

# MRX 710 / 510 / 310

Audio/Video Receiver



## OPERATING MANUAL

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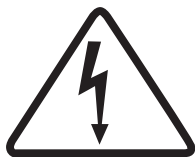


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# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

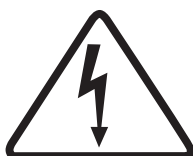


## CAUTION

**RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK DO NOT OPEN**




**CAUTION: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT REMOVE COVER (OR BACK). NO USER-SERVICEABLE PARTS INSIDE. REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL**



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's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric 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 appliance.

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 a dry cloth.
7. Do not block any of the 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 grounding-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 is provided for your safety. When 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 the attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.
12.  Use only with a 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 tip-over.
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.

**WARNING:** To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose this apparatus to rain or moisture. Avoid installing this unit where foreign objects may fall onto this unit and/or this unit may be exposed to liquid dripping or splashing. On the top of this unit, do not place:

- Burning objects (i.e. candles), as they may cause fire, damage to this unit, and/or personal injury.
- Containers with liquid in them, as they may fall and liquid may cause electrical shock to the user and/or damage to this unit.

Apparatus shall not be exposed to dripping or splashing and no objects filled with liquids, such as vases, shall be placed on the apparatus.

Do not install this equipment in a confined space such as a case or similar. Install it away from direct sunlight, heat sources, vibration, dust, moisture, and/or cold.

Do not cover this unit with a newspaper, tablecloth, curtain, etc. in order not to obstruct heat radiation. If the temperature inside this unit rises, it may cause fire, damage to this unit, and/or personal injury.

Install this unit near the AC outlet and where the AC power plug can be reached easily.

This unit is not disconnected from the AC power source when it is turned off. This state is called the standby mode. In this state, this unit is designed to consume a very small quantity of power.

**NOTE:** This product is not an auto voltage Receiver. Connect only to the prescribed AC outlet, i.e., 120V 60Hz or 220-240V 50Hz.

**CAUTION:** These servicing instructions are for use by qualified service personnel only. To reduce the risk of electric shock, do not perform any servicing other than that contained in the operating instructions, unless you are qualified to do so.

**CAUTION:** Changes or modifications to this equipment not expressly approved by Paradigm Electronics for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

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This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

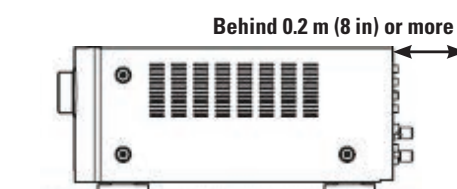
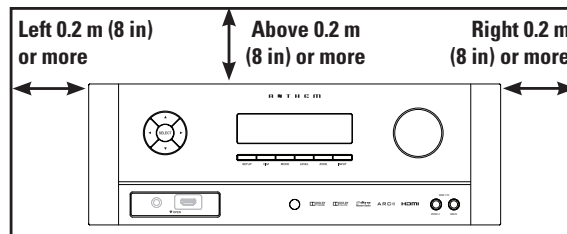
- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio / TV technician for help.

### DO NOT LOCATE IN THE FOLLOWING PLACES:

To ensure long-lasting use, do not locate the unit:

- Exposed to direct sunlight.
- Near sources of heat such as heaters.
- Highly humid or poorly ventilated.
- Dusty.
- Subjected to mechanical vibrations.
- On wobbly, inclined, or otherwise unstable surfaces.
- Near windows where there is a chance of exposure to rain, etc.
- On top of an amplifier or other component which dissipates a great deal of heat.

To ensure proper heat radiation, ensure clearance from walls and other equipment according to diagram.



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR UK CUSTOMERS:** DO NOT cut off the mains plug from this equipment. If the plug fitted is not suitable for the power points in your home or the cable is too short to reach a power point, then obtain an appropriate safety approved extension lead or consult your dealer. If, nonetheless, the mains plug is cut off, REMOVE THE FUSE and dispose of the PLUG immediately, to avoid possible shock hazard by inadvertent connection to the mains supply. If this product is not provided with a mains plug, or one has to be fitted, then follow the instructions given below:

**IMPORTANT:** DO NOT make any connection to the larger terminal which is marked with the letter "E" or by the safety earth symbol or colored GREEN or GREEN AND YELLOW.

The wires in the mains lead on this product are colored in accordance with the following code:

BLUE – NEUTRAL  
BROWN – LIVE

As these colors may not correspond with the colored markings identifying the terminals in your plug, proceed as follows:

The BLUE wire must be connected to the terminal marked with the letter "N" or colored BLACK.

The BROWN wire must be connected to the terminal marked with the letter "L" or colored RED.

When replacing the fuse, only a correctly rated and approved type should be used, and be sure to re-fit the fuse cover. If in doubt consult a competent electrician.

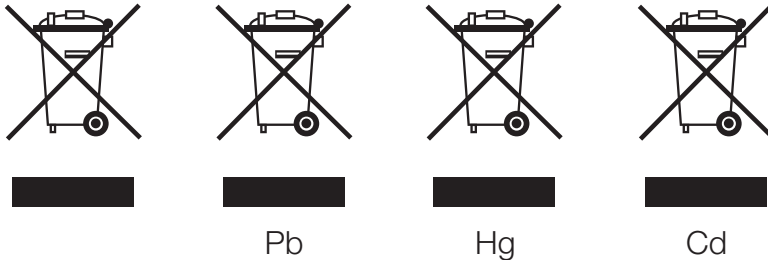
## NOTES ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

At the end of its useful life, this product must not be disposed of with regular household waste but must be returned to a collection point for the recycling of electrical and electronic equipment. The symbol on the product, user's manual and packaging, point this out. The materials can be reused in accordance with their markings. Through re-use, recycling of raw materials or other forms of recycling of old products, you are making an important contribution to the protection of our environment. Your local administrative office can advise you of the responsible waste disposal point.

## INFORMATION ABOUT COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF WASTE BATTERIES (DIRECTIVE 2006/66/EC OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF EUROPEAN UNION) (for European customers only)

Batteries bearing any of these symbols indicate that they should be treated as "separate collection" and not as municipal waste. It is encouraged that necessary measures are implemented to maximize the separate collection of waste batteries and to minimize the disposal of batteries as mixed municipal waste. End-users are exhorted not to dispose waste batteries as unsorted municipal waste. In order to achieve a high level of recycling waste batteries, discard waste batteries separately and properly through an accessible collection point in your vicinity. For more information about collection and recycling of waste batteries, please contact your local municipality, your waste disposal service or the point of sale where you purchased the items.

By ensuring compliance and conformance to proper disposal of waste batteries, potential hazardous effects on human health is prevented and the negative impact of batteries and waste batteries on the environment is minimized, thus contributing to the protection, preservation and quality improvement of the environment.



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# INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the Anthem MRX series receiver.

The **MRX 710**, **MRX 510**, and **MRX 310** receivers are cutting-edge home theater audio components with HDMI switching, video scaling and upconversion, state of the art room equalization, second zone capabilities, and FM/AM tuner.

Anthem products are engineered to recreate the passion of live performance and thrill of the best movie theaters by using the highest level of circuit design, proprietary software, superior build quality, innovative features, and intuitive ergonomics with tremendous flexibility.

