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Dodecahedral sound source



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This paper shows the results of the measurements done to assess the compliance of the sound sources with the requirements stated in **ISO Standards 3744 and 3382** about sound power and directivity of sound sources.

The entire measurement was conducted following the guidelines provided by the International Standard Organisation about this kind of tests, in particular the procedure is compliant with **ISO Standard 17025**.



Tested Source

Model	Diameter (mm)	Weight (Kg)	Impedence (ohm)	Number of speakers
Omni 5" Dodecahedral sound source	350	12.5	3+3	12

The sound source was fed with Pink Noise using an AMG Mini Digital Amplifier.

During the measurement the sound source was installed on a rotating device (MB01) free to move on its central axis for 360° (see Fig. 1).

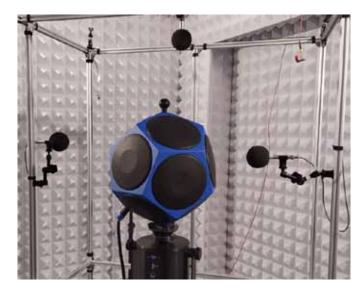
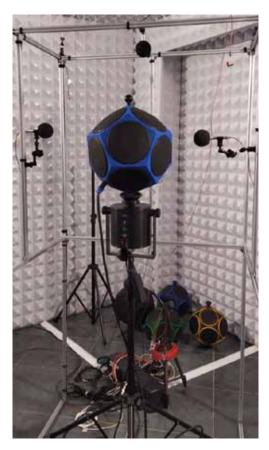


Fig. 1 Photos of measured source and measurement conditions





Measuring environment

Туре	Temperature	Humidity	Pressure
Hemi-Anechoic Chamber	23±1°C	30 ± 15 %	994 ± 10 hPa

In *Figure 2* is reported a simple drawing of the anechoic chamber used for this measurement. The height of the chamber is 2.63 m.

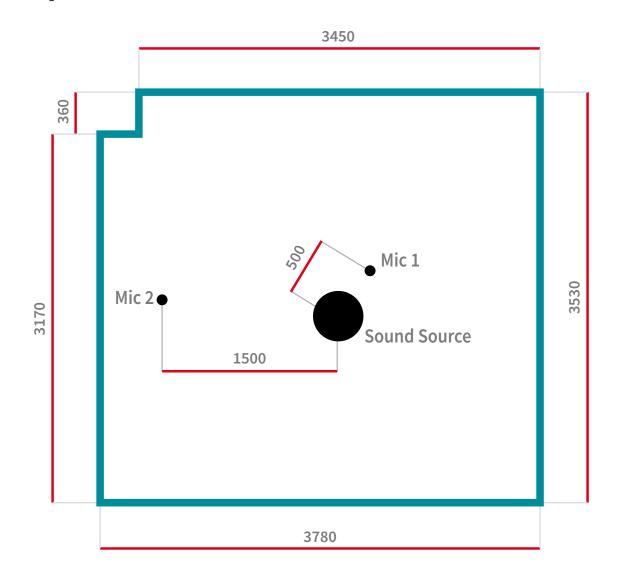


Fig. 2 Mic placement – Mic 1 is for sound power measurement, while Mic 2 is for sound pressure one. Distances in mm

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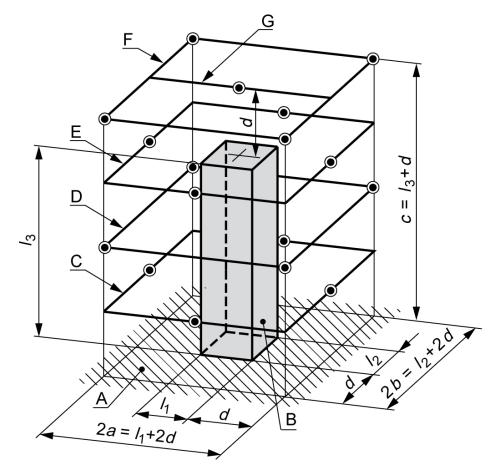


Fig. 3 Representation of measurement procedure as indicated in ISO 3744

The chosen procedure was the one of a high machine with a narrow base due to the assembly of the sound source (see Source Tested for a reference).

The next tables show the values of L1, L2, L3 and D for this speaker and, hence, the values of A, B, C and S.

L1 (m)	L2 (m)	L3 (m)	D (m)
0.35	0.35	1.77	0.5

A (m)	B (m)	C (m)	S (m²)
0.675	0.675	2.27	14.0805

K1 and K2 correction factor are negligible because of the environment of the measurement (hemi-anechoic chamber).



Measuring equipment

Device	Model	Manufacturer	Serial number
Sound level meter	NL-52	Rion	00342833
Microphone	UC59	Rion	12852
Preamplifier	NH-25	Rion	10461
Sound Calibrator	NC-75	Rion	34891821
Rotating device	MB-01	Ntek	Ntek Calibration Lab test tool

The microphone used for the measurement was equipped with a windscreen.

To measure the sound source the Rotating device was used in order to "sample" the source every 5° as stated within the ISO Standard.

