

# **DLS 223**

## Digital Rotor Cabinet Simulator

- Very accurate simulation of various "rotating speaker" cabinets, in stereo
- · Realistic room acoustics can be added
- All performance parameters fully editable and programmable including distortion, acceleration, crossover frequency, equalization, rotational and stop direction, and many more
- MIDI controllable
- 24-bit signal processing for perfect simulation and >90-dB dynamic range and <0.03% THD</li>
- · Three-year parts-and-labor warranty

## SPECIFICATIONS Conditions:

- 1. 0 dBu = 0.775 volts rms.
- 120-volt ac line voltage unless otherwise noted.
- Output levels measured with +4-dBu input at 1,000 Hz, with input level switch in the line position and input control full clockwise.

### **OVERALL SPECIFICATIONS**

Frequency Response (direct):

20-20,000 Hz, +0/-1 dB

Frequency Response (effect):

20-20,000 Hz, +0/-3 dB

## **Data Format:**

16-bit linear analog to digital and digital to analog; internal 24-bit processing

Total Harmonic Distortion.

Direct:

<0.003%

Effect:

<0.03%

Signal-to-Noise Ratio,

Direct:

>104 dB

Effect:

>90 dB

### Channel Configuration:

Mono or stereo signals accepted; stereo signal is processed through a single converter in the digital-to-analog conversion stage and then reprocessed

Channel Separation:

>80 dB

### Front-Panel Controls (see Figure 2):

Input and output level controls; 11 parameter select buttons; three buttons to control rotor simulation speed; endless rotary encoder; power switch

## Front-Panel Displays (see Figure 2):

Seven-segment LED input-signal meter, switchable to read average, peak or peak hold; LED's over each of 11 parameter buttons to show function active; two-character numeric LED display to show parameter values; four LED's that are grouped to show rotor speed for the bass and treble rotors; single LED's for stop, slow and fast speed

### Grounding:

Ground-lift switch disconnects ground from chassis to eliminate hum

#### Chassis Construction:

Painted steel

Colors,

Front Panel:

Gray with white nomenclature

Top and Sides:

Gray

## Input and Bottom Panel:

Black with white nomenclature

## **Power Requirements:**

90-250 volts, 50-60 Hz ac, switches automatically, 15 watts maximum

#### Overall Dimensions (see Figure 1),

Height:

43.6 mm (1.72 in.)

Width:

483 mm (19.0 in.)

Depth:

225 mm (8.86 in.)

## Net Weight:

3.5 kg (7.7 lb)

Shipping Weight: 5.0 kg (11 lb)

## INPUT SPECIFICATIONS

Rated Input Voltage,

Line:

1.23 volts (+4 dBu)

## Instrument:

390 mV (-6 dBu)

Maximum Input Voltage,

Line:

9 V (+21 dBu)

Instrument:

390 mV (-6 dBu)

Input Impedance,

Line:

10 kilohms

Instrument: 500 kilohms

Input Connectors (see Figure 2):

Two 1/4-inch phone plugs with Hi/Lo range switch

## **OUTPUT SPECIFICATIONS**

Rated Output Voltage,

High Range:

2.45 volts (+10 dBu)

Low Range:

730 millivolts (-0.5 dBu)

Maximum Output Voltage:

9 volts (+21 dBu)

Rated Output Impedance:

120 ohms

#### Output Connectors (see Figure 2):

Two 1/4-inch phone plugs with Hi/Lo range switch

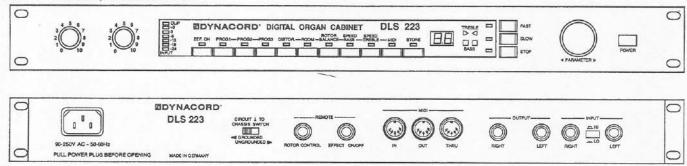
MIDI Connectors:

In; out; through

## DESCRIPTION

The EV/Dynacord DLS 223 is a high-quality digital signal processor designed to create very realistic simulations of the rotary speaker system sound. The DLS 223 was created by first measuring every characteristic of the original rotary speaker's performance—such as different frequency responses, rotor speeds, distortion, start-up and decay times, and many more—