## 1.1 BEFORE MAKING CONNECTIONS

Check that you have received all items listed below and report discrepancies to your dealer as soon as possible. In case the unit needs to be transported in the future, keep the packing materials. Retain the invoice that you received from your authorized Anthem dealer at time of purchase – without it, service will not be provided under warranty.

- MRX Receiver
- Remote control
- FM antenna
- AM loop antenna
- 2 AAA batteries
- USB extension cable
- IEC power cord (US / EU / CN types are supplied by factory, other types are normally provided by the local distributor)

Additional items in Anthem Room Correction kit (ARC-1M):

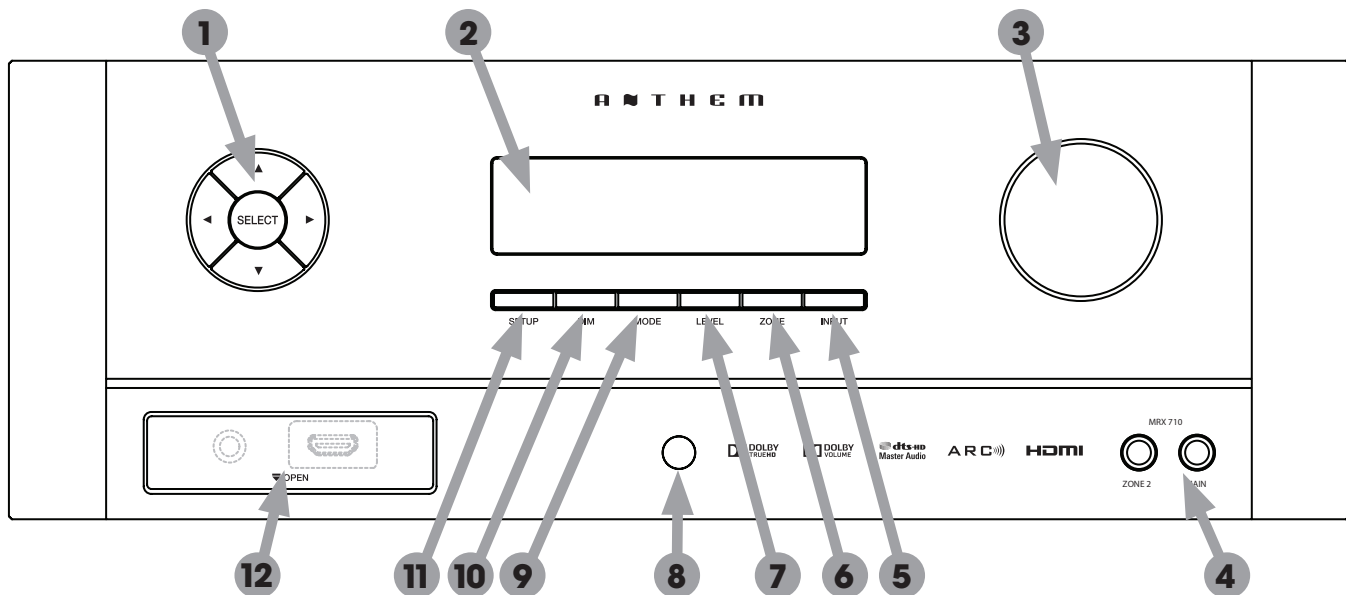
- USB Microphone
- Microphone clip
- Telescopic stand with boom
- USB cable
- CAT5 cable
- CD containing microphone calibration file and software installer

## 1.2 IN-USE NOTICES

- Disconnect the power cord before connecting or disconnecting any components.
- If the receiver was transported or stored in the cold, let it reach room temperature before use.
- Due to continuing advances, operational characteristics may change. If this manual contains discrepancies please check [www.anthemAV.com](http://www.anthemAV.com) for the latest manual or software.

### 1.3 FRONT PANEL

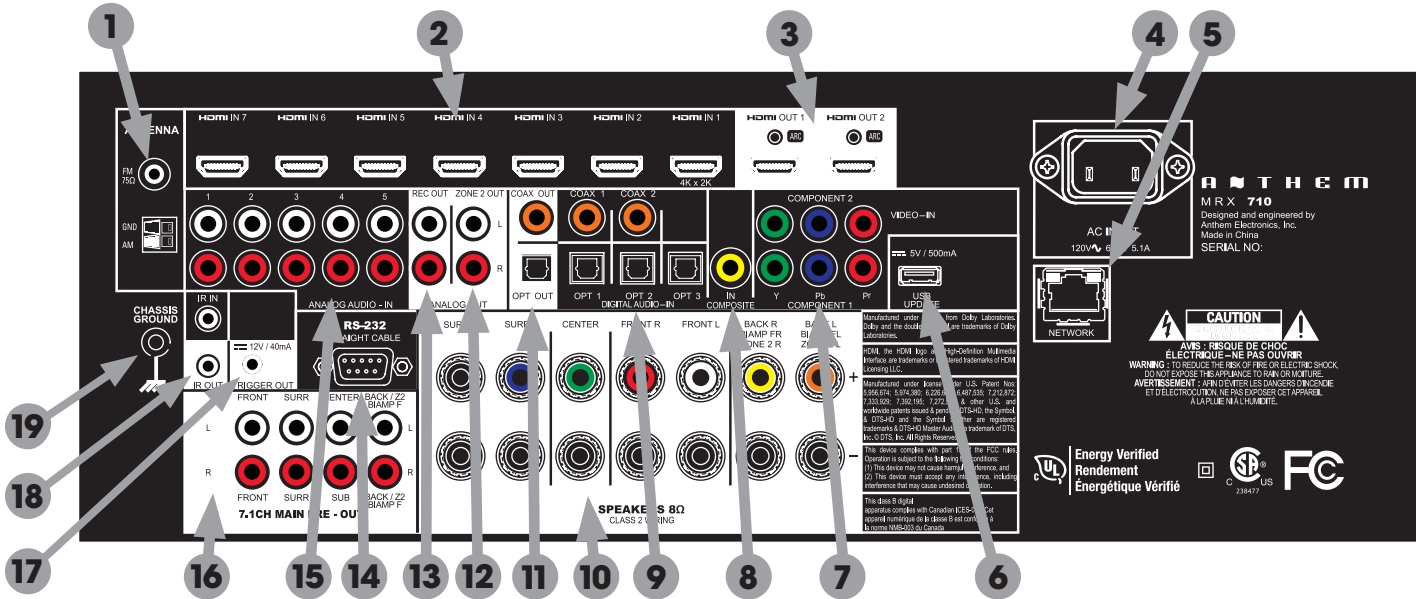
MRX 710 shown, others are similar. For a larger diagram see inside back cover.



