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Prince of Persia 3D character courtesy of Reb Orb Entertainment



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The 3D Positional Audio Standard from Aureal The Experience

Heart-racing, adrenaline-pumping action. It doesn't come from graphics alone - it comes from a totally realistic, mind-blowing experience. High-quality, immersive audio is a key part of that experience. It can't be faked because your brain knows the difference.

That's why A3D has been designed to deliver the most realistic aural experience available on the PC today. Based on more than a decade of psychoacoustic research, A3D closely simulates the way sounds are generated in the real world - enhancing the realism of interactive entertainment by recreating the multitude of auditory cues that shape the way humans perceive their environment in everyday life.

Of course, gamers don't need to know all of those details. What a gamer **does** need to know is that one of the autonomous machine guns mounted high in the wall in the stairwell behind her has just come to life. It's spinning up its barrels and taking aim to blast her into oblivion (good thing she heard it). A quick sidestep and she's out of danger. But, then again, there's the spooky screeching of a pack of those green shambling things coming from the next doorway - maybe a short volley of 30 caliber slugs would have been more pleasant than those guys.

Now you know why gamers around the world have been raving about hot A3D-enabled titles like Half-Life and Thief. Now you know why we've shipped more than five million A3Denabled hardware and software products to computer manufacturers like Compaq and Dell and to retail product sellers like Diamond and Turtle Beach. Now you know why the top game developers are using our tools and technologies to power their next generation of killer titles.

It's supply feeding demand feeding supply - and the circle's only getting bigger. Join the club.

The 3D Positional Audio Standard from Aureal The Players

Dozens of the game industry's hottest developers have jumped onboard the A3D bandwagon. More than 100 titles now boast support for A3D or are in the works. A sampling of top titles are listed on the pages that follow and a complete listing is located at the back of this booklet.

Check out our Web site at www.a3d.com for new A3D-enabled title listings.



Crusaders of Might & Magic character courtesy of 3D0

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Publisher:

Mindscape www.mindscape.com

Developer: Reb Orb Entertainment

Release Date: Available Now

Prince of Persia 3D

Remaining faithful to its time-honored legacy, Prince of Persia 3D elevates one of gaming's greatest heroes to new heights with the fast-paced combat of a fighting game and the depth and challenge of a classic Arabian Nights adventure. Stunning 3D graphics. Advanced 3D audio. Countless traps, ruthless enemies and devious enchantments await you. So sharpen you sword, ready your bow, and embark on a journey that will forever transform you into the Prince of Persia.

Publisher: Interplay www.interplay.com

Developer: Shiny

Release Date: Late 1999



Messiah

Bob is a cherub who's been summoned to clean up the Earth and set it back on its course for salvation. But, in the 150 years from now in which the game takes place, it has turned into a foul, smelly, violent world due to Satan's influence over the technology and culture. Armed with nothing but his tiny little wings, Bob only has the gift of possession to help him on his quest. Now, Bob is on his way to "clean up" Earth of its vile sinners by using their own bodies as weapons and hideouts! Of course, when the time comes, there is no way he'll be able to hide from Satan himself!

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Publisher: Interplay www.interplay.com

Developer: Volition

Release Date: Available Now



FreeSpace2

The drama of the award-winning space combat simulation of '98 continues in FreeSpace 2, delivering more white-knuckle dogfights, new formidable warships, the most spectacular visual effects and the deadliest adversary humanity has ever faced.

Publisher: GT Interactive www.gtinteractive.com

Developer: Epic Games

Release Date: Available Now



Unreal Tournament

Unreal Tournament pits players against the hardest criminals in the galaxy in multiple new kinds of contests and settings. The goal is to become the Unreal Grand Master, testing your skills against, or fighting alongside, teams of the best simulated human opponents ('bots') ever seen in a 3D action game. Players can also take the challenge online, playing with combinations of 'bots' and human opponents. Designed for players from novice to expert, Unreal Tournament features training, novice, normal, hardcore and turbo modes. The favorite Unreal weapons have been brought back and improved, while several new weapons make their debut, including the 'Redeemer' - a weapon so lethal you can actually control the projectile through the eyes of it's built-in camera. An advanced, state-of-the-art, user interface makes it simple to play Unreal Tournament, easy to get online and easy to adjust the game to specific preferences.

