



**OWNER'S MANUAL**

**MICROMARK 801 - MINIMARK 802**

## 1. IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) Read these instructions;
- 2) Keep these instructions;
- 3) Heed all warnings;
- 4) Follow all instructions;
- 5) Do not use this apparatus near water;
- 6) Clean only with dry cloth;
- 7) Do not block any ventilation openings. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions;
- 8) Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat;
- 9) Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized or ground-type plug. A polarized plug has two blades with one wider than the other. A grounding type plug has two blades and a third grounding prong. The wide blade or the third prong are provided for your safety. If the provided plug does not fit into your outlet, consult an electrician for replacement of the obsolete outlet;
- 10) Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched, particularly at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the apparatus;
- 11) Only use attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer;
- 12) Use only with the cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table specified by the manufacturer, or sold with the apparatus. When a cart is used, use caution when moving the cart/apparatus combination to avoid injury from the tip-over (and Fig 21 DU Tipping Cart Symbol).
- 13) Unplug this apparatus during lightning storms or when unused for long periods of time;
- 14) Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel. Servicing is required when the apparatus has been damaged in any way, such as power-supply cord or plug is damaged, liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the apparatus, the apparatus has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally, or has been dropped;
- 15) "Warning: to reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose this apparatus to rain or moisture; and objects filled with liquids, such as vases, should not be placed on this apparatus";
- 16) To completely disconnect this apparatus from the AC mains, disconnect the power supply cord plug from the AC receptacle;
- 17) The mains plug of the power supply cord shall remain readily accessible.
- 18) In case of voltage selector make sure the switch on the rear panel is on the correct voltage before connecting it to the AC power, and the fuse is the right value for that voltage (This selector is not available on the 100V version). Please change the voltage/fuse values label located near the voltage selector matching the voltage/fuse values when you need to change the voltage of the apparatus.
- 19) "WARNING: this apparatus must be securely attached to the floor or wall in accordance with installation instruction. Tipping, shaking, or rocking the machine may cause injury or death."

## MORE INFORMATION

For warranty and service information, please contact your local Markbass distributor (contact information available at [www.markbass.it](http://www.markbass.it)). For more technical information, please visit us at [www.markbass.it](http://www.markbass.it) and fill out the form on the Support page. We hope you enjoy your power amp and use it to make great music!



"The Lightning Flash with arrowhead symbol within an equilateral triangle, is intended to alert the user to the presence of uninsulated "dangerous voltage" within the product enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of shock to persons."



"The exclamation point within an equilateral triangle is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the product."



"To be used only with altitude not exceeding 2000 m"



"To be used only where the climate is not tropical"



