

#### SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS<sup>1</sup>

System Frequency Response, DMC-1122 with DML-1122, on Axis in Anechoic Environment:

70-20,000 Hz, ±3 dB (see Figure 1) System Frequency Response, DMC-1152 with DML-1152, on Axis in Anechoic Environment:

50-20,000 Hz, ±3 dB (see Figure 2) CONTROLLER SPECIFICATIONS Basic Function:

Two-way crossover, frequency and timedelay equalizer, and protection system for DML-1122 and DML-1152 speaker systems

Channel Configuration:

Single channel two-way; two sense channels (LF and HF)

Signal-Path Equalization, DMC-1122 (see Figure 3),

LF EQ: -3 dB at 48 Hz, +7 dB at 80 Hz Gain: 6 dB nominal

LF Time Delay: 0.15 ms at crossover frequency

Crossover Filter: 4th-order Linkwitz-Riley HF EQ: 4th-order optimized for DML-1122 HF driver and DML-1122 horn

Signal-Path Equalization, DMC-1152 (see Figure 4),

LF EQ: -3 dB at 36 Hz, +8 dB at 50 Hz Gain: 6 dB nominal

LF Time Delay: 0.8 ms at crossover frequency

Crossover Filter: 4th-order Linkwitz-Riley HF EQ: 4th-order optimized for DML-1152 HF driver and DML-1152 horn

Total Harmonic Distortion, 20-20,000 Hz: 0.03% typical, 0.1% maximum

Noise, Each Output, 20-20,000 Hz Bandwidth, Typical: -86 dBu2

Signal Input,

Type: Active differential Maximum Level: +18 dBu Impedance: 20,000 ohms Common-Mode Range: ±24 volts CMRR, Typical: -55 dB Connector: Female 3-pin XLR-type

Signal Outputs (LF and HF),

Type: Transformer floating differential Maximum Level: +18 dBu Minimum Load Impedance for Full Level: 600 ohms

Protection: Safe for short circuit or ±25 volts dc

Connectors: Male 3-pin XLR-type

Sense Channel Inputs (LF and HF), Type: Active differential Maximum Level, LF: 145 V Maximum Level, HF: 145 V

Impedance: 200,000 ohms differential Connector: Two binding posts/banana jacks, spaced 1.9 cm (0.75 in.)

Controls (all except power switch are screwdriver operated):

Output level, each output; amplifier limit calibration, each sense channel; amplifier clip/limit switch; power switch

#### Indicators:

3-LED input level (-20, 0, and +16 dBu) 3-LED gain reduction (3, 6, and 12 dB)

3-LED LF output limits (amplifier, excursion, temperature)

3-LED HF output limits (amplifier, excursion, temperature)

1-LED power on

## Power Requirements:

100, 120, 220, or 240 volts ac, 50-60 Hz, 13 watts

Chassis Construction: Painted steel

#### Color:

Gray front panel and black chassis with. white graphics

Mounting and Dimensions:

EIA 19-inch rack mount, 4.45 cm (1.75 in.) high, 20.9 cm (8.25 in.) behind panel (excluding connectors) (see Figure 6) Supplied with front-panel security cover for controls

Weight,

Net: 3.6 kg (8 lb) Shipping: 4.2 kg (9 lb, 3 oz)

See DML-1122 and DML-1152 engineering data sheets for detailed speaker system specifications.
 O dBu is 0.775 volts RMS sine wave.

## DESCRIPTION:

The DeltaMax<sup>TM</sup> system consists of a two-way biamped, high-performance speaker system and a companion electronic controller. The electronic protection technology in the DMC-1122 and DMC-1152 DeltaMax controllers allows the loudspeakers to be operated at full capacity with maximum fidelity and reliability. The DML-1122 and DML-1152 are full-range loudspeaker systems, intended for high-level sound reinforcement in touring sound and permanent installations. The trapezoidal cabinet shape allows tight cluster designs, enabling maximum mutual coupling and single-point-source arrays.

The electronic circuits are designed to provide optimum audio performance, even when the audio drive level is increased for maximum loudness. A high-performance compressor, with automatically variable compression ratio, is controlled by special speaker modeling circuits to provide speaker temperature protection and amplifier anti-clip limiting Speaker excursion protection is accomplished with a voltage-limit system which operates from an excursion-vs.-frequency modeling circuit.

