

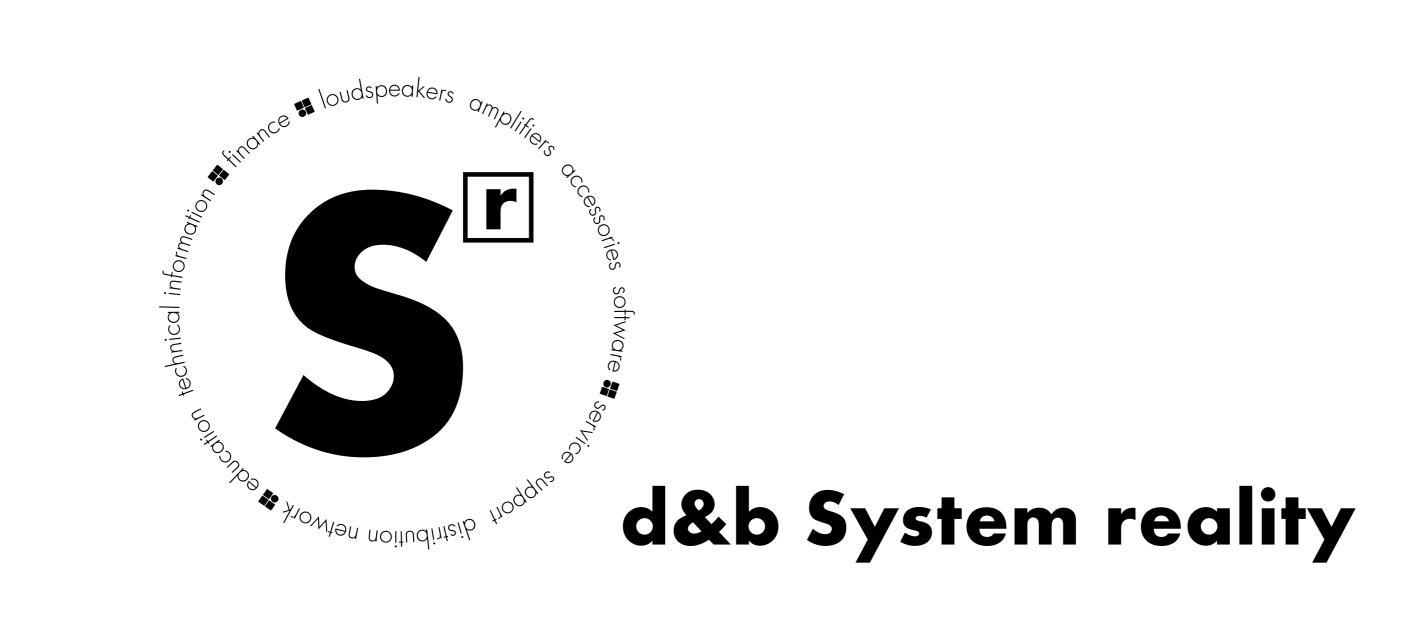
# **Q-Series**



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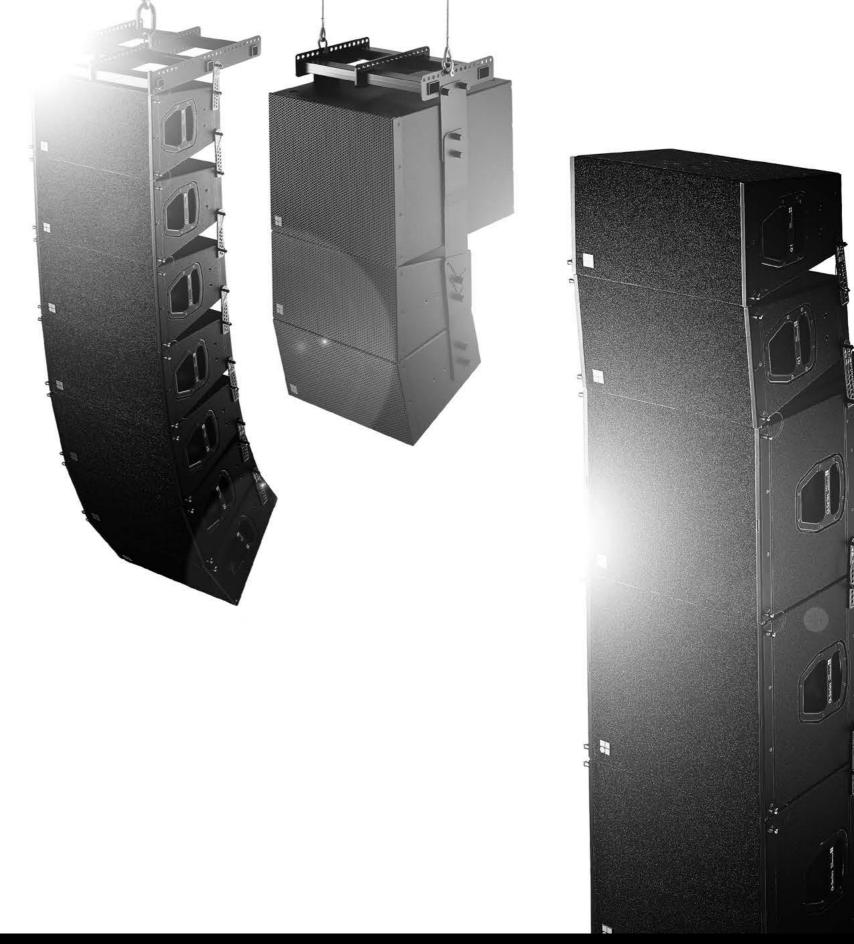


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As the name implies a d&b audiotechnik system is not just a loudspeaker. Nor is it merely a sum of the components: loudspeakers, amplifiers, accessories and software. Right from the outset the d&b audiotechnik approach was to build integrated sound reinforcement systems that actually are more than the combination of parts: an entirety where each fits all. Every element is tightly specified, precisely aligned and carefully integrated to achieve maximum efficiency. For ease of use, all the user-definable parameters are integrated, allowing the possibility of adjustment, either via remote control surfaces or directly on the amplifiers. Neutral sound characteristics leave the user all the freedom needed to realise whatever the brief. At the same time d&b offers integrated finance, service and support, a knowledgeable distribution network, education and training as well as technical information, so the same optimal acoustic result is achieved consistently by every system anywhere, at any time. In reality: the d&b System reality.







Clarity, bandwidth, high power and headroom capabilities make the **Q-Series** loudspeakers an ideal option for speech and music in many small to medium scale theatre and presentation situations, live television and orchestral shows. The scope of applications is intentionally broad, ranging from single loudspeakers right through to multiple cabinet arrays. These flexible loudspeakers can be effortlessly and scalably combined for a multitude of small to large coherent arrays. To this end a variety of technologies are used: conventional rotatable CD horns, dipolar driver arrangements, low compression vented designs with high excursion drivers and toroidal waveshaping devices, all integrated using line array principals. The **Q loudspeakers**  are designed for a wide range of applications with a clear perspective to provide mobile, flexible, configurable array solutions to the most arduous sound reinforcement situations. The **Qi loudspeakers** differ only in cabinet construction and mounting hardware. They are intended for permanently installed performance spaces where the specification is rider driven by the artist or mix engineer's preferences. Both the Qi loudspeakers and mounting hardware can be properly colour matched to interior designs and are weather protected for climatically hostile environments.

### **The Q-Series**

The 2-way passively crossed over Q1 and Qi1, Q7 and Qi7 as well as Q10 and Qi10 loudspeakers share the same physical size, shape and driver compliment. The highest degree of constant directivity is maintained using a large frequency overlap through the crossover range, while the recessed dipolar positioning of the two 10" low frequency drivers mechanically time aligns these with the 1.3" exit HF driver.

The Q1 and Qi1 HF drivers are fitted with a toroidal waveshaping device that has a 75° horizontal dispersion pattern.

The HF drivers of Q7 and Qi7 as well as Q10 and Qi10 are fitted to rotatable 75° x 40° and 110° x 40° (h x v) constant directivity horns respectively, allowing horns to be configured for use both vertically or horizontally. When deployed upright, the Q7 and Qi7 as well as Q10 and Qi10 are accurate stand-alone full range loudspeakers with vertical directivity control extending approximately one octave below similarly sized biaxial loudspeakers. Their horizontal coverage angles can also be used to fulfil near field or infill functions for line arrays, either flown, stacked or ground supported. When deployed horizontally with the horn rotated, the horizontal dispersion control of Q7 and Qi7 is maintained down to approximately 400 Hz. This performance can be used very effectively in critical positions close to open microphones and also allows Q7 and Qi7 loudspeakers to be combined as the near field element in Q1 and Qi1 columns.