- 1 – Navigation buttons
- 2 – Display
- 3 – Volume, level functions, and character selection
- 4 – Power / standby
- 5 – Input selection
- 6 – Zone 2 selection
- 7 – Level selection
- 8 – Remote control sensor location
- 9 – Mode selection
- 10 – Display brightness
- 11 – Setup menu selection
- 12 – HDMI jack (MRX 710/510), headphone jack (*behind cover*)

## 1.4 REAR PANEL MRX 710

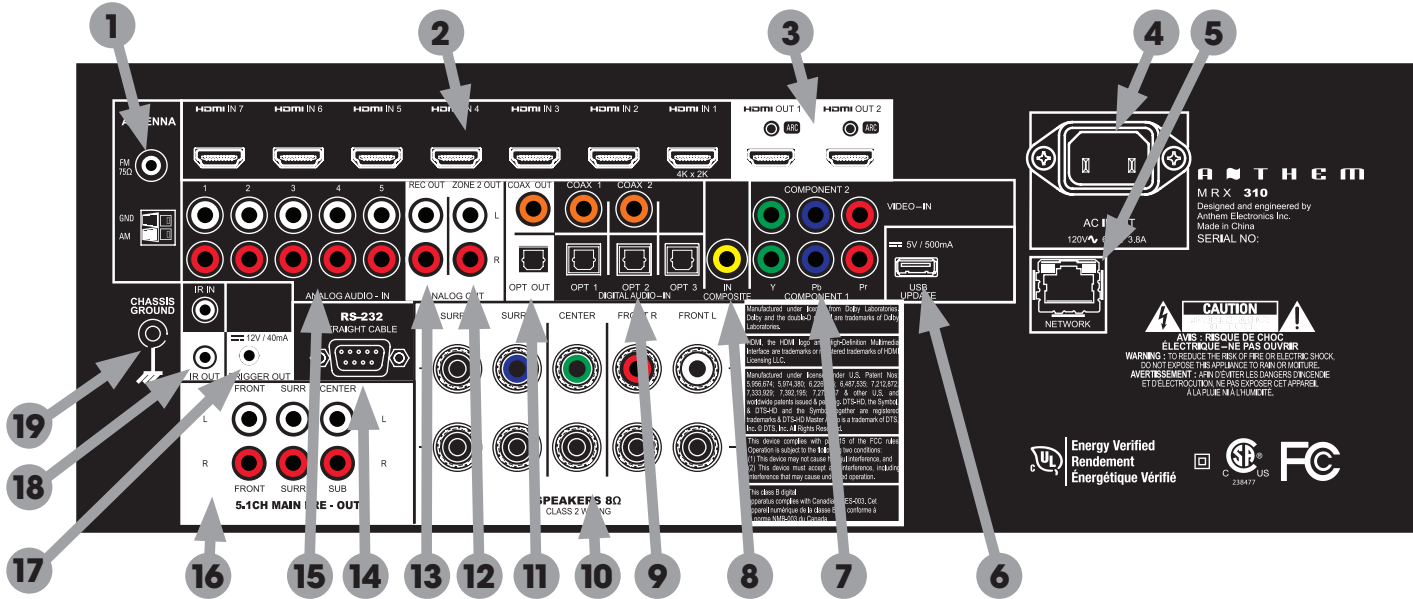
MRX 710 US model shown. EU model, CN model, and MRX 510 are similar.



- 1 – FM/AM antenna connections
- 2 – HDMI inputs (*HDMI1 accepts up to 4K resolution*)
- 3 – HDMI outputs with Audio Return Channel
- 4 – AC input
- 5 – Local area network connection for IP control and Anthem Room Correction
- 6 – USB jack for software updates
- 7 – Component video inputs
- 8 – Composite video input
- 9 – Coaxial and optical digital audio inputs
- 10 – Speaker connections
- 11 – Coaxial and optical digital audio outputs
- 12 – Zone 2 audio outputs
- 13 – Record audio outputs
- 14 – RS-232 interface (*bidirectional*) for serial control
- 15 – Analog audio L/R inputs
- 16 – Main pre-out connections
- 17 – Trigger output
- 18 – IR input and output
- 19 – Chassis ground screw

## 1.5 REAR PANEL MRX 310

US model shown. EU and CN models are similar.

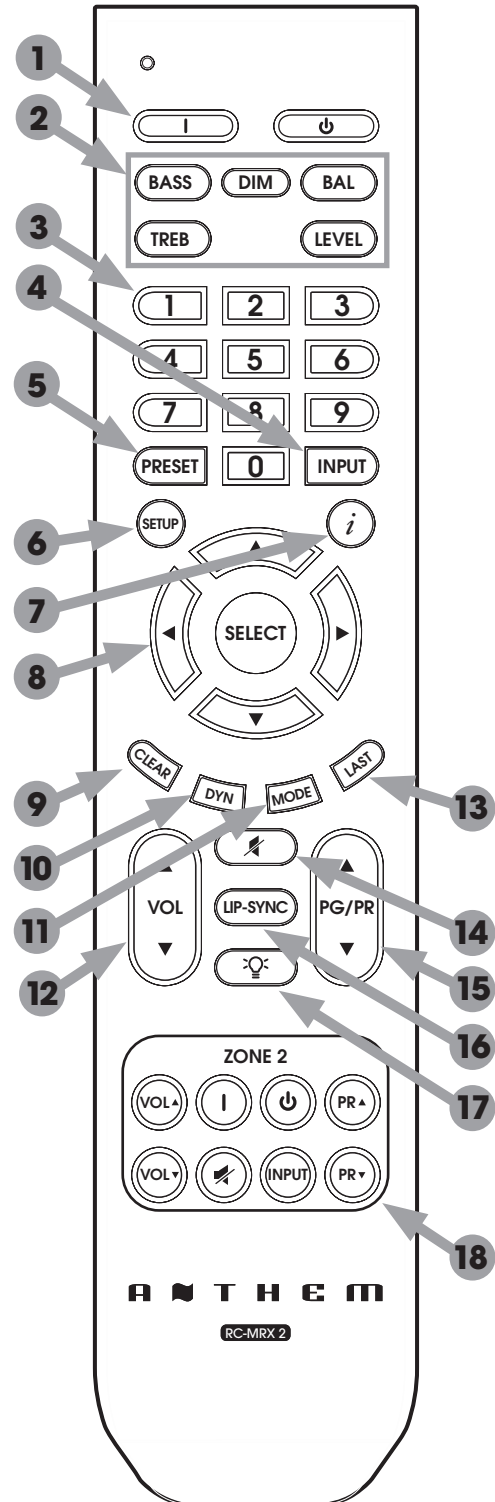


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- 4 – Input list
- 5 – Tuner preset
- 6 – Setup menu
- 7 – Info and status
- 8 – Navigation controls
- 9 – Clear for deleting input configurations and tuner presets, and clearing new entry
- 10 – Dolby Volume and Dolby Digital Dynamics
- 11 – Listening mode
- 12 – Volume
- 13 – Last menu entry
- 14 – Mute
- 15 – Next/previous tuner preset, setup menu page up/down
- 16 – Lip-sync
- 17 – Backlight
- 18 – Zone 2 controls