ACTIVISION.

Publisher: Activision www.activision.com

Developer: Id Software

Release Date: Late 1999



Whether you're a newbie or a seasoned, rocket-jumping veteran, Quake III ArenaTM is going to push your skills to the limit. Q3A is powered by the most advanced 3D engine ever, and it features 30 challenging maps that show off the intensely realistic, organic look of the Arena. But don't get caught staring at the scenery, or you'll end up as part of it.

Quake is known for the intensity of the Fragmatch, and this time not even the single-player gamers are safe. Q3A's single player game IS a Fragmatch. The computer opponents are armed with highly advanced artificial intelligence and whatever they steal from your fragged remains. These aren't the predictable, learn-how-to-kill-them-once and move on bots you remember. They learn from their mistakes and get better as the game goes on. Let's hope you can say the same.

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Publisher: EuroPress www.europress.co.uk

Developer: Actualize

Release Date: Late 1999

Rally Championship 2000

A true simulation of the Mobil 1 British Rally Championship with 36 classic stages totalling over 450 miles of track and 23 licenced cars with advanced physics. Rally Championship has the most advanced photo realistic-graphics and gameplay ever.

Publisher: The 3D0 Company www.3do.com

Developer: New World Computing

Release Date: Late 1999



Crusaders of Might and Magic

Might and Magic VII is a computer role-playing game set in Erathia, a mystical land of magic and adventure. You will guide the actions of a group of four heroes - armored swordsmen, daring thieves, gifted archers and wielders of arcane sorcery - as they explore the land, sea and subterranean passages in search of treasure and glory. Your characters will begin their journey possessing only the most basic skills and equipment, and are barely deserving of the title "adventurer." As they continue, however, they will acquire personal abilities, enchanted artifacts, deadly weapons, and powerful knowledge, all of which they will need to face the greater challenges ahead...to one day epitomize a true adventurer.



Publisher: Sierra Studios www.sierrastudios.com

Developer: Papyrus Software

Release Date: Available Now



NASCAR Racing 3

Nascar Racing 3 is the latest addition to the highly successful NASCAR line of PC racing simulations by Sierra Sports, developed by the award winning team at Papyrus. Nascar Racing 3 features the 1999 cars and tracks from the Busch Grand National series.

The 3D Positional Audio Standard from Aureal What Is Positional Audio?

It's a simple question with a not-so-simple answer. Positional audio places sounds in three dimensions around the listener. While this is fairly easy to do with four or more speakers, the process is quite a bit more complicated with just two speakers or headphones - the typical consumer PC audio setup.

Aureal's A3D accomplishes this by making use of the physiology of the human head and the way in which humans perceive their aural environment. The details are complex, but the premise is quite elementary. Simply put, you must provide the listener's ears with the exact audio signals that would be present if he were actually within the virtual environment you are trying to simulate - and that's how you create audio reality.

Those of you who are acronymically challenged may wish to avoid the following paragraphs and look at the pictures instead.



Bob character courtesy of Shiny Entertainment & Interplay

The 3D Positional Audio Standard from Aureal How Does It Work?

People (most of them anyway) have two ears located on either side of their heads. Using this knowledge, we can provide the listener with a number of clues to help them position sounds in space.

If a sound is to the right of a person's head, that sound will seem louder to the right ear and softer to the left ear. This phenomenon is called the Interaural Intensity Difference or IID. Similarly, if a sound is to the right of a person's head, that sound will arrive at the right ear a split second sooner than it arrives at the left ear. This phenomenon is called the Interaural Time Difference or ITD. Together, the IID and ITD provide a means for the brain to figure out roughly where in space a sound is located.



Illustration of IID

Illustration of ITD

The 3D Positional Audio Standard from Aureal How Does It Work?

More exact positioning relies upon the structural details of the outer ear itself, called the pinna. When a sound enters the ear, the shape of the pinna modifies or 'filters' that sound in a way that allows the brain to figure out exactly where in space a sound is located.

Taken together, all of these phenomenon allow us to create what are known as Head-Related Transfer Functions (HRTFs). Put as simply as possible, an HRTF is a kind of filter that, when applied to an audio source, will modify the sound to virtually position it in 3D space around the listener. A3D uses a large array of HRTFs, gathered from actual laboratory measurements, to give the listener a taste of audio reality.