Q1 loudspeaker



Qi1 loudspeaker



Q7, Q10 loudspeaker



Qi7, Qi10 loudspeaker

The **Q**, **Qi** and **QiCSA** subwoofers complete the Series, sharing the same width as the other loudspeakers and having compatible flying fittings that enable their use in columns with Q and Qi loudspeakers respectively. The Q, Qi and QiCSA-SUB cabinets are bass-reflex designs with an 18" high excursion driver. Multiples of three Q-SUBs or two Qi-SUBs and one QiCSA-SUB can be combined to produce Cardioid Subwoofer Arrays (CSA).

The d&b software offering aides the entire system setup process, from the simulation and planning of the loudspeaker systems, to the remote control and monitoring of the system functions during the event, followed by service functionality to verify system performance prior to de-rigging. The **ArrayCalc** simulation software allows the virtual optimization of loudspeaker line arrays, point source and column loudspeakers as well as subwoofers and their adjustment to venue conditions. Using the R1 export function, a project file containing the simulation data, including the respective amplifier settings is generated for deployment in the **R1** Remote control software. R1 then feeds the settings to the amplifiers from a central location to allow rapid verification and fine adjustment on site. Service functions enable firmware updates of the amplifiers as and when these are available.

The d&b **D6** and **D12** dual channel as well as the **D80** four channel amplifiers realize the complete system and incorporate d&b loudspeaker specific configuration information. They provide three different power ranges and have analog and digital signal inputs and links. These devices are specially designed and manufactured by d&b utilizing Digital Signal Processing and include switchable functions for precisely tailoring system response for a wide variety of applications. Delay capabilities and equalization on each channel of every amplifier reduce the need for external processing devices, with user definable 4-band parametric EQ for the D6 and D12 compared to the two 16-band equalizers incorporated into the D80.



Q subwoofer



Qi, QiCSA subwoofer



D12 amplifier



### The Q1 and Qi1 loudspeakers

### The Q7 and Qi7 loudspeakers

### Q1 and Qi1 loudspeakers

The Q1 and Qi1 are line array loudspeakers for use in vertical columns. The Qi1 is the installation version of the Q1 loudspeaker, it differs only in cabinet construction and mounting hardware. The Q1 and Q11 cabinets are passive 2-way designs housing two 10" LF drivers and a 1.3" HF compression driver with a toroidal waveshaping device to achieve a 75° horizontal dispersion characteristic. The two 10" neodymium LF drivers are positioned in a dipolar arrangement providing an exceptional dispersion control even at lower frequencies, with the 75° nominal dispersion angle being maintained down to 400 Hz.

Q1 and Qi1 cabinets can be combined with the respective Q and Qi subwoofer systems: in mixed line array setups, as a separate subwoofer column or in ground stacked applications. For further extension of bandwidth and headroom ground stacked J-INFRA subwoofers can be used.

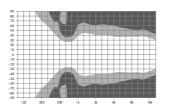
The Q1 and Qi1 cabinets are constructed from marine plywood and have an impact resistant paint finish. The front of the loudspeaker cabinets are covered with a replaceable acoustically transparent foam and protected by a rigid metal grill. Four M10 threaded inserts on each side panel of the Qi1 cabinet enclosure are provided for attaching installation hardware whilst the Q1 cabinet incorporates a pair of handles and has integrated line array rigging hardware.

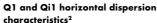
#### System data

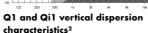
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Frequency response (-5 dB CUT mode)100 Hz - 17 kHz
Max. sound pressure (1 m, free field) <sup>1</sup>
with D6135 dB
with D12
with D80
Input level (100 dB SPL/1 m)18 dBu

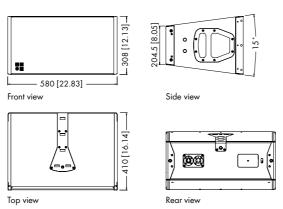
### Loudspeaker data

Nominal impedance8	ohms
Power handling capacity (RMS/peak 10 msec)400/16	00 W
Nominal dispersion angle (h)	75°
Components2 x 10" driver/1.3" compression	driver
passive crossover ne	etwork
Connections Q1	4 F/M
optional 2 x EP5 or 2 x	x NL4
Connections Qi12	x NL4
Weight Q1/Qi1 22/21 kg (49/4	46 lb)

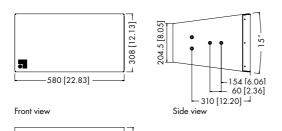


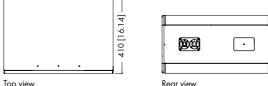






Q1 cabinet dimensions in mm [inch]





Qi1 cabinet dimensions in mm [inch]

#### Q7 and Qi7 loudspeakers

The Q7 and Qi7 are full range loudspeakers. The Qi7 is the installation version of the Q7 loudspeaker, it differs only in cabinet construction and mounting hardware.

The Q7 and Qi7 are 75° x 40° passive 2-way cabinets housing two 10" LF drivers and a 1.3" HF compression driver with a rotatable constant directivity horn and a passive crossover network. The two 10" neodymium LF drivers are positioned in a dipolar arrangement providing exceptional vertical dispersion control with the 40° nominal angle being maintained down to 400 Hz. The precisely controlled 75° horizontal dispersion performance provides the ideal pattern for many medium throw requirements. The horn can be rotated by 90°.

The Q7 and Qi7 can be used as stand-alone full range systems in combinations with other Q and Qi loudspeakers, around stacked or mounted on a high stand. Q7 and Qi7 cabinets can also be combined in flown array systems.

The Q7 and Qi7 cabinets are constructed from marine plywood and have an impact resistant paint finish. The front of the loudspeaker cabinets are covered with a replaceable acoustically transparent foam and protected by a rigid metal grill. Four M10 threaded inserts on each side panel of the Qi7 cabinet enclosure are provided for attaching installation hardware whilst the Q7 cabinet incorporates a pair of handles and has integrated line array rigging hardware.

#### System data

Frequency response (-5 dB standard) 60 Hz - 17 kHz
Frequency response (-5 dB CUT mode)100 Hz - 17 kHz
Max. sound pressure (1 m, free field) <sup>1</sup>
with D6134 dB
with D12
with D80
Input level (100 dB SPL/1 m)17 dBu

### Loudspeaker data

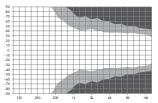
Nominal impedance	.8 ohms
Power handling capacity (RMS/peak 10 msec)400/1	600 W
Nominal dispersion angle (h x v)75	° x 40°
Components2 x 10" driver/1.3" compressio	on driver
	network
Connections Q7 2 x N	lta F/M
optional 2 x EP5 or 2	2 x NL4
Connections Qi7	2 x NL4
Weight Q7/Qi7	9/46 lb)

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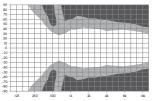
<sup>1</sup> Broadband measurement, pink noise, crest factor 4, peak measurement, linear weighting <sup>2</sup> Dispersion angle vs frequency plotted using lines of equal sound pressure (isobars) at -6 dB and -12 dB

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Q7 and Qi7 horizontal dispersion characteristics<sup>2</sup>

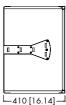


Q7 and Qi7 horizontal dispersion characteristics/rotated horn<sup>2</sup>





Front view



Side view



Top view

Rear view

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Top view

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Rear view

Q7 cabinet dimensions in mm [inch]

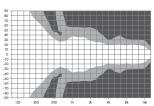


Front view

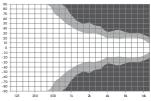


410 [16,14] Side view

Qi7 cabinet dimensions in mm [inch]



Q7 and Qi7 vertical dispersion characteristics<sup>2</sup>





### The Q10 and Qi10 loudspeakers

### The Q and Qi subwoofers

### Q10 and Qi10 loudspeakers

The Q10 and Qi10 are full range loudspeakers. The Qi10 is the installation version of the Q10 loudspeaker, it differs only in cabinet construction and mounting hardware.

The Q10 and Qi10 are 110° x 40° passive 2-way cabinets housing two 10" LF drivers and a 1.3" HF compression driver with a rotatable constant directivity horn and a passive crossover network. The two 10" neodymium LF drivers are positioned in a dipolar arrangement providing exceptional vertical dispersion control with the 40° nominal angle being maintained down to 400 Hz.

Q10 and Qi10 can be used as stand-alone full range systems, in combinations with other Q and Qi cabinets ground stacked or mounted on a high stand. The wide constant directivity performance provides remarkable transparency when used in close proximity to listeners. It is also ideally suited to ambient and distributed sound reinforcement tasks. When used in the upright configuration the Q10 and Qi10 have a very accurate 110° horizontal constant directivity behaviour that is maintained down to approximately 800 Hz.

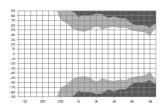
The Q10 and Qi10 cabinets are constructed from marine plywood and have an impact resistant paint finish. The front of the loudspeaker cabinets are covered with a replaceable acoustically transparent foam and protected by a rigid metal grill. Four M10 threaded inserts on each side panel of the Qi10 cabinet enclosure are provided for attaching installation hardware whilst the Q10 cabinet incorporates a pair of handles and has integrated rigging hardware.