## 1. PRÉCAUTIONS D'EMPLOI

- 1) Lire ces instructions;
- 2) Conserver ces instructions;
- 3) Suivre tous les conseils d'utilisations;
- 4) Suivre toutes les instructions;
- 5) Ne pas utiliser cet appareil au bord de l'eau;
- 6) Nettoyer uniquement avec un chiffon humide;
- 7) Ne pas bloquer le système de ventilation. Installer conformément aux instructions du fabricant;
- 8) Ne pas installer l'appareil près d'une source de chaleur tel qu'un radiateur, un fourneau, ou bien un autre appareil qui produit de la chaleur;
- 9) Ne pas modifier le système de sécurité de la fiche polarisée ou de la fiche pour les prises de terre. Une fiche polarisée a deux broches, l'une étant plus distante de l'autre. Une fiche pour prise de terre a deux broches et une pointe pour la masse. La broche plus distante et la pointe pour la masse ont été installées pour votre sécurité. Si la fiche fournie de rentre pas dans votre prise de courant consulter un électricien pour la substitution;
- 10) Protéger le cordon d'alimentation afin qu'il ne soit pas piétiné ou écrasé tout particulièrement au niveau des fiches, des prises de courant femelles, et des parties qui sortent de l'appareil;
- 11) Utiliser uniquement les accessoires recommandés par le fabricant;
- 12) Utilisez uniquement avec le chariot, le socle, le trépied, le support ou la table spécifiés par le fabricant ou vendu avec l'appareil. Lorsque vous utilisez un chariot, soyez prudent lorsque vous déplacez l'ensemble chariot / appareil pour éviter toute blessure du renversement (et la figure 21 DU Tipping panier Symbol).
- 13) Ne pas branché l'appareil en cas d'orage accompagné d'éclairs. Le débrancher en cas de non utilisation prolongée;
- 14) S'adresser à un service assistance agréé si l'appareil a subi des dommages, si le cordon d'alimentation ou la fiche a été endommagé, si un liquide a été renversé sur l'appareil ou bien si un objet est tombé dans l'appareil, si ce dernier a été exposé à la pluie ou à l'humidité, s'il ne fonctionne pas correctement ou s'il est tombé;
- 15) "Avertissement: pour réduire le risque du feu ou de décharge électrique, n'exposez pas cet appareil à la pluie ou l'humidité et les objets remplis de liquides; tels que des vases, ne devraient pas être placés sur cet appareil";
- 16) Pour déconnecter totalement cet appareil du secteur, débranchez le cordon d'alimentation fiche de la prise secteur;
- 17) La prise de courant doit être facilement accessible.
- 18) En cas de sélecteur de tension s'assurer que l'interrupteur sur le panneau arrière est sur la bonne tension avant de le raccorder à l'alimentation secteur et le fusible est la bonne valeur pour que la tension (Ce sélecteur n'est pas disponible sur la version 100V). S'il vous plaît changer la tension / valeurs de fusibles étiquette située près du sélecteur de tension correspondant aux valeurs / fusibles de tension lorsque vous avez besoin de changer la tension de l'appareil.
- 19) "AVERTISSEMENT: cet appareil doit être assujéti au plancher ou au mur conformément aux instructions d'installation. Le fait de l'incliner, de le balancer ou de l'agiter peut causer des blessures ou la mort."

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## 3. INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on purchasing one of the world's best bass amplifiers! Markbass amps are built to the highest standards by a small team of skilled technicians in San Giovanni Teatino, Italy.

We have spent many years researching not only the highest-quality technologies for bass amp design and construction, but also the practical needs of the working bassist.

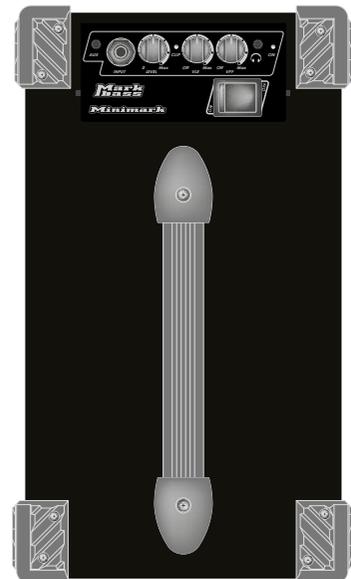
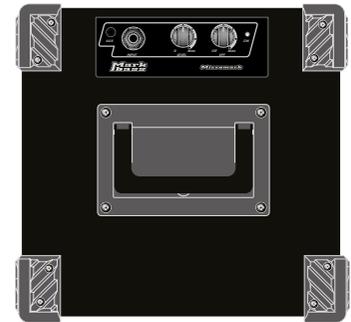
The end result is a product that combines outstanding sound quality with intuitive features, attractive design and extreme reliability—all in one impossibly lightweight unit.

This amp will allow your instrument to speak in its natural voice, faithfully conveying your musical ideas to your audience with stunning clarity.

Your amplifier has passed rigorous product testing and should survive even the toughest of environments on the road and rehearsal halls. Nonetheless, please treat it with care and you will be rewarded with many, many years of glorious, rich, powerful bass tone!

If the clarity and power of this amp inspire you to play better music, we will have succeeded in our mission. Good luck and enjoy your new best friend!