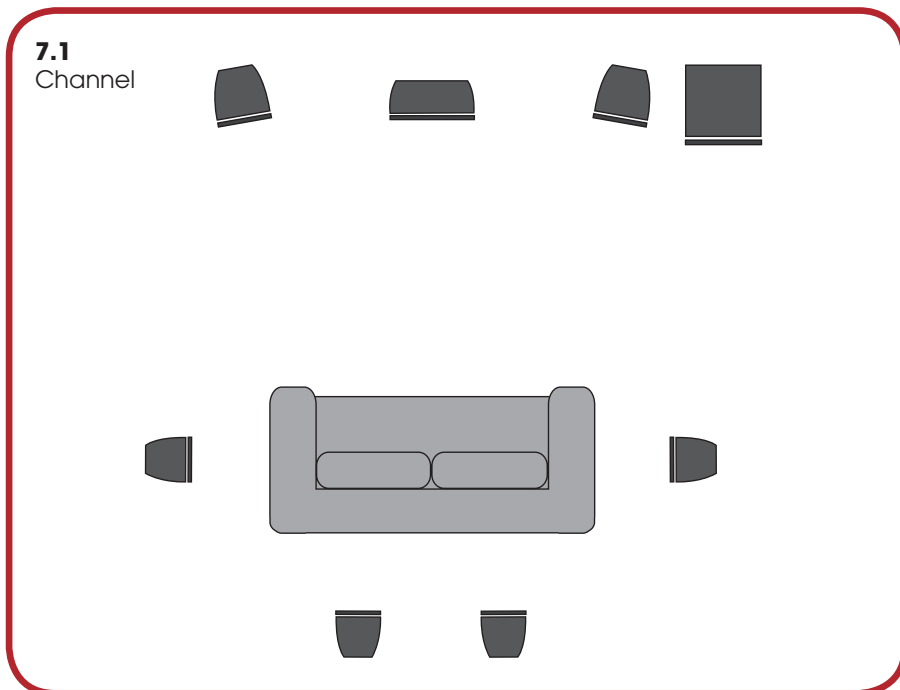
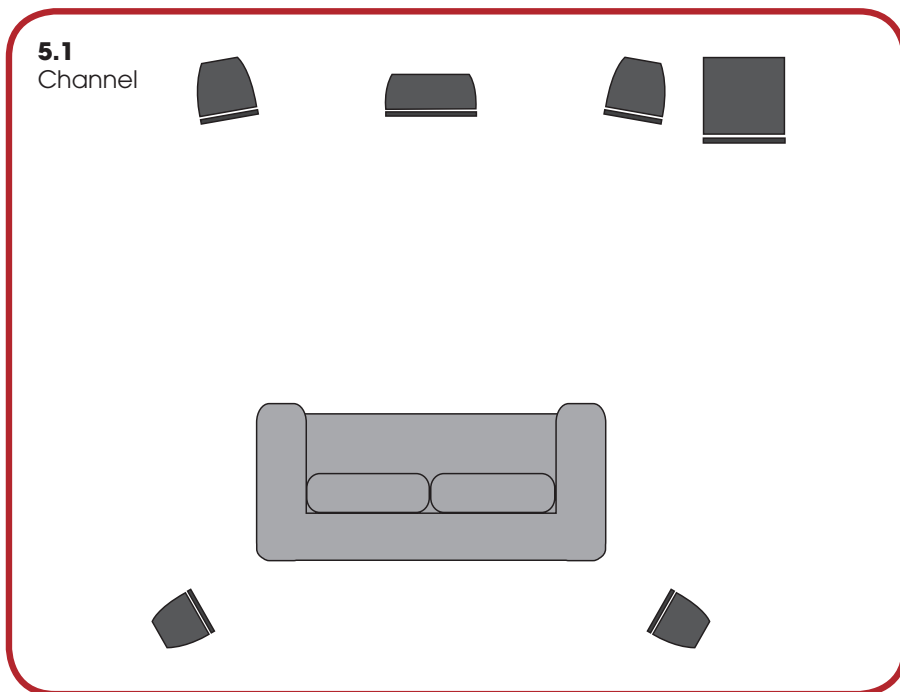
The left/right buttons also select previous/next input.  
The up/down buttons also control tuner station.



## 1.7 SPEAKER POSITIONING

The illustrations below show typical 5.1 and 7.1-channel speaker placement.

Bass response highly depends on room acoustics and experimentation with subwoofer placement is recommended. Anthem Room Correction can help with placement.



# CONNECTIONS

This section describes connections between system components. Configuration of input and output will be discussed later, in section 3.

## 2.1 VIDEO CONNECTIONS

### HDMI

With this type of connection, video and audio are carried together digitally. Maximum video resolution is 4K (also known as UHD and 2160p) at 30 frames per second for HDMI outputs and HDMI input 1, and 1080p at 60 frames per second for the rest of the HDMI inputs. Connect HDMI output from MRX to a display with HDMI input – one with High-bandwidth Digital Content Protection (HDCP) is required to display copy-protected material. If you are using a 4K source component, connect it to HDMI input 1. All HDMI connections support 3D.

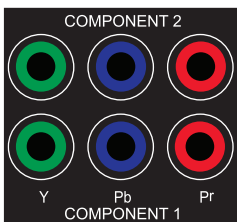


Be careful when connecting HDMI cables. The connector should easily slide in the jack – do not insert it on an angle and do not force it. Each connector contains 19 delicate pins and damaged pins can damage jacks. Such damage is not covered by warranty. If your HDMI cables have been connected enough times that they are about to wear out, new cables are recommended.

Use only High Speed cables and connecting devices. Connecting devices that may have worked in an older setup do not necessarily work with Deep Color or 4K. If there is trouble producing an image and the source allows Deep Color to be disabled, start troubleshooting by turning it off. 12-bit Deep Color that works at 1080p24 may not work at 1080p50 or 1080p60 if cable bandwidth is not adequate for the higher frame rate.

If you are using adapters or port savers, start troubleshooting by eliminating them. Use of these devices is generally not recommended.

### COMPONENT VIDEO



Component video uses three coaxial cables and normally has a maximum resolution of 1080i, or 480p when the source is copy-protected with Macrovision.

### COMPOSITE VIDEO



This traditional standard-definition format combines the black/white and color information for transmission on a single coaxial cable.



## 2.2 AUDIO CONNECTIONS

### AUDIO INPUTS AND OUTPUTS

Digital audio sources can be connected with a coaxial, optical, or HDMI cable. These carry 2-channel PCM, Dolby Digital, and DTS. The HDMI inputs also accept up to eight channels of PCM, Dolby Digital TrueHD, DTS-HD, and DTS-HD Master Audio.

Audio on the HDMI outputs is 2-channel PCM as this is meant for the TV's use.

### HDMI AUDIO RETURN CHANNEL

This is meant for use when the TV is the audio source. An example is internet streaming accessed through the TV's user interface. As long as the TV also has Audio Return Channel (check its manual) it sends audio from the TV to the receiver through the HDMI connection that sends video from the receiver to the TV, eliminating the need for a separate audio connection. CEC control, described in a later section, must be enabled for Audio Return Channel to function.

### DIALOG NORMALIZATION

Dolby Digital program material contains non-audio data which the receiver uses to adjust playback level, when necessary, so volume variations between movies and programs are eliminated. Without Dialog Normalization, movies not encoded at standardized levels for the dialog could lose dynamic range – higher levels can result in distorted peaks, lower levels can result in quiet sounds disappearing into the noise floor.