#### System data

Frequency response (-5 dB standard)60	Hz - 17 kHz
Frequency response (-5 dB CUT mode)100	Hz - 17 kHz
Max. sound pressure (1 m, free field) <sup>1</sup>	
with D6	133 dB
with D12	137 dB
with D80	137 dB
Input level (100 dB SPL/1 m)	– 17 dBu

### Loudspeaker data

Nominal impedance	8 ohms
Power handling capacit	y (RMS/peak 10 msec) 400/1600 W
Nominal dispersion and	le (h x v)
Components	2 x 10" driver/1.3" compression driver
	passive crossover network
Connections Q10	
	optional 2 x EP5 or 2 x NL4
Connections Qi10	2 x NL4
Weight Q10/Qi10	



Q10 and Qi10 vertical dispersion

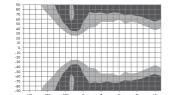
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Q10 and Qi10 vertical

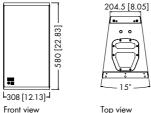
rotated horn<sup>2</sup>

dispersion characteristics/

Q10 and Qi10 horizontal dispersion characteristics<sup>2</sup>



Q10 and Qi10 horizontal dispersion characteristics/ . rotated horn<sup>2</sup>



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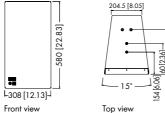
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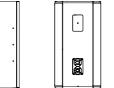
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Q10 cabinet dime ions in mm [inch]

Rear view







Rear view

410 [16,14] Side view

Qi10 cabinet dimensions in mm [inch]

Broadband measurement, pink noise, crest factor 4, peak measurement, linear weighting <sup>2</sup> Dispersion angle vs frequency plotted using lines of equal sound pressure (isobars) at -6 dB and -12 dB

#### Q and Qi subwoofers

The Q-SUB and Qi-SUB are the dedicated subwoofers for the Q and Qi loudspeakers respectively and can be used to supplement the top cabinets in various combinations, either flown or ground stacked. The Qi-SUB is the installation version of the Q-SUB, differing only in cabinet construction and mounting hardware. The Q and Qi subwoofers are actively driven bass reflex designs, housing a long excursion 18" driver.

The subwoofers can be combined with the respective Q and Qi loadspeakers in line arrays, as a separate column or in ground stacked applications where the subwoofers also mechanically support the top loudspeakers.

The Q and Qi subwoofer cabinets are constructed from marine plywood and have an impact resistant paint finish. The Qi-SUB is also available in Special Colour (SC) and Weather Resistant (WR) options. The front of the subwoofer cabinets are covered with a replaceable acoustically transparent foam and protected by a rigid metal grill.

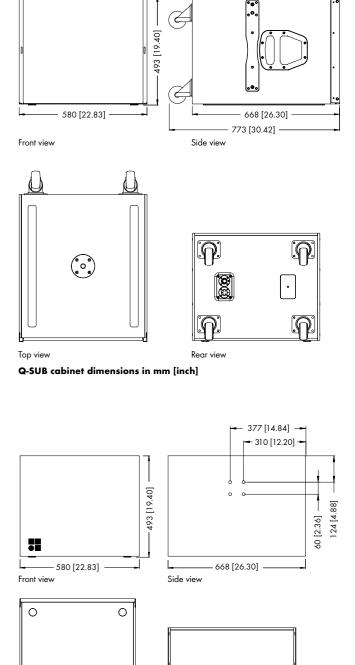
Installation hardware is attached to the Qi-SUB enclosure through four M10 threaded inserts on each side panel. The Q-SUB incorporates a pair of handles, a M20 threaded flange in the top panel and integrated line array rigging hardware.

#### System data

Frequency response (-5 dB standard)40 Hz - 130 Hz
Frequency response (-5 dB 100 Hz mode)40 Hz - 100 Hz
Max. sound pressure (1 m, free field) <sup>1</sup>
with D6129 dB
with D12
with D80

#### Loudspeaker data

Nominal impedance	8 ohms
Power handling capacity (RMS/peak 10 msec)400/	′1600 W
Components1	8″ driver
Connections 2 x I	NLT4 F/M
optional 2 x EP5 or	2 x NL4
Weight42 kg	(92.6 lb)





Top view

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**Qi-SUB** cabinet dimensions in mm [inch]

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Rear view

### The QiCSA subwoofer

## The Qi Weather Resistant and **Special Colour options**

### **QiCSA** subwoofer

The QiCSA subwoofer is a specifically designed version of the Qi-SUB for use as the rear facing element in Cardioid Sub Arrays (CSA) only. The QiCSA-SUB only differs from the Qi-SUB visually, as the CSA version features a grill and foam on both the front and the back of the loudspeaker to visually integrate with Qi-SUB's in an array. The QiCSA subwoofer is an actively driven bass reflex design, housing a long excursion 18" driver.

The QiCSA subwoofer cabinet is constructed from marine plywood and has an impact resistant paint finish. The QiCSA is also available in Special Colour (SC) and Weather Resistant (WR) options. The front and rear of the subwoofer cabinets are covered with a replaceable acoustically transparent foam and protected by a rigid metal grill. The grill facing backwards is fitted with a single NL4 connector at the bottom left hand side.

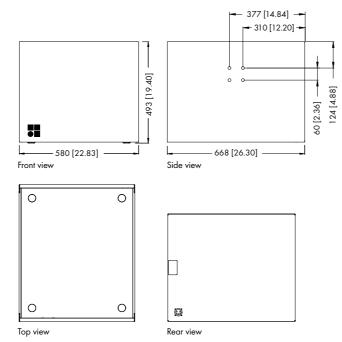
Installation hardware is attached to the QiCSA-SUB enclosure through four M10 threaded inserts on each side panel.

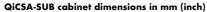
#### System data

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Frequency response (-5 dB 100 Hz mode)40 Hz - 100 Hz	
Max. sound pressure (1 m, free field) <sup>1</sup>	
with D6129 dB	
with D12 133 dB	
with D80	

### Loudspeaker data

Nominal impedance	8 ohms
Power handling capacity (RMS/peak 10 msec)	400/1600 W
Components	18″ driver
Connections	x NL4/1 x NL4
Weight	40 kg (88 lb)





The Weather Resistant and Special Colour options are only available to order with the Qi version cabinets and appropriate accessories.

### Weather Resistant (WR) option

The WR option enables operation of loudspeakers in changing ambient conditions, however it is not intended to enable permanent, unprotected operation of loudspeakers outdoors. Cabinets being used outdoors even with the WR option should always be aimed either horizontally or with a downward tilt. The QiCSA-SUB should only be aimed horizontally. An additional cover should be positioned over the loudspeakers.

Qi loudspeakers with the Weather Resistant option are supplied with a fixed cable. Cable type H-07-RN-F 2 x 2.5 mm<sup>2</sup>/AWG 13 with a length of 5.5 m (18 ft) as standard or length as required.

#### Special Colour (SC) option

The paint finish of all loudspeaker cabinets and most accessories can be executed in almost all RAL colours in accordance with the RAL colour table. Items such as chains, fixing screws, shackles, eyebolts and screws are not painted. Other paint finishes such as metallic are available on request. The acoustically transparent foam fitted behind the rigid metal grill is also painted with the requested RAL colour.

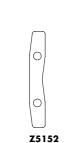
### The Q1 rigging system

# The Q1 rigging examples

### Safety approval

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**Q** Front link

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**Q** Load adapter

WLL: 480 kg/1058 lb

or twenty Q1 loudspeakers;

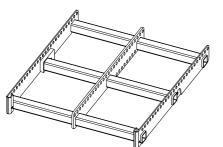
aiming of a column by 1/1, 1/2 or 1/4 detents

Z5153

Locking pins 8 mm

Z5154 Q Rigging set:

Q Splay link



Z5159 Q Flying frame WLL: 480 kg/1058 lb or twenty Q1 loudspeakers



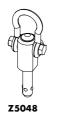
Z5147 Rota clamp WLL: 500 kg/1100 lb; for a tube diameter up to 51 mm/2"



Z5155 Q Hoist connector chain WLL: 480 kg/1058 lb or twenty Q1 loudspeakers

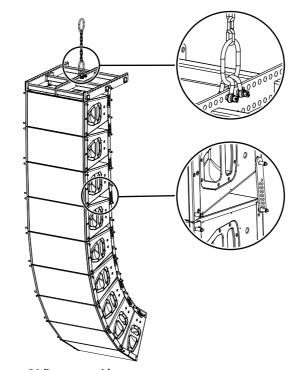


**Z5156 Q Flying adapter** For three Q1 loudspeakers maximum



25048 Flying pin 10 mm

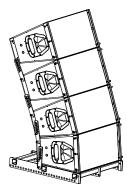
With a 15° vertical HF dispersion per cabinet, the Q1 can be used to construct vertical columns that produce a curved coherent wave front. The mechanical and acoustical design of the cabinet enables vertical splay angles to be set between 0° and 14°. Q1 cabinets can therefore be used in vertical configurations starting from two cabinets with a 15° to 30° dispersion, up to twenty cabinets with a fully user and venue defined vertical profile. For further information please refer to the TI 385 d&b Line array design and Q-Series Rigging manual, which are available for download at www.dbaudio.com.



