Monterrey, Mexico, March, 1999.

STERN, R. M., and TRAHOTIS, C. (1997). "Binaural Mechanisms that Emphasize Consistent Interaural Timing Information over Frequency," invited keynote talk in *Psychophysical and Physiological Advances in Hearing*, Proceedings of the XI International Symposium on Hearing,



August, 1997, Grantham, United Kingdom. A. R. Palmer, A. Rees, A. Q. Summerfield, and R. Meddis, Eds., Whurr Publishers, London, 1998.

STERN, R. M., RAJ, B., and MORENO, P. J. (1997). "Compensation for Environmental Degradation in Automatic Speech Recognition," invited keynote talk presented at the *Proc. of the ESCA Tutorial and Research Workshop on Robust Speech Recognition for Unknown Communication Channels*, April, 1997, Pont-au-Mousson, France, pp. 33-42.

STERN, R. M. (1996). "The Current State of the Art of in Speech Recognition (Estado-da-Artem Reconhecimento de Voz)," invited keynote talk presented at VOICETECH'96, the First Brazilian Workshop in Automatic Speech Recognition Campinas, Sao Paolo, Brazil, September, 1996.

STERN, R. M. (1996). "New Directions in Spoken Language Processing," invited talk at the Second Joint NSF/CONACyT Workshop on Bilateral Collaboration, Jalapa, Mexico, March, 1996.

STERN, R. M. (1996). "Tendencias Actuales en el Procesamiento del Lenguaje Hablado (Current Trends in Spoken Language Processing)," invited talk at the Universidad Veracruzana, Jalapa, Mexico, March, 1996.

STERN, R. M., and SULLIVAN, T. M. (1996). "Robust Speech Recognition Using Signal Processing Based On Binaural Perception," invited talk presented at the First Forum Acusticum, Antwerp, Belgium, April, 1996.

STERN, R. M., MORENO, P.J., and RAJ, B. (1996). "Compensation for Speech Recognition in Degraded Acoustical Environments," invited talk at the 132<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, Honolulu, Hawaii, December, 1996.

STERN, R. M. (1995). "Nuevos Enfoques en Procesamiento de Lenguaje Hablado (New Directions in Spoken Language Processing)," invited talk at the Universitat Politecnica de Catalunya, Barcelona, Spain, September, 1995.

STERN, R. M. (1995). "New Directions in Spoken Language Processing," invited talk presented at the Telefónica Investigación y Desarrollo Laboratory Symposium on Spoken Language Processing, Madrid, Spain, September 1995.

STERN, R. M. (1995). "Automatic Speech Recognition using Signal Processing based on Auditory Physiology and Perception," invited paper presented at the 129<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, Washington, D.C., June, 1995.

MORENO, P. J., RAJ, B., and STERN, R. M. (1995). "Approaches to Environment Compensation in Automatic Speech Recognition," invited paper presented at the 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Acoustics, Trondheim, Norway, Vol. III, pp. 109-112, June, 1995.

STERN, R. M., and SULLIVAN, T. M. (1994). "Robust Speech Recognition Based on Human Binaural Perception," invited paper presented at the ATR workshop on A Biological Framework for Speech Perception and Production, Kansai Science City, September, 1994. Reprinted in ATR technical report TR-H-121: *Proceedings of the ATR workshop on A Biological Framework for Speech Perception and Production*, 122 pages, (1995).

STERN, R. M. LIU, F.-H., SULLIVAN, T. M., MORENO, P. J., and ACERO, A. (1994). "Multiple Approaches to Robust Speech Recognition," invited keynote paper at the Fifth Western Pacific Regional Acoustical Conference, Seoul, Korea, August, 1994.

STERN, R. M. (1993). "Models of Binaural Interaction," invited keynote paper at the AFOSR Conference on Binaural and Spatial Hearing, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, September, 1993.

STERN, R. M. (1993). "Psychoacoustical Basis of Machine Speech Recognition," invited talk at the Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, February, 1993.

STERN, R. M. (1989). "Recent Progress in Spoken-Language Systems," invited lecture at the Second International Symposium on Artificial Intelligence, Monterrey, Mexico, October, 1989.

STERN, R. M. (1988). "Overview of Models of Binaural Perception," invited review paper at the 1988 National Research Council CHABA Symposium, Washington, D.C., October, 1988.

STERN, R. M. (1988). "Estado Actual de la Tecnología de Entradas/Salidas de Canales de Voz (Overview of Current Voice Input/Output Technologies)," invited keynote lecture at the XIII Simposium Internacional de Sistemas Computacionales, Monterrey, Mexico, March, 1988.

COLE, R. A., STERN, R. M., and LASRY, M. J. (1986). "Performing Fine Phonetic Distinctions: Templates vs. Features," invited talk, reprinted in *Invariance and Variability of Features in Spoken English Letters*, J. Perkell et al., eds., Lawrence Erlbaum, New York.