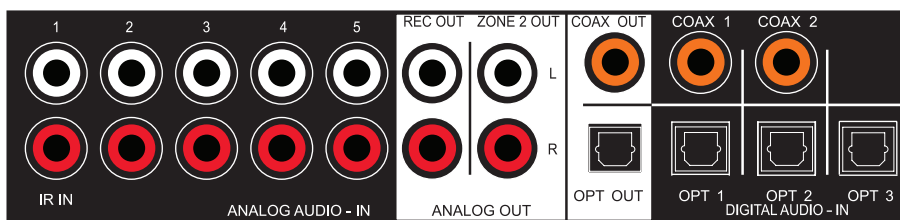
If the display reads "Dial Norm Offset -4.0 dB" at the start of a movie, it is indicating that the encoded level is higher than standard by 4.0 dB – the playback level of all channels is then automatically reduced by 4 dB.

### PREAMP OUTPUTS

The pre-outs are variable according to the volume control and can be used with external amplification.

### ZONE 2 AND REC

Zone 2 and REC may use analog input, or the optical/coaxial inputs as long as the source is 2-channel PCM.



If HDMI audio from a Dolby Digital, DTS, or 2-channel PCM source is problematic or takes too long to switch, use of coax/optical audio connection is recommended (HDMI video can still be used). Older cable and satellite receivers often benefit from this.

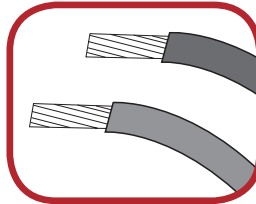
The coax and optical REC outputs provide a passthrough of coax/optical input, or 2-channel PCM, depending on source format.

## SPEAKERS

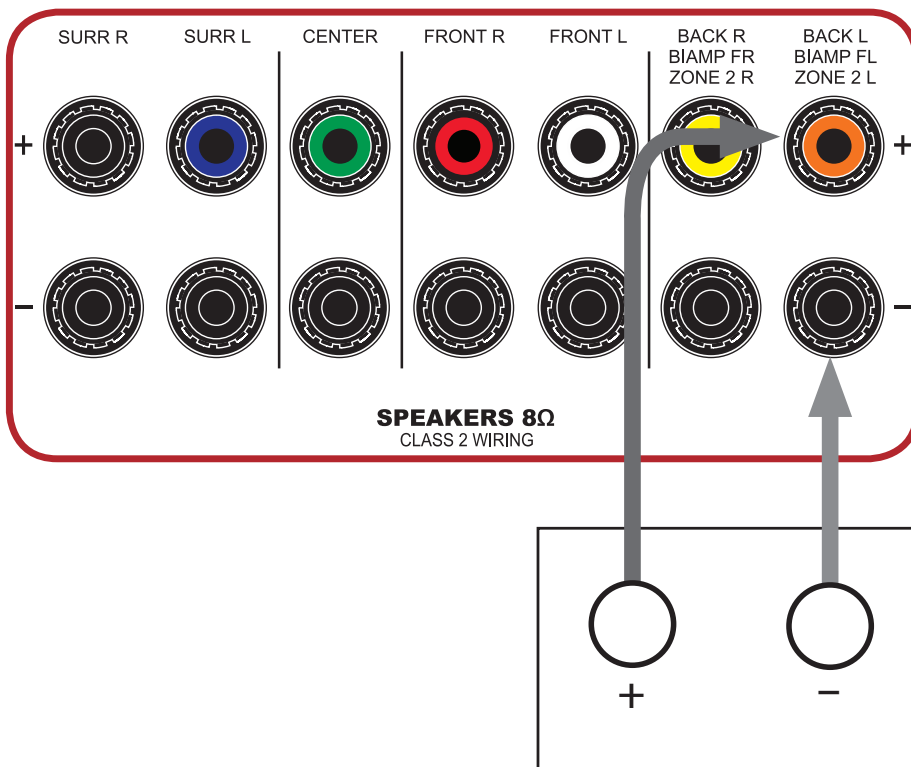
Connect using speaker wire. US models also allow banana plugs.

**MRX 710** and **MRX 510**: If you are only using 5.1 speakers in the main zone, the two remaining amp channels may be configured for use in Zone 2, or to bi-amp front L/R in the main zone.

Connect the positive (+) connection on the speaker to the positive (+) binding post on the appropriate amplifier output, and the negative (-) connection on the speaker to the negative (-) binding post on the same receiver channel using cable that is insulated to handle the maximum output of the receiver. Carefully remove insulation using a wire stripper.



If using speaker cables with banana connectors, first turn the binding post until it is closed. This way, the plug can be fully inserted.



Do not connect more than one speaker to each amplifier output. Be sure that power is turned off when connecting or disconnecting anything and that the speakers are rated for use with this receiver.

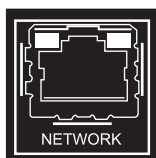
## 2.3 ANTENNAS



To connect the AM loop antenna, press the spring-loaded tabs of the AM ANTENNA connector and insert the bare ends of the two wires. Move the antenna until best reception is found.

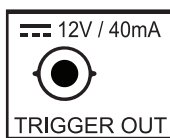
For the FM antenna, use the FM ANTENNA connector. Later, when unit is operating move the antenna to find best reception.

## 2.4 LOCAL AREA NETWORK



This connection is required for configuring Anthem Room Correction and for using IP control. Connect your router using CAT5 cable or a wireless bridge. In the absence of a network or Ethernet router, ARC may also be used with direct CAT5 connection to personal computer although this requires configuring a static IP address.

## 2.5 12 VOLT TRIGGER



If another system component has a trigger input it can be activated by the receiver. Connect the receiver's trigger output using a cable with 3.5mm mini plugs. The receiver provides flexible trigger options. Through the setup menu, you can specify the conditions for enabling triggers.

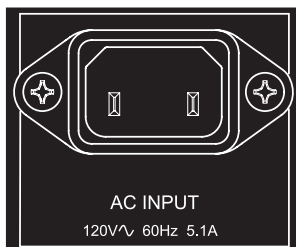
## 2.6 INFRA RED



An external IR receiver allows the remote control to be used from another location in your home – connect the receiver from an external IR hub to the IR IN jack. Most standard IR repeater kits can be used but to avoid problems test compatibility before installing permanently.