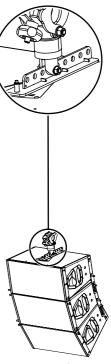
Q1 line array with Z5159 Q Flying frame Z5154 Q Rigging set Z5155 Q Hoist connector chain E6507 1t Shackles



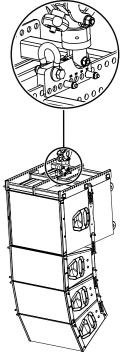
Q1/Q-SUB ground stack with Z5154 Q Rigging set



Q1 ground stack with Z5159 Q Flying frame Z5154 Q Rigging set



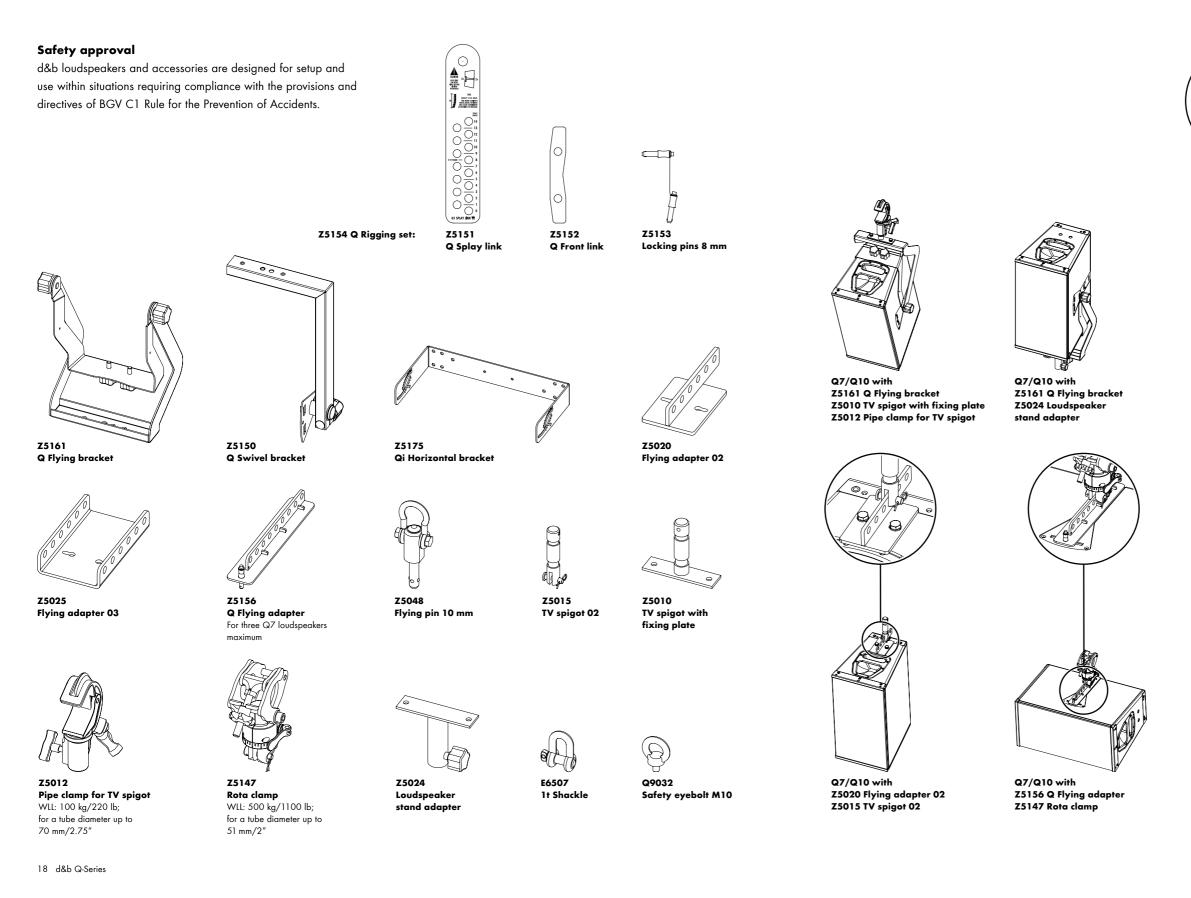
Q1 array with Z5156 Q Flying adapter Z5154 Q Rigging set Z5147 Rota clamp



Q1/Q-SUB array with Z5159 Q Flying frame Z5154 Q Rigging set Z5147 Rota clamp Z5160 Q Load adapter

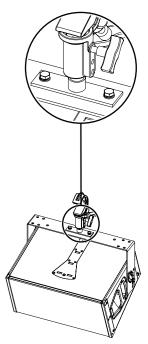
## The Q7/Q10 mounting accessories

# The Q7/Q10 mounting examples

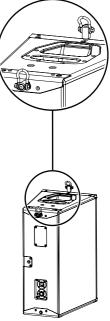




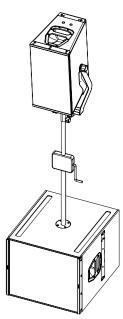
Q7/Q10 with Z5150 Q Swivel bracket Z5010 TV spigot with fixing plate Z5012 Pipe clamp for TV spigot



Q7/Q10 with Z5175 Qi Horizontal bracket Z5010 TV spigot with fixing plate Z5012 Pipe clamp for TV spigot



Q7/Q10 with Z5048 Flying pins 10 mm



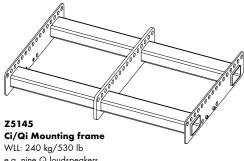
Q7/Q10 and Q-SUB with Z5161 Q Flying bracket Z5013 Loudspeaker stand winder M20

### The Qil rigging system

# The Qi1 rigging examples

### Safety approval

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e.g. nine Q loudspeakers



Z5170 **Qi Mounting adapter** 



Z5147 Rota clamp WLL: 500 kg/1100 lb; for a tube diameter up to 51 mm/2"



**Qi Mounting plate** 

Z5172 Qi-SUB Mounting plate

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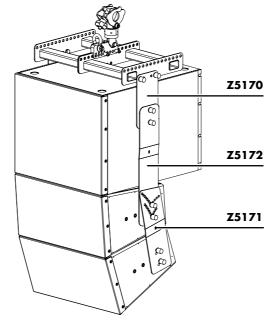
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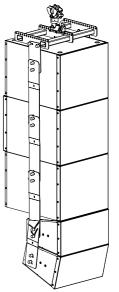
Q Load adapter WLL: 480 kg/1058 lb or 20 Qi1 loudspeakers; aiming of a column by 1/1, 1/2 or 1/4 detents

With a 15° vertical HF dispersion per cabinet, the Qi1 can be used to construct vertical columns that produce a curved coherent wave front. The mechanical and acoustical design of the cabinet enables vertical splay angles to be set between 0° and 14°. Qi1 cabinets can therefore be used in vertical configurations starting from two cabinets with a 15° to 30° dispersion, up to nine cabinets with a fully user and venue defined vertical profile. Qi subwoofers can be integrated at any position within the array. Three subwoofers can be mounted together in CSA mode, where the centre QiCSA-SUB radiates to the back. For further information please refer to the TI 385 d&b Line array design, which is available for download at www.dbaudio.com.