Spectrum differences between original sound source and pinna reception

ACTIVISION.

Publisher: Activision www.activision.com

Developer: Pandemic Studios

Release Date: Available Now



Battlezone II

Battlezone II is the spectacular sequel to the award winning Battlezone, a game hailed by the press as "history in the making" and listed by PC Gamer Magazine as one of the top 20 computer games of all time. Now the Battlezone team returns to provide the first true real-time action-strategy war experience in Battlezone II. You command your troops from the battlefield rather than above it. By combining the depth of a real-time strategy game with the excitement of first person action, Battlezone II provides the ultimate expression of action-oriented strategic gameplay. Drive a variety of futuristic combat vehicles including a lumbering walker, a mammoth assault tank or a speedy mortar bike. Or get out of your craft to act as a stealthy commando on foot. You'll command a range of vehicles, buildings, and units while blasting enemies, organizing troops and managing resources...all within a first-person view that puts the warfare in your face!

Publisher/Developer: Blizzard www.blizzard.com

Release Date: Late 1999



Diablo II

Blizzard Entertainment presents the highly anticipated sequel to Diablo, the game that set fire to the mortal realm. After possessing the body of the hero who defeated him, Diablo resumes his nefarious scheme to shackle humanity into unholy slavery – this time by setting out to free the other Prime Evils, Mephisto and Baal. As Amazon, Sorceress, Necromancer, Paladin or Barbarian, you must put a final end to Diablo and his evil brethren – even if you must follow them into the burning hells themselves.

ACTIVISION.

Publisher: Activision www.activision.com

Developer: Raven Software

Release Date: Late 1999



Soldier of Fortune

Pack your bags, your country is calling. Four nukes have been stolen from a Russian stockpile and it's up to you to do the U.S. government's dirty work. Your mission: travel to the world's most dangerous political hotspots tracking down the warheads as they exchange hands with terrorists, skinheads, and countless militants. With sniper rifle in hand and white phosphorous grenades at your side, you realize that good aim and ammo will only get you so far. This is a battle of intelligence where strategy is the only plan of attack and the hunt is just as tricky as the kill. Tearing past enemy lines, you zero in only to find one nuke. Something is amiss. Someone has escaped you. So much for an open and shut case.

ACTIVISION.

Publisher: Activision www.activision.com

Developer: Nihilistic Software

Release Date: Late 1999



Inspired by the well-known Vampire series of games from White Wolf Publishing, the game will tell an epic story of one vampire's (un) life throughout an eight hundred year time span. Revolutionary technology, visually stunning graphics and a compelling story will draw players into the World of Darkness, where they will find intriguing characters, challenging puzzles, and intense adventure. Vampire: The Masquerade is the first title from Nihilistic Software, a development company headed by game industry veterans Ray Gresko, Robert Huebner and Steve Tietze. The team's combined credits include Dark Forces, Dark Forces II: Jedi Knight, Descent, Descent II and the Quake Mission Pack #2.

Publisher: Edios Interactive www.eidosinteractive.com

Developer: Mucky Foot

Release Date: Late 1999



Urban Chaos

The new millennium approaches. Turmoil, crime, and famine rule. Gangs, terrorists and violent cults lurk around every corner. As one of two cops, you must try and bring order to the city. D'arci is a young and cunning super-slueth with unsurpassed reconnaissance and infiltration skills. A Special Forces veteran, Roper, is known for his expertise in weapons and explosives. His skills are never questioned but his mental stability is.

Either one could be the hero this city is waiting for. But time is running out...

Publisher: Interplay www.interplay.com

Developer: Planet Moon Studios

Release Date: Late 1999



Giants

From the team that created MDK, Giants will take you to bizarre new worlds combining 3D arcade action, incredible graphics, strategic thinking, and a back-squeak of twisted humor. Eat, burn, drown, kidnap, and bury your victims! Play as three different species, each with unique strengths, weaknesses, and weapons. Use the island natives to create weapons, vehicles, and traps, or just use them as an energy source (you know, a snack). Manipulate the landscape to create obstacles that the enemy cannot pass. Destroy the ground under your enemies' feet. Take your creations and experiences from level to level to aid in future battles. Continue the battle through 30 original worlds to prove your dominance. Multiplayer mayhem ensues when you and your friends select your favorite species and fight to determine who is superior!