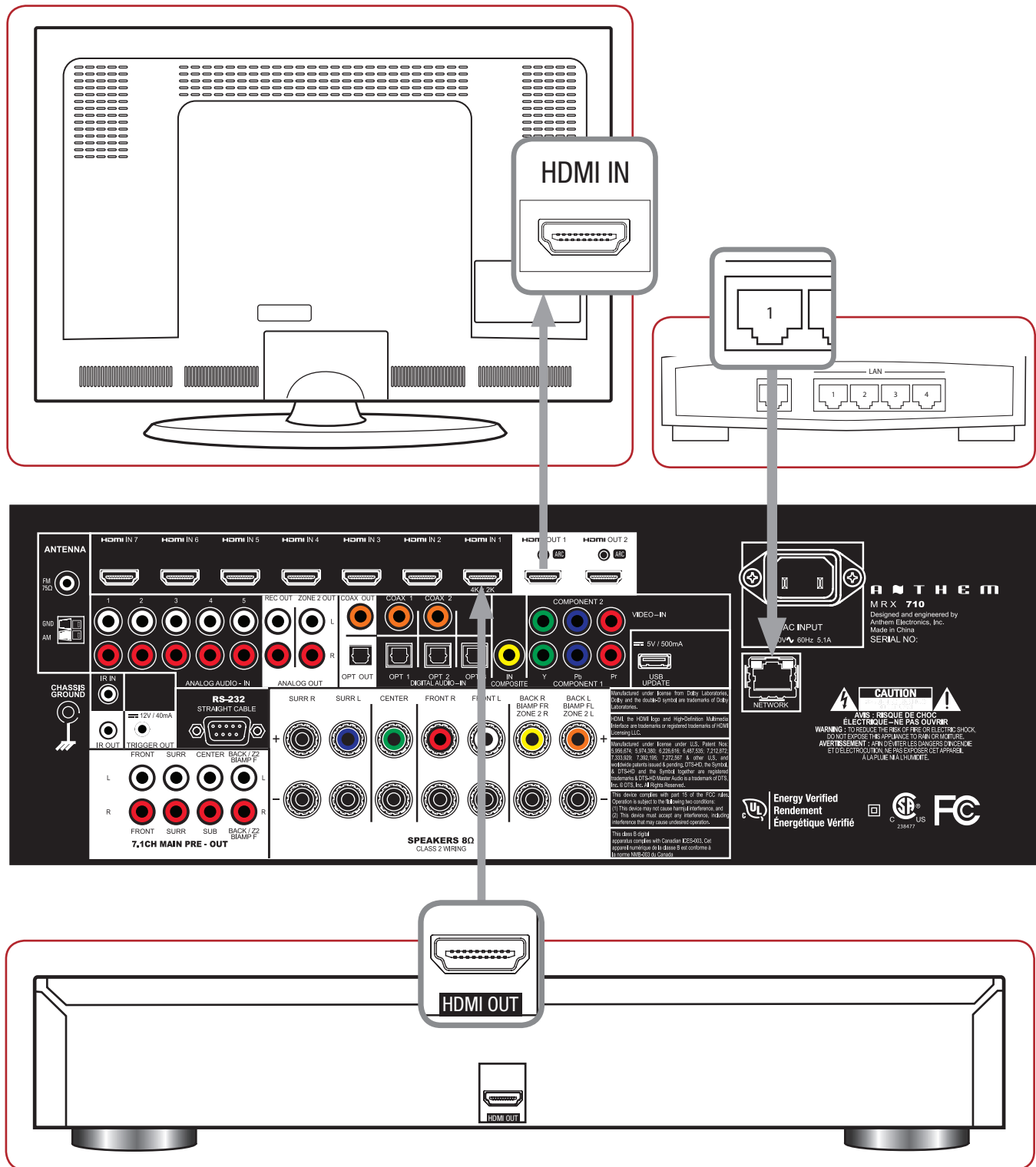
IR OUT is provided for convenience. Through an IR emitter, commands coming in through the rear panel IR IN can be re-transmitted to the IR sensor of another component in your system.

## 2.7 POWER



Connect the power cord to the receiver and the power source.

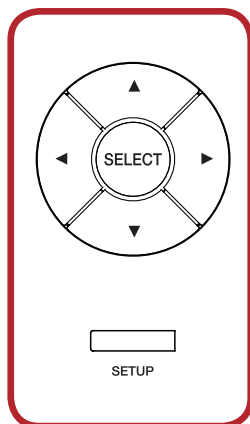
EXAMPLE 1



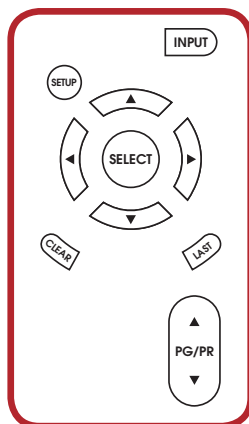
# SETUP

For optimum performance and enjoyment, your receiver should be properly set up. This may appear like a lot of work but most settings do not need to be changed from defaults. The important ones relate to your display and input connections, and distance from listening area to each speaker. Anthem Room Correction will set crossovers and channel levels. The rest is preference and the listening mode presets, for example, should be set after you have played various sources and determined which surround modes you like most.

## Front Panel



## Remote



### HOW TO NAVIGATE IN THE SETUP MENU

- Press Setup to enter or exit
- Use the up/down/left/right buttons to move through menus and selections
- Press PG/PR up/down to skip page
- Press Select to make a selection or to start/finish editing the item
- Pressing Last while editing returns the item to its previous setting
- Press Clear to set the item to its default value

The menu below appears on your display once pressing Setup. If it does not appear, make compatible selections in the HDMI Output Configuration menu while using the front panel display which shows similar information, one item at a time. On-screen, up to nine menu items are displayed at once although for clarity this manual shows all items in each menu together.

#### Main Menu

**A N T H E M**

HDMI Output Configuration  
Speaker Setup  
Bass Management  
Listener Position  
Level Calibration  
Input Setup  
Volumes / REC Output  
Network / Remote Control  
Display  
General Configuration  
Save / Load Settings  
System Information

### 3.1 HDMI OUTPUT CONFIGURATION

Highlighting HDMI Output Configuration in the main menu then pressing Select displays this menu:

HDMI Output Configuration		A T H E M	
HDMI 1 Color Depth			Auto
HDMI 2 Color Depth			Auto
Video Output			Auto
Video Scaling		Processed	
On-Screen Info Display			On

#### HDMI COLOR DEPTH

With the default Auto setting, color depth is set to the highest capability reported by the display's HDMI connection. The 12 and 10 bit formats are known as Deep Color and these will be used if compatible. If there is no picture due to insufficient bandwidth in the HDMI cabling, and replacing it is not practical, changing Auto to 8 bit should help.

#### VIDEO OUTPUT

The default is Auto, in which both HDMI outputs are active and the highest resolution that both displays support is used. If the setting is changed to HDMI1 or HDMI2, video output resolution will be according to the display connected to the respective port.

#### VIDEO SCALING

The default is Processed in which video inputs are deinterlaced and scaled according to the highest resolution supported by the display. With the Passthrough setting, inputs are switched to the output without processing.

#### ON-SCREEN INFO DISPLAY

When changing volume, input, listening mode, etc, the info that is shown on the front panel is also shown on-screen for 5 seconds. To disable the on-screen info, turn this setting Off.

### 3.2 SPEAKER SETUP

If your source components also have bass management and time alignment, be sure to disable them by setting all channels “large” and to the same distance from listener since the receiver will be performing these tasks. Audio quality will be degraded if these processes are performed twice.



#### TWO CONFIGURATIONS

One speaker configuration is normally suitable but two sets of bass management, listening position, level calibration, and ARC equalization values can be entered and stored. This can be useful if your installation varies according to sound-altering characteristics such as screen up vs down, door open vs closed, or with subwoofer vs without.

#### BACK AMP (MRX 710/510)

This assigns how the sixth and seventh amplifier channels will be used. Main Back is the default and is meant for use with 7.1 speakers in the main zone.

Select Zone 2 if using up to 5.1 speakers in the main zone and 2 speakers in Zone 2.