Flown Qi1/Qi-SUB array with Z5145 Ci/Qi Mounting frame Z5160 Q Load adapter Z5147 Rota clamp Z5170 Qi Mounting adapter Z5171 Qi Mounting plate Z5172 Qi-SUB Mounting plate

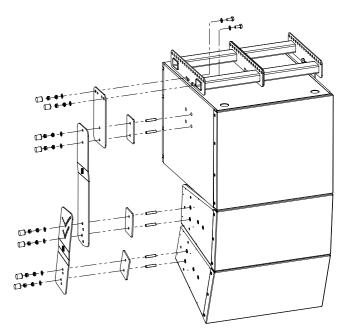
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Qi-SUB/QiCSA-SUB Cardioid Subwoofer Array front view

Qi-SUB/QiCSA-SUB Cardioid Subwoofer Array back view



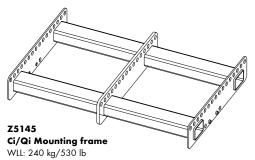
Qi rigging system

# The Qi rigging system The Qi7/Qi10 rigging examples

# The Qi7/Qi10 mounting and rigging accessories and examples

### Safety approval

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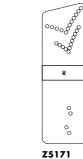




Z5147 Rota clamp WLL: 500 kg/1100 lb; for a tube diameter up to 51 mm/2"



Z5160 **Q** Load adapter WLL: 480 kg/1058 lb; aiming of a column by 1/1, 1/2 or 1/4 detents

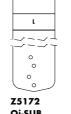


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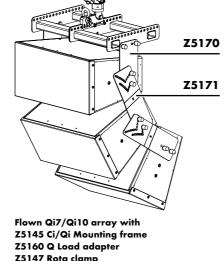
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**Qi Mounting adapter** 

**Qi Mounting plate** 



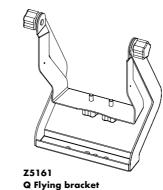
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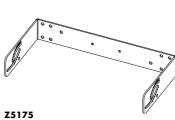


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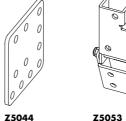
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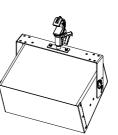
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Z5015 Ci60/Ci90 Bracket TV spigot 02

Z5010 TV spigot with fixing plate





Qi7/Qi10 with Z5161 Q Flying bracket Z5010 TV spigot with fixing plate Z5012 Pipe clamp for TV spigot

Qi7/Qi10 with Z5175 Qi Horizontal bracket Z5010 TV spigot with fixing plate Z5012 Pipe clamp for TV spigot



Z5020 Flying adapter 02



Z5025 Flying adapter 03



Z5054 Ci60/Ci90 **Flying adapter** 



Z5012 Pipe clamp for TV spigot WLL: 100 kg/220 lb; for a tube diameter up to 70 mm/2.75″



Z5024 Loudspeaker stand adapter



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Qi7/Qi10 horizontal array with Z5175 Qi Horizontal bracket Z5044 MAX Bracket connector



Qi7/Qi10 vertical array with Z5054 Ci60/Ci90 Flying adapter Z5175 Qi Horizontal bracket Z5053 Ci60/Ci90 Bracket connector

### The d&b ArrayCalc simulation software

### The d&b Remote network

The d&b ArrayCalc simulation software is the simulation tool for d&b line arrays, column and point source loudspeakers as well as subwoofers. This is a comprehensive toolbox for all tasks associated with acoustic design, performance prediction, alignment, rigging and safety parameters. For safety reasons d&b line arrays must be designed using the d&b ArrayCalc simulation software.

d&b ArrayCalc is available as a native stand-alone application for both Microsoft Windows<sup>1</sup> (Win7 or higher) and Mac OS X<sup>2</sup> (10.6 or higher) operating systems. In combination with the d&b Remote network, this can significantly reduce setup and tuning time in mobile applications, and allows for precise initial simulations when planning installations.

Listening planes in three dimensions can be defined, creating a representation of the audience areas in a given venue. This includes areas such as typical listening planes, arenas, balconies, side stalls, and in the round. Special functions assist in obtaining accurate dimensions with laser distance finders and inclinometers

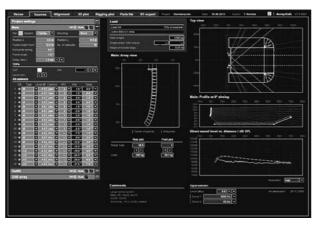
Acoustic obstacles, such as arena video score boards can be added to a model.

The ArrayCalc R1 export function produces a project file for the R1 Remote control software. Complete details of the system simulated in ArrayCalc are generated, including loudspeakers, amplifiers, remote IDs, groups and all configuration information. This workflow sequence removes the need to manually transfer data from one software program to the other. EASE and DXF data export capabilities are also available.

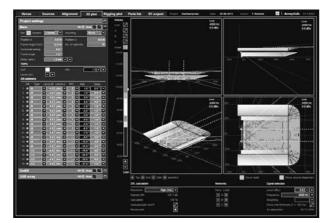
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Venue editor



Sources, array



3D Plot quad

The remote control capability of the d&b Remote network enables central control and monitoring of a complete d&b loudspeaker system from anywhere in the network, be it from a computer in the control room, at the mix position, or on a wireless tablet in the auditorium. This central access to all functions through the d&b Remote network, to controls as well as detailed system and device diagnostics information, unlocks the full potential of the d&b system approach. In a typical user workflow, the d&b Remote network takes settings optimized in the ArrayCalc simulation software and applies these to all the amplifiers within the network. The importation of settings from ArrayCalc allows the system configuration to be quickly accomplished, providing more time for verification and fine tuning.

All features, functions and controls available on the front panel of d&b amplifiers may be remotely controlled and/or monitored using R1 Remote control software. This allows each channel of the amplifier to be controlled and enables the creation of groups of loudspeakers. When grouped together, a button or fader can control the overall system level, zone level, equalization and delay, power ON/OFF, MUTE, as well as loudspeaker specific function switches such as CUT/HFA/HFC and CPL. An offline mode is provided for preparation in advance of an event, without the amplifiers being present or connected.

For mobile applications, d&b System check verifies that the system performs within a predefined condition. Extensive facilities for storing and recalling system settings are provided allowing these to be repeated, as and when required. Project files can be easily adjusted for use with a different set of equipment at another location.

In installation projects system integrators can configure the d&b Remote network to offer access to different levels of control, tailored to the operational demands. For example, power ON/ OFF for daily use, or more complex functionality for detailed control. Password protection is available to restrict access. Input and Load monitoring allow installation operators to ensure optimum performance at all times.

R1 Remote control software enables d&b amplifiers to be remotely controlled using both Ethernet and CAN-Bus in parallel. The software is optimized for use with touch screen, mouse and keyboard and runs on both Microsoft Windows<sup>1</sup> (Win7 or higher) and Mac OS X<sup>2</sup> (10.6 or higher) operating systems. Further information is provided in the d&b Amplifier and Software brochure which is available for download at www.dbaudio.com.

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**Remote in Configuration mode** 



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### The D6, D12 and D80 amplifiers

Two decades have passed since d&b embarked on integrating Digital Signal Processing (DSP) into power amplifiers. It is over ten years since all d&b amplifiers used this technology and included analog and digital signal inputs, extensive loudspeaker control, configuration and protection functions, user definable equalization, delay and the all embracing remote control functionality as standard.

The d&b amplifiers sit right at the very heart of the d&b systems, providing sophisticated control capabilities as well as the power to efficiently drive d&b loudspeakers in whatever the particular application. The amplifiers are developed and manufactured by d&b and incorporate loudspeaker specific setups. Sophisticated protection circuits modelling thermal and mechanical driver behaviour are provided, resulting in the sustained reliability of d&b systems. Switchable functions for precisely tailoring system response in a wide variety of applications are also included, integrating complete loudspeaker system management into the amplifier. The digital elements are specified and constructed to achieve outstanding audio performance while maintaining a very low latency of 0.3 msec The amplifiers are designed specifically for use with d&b loudspeakers, have remote control, monitoring capabilities and switch mode power supplies. To simplify configuration, the output mode of the amplifier can be configured as Dual Channel, Mix TOP/SUB or 2-Way Active modes depending on the application. The user definable equalization and delay functions incorporated in each channel of all d&b amplifiers are intended for tuning in applications such as infills, frontfills or under balcony delays, without the need for external processors. A signal generator offering pink noise or a sine wave program is also incorporated for test and alignment purposes.

d&b amplifiers<sup>1</sup> contain functions to allow system status monitoring and protection features, increasing the longevity of d&b systems. They provide the d&b System check function, which is designed to verify the system performs within a predefined condition; this can be used to report the system condition after a show. Input monitoring can detect incoming pilot tones to verify the integrity of the signal path to the amplifier, while the Load monitoring function determines the status of the loudspeaker impedance. Both d&b System check and Load monitoring can determine the status of an LF or HF driver in systems with multiple elements, even if these are crossed over passively. Automatic and continuous impedance monitoring, along with Input monitoring are designed for incorporation in applications specified to the requirements of International Standard IEC 60849 'Sound Systems for Emergency Purposes'.

d&b amplifiers feature two control interfaces. Firstly, the front panel rotary encoder, combined with the display, provides full access to settings and functions. Secondly, by utilizing the d&b Remote network, the amplifiers can be remotely controlled and monitored from a virtual centre. Every amplifier channel can be assigned a unique channel and device name to simplify identification. The Wink function, which can be enabled remotely, flashes the display backlight to clearly identify specific amplifiers in a system. An integrated password protected LOCK function prevents unauthorized changes.

A powerCON<sup>2</sup> mains connector socket is fitted on the rear panel. The switch mode power supply of each amplifier incorporates mains overvoltage protection, inrush current limiting and loudspeaker protection at start up. Temperature and signal controlled fans cool the internal assemblies. d&b amplifiers offer analog and digital AES/EBU signal inputs, with link outputs for each channel. The AES/EBU link output carries a refreshed signal, while a power fail relay is incorporated to prevent interruption of the signal chain, in the event of a power failure.