The 3D Positional Audio Standard from Aureal What Is Aureal Wavetracing?

There's more to creating a convincing virtual audio environment than just hanging some sounds in three-dimensional space. The next step is to simulate the world itself. Look around you: there's probably a desk, walls, some chairs, a bookcase, and maybe even a window or two (if you're lucky). Now listen, and you'll likely hear a sound source or two: your radio, the air conditioning vent, your computer's fan, the ticking clock, and maybe even the person next door (if you have thin walls). All of these objects and all of these sounds interact in complex, but predictable, ways. In the real world, sounds bounce off of and are absorbed by the objects they hit. The degree of reflection or absorption depends to a great degree on whether an object is made of carpet, wood, metal, or some other material. Sounds are also blocked completely or partially by objects they hit. The neighbor's TV may sound muffled through a thin wood wall and is likely inaudible through a thick concrete partition. You probably don't even notice all of these interactions between sounds and objects - but they're there and all work together to make up your aural environment.

Aureal Wavetracing is the technology used by A3D to simulate this phenomenon. Working in conjunction with A3D positional audio, Aureal Wavetracing tracks the reflections and occlusions (the blocking of a sound) that occur as sounds bounce around a room. This process enables A3D to provide the brain with a much clearer picture of the listener's aural environment than with positional audio alone.

The 3D Positional Audio Standard from Aureal How Does It Work?

Aureal Wavetracing examines the 3D geometry of a virtual space in order to trace sound waves as they are reflected or occluded by objects within that environment. This means that sounds can reflect off of walls, leak through doors from the next room, become occluded as they disappear around a corner, or even appear suddenly overhead as the listener moves from a closed room into the open. The reflective and absorptive properties of object materials are taken into account in this process, enhancing the audio realism.



A3D 1.0 Direct Path Sound Waves (Red)



A3D 2.0 Direct Path Sound Waves Partially Occluded by Wall (Red) and Reflected by Walls (Green)



Developer: Accolade

Release Date: Available Now



Slave Zero

Rampage through a bustling future metropolis in a stolen sixty-foot attack robot. Slave Zero takes place several centuries in the future in an enormous, 7 mile-high mega-city, bustling with millions of people, automobiles and aircraft. Engage in intense, action-filled combat against enemies of all sizes and shapes, ranging from human-sized troops and tanks to 200-foot tall behemoths.

Publisher: Psygnosis www.psygnosis.com

Developer: Surreal Software

Release Date: Available Now



Drakan

Drakan is an action-adventure that seamlessly blends aerial and ground-based gameplay in a beautiful 3D world. As the player, you are Rynn, a warrior-heroine with a savvy attitude and a quick sword arm who teams up with a powerful, fire-breathing dragon named Arokh. Leaving her small village behind, Rynn and Arokh embark on an epic journey across the massive and dangerous world of Drakan in a desperate quest to save Rynn's kidnapped younger brother - and quite possibly all of Drakan - from a fate worse than death.

Publisher: Interplay www.interplay.com

Developer: Outrage Software

Release Date: Available Now



Descent 3

The highly anticipated sequel to Descent I and II takes the mind-bending, pulse-pounding experience to another level. New lethal weapons will be by your side as you obliterate the robot infestation in the winding mines AND the planetary surface. The gut-wrenching Descent saga continues with more action than ever before. Dive into massive subterranean strongholds and experience a whole new degree of freedom powered by the all-new Fusion engine. Test your piloting skills against an army of assault-bots using an extensive arsenal of firepower. Prepare yourself for an explosive new 3D action-experience that will turn your world INSIDE-OUT!



Publisher: Sierra Studios www.sierrastudios.com

Developer: Valve Software

Release Date: Available Now

Half-Life

Half-Life combines the visceral action of legendary action games like Doom with great storytelling in the tradition of Stephen King. Named "Best PC Game" in the Best of E3 Show Awards from Unified Gamers Online, Half-Life blends action, drama, and adventure with stunning technology to create a frighteningly realistic world where players need to think smart to survive. Throughout the game, both friends and foes behave in sophisticated and unpredictable ways, a result of Half-Life's powerful and innovative artificial intelligence. The intensity of the game also reflects the strong storyline, created by award-winning horror novelist Marc Laidlaw. Of course there's also a variety of exciting multiplayer scenarios, and an easy-to-use interface that will have you connected to the game of your choice in just seconds.