Sincerely, Markbass



#### 4. MICROMARK 801 PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Micromark 801 is a compact, high-quality bass combo amp with a solid-state preamp and an analog power amp, which delivers 50W of power into one yellow 8" Markbass neodymium woofer. It is still small enough to deliver the Markbass sound anywhere, but big enough to provide a fuller sound with plenty of bottom end! The combo features a speaker output that can either be used for an 8 ohm extension cabinet (drawing 60W from the head in the combo), or for a "satellite" Tweeter Box (to increase high end frequency response).

#### 4.1 MICROMARK 801 FUNCTIONS OVERVIEW (TOP PANEL)

##### INPUT (2)

The input jack accepts an unbalanced signal from your bass via a standard 1/4" instrument cable.

##### LEVEL(3)

Start with the volume (LEVEL) off (all the way counter-clockwise) and turn clockwise until you reach your desired volume.

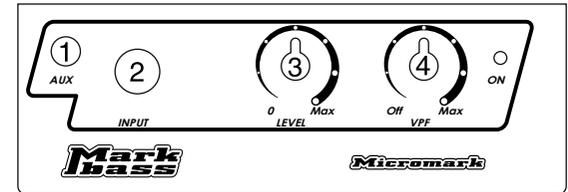
##### VPF (4)

The VPF (Variable Preshape Filter) boosts lows (around 35 Hz) and highs (around 10 kHz), and cuts mids at 380 Hz. This filter sounds great for rock music and is also a favorite of many slap bass players.

At higher volumes, turning the VPF up high will result in more output limiting due to the increase in low frequencies.

##### AUX IN (1)

Use this jack to plug in a CD player, MP3 player, iPod, etc. using a mini plug (1/8"). The signal mixes in evenly with your instrument input. Since there is no separate level control for each input, use the volume knobs on your bass and your CD/MP3 player to achieve the right mix.



## 4.2 MICROMARK 801 FUNCTIONS OVERVIEW (REAR PANEL)

**VOLTAGE SELECTOR (5)** The Micromark 801 feature a 120V/240V Voltage Selector (23) to use the amp in countries with different voltages, so make sure the switch on the rear panel is on the correct voltage before connecting it to the AC power, and the fuse is the right value for that voltage (This selector is not available on the 100V version).

Please change the voltage/fuse values label located near the voltage selector matching the voltage/fuse values when you need to change the voltage of the apparatus.

**AC POWER SOCKET (6)** Make sure the unit is grounded; all three terminals of the AC power plug must be connected to avoid any injury to the user or damage to the unit.

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### GROUND LIFT (7)

When you detect a hum from your line out signal, switching the ground lift will more than likely eliminate it.

### LINE OUT (8)

This balanced XLR output may be used for recording or live situations. Use an XLR cable to connect your amp to a soundboard, snake or soundcard.

### INTERNAL SPEAKER ON/OFF (9)

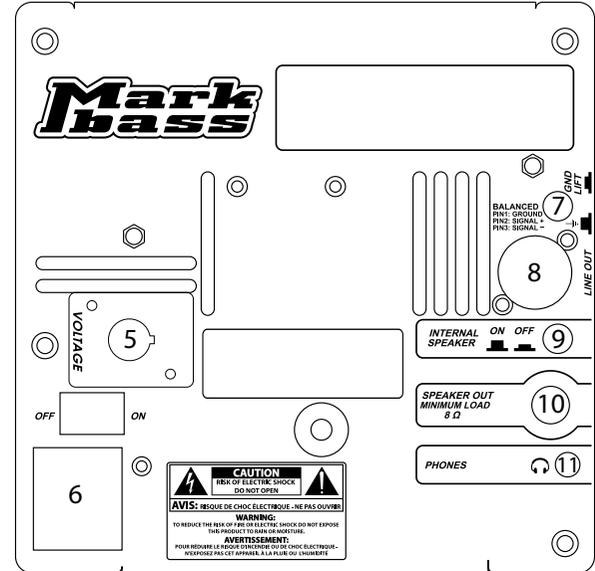
Use this switch to turn off the amp's speaker when using headphones or using only the extension cabinet.

### SPEAKER (10)

Using a standard 1/4" speaker cable, this jack can be used to connect to a Markbass "Tweeter Box" for increased high end response, or to an 8 ohm extension cabinet to create a louder 60W rig!