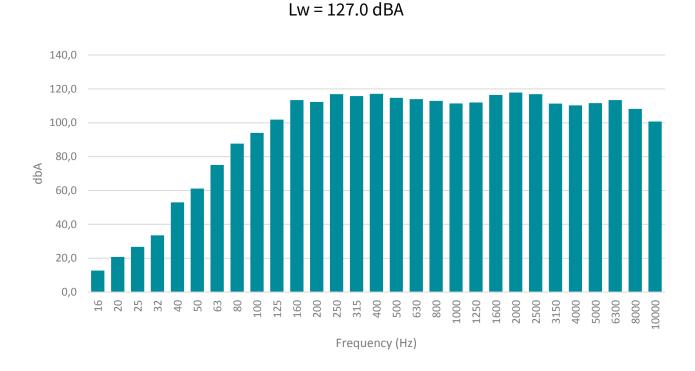
The microphone was left in the same position for the entire duration of the measurement.

The data aquired was, then, processed with the help of a dedicated software that, with a proper algorithm, led to the results indicated in *Results* section.



Results

In this section are reported the results of the measurements about the sound power of the source and its directivity.



Sound power

Fig. 4 Sound Power Level Spectrum - 1/3 oct



Sound pressure

Lp linear: 121 dB

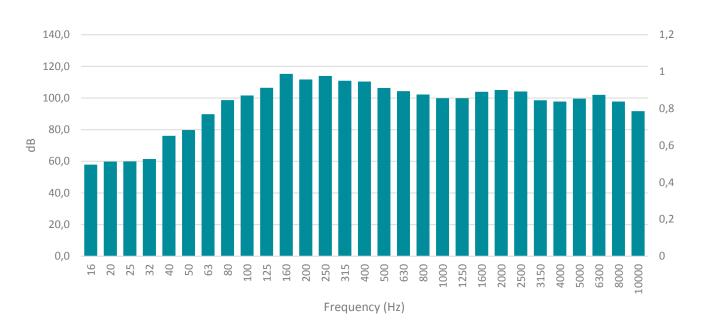
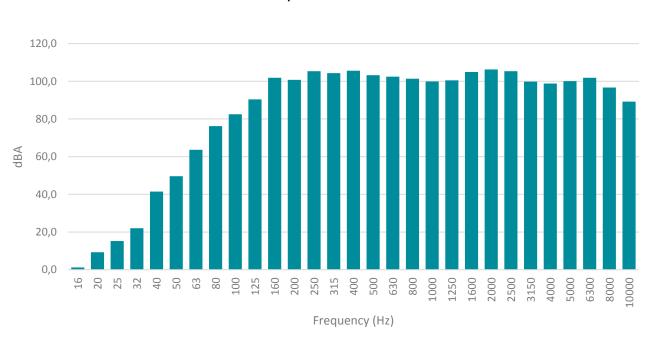


Fig. 5 Linear Sound Pressure Level – 1/3 octave



Lp: 116 dBA

Fig. 6 A Weighted Sound Pressure Level – 1/3 octave



Directivity

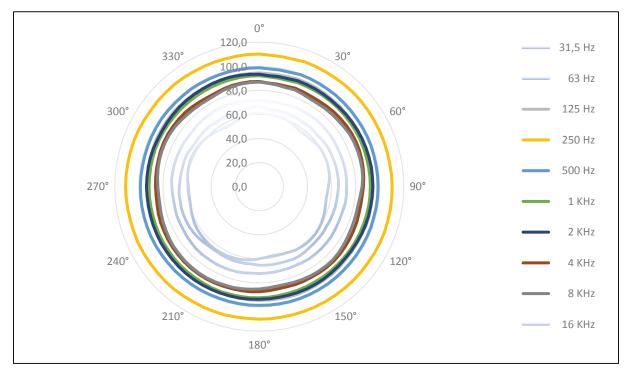


Fig. 7 Directional response – 1/1 octave

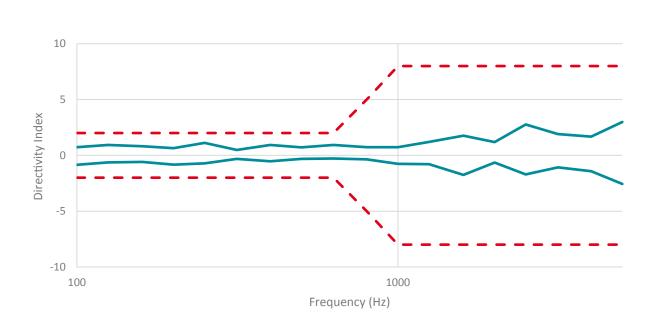


Fig. 8 Directivity according to ISO 16283. Upper and lower curves are the ISO 16283 tolerances

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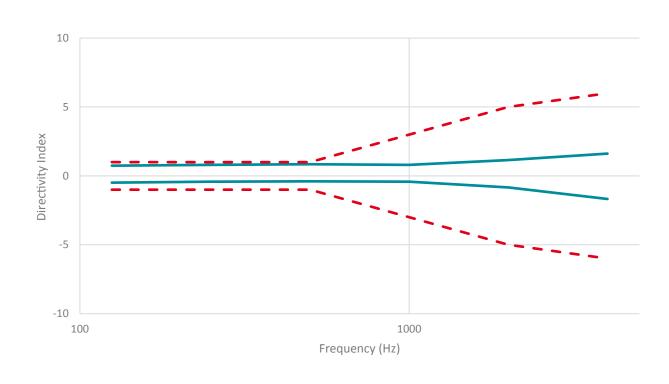


Fig. 9 Directivity according to ISO 3382. Upper and lower curves are the ISO 3382 tolerances



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