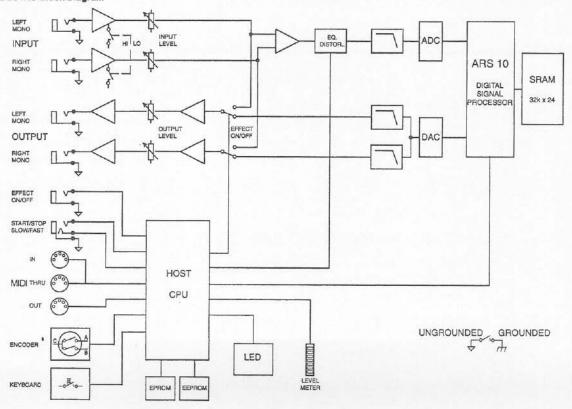
## FIGURE 2 — DLS 223 Front and Rear Panels



EB 60 =

43.6 mm (1.72 in.)

## FIGURE 3 - DLS 223 Block Diagram



## LIST OF OPTIONS FUNCTION 00 = Additional Factory Presets PARAMETER 01 = Distortion PARAMETER 02 = Room PARAMETER 03 = Rotor-Balance PARAMETER 04 = Speed-Bass PARAMETER 05 = Speed-Treble PARAMETER 06 = Slow-Fast Ratio Bass-Rotor PARAMETER 07 = Slow-Fast Ratio Treble-Rotor PARAMETER 08 = Speed-Up Bass-Rotor PARAMETER 09 = Speed-Up Treble-Rotor PARAMETER 10 = Speed-Reduce Bass-Rotor PARAMETER 11 = Speed-Reduce Treble-Rotor PARAMETER 12 = Rotate-Direction Bass-Rotor PARAMETER 13 = Rotate-Direction Treble-Rotor PARAMETER 14 = Frequency-Vibrato-Bass PARAMETER 15 = Frequency-Vibrato-Treble PARAMETER 16 = Vibrato-Edge-Bass PARAMETER 17 = Vibrato-Edge-Treble PARAMETER 18 = Panorama-Bass PARAMETER 19 = Panorama-Treble PARAMETER 20 = Front-Back-Bass PARAMETER 21 = Front-Back-Treble PARAMETER 22 = Room-Back-Bass PARAMETER 23 = Room-Back-Treble PARAMETER 24 = Crossover Frequency PARAMETER 25 = Active Bass PARAMETER 26 = Active Treble PARAMETER 27 = Equalizer Band 48 Hz PARAMETER 28 = Equalizer Band 85 Hz PARAMETER 29 = Equalizer Band 125 Hz PARAMETER 30 = Equalizer Band 1,500 Hz PARAMETER 31 = Passive Bass PARAMETER 32 = Passive Mid PARAMETER 33 = Passive Treble PARAMETER 34 = Output-Level PARAMETER 35 = Comb-Delay-Bass PARAMETER 36 = Comb-Delay-Treble PARAMETER 37 = Comb-Depth-Bass PARAMETER 38 = Comb-Depth-Treble PARAMETER 39 = Comb-Direction-Treble PARAMETER 40 = Stop Direction PARAMETER 41 = Position-Control-Bass PARAMETER 42 = Position-Control-Treble PARAMETER 43 = Speedo-Control-Bass PARAMETER 44 = Speedo-Control-Treble PARAMETER 45 = Level-Peak-Hold-Time

TABLE 1 - DLS 223 List of Options

PARAMETER 46 = Receive-Remote-Sysex

using extremely precise measuring techniques. Our ARS-10 proprietary 24-bit digital processor was then incorporated into the DLS 223 design to calculate algorithms identical to the original performance. The result is a near-perfect simulation of the original sound, in stereo.

In addition to its realistic rotary speaker simulations, the DLS 223 can add room simulations to any program. The room-simulation feature

#### LIST OF FACTORY PRESETS (FUNCTION 00) PRESET 01 = "Electronic Rotor" PRESET 02 = "Echolette Rotor" PRESET 03 "Original Rotor" PRESET 04 = "Soft Organ" PRESET 05 = "Jazz Organ" PRESET 06 = "Rock Organ 1" PRESET 07 "Rock Organ 2" "Clean Fast" PRESET 08 PRESET 09 = "Different Speeds" PRESET 10 = "Top Slow Speed" PRESET 11 "Stacked Rotor 1" PRESET 12 = "Stacked Rotor 2" PRESET 13 = "Club Cabinet 1" PRESET 14 = "Club Cabinet 2" PRESET 15 "Open Air" = "Untitled" PRESET 16

TABLE 2 — DLS 223 List of Factory Presets (Function 00)

= "Untitled"

PRESET 17

calculates the reflections of the rotating speakers from the walls and adds this to the overall effect, making it much more realistic than blending in random reverb programs.

