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Subject: Some Newbie Questions

Posted by [Dean Kukral](#) on Tue, 20 Jan 2004 13:55:43 GMT

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I assume that "SS" means solid state. What do SE and SET mean? Why do some of the posts have little circles next to them on the listing and some have filled-in boxes? What is on-topic for this forum, vs., say, should go to the other ART speaker forums? TIA, Dean

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Subject: Re: Some Newbie Questions

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Tue, 20 Jan 2004 19:12:47 GMT

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Good questions, thanks. SE is an abbreviation for single-ended, which means the amplifier is running in Class A mode. SET is single ended triode. The boxes by each participants name show the IP address of the sender. Older posts were hosted on a different webserver and had a slightly different layout. As for what's on-topic and what's off-topic, each forum has a link at the top for "rules" that tells what what's cool and what isn't. Generally, the open forum topics are limited to what the forum name describes, but it ain't a sin to drift a little bit. Except in the Tower and the Dungeon, long arguments about politics or religion are frowned on, but a little drift isn't bad. Sponsored forums are a different story - They're basically what the sponsoring organization wants them to be, and are usually support forums. Here, as long as a post isn't rude or aggressively self-promotional, it is usually allowed to stand. It's sort of like a club - We don't throw anyone out unless they get too annoying, and that pretty much sums up the rules here. But on the open forums, the rules are a little more articulated than that.

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