# LOTUSLINE France 2025





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# **History & Innovation**

At the end of 2005, a professional range of high quality loudspeakers was born – LOTUSLINE.

2006	LOTUSLINE has applied three proprietary technologies in three series:
to	SIC <sup>™</sup> technology in Lotusline SB series
2007	MVC <sup>™</sup> technology in Lotusline MA series
	SHM <sup>™</sup> collinear waveguide technology in Lotusline LA system
2009	LOTUSLINE acquired its own compiler software EASE Focus,
	called LA system.
2011	LOTUSLINE applied a new proprietary technology CLS™(Coaxial
	line source) technology.
	LOTUSLINE has licensed EASE Focus 2 and applied a new
	proprietary technology, SSA™ (Spherical source array)
2013	SSA based cabinets are arrayable asymmetrical elements to be
	used unitary or coupled up to full hemispherical perfectly coherent
	point source.
2016	LOTUSLINE first proposed the concept of spherical waves. This
	technology was first applied to the SSA series.
	LOTUSLINE officially authorized the establishment of the Asia-
2021	Pacific Operations Center in Guangzhou, China. This operations
	center works closely with Europe to become a big family.
2024	LOTUSLINE first proposed the concept of precise adjustable
	radiation and adaptive adjustment , to fully prepare for the
	innovative application of AI in the field of professional acoustics
	in the future

LOTUSLINE systems are state of the art innovative products and offer the sound designer, sophisticated but easy to use electro acoustic tools, which are the key to sound.

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# Coaxial Technology

Classical arrangement of two way loudspeakers uses separate transducers positioned on a common front baffle. In the transition frequency region, due to the difference of path length between the listening point and the two separate sources, spatial frequency answer cannot be homogenous. This problem is particularly sensitive for short field listening such as stage monitoring and small venues.

By superposing both of the two sources, coaxial technology eliminates the problem and creates a perfect homogenous acoustic field on all the speaker coverage as well horizontally as vertically.

The advantages of the coaxial approach include: single point source radiation, total wavefront coherency at all frequencies and superimposed LF/HF dispersion characteristics that are free of polar lobbing effects typical of traditional horn and woofer combinations. The net result is natural, studio monitor level sound quality that is ideal for proximity use.

Lotusline MA & MQ series include two different coaxial arrangements.

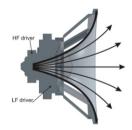
The first one uses the main driver cone as horn load for the HF driver

This arrangement offer the largest possible conical coherent coverage and is used in MA8v2, MA10v2, MA12v2 and MA15v2.

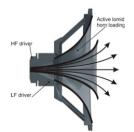
The second one uses a separate horn for the HF driver.

This arrangement offers smaller aperture angles and higher lomid efficiency by loading the main cone in its throat region. We call it "active" horn loading.

This arrangement is used in MQ60.



Standard coaxial arrangement



Coaxial active norn arrangement

### Line Source Technology

All line arrays are not line sources! What's the difference?

A true line source array generate an homogenous acoustic field on all its coverage area, in all its frequency range and is free of interference problems. The net result is the same sound from near field to far field.

The conception of a true line source encounters a lot of technical problems the designer has to solve. The main one is the fusion of all individual sources in only one virtual line source in order to generate on all the frequency range a perfect free of lobbing effects toroidal wavefront. If the solution is evident for low frequencies, this is not the same piece of cake for high ones. The acoustical size of a sound source is close to the wavelength of the generated signal. At 100Hz, the wavelength is 3.4m, so, two speakers distant of 1.2m (half the wavelength) create a perfect coherent source. At 1kHz, the wavelength is only 34cm and these two speakers are no more a coherent source and generate interferences. At 10kHz, the wavelength is 3.4cm and there are no speakers able to realize the performance to be smaller than 1.7cm in the real professional sound reinforcement world.

Many improvements have been made in line source technology, but the physical remain the same.