#### MAIN FRONT BIAMP SETTING

This can be useful with up to 5.1 speakers in the main zone and no speakers in Zone 2 if the front Left/Right ones allow biamping (not to be confused with biwiring, where two sets of cables are used by one amplifier channel). Bi-amplification is where two amplifier channels are connected to one speaker, with one powering the speaker's woofer section and the other the mid/tweeter section. Speakers that allow this have two sets of connection terminals. The jumpers between the terminal pairs must be removed before the system is connected, otherwise permanent damage to the amplifier may result.

Keep in mind that best practice is to use amplification with enough power for the application and that the purpose of biamping is to get the most out of existing equipment should a situation arise where the amplifier may be at its output limit. If one channel is doing so, the other speaker section, still operating within its limit, is immune from distortion generated by the overworked section. By contrast, in a conventional setup with one amplifier channel amplifying the entire range, the distortion that may result, for example, from excessive bass, can affect the entire frequency range through the midrange driver and tweeter instead of being confined to the woofer.

Common misconceptions are that the purpose of this configuration is to increase maximum output, and that the speaker's passive crossover is subject to excess levels of unneeded frequencies, thus wasting the amplifier's power. In reality, power delivery outside of the section's frequency range is negligible due to its rising impedance (no wasted power), and the total power delivery across both speaker sections is no different than in the conventional setup (no power increase).

## Speaker Setup

A N T H E M

Profile Name	Config 1
Center	On
Surrounds	On
Backs	On
Subwoofer	On

### PROFILE NAME

Using the navigation keys and volume knob each profile can be renamed, up to 8 characters long. When finished, press Select but note that the profile name is best set in Anthem Room Correction (Targets panel) because during file upload the name in the menu is overwritten by the one in ARC.

### CENTER / SURROUND / BACKS / SUBWOOFER

If using Anthem Room Correction, these items will be set during measurement. Set to "On" if you are using these speakers, "Off" if you are not. This is an important step so no sounds go missing because by setting unavailable channels to "Off", the sound that would have come from those speakers is rerouted to available speakers.

### "OFF" SETTING FOR

- Center – the center channel plays from the L/R fronts.
- Surround – the Surround-L channel plays from the Front-L channel and the Surround-R channel plays from the Front-R channel (except Dolby Pro Logic modes).
- Backs – the Back-L channel plays from the Surround-L channel and the Back-R channel plays from the Surround-R channel.
- Subwoofer – the subwoofer plays two things, LFE (Low Frequency Effects) channel in multichannel soundtracks and bass from remaining channels using the crossover.

Some people prefer to play music through a system that does not use a subwoofer though it should be noted that the reason often cited is that the subwoofer does not blend well with the main speakers. In contrast, Anthem Room Correction excels in integrating the subwoofer with the main speakers, so in this case using a subwoofer is recommended for all sources. The subwoofer normally plays bass that is louder, deeper, and less distorted than that of a full-range speaker, and it uses its own amplifier.



### 3.3 BASS MANAGEMENT

In this menu, information about your speakers is used so that bass does not become distorted. If using Anthem Room Correction, these items will be set during measurement, so you may skip this menu.

If your subwoofer has a crossover, it should be bypassed – set its frequency control to the highest frequency.

The bass manager is a crossover that divides audio in two frequency bands suitable for subwoofer/satellite speaker systems. The result is a lower bass level for satellite speakers, and no midrange/treble going to the subwoofer.

Highlighting Bass Management then pressing Select displays this menu:



Two configurations may be set up. Each contains the following:



#### CROSSOVER FREQUENCY

The range is 40 to 160 Hz in 10 Hz steps, or Off which bypasses the crossover. Note that a crossover does not cut frequencies off like a cliff, but rolls them off according to a slope. If set to 80 Hz, for example, frequencies lower than 80 Hz are still played. Setting the crossover to the lowest number on your speaker's specification page is unlikely to provide the best result.

### 3.4 LISTENER POSITION

Through these settings, sound coming from all speakers is coordinated to reach the listening area at the same time. This way, proper imaging is achieved. The channel with the greatest distance setting will have no delay while channels with shorter distance settings will be delayed accordingly.

Distances may be set before or after running ARC (ARC does not set distances).

<b>Listener Position</b>	<b>A T H E M</b>
Units	feet
Config 1	
Config 2	

For measurement units, select feet or metres.

These settings are displayed for each configuration:

<b>Listener Position</b>	<b>A T H E M</b>
Front Left	12 feet
Center	12 feet
Front Right	12 feet
Surround Right	12 feet
Back Right	12 feet
Back Left	12 feet
Surround Left	12 feet
Subwoofer	12 feet

Enter the distance between your primary listening area and each speaker. Range is 0-30 ft in 1 ft increments or 0-9 m in 0.3 m increments.

### 3.5 LEVEL CALIBRATION

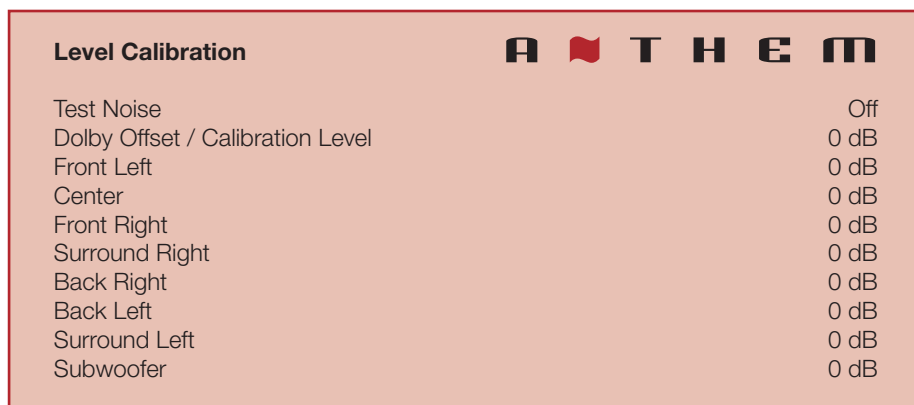
Level Calibration uses internally generated test noises to match speaker output levels at the listening position. These noises are also a way of checking system connections between receiver, amplifier, and speaker. Audio calibrations from home theater setup discs are not recommended – some use incorrect methods.

If using Anthem Room Correction, these items will be set during measurement.

A sound pressure level (SPL) meter with C-weighting is recommended if not using ARC, especially to set the subwoofer level. Measure the sound pressure from the listening position while pointing the meter up. Hold it away from your body to prevent reflections.



These settings are displayed for each configuration:



#### TEST NOISE

To play the test noise, select “On”. Use the up/down buttons to move the noise to the other speakers.

#### DOLBY OFFSET / CALIBRATION LEVEL

This is the master volume for this menu's test noises. Changing it changes the output of all channels. The noise comes out of the left front channel.

#### CHANNEL LEVEL

If you're calibrating by ear, use the remote control and sit in the listening area. Adjust each channel's loudness until all levels sound the same. If using an SPL meter, adjust level so it reads 75 dB for each channel. If Noise Level is set while Front-L is at 0 dB, no adjustment of Front-L is needed since the output is the same. If using a powered subwoofer, make a rough adjustment with its input level control before setting sub level in this menu or using ARC. Speakers set to “Off: in the Bass Management menu are skipped.