### HEADPHONE JACK (11)

For quiet practicing, plug headphones into this mini plug (1/8") input. If you plug in headphones, the amp's speaker will stay on unless you turn it off using the switch (9). To control the level to your headphones, use the volume control on the amp, and/or the volume knob on your bass.



## 5. MICROMARK 801 TECHNICAL DETAILS

### INPUTS

**INPUT** Impedance: 500 Kohm, max. voltage: 8 Vpp  
**AUX INPUT** Impedance: 33 Kohm, max. voltage: 20 Vpp

### CONTROLS

**VOLUME (Level)** -60 dB to +25 dB range  
**GROUND LIFT** Switch on rear panel  
**SPEAKER ON/OFF** Switch on rear panel

### EQUALIZATION

**VPF (Variable Pre-shape Filter)** Center frequency 380 Hz (cut)

### OUTPUTS

**LINE OUT** Balanced XLR, max. voltage 10 Vpp  
**HEADPHONE OUT** 1/8" mini plug, max voltage 12 Vpp (30 ohm); 45 Vpp (600 ohm)

### OTHER

**SPEAKER** 1x8" neodymium woofer (MICROMARK 801)  
**SPEAKER / TWEETER OUT** Optional speaker/tweeter plugs into jack on rear panel  
**PREAMP** Solid state  
**POWER AMP** Analog  
**POWER SUPPLY** Analog

**FREQUENCY RESPONSE** 60Hz to 8 kHz (18 kHz with optional tweeter) (MICROMARK 801)  
**SENSITIVITY** 100 db SPL

**DIMENSIONS** 10.55" x 10.55" x 10.31" / 26,8 x 26,8 x 26,2 cm (MICROMARK 801)

**WEIGHT** 11.46 lbs / 5,2 kg (MICROMARK 801)

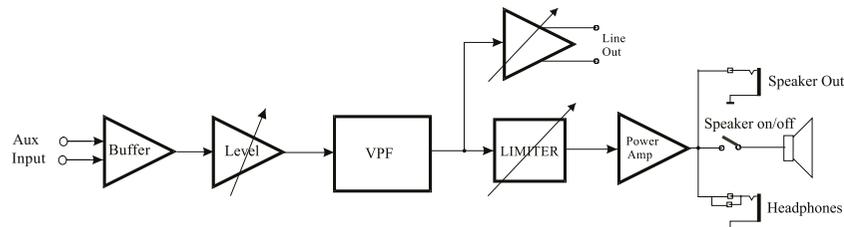
**POWER** 50W @ 8 ohms / 60W @ 4 ohms (AES standard)

**POWER REQUIREMENT** 100V; 120V; 230V; 240V 50/60Hz

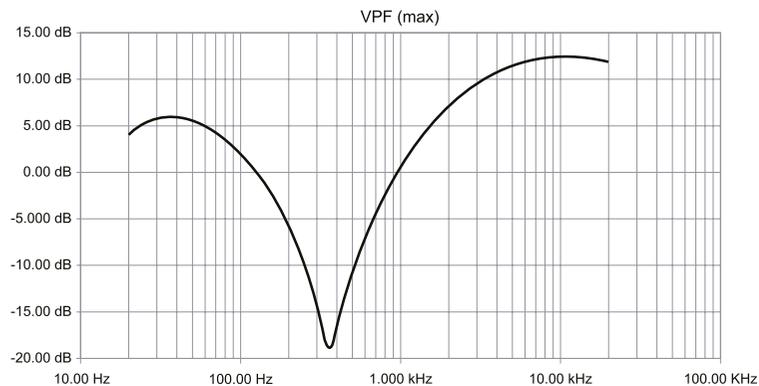
### FUSE

**EUROPE** 1A 250V T 5x20  
**AUSTRALIA/UK** 1A 250V T 5x20  
**USA/CANADA** 2A 250V T 5x20  
**JAPAN** 2A 250V T 5x20

## 6. MICROMARK/MICROMARK 801 BLOCK DIAGRAM



## 7. MICROMARK/MICROMARK 801 VPF GRAPH



## 8. MINIMARK 802 PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Markbass Minimark 802 is a compact, high-quality bass combo amp with a solid-state preamp and an analog power amp, which delivers 150W of power into two yellow 8" Markbass neodymium woofers and a piezo tweeter. Connected to an 8 ohm extension cabinet, it delivers 250W of power.