SHM  $^{\text{TM}}$  and SIC  $^{\text{TM}}$ , Lotusline proprietary technologies applied in LA series, are fundamental improvements in professional loudspeaker design.

By respecting line source rules and all other acoustic laws, Lotusline LA series are true line source line arrays with a real behaviour close to the mathematical theory.

# Proprietary Technologies



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### SHM<sup>™</sup> Technology

SHM<sup>TM</sup> (Single Horn loaded Midrange) improve dramatically midrange bandwidth and efficiency by avoiding multiple components dispersion and using collinear mid and hi frequency horns layout.

First line array uses mid drivers on plane baffle. Small improvements in efficiency have been made by using compression load midrange directly in the front common waveguide, but creating irregularities in frequency response, and dispersion in characteristics due to the multiplication of components. Actually, coaxial midrange equipped with rear standard HF driver is used in common acoustic chamber imposing a long path to high frequency waves. Lotus Line Array uses the shortest possible design by positioning the toroidal HF drivers in front of the midrange driver.

SHM<sup>TM</sup> technology reduces the total harmonic distortion both in high frequencies by minimizing the length of waveguides and in low mid by increasing the radiating surface of the driver.



# **CLS**<sup>™</sup> Technology

CLSTM (Coaxial Line Source) technology is the definitive solution for two way configuration line source symmetrical array systems.

Standard two way line source arrays using only one low frequency driver are asymmetrical cabinets, CLS™ based Lotusline CL series are symmetrical and optimized minimum front baffle sized.

CLS<sup>TM</sup> technology offers all advantages of coaxial active horn arrangement applied to line source array systems. It means, minimum front baffle size, perfect symmetry of the baffle and so, perfect symmetry of the coverage.

Lotusline CL series uses CLS<sup>™</sup> technology, increasing the efficiency in low mid region, shaping the wavefront from spherical to ovoid and increasing consequently the maximum crossover frequency in vertical coupling.

# SSA<sup>™</sup> Technology

SSA™ (Spherical Source Array) technology is Lotusline's answer to an old question: How to build a high SPL, compact and configurable, true point source system?

SSA<sup>TM</sup> cabinets are mathematically equivalent to a portion of a spherical segment whose acoustic centre at the centre of the mother sphere. In more simple words, SSA<sup>TM</sup> cabinets are like pieces of orange, they can be used individually and can also rebuild a complete fruit.

SSA<sup>TM</sup> cabinets are perfectly arrayable without audible interferences, even in very high frequencies.

Each cabinet can be used unitary for covering small areas or coupled with other SSA™ cabinets for larger ones.

## MVC<sup>™</sup> Technology

MVC<sup>™</sup> (Multi Vent Convection) technology, increase the power handling capacity of vented loudspeaker by combining acoustical and cooling functions of vents. Multiple curved vents are placed around the main loudspeaker offering a natural air convection flow lowering the temperature of the voice coil in any working position. MVC<sup>™</sup> equipped speakers are much more thermal breakdown proofed than standard ones, and decrease thermal compression by lowering nominal temperature of the moving coil.

The MVC<sup>™</sup> (multi vent convection) technology, allows the Lotusline CL, MQ and MA series to handle nominal full power capacity in any working position.



# SIC<sup>™</sup> Technology

SIC™ (Single Interactive Chamber) technology, increases bandwidth and efficiency while reducing total volume of vented bass loudspeaker by combining rear and front load in the same volume. Because rear and front load do not work in the same frequency region, it is possible, with a special calculation layout, to fuse both functions in only one. In practice, SIC™ technology, by using this new physical approach, virtually suppresses one of the two volumes and dramatically reduce the total size of vent loaded subwoofer.

Further advantage of SIC™ technology is the better cooling of the loudspeakers due to the exceptionally large size of the vent aperture.