The DLS 223 offers complete control of every facet of rotary speaker performance. On its front panel are 11 buttons which give the user instant access to the most-used parameters. These include three buttons for recall of favorite programs and buttons for rotor balance, bass speed, treble speed, room simulations and distortion.

There is also an "option mode" which is accessed by pushing the bass and treble speed buttons simultaneously and holding them down for three seconds. In the option mode, 46 different parameters and 17 factory presets can be accessed by an endless rotary encoder and the parameter number viewed on the two-digit LED window on the front panel (see Table 1 for a list of options and Table 2 for a list of presets). Alterations of the parameters can be stored in one of the three program memory locations.

Four LED's show the "speed" of the rotary speakers. The DLS 223 is also equipped with MIDI (Musical Instrument Digital Interface). The unit has in/out/through sockets for integration into a MIDI system, and all programs and parameters are changeable by a keyboard, sequencer or controller via MIDI. There are also MIDI editor programs available which allow easy editing via a computer.

Another unique feature of the DLS 223 is its MIDI-learn function. The unit can be programmed to learn MIDI commands by simply pressing the MIDI button, engaging the parameter you want to change, using a MIDI control device such as a keyboard modulation wheel, and telling the unit to store the command.

The power supply of the DLS 223 adapts automatically to any voltage/frequency from 90-250 volts, 50 or 60 Hz. This helps keep "brownouts" from affecting its performance during stage

use. The rear-mounted IEC connector allows easy adaption to any type of ac socket. A separate ground-lift switch ensures that any chassis-induced ac hum can be eliminated. The DLS 223 mounts in one EIA/IEC rack space.

The DLS 223 front and rear panels are shown in Figure 2. The block diagram is shown in Figure 3.

## ARCHITECTS' AND ENGINEERS' SPECIFICATIONS

The effects processor shall be a high-quality multi-effects device capable of realistically recreating every facet of a rotary speaker system's sound including room effects. The effects processor shall have 11 electronic, twoposition push-button controls that allow access to the most-used parameters, including three different simulation programs, and can be used to access 46 different performance parameters and 17 various preset cabinet simulations. The unit shall have switches to select "fast," "slow" and "stop" rotor speed and four LED's to allow the user to visually monitor the simulated rotor speed. The effects processor shall have stereo inputs switchable from line level (input voltage 1.23 (+4 dBu), 10-kilohm impedance) to instrument level (input voltage 390 mV (-6 dBu), 500kilohm impedance). Both outputs shall be switchable from high (output voltage 2.45 V (+10 dBu) to low (730 mV (-0.5 dBu)). The maximum output voltage shall be 9 V (+21 dBu) with an output impedance of 120 ohms. Input and output connectors shall be unbalanced 1/4-inch phone jacks. The unit shall have a MIDI interface and all parameters shall be addressable and editable via MIDI. The unit shall have a MIDI-learn function capable of learning a command from a keyboard, sequencer or other MIDI controller. The unit shall have a switchedmode power supply for operation at voltages from 90 V to 250 V, 50 to 60 Hz, without adjustments. The power consumption shall be 15 watts maximum. The unit shall be manufactured in accordance with all safety classes and fulfill all applicable interference suppression approvals (FCC, VDE and IEC specifications). The unit shall be rack mountable in one EIA/IEC standard rack space. Dimensions shall be 43.6 mm (1.72 in.) x 483 mm (19.0 in.) x 225 mm (8.86 in.) hwd. Net weight shall be 3.5 kg (7.7 lb).

The effects unit shall be the EV/Dynacord DLS 223.

### WARRANTY (LIMITED)

Electro-Voice products are guaranteed against malfunction due to defects in materials or workmanship for a specified period, as noted in the individual product-line statement(s) below, or in the individual product data sheet or owner's manual, beginning with the date of original purchase. If such malfunction occurs during the specified period, the product will be repaired or replaced (at our option) without charge. The product will be returned to the customer prepaid. Exclusions and Limitations: The Limited Warranty does not apply to: (a) exterior finish or appearance; (b) certain specific items described in the individual product-line statement(s) below, or in the individual product data sheet or owner's manual; (c) malfunction resulting from use or operation of the product

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