The D12 amplifier incorporates d&b SenseDrive for accurate control of LF drivers in d&b loudspeakers driven 2-Way Active or in actively driven d&b subwoofers. When the D12 is fitted with EP5 connectors and appropriate 5-wire cabling, d&b SenseDrive can be used resulting in an extremely precise bass performance even at high levels. The LoadMatch function integrated within the D80 amplifier enables the electrical compensation of loudspeaker cable properties, without the need for an extra conductor. This results in an increased accuracy of audio reproduction over a bandwidth of up to 20 kHz preserving the tonal balance when cable lengths of up to 70 m (230 ft) are used.

Firmware updates containing new loudspeaker configurations or additional functions can be loaded to the amplifiers via the d&b Remote network.

### Comparison of the D6, D12 and D80 amplifiers

	D6	D12	D80	
User interface	Encoder/LC display	Encoder/LC display	Encoder/colour TFT touchscreen	
Output channels	2	2	4	
Input channels	2 AES or analog	2 AES or analog	4 AES or analog	
Latency	0.3 msec	0.3 msec	0.3 msec	
User equalizers (per channel)	4-band	4-band	2 x 16-band	
Delay	340 msec/116.9 m	340 msec/116.9 m	10 sec/3440 m	
Rated output power	2 x 300 W into 8 ohms 2 x 600 W into 4 ohms (THD+N < 0.1%)	2 x 750 W into 8 ohms 2 x 1200 W into 4 ohms (THD+N < 0.1%)	4 x 2000 W into 8 ohms 4 x 4000 W into 4 ohms (THD+N < 0.5%, 12 dB crest factor)	
Output routing	Dual Channel w/o B1 and B2	Dual Channel, Mix TOP/SUB 2-Way Active	Dual Channel, Mix TOP/SUB 2-Way Active	
Output connectors	NL4	NL4/EP5/NL8	NL4/EP5 plus central NL8	
Cable compensation	No	SenseDrive	LoadMatch	
Mains voltage	Wide range switch mode power supply	100/200V or 120/230V	Wide range switch mode power supply	
Weight (kg/lb)	8/17.6	13/28.7	19/42	
Dimensions	2 RU x 19″ x 353 mm	3 RU x 19" x 353 mm	2 RU x 19" x 530 mm	
Remote	CAN	CAN	OCA via Ethernet/CAN	
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 At the time of print, certain functions required within applications specified to achieve compliance with IEC 60849 such as Input and Load monitoring are not implemented in the D80 amplifier, please contact your distributor for further information
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### The Q-Series frequency responses

### CUT mode

Set to CUT, the cabinet low frequency level is reduced and is configured for use with d&b active subwoofers.

### HFC mode

Selecting the HFC (High Frequency Compensation) mode compensates for loss of high frequency energy due to absorption in air when loudspeakers are used to cover far field listening positions. HFC should be used selectively, only for those cabinets covering distances larger than 50 m (160 ft). This enables the correct sound balance between close and remote audience areas, whilst all amplifiers driving the array can be fed with the same signal.

#### HFA mode

In HFA mode (High Frequency Attenuation), the HF response of the system is rolled off. The HFA provides a natural, balanced frequency response when a unit is placed close to listeners in near field or delay use. High Frequency Attenuation begins gradually at 1 kHz, dropping by approximately 3 dB at 10 kHz. This roll off mimics the decline in frequency response experienced when listening to a system from a distance in a typically reverberant room or auditorium.

### **CPL** function

The CPL (Coupling) function compensates for coupling effects between closely coupled cabinets by reducing the low and mid frequency level. CPL begins gradually at 1 kHz, with maximum attenuation below 400 Hz, providing a balanced frequency response when cabinets are used in arrays of two or more. The CPL function can be set in dB attenuation values between -9 and 0, or a positive CPL value which creates an adjustable low frequency boost around 65 Hz (0 to +5 dB).

### 100 Hz mode

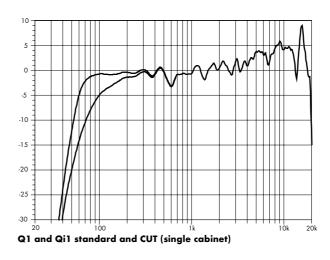
The 100Hz mode limits the upper operating frequency of the subwoofer to 100Hz, complementing top cabinets in full range mode.

#### CSA mode

CSA (Cardioid Subwoofer Array) mode enables the combination of three or multiples of three subwoofer cabinets into an array that produces exceptional low frequency directivity control. The amplifier channel for the centre subwoofer of the column, which is physically pointed to the rear, has CSA selected. The forward facing cabinets are driven with an amplifier channel set in the standard mode. The resulting cardioid behaviour of the array will significantly reduce the energy radiated to the rear. For further information please refer to the d&b TI 330 Cardioid Subwoofer Array, which is available for download at www.dbaudio.com.

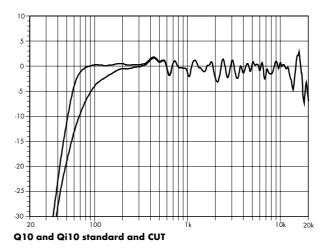
### Maximum loudspeakers per D6, D12 or D80 channel

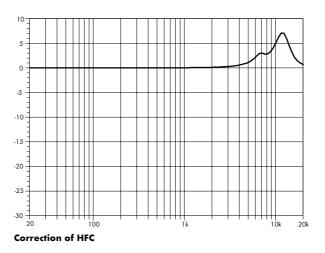
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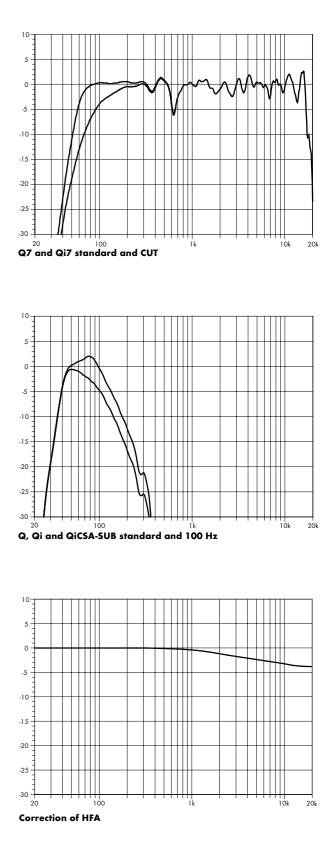




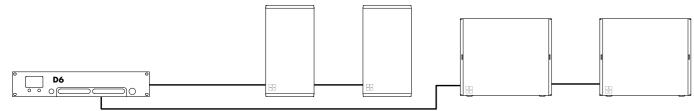
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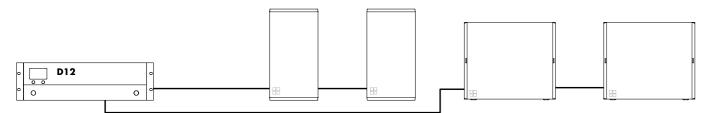




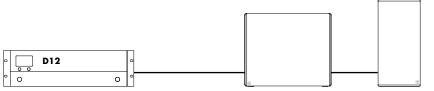
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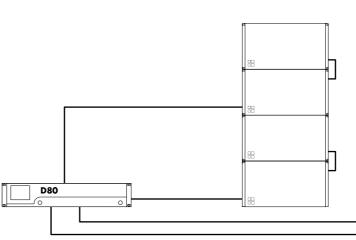
D6 amplifier in Dual Channel mode for Q7, Q10, Q1, Qi7, Qi10 or Qi1 and Q-SUB, Qi-SUB or QiCSA-SUB



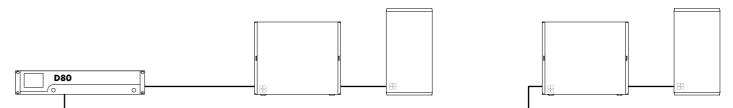
D12 amplifier in Dual Channel mode for Q7, Q10, Q1, Qi7, Qi10 or Qi1 and Q-SUB, Qi-SUB or QiCSA-SUB



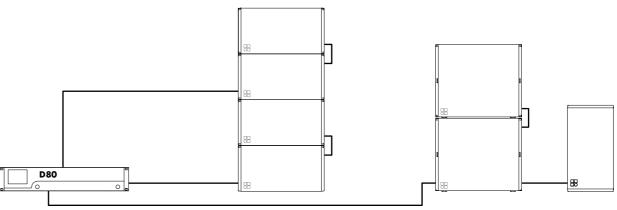
D12 amplifier in Mix TOP/SUB mode for Q7, Q10, Q1, Qi7, Qi10 or Qi1 and Q-SUB or Qi-SUB