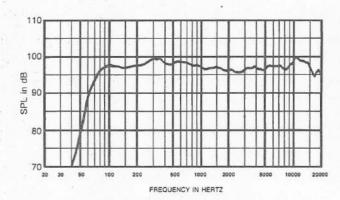


FIGURE 1
DMC-1122/DML-1122 Frequency Response,
on Axis in Anechoic Environment

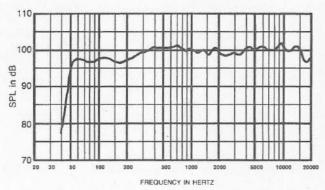


FIGURE 2
DMC-1152/DML-1152 Frequency Response,
on Axis in Anechoic Environment

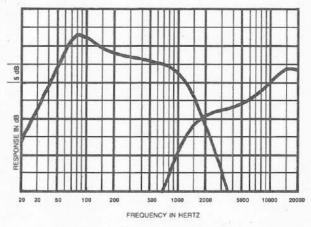


FIGURE 3 - DMC-1122 Frequency Response

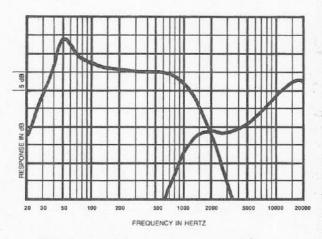


FIGURE 4 — DMC-1152 Frequency Response

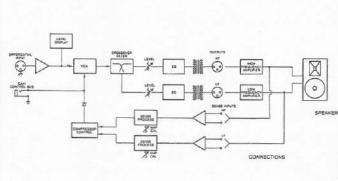


FIGURE 5 - Block Diagram

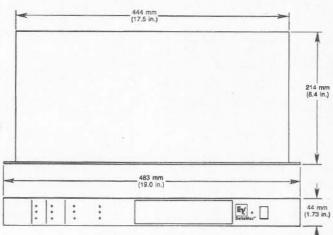


FIGURE 6 - Dimensions

Front-panel indicator lights show input level, compressor gain reduction, and HF and LF output limit thresholds for excursion, temperature, and amplifier power. Operation of all protection functions is completely automatic.

The DeltaMax system will work with any professional power amplifier within the stated power and gain range. See Amplifier Requirements section.

The DMC-1122 and DMC-1152 controllers are designed to be used only with the Electro-Voice DML-1122 and DML-1152 speaker systems, respectively. **Do not use with any other speakers.** 

# PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION Refer to the block diagram in Figure 5.

The signal path consists of an active differential input circuit which drives a VCA, which is controlled by a special compressor circuit. After the VCA is a fourth-order Linkwitz-Riley crossover circuit.

The high-frequency output has an equalizer which flattens the frequency response of the constant-directivity horn and compression driver from their natural mass-loaded response characteristic.

The low-frequency output has a delay equalizer to compensate for the relative physical positioning of the LF and HF drivers, and their actual phase response at the crossover frequency. An underdamped second-order high-pass filter, combined with a variation of a first-order shelving low-boost function provides optimum low-frequency response with the DeltaMax loudspeakers.

The output sections provide transformerisolated, low-distortion differential drive signals.

The compressor has both a signal control input and a compression-ratio control input. The control voltages are developed from the sense channels. The primary dynamic action (gain reduction) of the compressor is controlled by a dual-time-constant detection circuit driven by rectified audio sensed at the speaker terminals. The compression ratio above the threshold is determined by the condition of the speakers. Temperature modeling circuits will increase this compression ratio when it becomes necessary. Also, compression will increase to prevent amplifier clipping, when this function is selected.

The compressor gain transfer has a gradually changing slope across its threshold. This soft-knee design reduces the audibility of the compression. The compression ratio above the threshold can vary from 1:1 (no effect) to about 20:1 (hard limiting).

## INSTALLATION

### Mounting

The unit is one rack-space high, 4.5 cm (1.75 in.), and fits a standard EIA 19-inch rack. Mount the DMC controller in a rack cabinet near the power amplifier(s) to make wiring easy.

## Grounding

A widely accepted grounding technique for audio systems is the single-point ground. The final configuration will be determined by the size of the system and the equipment used in the system. However, the single-point grounding system is recommended as a starting point.

Never lift the third wire safety ground of the ac power cable. It protects against possible shock hazard.

#### Ventilation

Adequate ventilation should be provided in the rack to maintain a reasonable operating temperature. Under any conditions the ambient temperature inside the rack cabinet should not exceed 60°C (140°F).

#### Security

A security cover and attachment screws are supplied to protect the control settings against uninvited adjustments.