### 8.1 MINIMARK 802 FUNCTIONS OVERVIEW (TOP PANEL)

#### INPUT (2)

The input jack accepts an unbalanced signal from your bass (active or passive) via a standard 1/4" instrument cable.

#### LEVEL (3)

Start with the volume (LEVEL) off (all the way counter-clockwise) and turn clockwise until you reach your desired volume.

#### CLIP (4)

The clip LED illuminates if the level of the input signal is too high. If the clip light illuminates, reduce the volume level to avoid limiting and distortion.

#### VLE and VPF FILTERS (5)

The VLE (Vintage Loudspeaker Emulator) filters out high frequencies to give you a mellower, less modern sound.

As you turn the knob clockwise, you will find that a wider and wider range of high frequencies gets cut (see page 7 for a graph of this filter's function). This EQ effect is especially useful for acoustic and older styles of music.

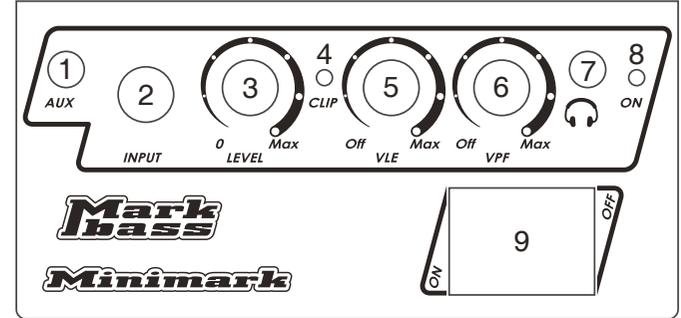
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#### AUX IN (1)

Use this jack to plug in a CD player, MP3 player, iPod, drum machine, laptop, etc. using a mini plug (1/8"). The signal mixes in evenly with your instrument input. Since there is no separate level control for each input, use the volume knobs on your bass and your CD/MP3 player to achieve the right mix.

#### HEADPHONE JACK (7)

For quiet practicing, plug headphones into this mini plug (1/8") jack. If you plug in headphones, the amp's speaker will stay on unless you turn it off using the switch (11) on the rear panel. To control the level to your headphones, use the volume control on the amp, and/or the volume knob on your bass (and aux input device, if applicable).



## 8.2 MINIMARK 802 REAR PANEL

### SPEAKERS ON/OFF (11)

Use this switch to turn off the amp's speakers and extension cabinet (if applicable) when using headphones.

### LINE OUT (12)

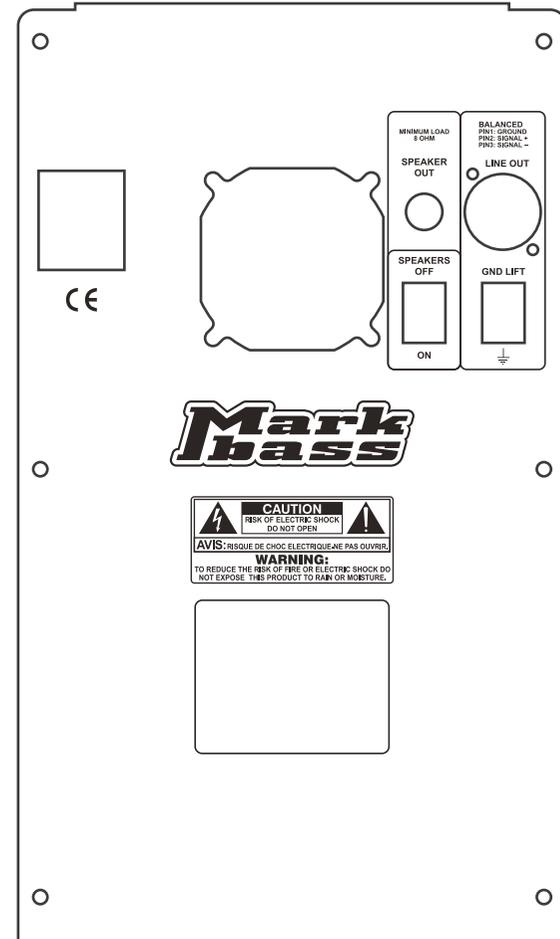
This balanced XLR output may be used for recording or live situations. Use an XLR cable to connect your amp to a soundboard, snake or soundcard.