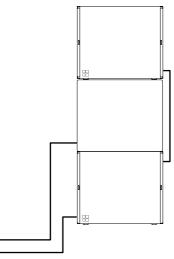
D80 amplifier in Dual Channel mode for Q7, Q10, Q1, Qi7, Qi10, Qi1, Q-SUB, Qi-SUB and QiCSA-SUB



D80 amplifier in Mix TOP/SUB mode for Q7, Q10, Q1, Qi7, Qi10, Qi1, Q-SUB and Qi-SUB



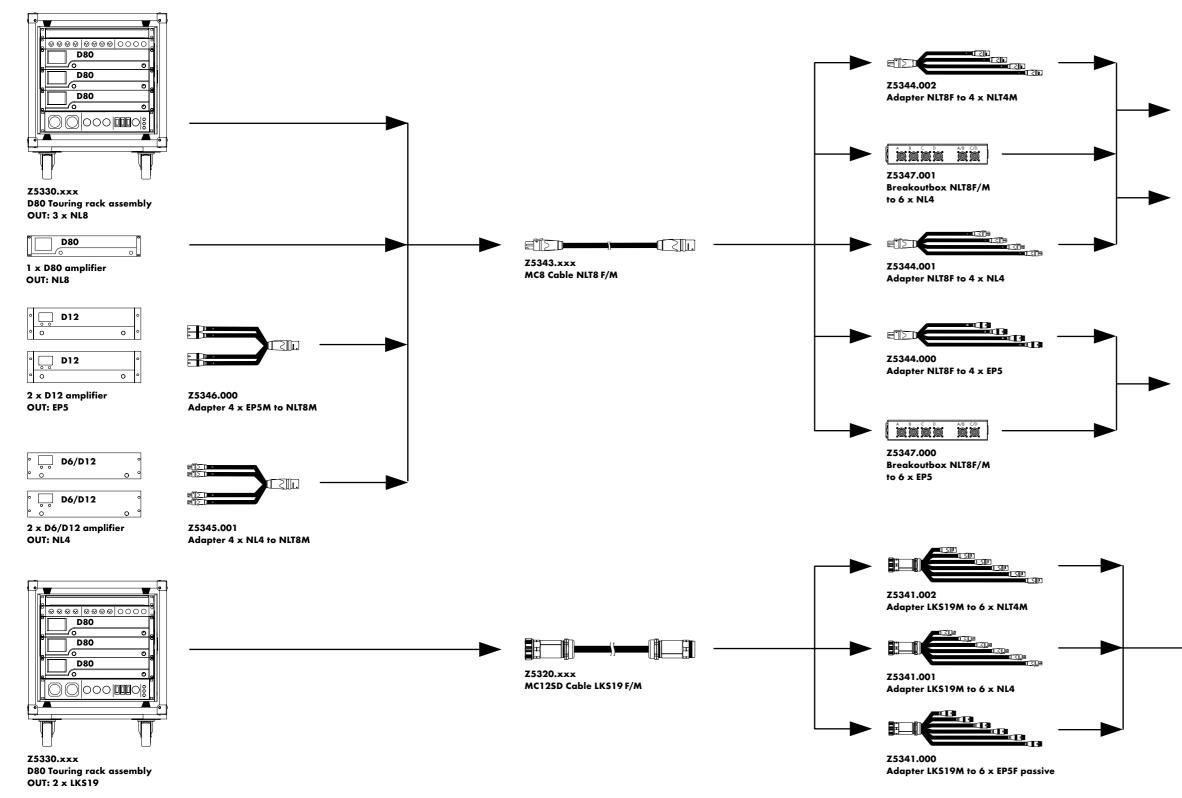
D80 amplifier in a mixed configuration of Dual Channel and Mix TOP/SUB modes for Q7, Q10, Q1, Qi7, Qi10, Qi1, Q-SUB and Qi-SUB

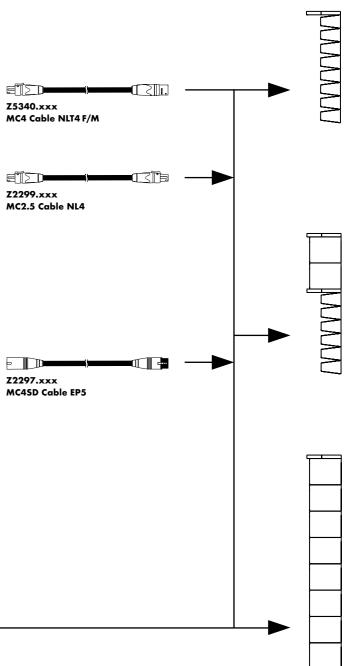




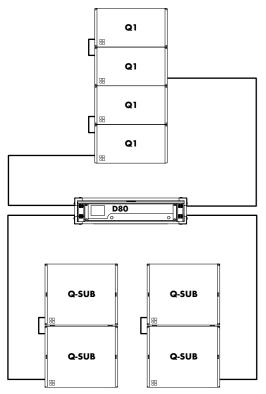
## The Q-Series cables and adapters

#### Amplifiers in Dual Channel mode

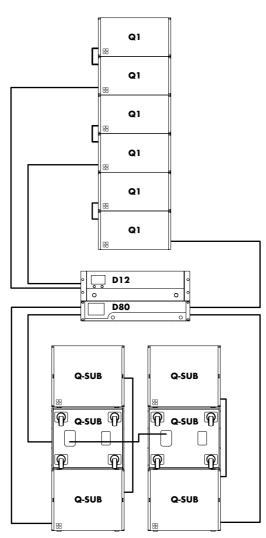




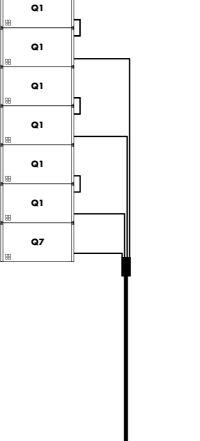
# The Q-Series configuration examples

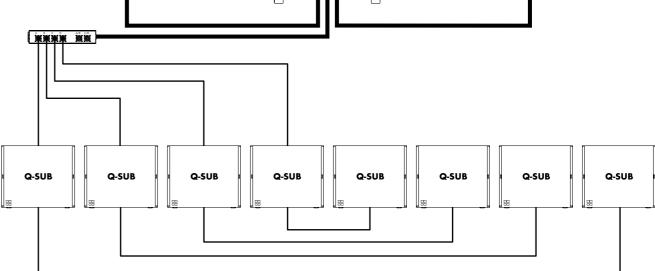


Q-Series configuration with flown Q1 line array and ground stacked Q-SUBs with D80 amplifier<sup>1</sup>



Q-Series configuration with flown Q1 line array with D12 amplifier and ground stacked Q-SUBs in CSA mode with D80 amplifier<sup>1</sup>





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Q-Series L/R configuration with flown Q1 and Q7 line array and ground stacked Q-SUB array with D80 Touring rack<sup>1</sup>