## AMPLIFIER REQUIREMENTS

The DML-1122 and DML-1152 speaker systems require professional power amplifiers with the following ratings:

DML-1122

LF: 300-600 watts continuous into eight ohms

HF: 125-250 watts continuous into eight ohms

DML-1152

LF: 400-800 watts continuous into eight ohms

HF: 125-250 watts continuous into eight ohms

The use of amplifiers with lower power rating is acceptable; however, the full-power capabilities of the DML speakers will not be realized. The use of amplifiers with significantly higher power ratings is wasteful and may endanger the loudspeakers; it is generally not recommended. Under certain circumstances higher rated power amplifiers are acceptable. It is acceptable to driver either the DML-1122 or DML-1152 speakers with a stereo power amp utilizing one channel to drive the low frequencies and the other channel to drive the high frequencies.

## CONNECTIONS

The DeltaMax controller has XLR-type connectors for signal input and outputs. Pin 1 is shield, pin 2 is high (+), and pin 3 is low (-).

The LF and HF sense connections are binding post/banana jacks.

The DML-1122 and DML-1152 loudspeaker systems are equipped with ITT-Cannon EP-4 connectors. Each cabinet has two connectors: one male (EP-4-14) for input signal and one female (EP-4-13) for paralleling additional DML loudspeakers. The mating connectors for the cable ends are the EP-4-11-IC for the input connection and the EP-4-12-IC for the parallel connection.

The pin connections are as follows:

Pin 1 = LF(-)

Pin 2 = LF(+)

Pin 3 = HF(-)

Pin 4 = HF(+)

NOTE: DML-1122 speakers may be paralleled with other DML-1122 speakers if the amplifier is capable of delivering adequate power at the lower impedance. The same holds true for the DML-1152 speaker systems.

## ARCHITECTS' AND ENGINEERS' SPECIFICATIONS

The controller shall consist of a singlechannel two-way crossover circuit with fourthorder Linkwitz-Riley filters, a compressor system with variable compression ratio and dual-time-constant detector, a voltage clamping circuit for excursion protection, and speaker modeling circuits which control the compressor and clamp circuits to prevent destruction of the high-frequency and lowfrequency drivers due to excessive drive level. Included in the signal path shall be special frequency and time-delay equalization to provide flat (±3 dB) on-axis anechoic frequency response in the range of 50 Hz to 20 kHz for the DML-1152 loudspeaker and 70 Hz to 20 kHz for the DML-1122 loudspeaker.

The total harmonic distortion through the signal path shall be nominally 0.03% and no greater than 0.1% from 20 Hz to 20 kHz, within the output's passband. The noise at the outputs, measured with a 20-20,000-Hz equivalent-noise-bandwith filter, shall be typically -86 dBu.

The signal input shall be active differential with a level capability of +18 dBu, and a female 3-pin XLR-type connector. The outputs shall be transformer isolated with a level capability of +18 dBu into 600 ohms, and male 3-pin XLR-type connectors. There shall be two active diffential sense inputs for speaker protection, with binding-post/banana-jack connectors.

Front panel controls shall include LF and HF level controls, LF and HF amplifier calibration controls, and a switch to control the amplifier limit function, all accessible with a screw-

driver, after removing the security cover. There shall be a power switch on the front panel.

Front panel indicators shall include input level, gain reduction, LF output limits (for amplifier, excursion and temperature), HF output limits (for amplifier, excursion and temperature), and power on.

The chassis shall be made of painted steel with a gray front panel and white graphics. It shall be rack mountable in a 19-inch EIA rack, and be 4.45 cm (1.75 in.) high and 21.4 cm (8.4 in.) deep, excluding connectors. The unit shall weigh 3.6 kg (8 lb). The unit shall be an Electro-Voice DML-1122 (Electro-Voice DML-1152).

## WARRANTY (Limited)

Electro-Voice Professional Sound Reinforcement Electronic Components are guaranteed for two years from date of original purchase against malfunction due to defects in workmanship and materials. If such malfunction occurs, unit will be repaired or replaced (at our option) without charge for materials or labor if delivered prepaid to the proper Electro-Voice service facility. Unit will be returned prepaid. Warranty does not extend to finish, appearance items or malfunction due to abuse or operation under other than specified conditions, nor does it extend to incidental or consequential damages. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above exclusion may not apply to you. Repair by other than Electro-Voice or its authorized service agencies will void this guarantee. A list of authorized service centers is available from Electro-Voice, Inc., 600 Cecil Street, Buchanan, MI 49107 (AC/616-695-6831); Electro-Voice, Inc., 3810 148th Avenue N.E., Redmond, WA 98052 (AC/206-881-9555); and/or Electro-Voice West, 8234 Doe Avenue, Visalia, CA 93291 (AC/209-651-7777). This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

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