### GROUND LIFT (13)

When you detect a hum from your line out signal, switching the ground lift will more than likely eliminate it.

### SPEAKER OUT (10)

This 1/4" jack accepts an additional cabinet with a minimum impedance of 8 ohms.



## 9 MINIMARK TECHNICAL DETAILS

### INPUTS

**INPUT** impedance: 500 Kohm, max. voltage: 10 Vpp  
**AUX INPUT** impedance: 33 Kohm, max. voltage: 15 Vpp

### CONTROLS

**VOLUME (LEVEL)** -45 dB to +28 dB range  
**GROUND LIFT** switch on rear panel  
**SPEAKER ON/OFF** switch on rear panel

### EQUALIZATION

**VLE (Vintage Loudspeaker Emulator)** frequency range 250 Hz - 20 kHz  
**VPF (Variable Pre-shape Filter)** center frequency 380 Hz

### OUTPUTS

**LINE OUT** balanced XLR, max. voltage 5 Vpp; GND lift  
**HEADPHONE OUT** 1/8" mini plug, max voltage 10 Vpp (30 - 600 ohm)  
**POWER** 250W RMS @ 4 ohms, 150W RMS @ 8 ohms (AES Standard)

### OTHER

**SPEAKER** 2x8" neodymium woofers  
**TWEETER** Piezo  
**PREAMP** Solid state  
**POWER AMP** Analog  
**POWER SUPPLY** Digital

**FREQUENCY RESPONSE** 53 Hz to 18 kHz  
**SENSITIVITY** 96 dB SPL

**HEIGHT** 19.60 in. / 49.8 cm  
**WIDTH** 10.27 in. / 26.1 cm  
**DEPTH** 15.47 in. / 39.3 cm  
**WEIGHT** 23.37 lbs / 10.6 kg