### **Critically-Reviewed Conference Presentations**

MENON, A., KIM, C., KUOKAWA, U., and STERN, R. M. (2017), "Binaural Processing for Robust Recognition of Degraded Speech," *IEEE Automatic Speech Recognition and Understanding Workshop*, December 2017, Naha, Okinawa, Japan.

MENON, A., KIM, C., and STERN, R. M. "Robust Speech Recognition Based on Binaural Auditory Processing," *Interspeech 2017*, September 2017, Stockholm, Sweden.

NOVOA, J., WUTH, J., ESCUDERO, J. P., FREDES, J., MAHU, R., STERN, R. M., and BECERRA YOMA, N., "Robustness over time-varying channels in DNN-HMM ASR-Based human-robot interaction," *Interspeech 2017*, September 2017, Stockholm, Sweden.

FREDES, J., NOVOA, J., POBLETE, V., KING, S., STERN, R. M., and YOMA, N. B. (2015), "Robustness to additive noise of locally-normalized cepstral coefficients in speaker verification," *Interspeech 2015*, September 2015, Dresden, Germany.

HARVILLA, M. H., and STERN, R. M. (2014). "Least squares declipping for robust speech recognition," *Interspeech 2014*, September 2014, Singapore.

MOGHIMI, A. R., RAJ, B., and STERN, R. M. (2014), "Post-masking: A hybrid approach to array processing for speech recognition," *Interspeech 2014*, September 2014, Singapore.

KIM, C., CHIN, K. K., BACCHIANI, M., and STERN, R. M. (2014), "Robust speech recognition using temporal masking and threshold algorithm," *Interspeech 2014*, September 2014, Singapore.

PARK, H.-M., MACIEJEWSKI, M., KIM, C., and STERN, R. M. (2014). "Robust speech recognition in reverberant environments using subband-based steady-state monaural and binaural suppression," *Interspeech 2014*, September 2014, Singapore.

MOGHIMI, A. R., and STERN, R. M. (2014), "An analysis of binaural spectro-temporal masking

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C. Kim, *Signal Processing for Robust Speech Recognition Motivated by Auditory Processing*, September, 2010.

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J. E. Slocum, *Discrimination of Interaural Time and Intensity in Noise*, November, 1980.

- D. L. Kaiser, *Interaural Time Discrimination in Tonal Maskers*, June, 1982.
- A. H. Ferguson, *Effects of Frequency Modulation on Complex Pitch Perception*, December, 1982.
- M. J. Lasry, *Dynamic Adaptation of Statistical Parameters in a Feature-Based Isolated Letter Recognition System*, December, 1982.
- Y. L. Chu, *Zero Crossings and Ear Modelling in Speech*, February, 1983.
- S. J. Bachorski, *Dynamic Cues in Binaural Perception*, December, 1983.
- W. J. Lue, *Identification of Transient Features in Speech*, January, 1984.
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- S. J. Bartschat, *Bayesian Combination of Knowledge Sources in Automatic Speech Recognition*, August, 1987.
- M. P. Veal, *Multisensor Signal Enhancement for Speech Recognition*, September, 1987.
- G. D. Shear, *Modelling the Dependence of Auditory Lateralization on Frequency and Bandwidth*, September, 1987.
- B. Chigier, *Classification of Stop Consonants in Natural Continuous Speech*, May, 1988.
- P. H. Dietz, *Simulation of Trumpet Tones Via Physical Modeling*, December, 1988.
- S. Palm, *Enhancement of Reverberated Speech using Models of the Human Binaural System*, April, 1989.
- A. Liss, *Lateralization of Complex Binaural Sounds*, July, 1990.
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- N. Hanai, *Speech Recognition in the Automobile*, May, 1993.
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18-301	Fundamentals of Control (Senior)
18-308	Introduction to Digital Communication (Senior)
18-491	Introduction to Signal Processing (Junior/Senior)
18-493	Electroacoustics (Senior)
18-550	Fundamentals of Communication (Senior)
18-551	Communication and Signal Processing Project Laboratory (Senior)
18-340	Senior Seminar on Speech Processing
18-762	Signal Transmission and Detection (Graduate)
18-791	Digital Signal Processing (Graduate)
18-792	Advanced Digital Signal Processing (Graduate)
18-799	Digital Signal Processing for Robust Speech Recognition (Graduate)
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Developed and obtained university approval for the CMU Programs in Music and Technology. Service on the CMU Music and Technology Executive Committee, 2009 - present.

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Chair, Faculty Senate Intellectual Property Policy Committee, 1983 - 1986. Drafted and negotiated the approval of the intellectual property policy now in use by CMU. Chairing committee to review and recommend modifications to the Policy, 2017 - present.

Faculty Senate International Affairs Forum, 1989 - 1991. Initiated cooperative educational programs with Latin American universities.

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