
Subject: Guys, help me design a smokin' midrange horn...

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The guys at work are getting all down about horns and how they are just loud and can't sound good. I want to show them how wrong they are! I could show them with my Eminence 2-ways, but I'd like to go the full monty and show them with a midrange horn as well. The base platform is the Seas Excel W18EX. If you guys aren't familiar with this driver, it's widely considered one of the best midrange drivers in the world. They are less renowned for midbass performance, but I've found they sound incredible in that area as well, in the right box. I have four spare ones right now, waiting for a use. My goals are wide band operation and flat frequency response over efficiency. I'd like something that will do around 200 Hz to 1.5 kHz, to couple with a PSD-2002 for the top end. A 1/8th space, 1/4 wavelength horn should be fine. If 1/2 wavelength will greatly improve things, I'll do it though. I'd like to do a traxic or an exponential. I also have Sound Easy, so I can measure and tweak the final results. It has horn design implemented, I'm just not comfortable with it yet. I've done a fair bit of helping on this board I think, so I'm cashing in a favour ;) I need a really wicked design. I'll have the measurement capabilities to fine tune. T/S specs for the Excel: RE = 6.1 ohms LE = 0.4 mH FS = 31 Hz SD = 125 sqcm VAS = 37 litres (1.3 cuft) QMS = 2.00 QES = 0.27 QTS = 0.24 Here is the data sheet http://www.seas.no/excel_line/excel/E0017.PDF You can consider response between 1 kHz and 100 Hz flat, even though it steps down. The reduction is caused by baffle step. Thanks guys, I'd really appreciate something!!!! Adam