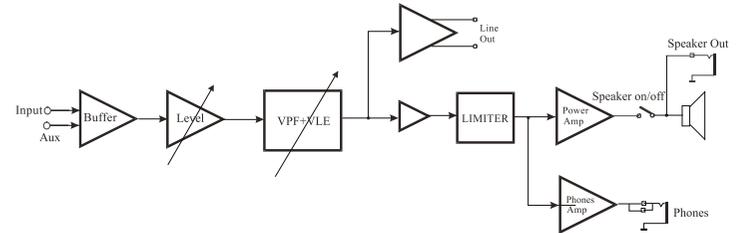
### POWER REQUIREMENT

100V; 120V; 230V; 240V - 50/60 Hz

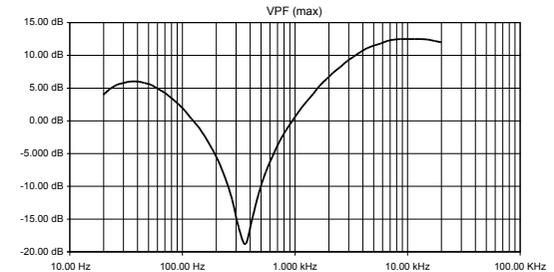
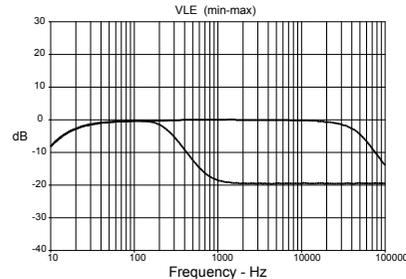
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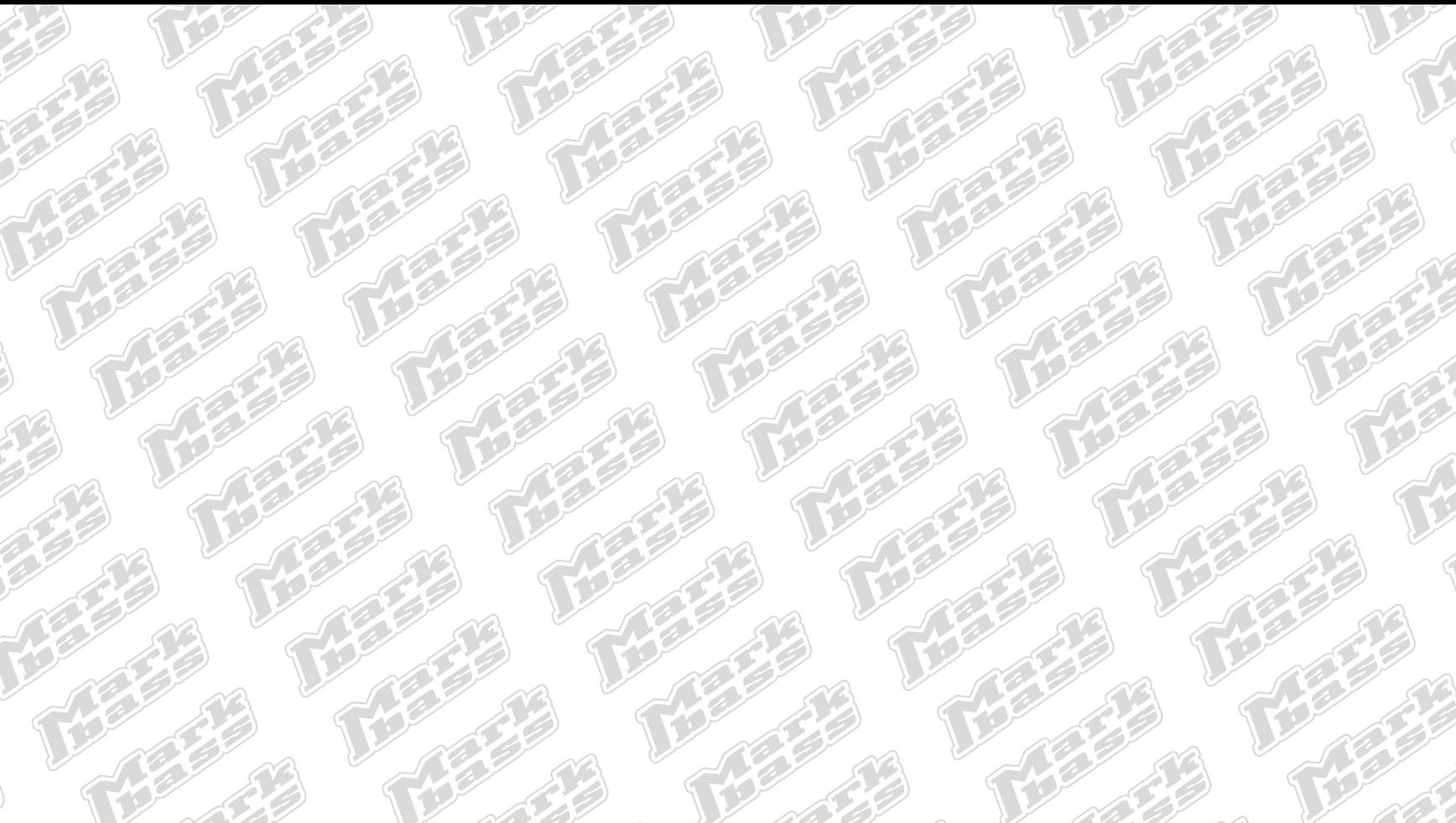
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## 10. MINIMARK BLOCK DIAGRAM



## 11. MINIMARK 802 GRAPHS







Product specifications are subject to change without notice



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