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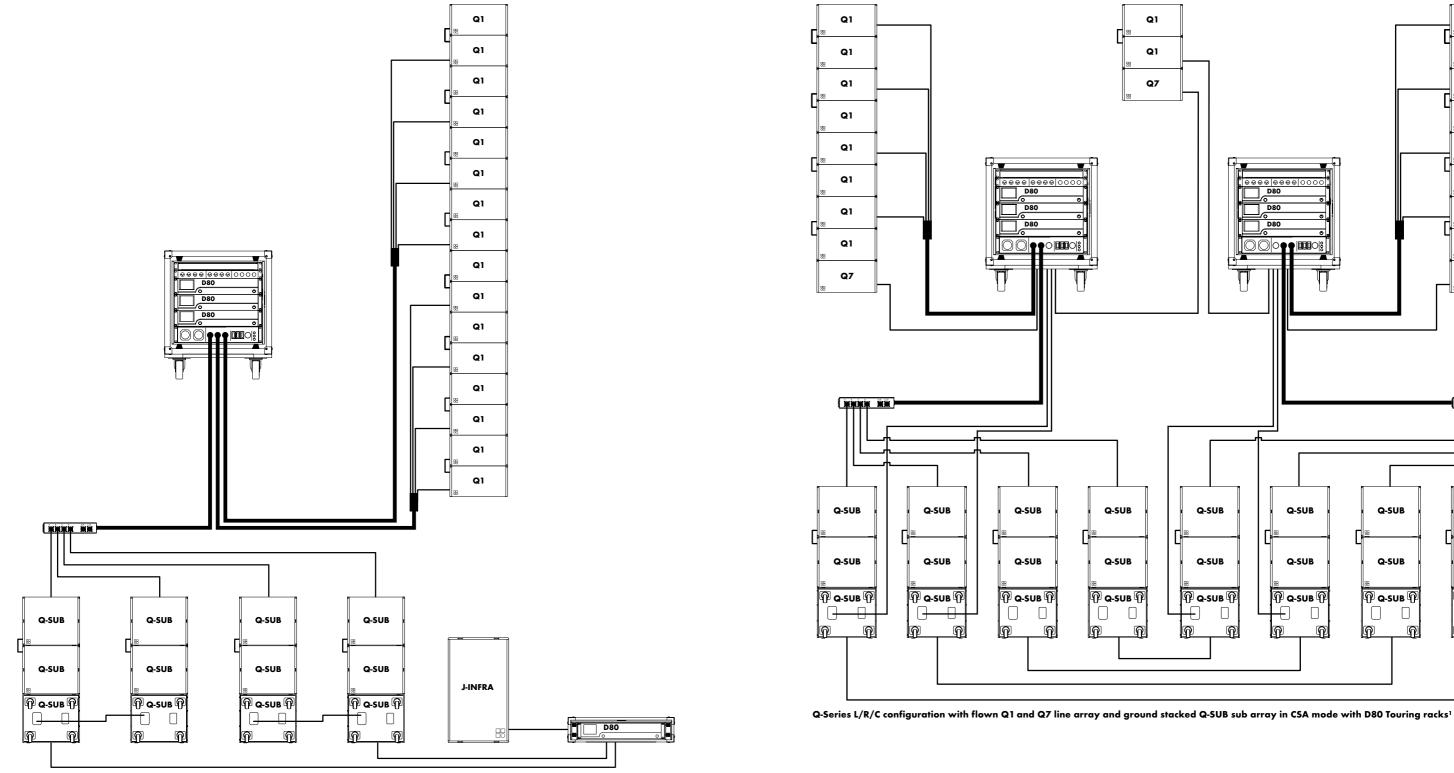
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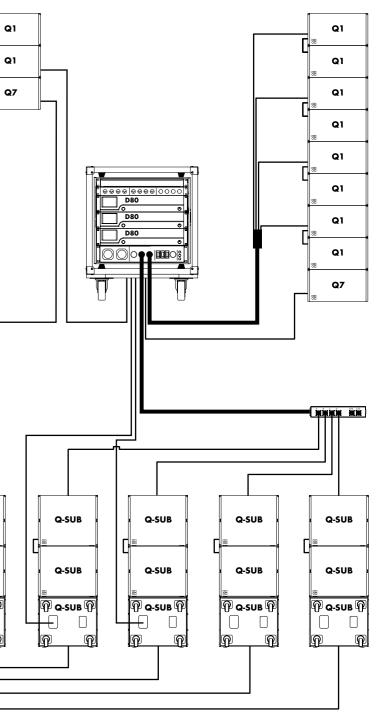
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# The Q-Series configuration examples



Q-Series configuration with flown Q1 line arrays and ground stacked Q-SUBs in CSA mode with D80 Touring rack and D80 amplifier<sup>1</sup>



# The Q-Series product overview

Q loudspeakers	Z0501.xxx Z0507.xxx	Q1 Loudspeaker Q7 Loudspeaker		Z5147.001 Z5012.500	Rota clamp Pipe clamp for T
	Z0508.xxx	Q10 Loudspeaker		Z5024.000	Loudspeaker st
	Z0510.xxx	Q Subwoofer		Z5009.000	Loudspeaker st
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Loudspeaker	Zxxxx.002	NLT4 F/M connector		Z5155.000	Q Hoist connect
connector options	Zxxxx.000	EP5 connector		E6507.000	1t Shackle
	Zxxxx.001	NL4 connector		Q9032.000	Safety eyebolt
Qi loudspeakers	Z0521.000	Qi1 Loudspeaker NL4 connector	Remote network	Z3010.000	R1 Remote cont
	Z0527.000	Qi7 Loudspeaker NL4 connector		Z6118.000	R60 USB to CAN
	Z0528.000	Qi10 Loudspeaker NL4 connector		Z6124.000	<b>R70 Ethernet to</b>
	Z0530.000	Qi Subwoofer NL4 connector		Z6116.000	RJ 45 M Termin
	Z0531.000	QiCSA Subwoofer NL4 connector		Z6122.000	Bopla mounting
		WR Weather Resistant option <sup>2</sup>		Z6123.000	Bopla mounting
		SC Special Colour option <sup>3</sup>			-
			Amplifiers	Z2700.xxx	D6 Amplifier N
Loudspeaker cases	E7430.000	Touring case 2 x Q1/Q7/Q10 wheels		Z2600.xxx	D12 Amplifier
·	E7431.000	Touring case 3 x Q1/Q7/Q10 wheels		Z2710.xxx	D80 Amplifier⁰
	E7432.000	Touring case 2 x Q1/Q7/Q10 wheels, Z5150 Q Swivel bracket, tray			•
	E7433.000	Touring case 2 x Q Flying frame wheels, flexible cable store, 2 trays	Amplifier rack assemblies	Z5330.001	D80 Touring rad
111-	F7001 000			Z5330.xxx	D80 Touring rad
Lids	E7921.000	Q-SUB Wooden lid	A man lift an amalas	E7449.000	
0	75154000		Amplifier racks	E7468.000	D80 Touring rad
Q accessories	Z5154.000	<b>Q Rigging set</b> (supplied with Q1 includes 2 x Z5151, Z5152 and 4 x Z5153)		E7419.000	Touring rack 3
	Z5151.000	Q Splay link		E7420.000	Touring rack 6
	Z5152.000	Q Front link	<b>A</b> 11	750.40	
	Z5153.000	Locking pins 8 mm (linked in pairs with steel wire)	Cables	Z5343.xxx	MC8 Cable NLT
	Z5159.000	Q Flying frame		Z5346.000	Adapter 4 x EP
	Z5160.000	Q Load adapter		Z5345.001	Adapter 4 x NL
	Z5150.000	Q Swivel bracket		Z5320.xxx	MC12SD Cable
	Z5156.000	Q Flying adapter		Z5344.002	Adapter NLT8F
	Z5048.000	Flying pin 10 mm		Z5344.001	Adapter NLT8F
				Z5344.000	Adapter NLT8F
Qi accessories	Z5145.000	Ci/Qi Mounting frame <sup>3</sup>		Z5347.001	Breakoutbox N
	Z5170.000	Qi Mounting adapter <sup>3, 4</sup>		Z5347.000	Breakoutbox N
	Z5171.000	Qi Mounting plate <sup>3, 4</sup>		Z5340.xxx	MC4 Cable NLT
	Z5172.000	Qi-SUB Mounting plate <sup>3, 4</sup>		Z2299.xxx	MC2.5 Cable N
	Z5054.000	Ci60/Ci90 Flying adapter <sup>3</sup>		Z2297.xxx	MC4SD Cable E
	Z5053.000	Ci60/Ci90 Bracket connector		Z5341.002	Adapter LKS19
				Z5341.001	Adapter LKS19
Q/Qi accessories	Z5161.000	<b>Q</b> Flying bracket <sup>3</sup>		Z5341.000	Adapter LKS19
	Z5175.000	Qi Horizontal bracket			
	Z5044.000	MAX Bracket connector <sup>4</sup>	Miscellaneous	Z5060.000	Anti-slip coating
	Z5020.000	Flying adapter 02 <sup>3</sup>		Z5061.000	Standard cabin
	Z5025.000	Flying adapter 03 <sup>3</sup>			
	Z5015.000	<b>TV spigot</b> for flying adapter 02			
	Z5010.000	TV spigot with fixing plate			

<sup>3</sup> SC only for Qi loudspeakers, on request

4 supplied in pairs

<sup>5</sup> available as a download at www.dbaudio.com

7 further information is available in the d&b Amplifier and Software brochure

or TV spigot stand adapter stand with winder stand winder M20 ector chain (supplied with 2 x E6507 1t Shackles)

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ontrol software<sup>5</sup> CAN interface t to CAN interface ninator ting clamp ting clamp upright

### NL4

rack assembly, CEE 32A 5P<sup>7</sup> rack assembly, Nema L21-30 (120V devices) on request<sup>7</sup>

rack 2 RU, 19" SD, shock mounted, handles, window
3 RU, 19" DD, shock mounted, handles, window
6 RU, 19" DD, shock mounted, handles, window, wheels

ILT8 F/M EP5M to NLT8M NL4 to NLT8M ole LKS19 F/M 8F to 4 x NLT4M 8F to 4 x NL4 8F to 4 x EP5 x NLT8 F/M to 6 x NL4 x NLT8 F/M to 6 x EP5 ILT4 F/M NL4 e EP5 19 M to 6 x NLT4M 19 M to 6 x NL4

ing 1 kg/2.2 lb pinet paint 1 kg/2.2 lb

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> supplied including Z5154 Q Rigging set
 <sup>2</sup> WR only for Qi loudspeakers, on request

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> the complete list of amplifier versions is available in the d&b Amplifier and Software brochure