#### **Lotusline Technologies**

#### SIC<sup>™</sup>technology used in SB Series

Best versus frequency-extension to size ratio Hi efficiency Better cooling

#### MVC<sup>™</sup> and Coaxial technologies used in MQ and MA Series

Point source, regular spatial response, perfect acoustic field Better cooling, lo thermal compression in any working position

### ${\rm CLS}^{{\scriptscriptstyle \mathsf{TM}}},\,{\rm MVC}^{{\scriptscriptstyle \mathsf{TM}}}$ and Coaxial technologies used in CL Series

True line source system
Point source, regular spatial response, perfect acoustic field
Better cooling, lo thermal compression in any working position

### SSA<sup>™</sup>, MVC<sup>™</sup> technologies used in SSA Series

Spherical source array system
Point source arrangement
Better cooling, lo thermal compression in any working position

#### SHM<sup>™</sup> and line source technologies used in LA Series

True line source system
Low distortion at hi SPL
Perfectly coherent arrays controlling vertical opening



# Subwoofer Source system

SB series

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### SB 115 / SB 215S / SB 218S / SB 218PS

Lotusline SB series are based on the latest electro acoustics developments and include SIC™ proprietary technology.

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The loudspeaker enclosure constructed of 18 mm birch plywood with internal braces remains free of vibration at extreme sound pressure levels.

The enclosure have wood integrated handles on the sides and can be fitted with 4 optional castor plates on the back.

#### Products line











### SB Series

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Lotusline SB218S is a subwoofer offering low frequencies reinforcement for high power systems. It uses two 18 inch transducers loaded by Single Interactive Chamber.

This technology offers the advantages of using a small volume for the load of the speaker, high efficiency in the usable bandwidth and perfect control of the excursion of the diaphragm.

The SB218S subwoofer with Single Interactive Chambers have been developed to offer the best versus frequency-extension to size ratio.

The SB218S provides a very dynamic and punchy sound reproduction for the sound effects that are commonly found in electronic music where the whole dynamic capacity of systems is used. This subwoofer offers full flexibility for low frequency reinforcement of the Lotusline speakers and the Line Array systems.

The SB218S is also ideal for Stadiums, arenas, and concert halls, Medium to large theatres, Cinema and nightclubs, multi-purpose venues or corporate events.

#### Specifications

# FEATURES

Frequency range with processor (±3dB)

Sensitivity@1W/1m, f>80Hz1

Maximum continuous level at 1m<sup>2</sup>

Peak level at 1m, f>65Hz

Nominal impedance

#### COMPONENTS

Transducers

Coil diameter

Type of load

Power (AES/ Peak)

#### **CONSTRUCTION & CHARACTERISTICS**

Cabinet

Crossover

Connectors<sup>3</sup>

Handles

Mounting on stand and bracket

Dimensions (H x W x D)

Net unit weight

Gross weight, packed

#### Low Section

28 Hz to 250 Hz

103 dB SPL

137 dB SPL

141 dB SPL

4 Ohms

2 x 18" weatherproof loudspeakers

101.6 mm

SIC™ Bass reflex

2400 W / 6000 W

18mm birch plywood with internal braces

The Crossover points shall be 80~120 Hz with 24 dB

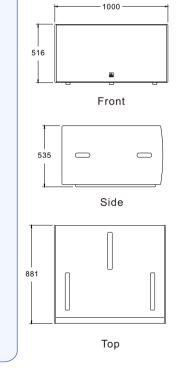
per octave Linkwitz-Riley characteristics.

2 x Speakon NL4MP

6 x wood integrated handles

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516 x 1000 x 881 mm 84.2 kg 185.6 lbs 90.2 kg 198.9 lbs



- 1. Sensitivity is the average SPL measured over the components rated bandwidth
- 2. Power rating displays the long term AES power handling capacity using pink noise with a 6 dB crest factor over the components rated bandwidth
- 3. The SPEAKON connectors are wired, hot: pin 1+, cold: pin 1-.



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