Software Titles



Publisher: Eidos Interactive www.eidosinteractive.com

Developer: Looking Glass Studios

Release Date: Available Now

Thief: The Dark Project

Thief: The Dark Project is a revolutionary first person action adventure that introduces stealth, subterfuge, and mystery to a tired genre of mindless shooting. As Garrett, a cynical and world-weary master thief, you must make use of stealth and intellect to complete your missions. You live in an ancient city of a fictional past where magic and primitive technology coexist uneasily. Your victims are the city's corrupt and privileged nobility, whose wealth is at your disposal as long as their guards don't see you, at least not until it is too late.

3D Music Composition Studio The 3D Positional Audio Standard from Aureal 3D Music Composition Studio

Publisher/Developer: Techland Software

www.techlandsoft.com

Release Date: Available Now



Future Beat 3D

3D audio acceleration has taken the computer world by storm in 1998. More and more desktop PCs are being fitted with some form of 3D audio acceleration as standard equipment. 3D audio support has become a must have feature for computer game developers world wide. Future Beat 3D is the first music studio product that extensively features 3D audio composition for non-professional music makers. Its stylish interface provides simple controls for accessing a powerhouse of audio technology.

3D Audio for the Web The 3D Positional Audio Standard from Aureal 3D Audio for the Web

Developer/Publisher: Flatland Online www.flatland.com

Release Date: Available Now



Rover/Spotnik

The Flatland Rover is free software for Netscape Communicator and Microsoft Internet Explorer that lets you explore 3D websites, called 'spots,' created in 3DML. 3DML is a Web publishing language based on HTML. Flatland designed 3DML to make publishing 3D content on the web just as easy as publishing 2D homepages! If you already know HTML, you already know the basics of 3DML.

Flatland's new 3DML site creation tool, Spotnik, makes authoring 3D Web sites even easier. Spotnik is a free Web-based application that uses a drag-and-drop interface to allow builders to easily create 3D worlds. Building blocks, textures and sounds can be grabbed from a palette, dropped into a map of the 3D site, and the resulting 3D world can be viewed and browsed instantly.

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Hear the Future The popularity of A3D is growing as more and more

The popularity of A3D is growing as more and more game players hear the advantages of 3D audio. This means a diverse and expanding installed base of hardware. We at Aureal are working to expand this base of users with 3D applications for the gaming, consumer, and Internet markets. We're pushing the envelope and so should you. So? What are you waiting for? Get A3D

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The Next Generation The 3D Positional Audio Standard from Aureal

Announcing A3D 3.0!!

Aureal's position as the leader in interactive digital audio has been strengthened by its ability to listen to customer and developer feedback and requests, and to drive innovation. A3D 3.0 is based 100% on the popular A3D 2.0 foundation and brings even more realism, speed, ease of use, and excitement to interactive entertainment. The new features in A3D 2.0 (including geometry-based wavetracing, acoustic materials, advanced resource management, and the scaleable architecture of the all-in-one API and engine) have all been improved and optimized for A3D 3.0 and the following new features have been added:

- Dolby Digital (AC-3) support
 - Dynamic Wavetracing-based reverb support
 - Static preset reverb (I3DL2 / EAX style)
 - License-free MP3 support
 - Volumetric sound sources
 - Manual reflection API
 - Downloadable HRTFs
 - Advanced streaming support

While the number of A3D 1.0 and A3D 2.0 titles grows, it's good to know that the state of interactive audio will continue to be enhanced by Aureal and their software development partners. Many of the games in this booklet already have support for A3D 3.0 in the works! A3D 3.0 will be available this Winter and works with all existing and planned A3D products.





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Aureal's award-winning A3D delivers richly immersive audio by surrounding the listener with sounds in all three dimensions - using ordinary headphones or two or more speakers. A3D enhances the realism of interactive entertainment by recreating the multitude of auditory cues that allow humans to perceive their environment in everyday life.

The combination of A3D-enabled content and hardware powered by Aureal's Vortex audio processors delivers the highest degree of aural reality available today.



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