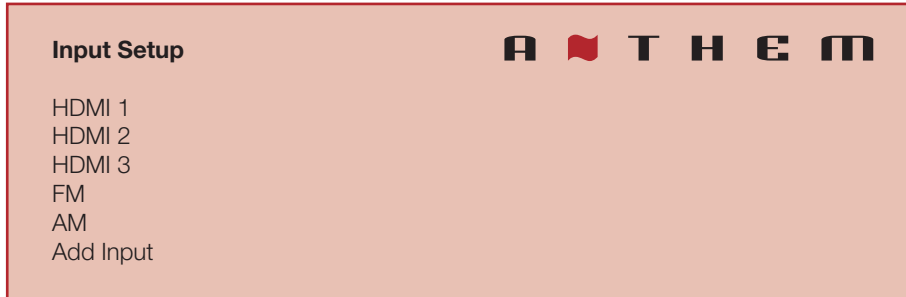
#### MULTIPLE SUBWOOFERS

If using multiple subwoofers they must be balanced to one another before further audio setup, including when using ARC. Play the subwoofer test noise with only one subwoofer connected at a time. Set its input level dial so the SPL meter reads 71 dB from the listening area if using two subs, or 67 dB if using four subs. Repeat this for the remaining subs. When all are connected the result should be around 75 dB. ARC sets the final level. If not using ARC, change the level of all subs equally for a combined result of 75 dB SPL.

To fine-tune the level or phase of each sub relative to one another, listen to FM “shhhh” noise through the subwoofers only (turn off main amplifiers), and adjust (or better yet have someone else adjust) the sub's level and/or phase control until bass is loudest in the listening area.

### 3.6 INPUT SETUP

Inputs and listening mode presets are configured in this section. From the factory, 5 inputs are set but you may change this to anything from 1 to 20 configurations.

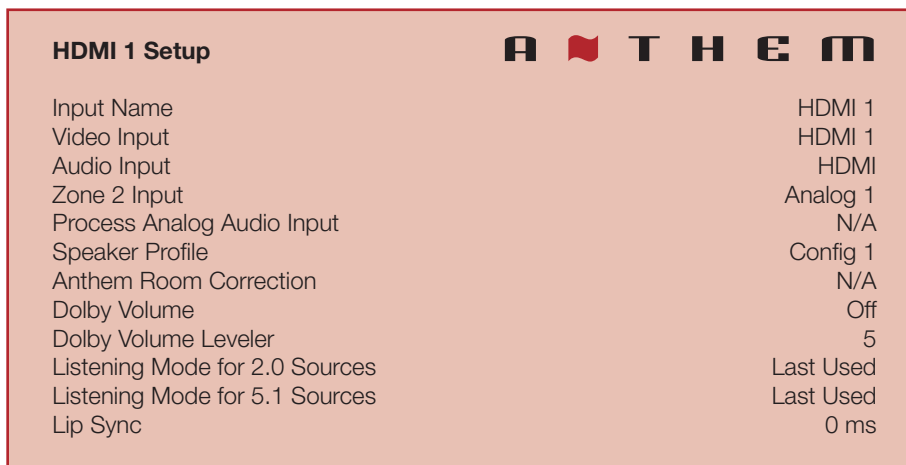


To add an input at the end of the list, highlight Add Input and press Select.

To insert an input, highlight one on the list and press Input. The new input will be inserted after the highlighted one.

To delete an input, highlight it and press Clear on the remote control.

These settings are displayed for each configuration:



### INPUT NAME

Using the navigation keys and volume knob each input can be renamed, up to 8 characters long. When finished, press Select.

Example – Rename “HDMI 1” to “Blu-ray”:

- Highlight “Input Name” and press Select. The first character will be highlighted in red.
- Use the up/down buttons or volume knob to change “H” to “B”.
- Use the left/right buttons to move to each remaining character and complete the renaming.
- Press Select to return to the menu

### VIDEO INPUT

Select the connection to be used – HDMI1-7, Front HDMI (MRX 710/510), Component 1-2, Composite, None.

### AUDIO INPUT

Select the connection to be used – HDMI, HDMI Audio Return 1-2, Coaxial 1-2, Optical 1-3, Analog 1-5, AM Radio, FM Radio, None.

### ZONE 2 INPUT

Select the connection to be used – Coaxial 1-2, Optical 1-3, Analog 1-5, AM Radio, FM Radio, None. Note that with coaxial and optical input, the source must be 2-channel PCM.

### PROCESS ANALOG AUDIO INPUT

If changed to No, digital conversion and signal processing are bypassed. Only level adjustments will be available.

### SPEAKER PROFILE

Select the profile to use with this input.

### ANTHEM ROOM CORRECTION

The ARC measurement process, described later, will turn this on. To disable room equalization afterward, change this to “Off”. If measurement info isn’t loaded, “N/A” is displayed.

### DOLBY VOLUME (MAIN ONLY)

Select On or Off. Dolby Volume makes content with large differences in volume easier to listen to by analyzing it and intelligently adjusting two things – level and frequency response. It does this continually without causing pumping and breathing artifacts that are common with traditional dynamic range compressors. In doing so, the volume setting is taken into account as is our hearing’s declining sensitivity to the lowest and highest frequencies relative to the midrange as their levels drop. The result is that the perceived frequency response remains constant while making quieter parts of the content more listenable.

### DOLBY VOLUME LEVELER

This applies when Dolby Volume is turned on. The leveling amount can be set from 1 to 9, or Off. Play various sources to find your preferred setting. When Leveler is “Off” the frequency response adjustment still applies.

## LISTENING MODE PRESETS

A listening mode is processing that enhances source material by increasing the number of output channels. Each mode performs this its own way, providing its own type of sound. To find your preference, spend some time listening to various modes using various sources. To disable presets and make selections entirely on the fly, select "Last Used". To disable listening modes altogether, select "None".

Modes fall in two main categories – those that apply to 2-channel sources and those that apply to 5.1-channel sources.

## FOR 2.0-CHANNEL SOURCES

AnthemLogic-Cinema provides the missing link that lets you experience full impact home theater sound from any 2-channel source. A large, enveloping and dynamic listening experience is created making 2-channel movies sound more like what is experienced in a state-of-the art movie theater. Through extensive listening tests a very effective design was developed, avoiding the use of echo effects which could negatively affect the purity of the sound.

AnthemLogic-Music enhances the stereo listening experience without detracting from the stereo soundstage. This is also a minimalist design that uses no echo or reverberation effects. To ensure that the purity of the stereo music soundstage is in no compromised when you're sitting in the "sweet spot" and listening to your favorite stereo recordings, the center channel is not used.

Dolby Pro Logic IIx Movie is the decoder created for 2-channel movies and TV programs encoded in Dolby Surround.

Dolby Pro Logic IIx Music can be used with stereo music to make it more compelling. When engaged during playback, these adjustments are accessible by pressing the Mode button:

- Center Width is adjustable from 0 to 7. Setting this to 0 places all center sound in the center speaker while 7 places it equally in the left and right channels. The default is 3.
- Dimension has seven steps of balance adjustment between the surround and center channels.
- Panorama when "On" extends the front stereo image to include the surround channels. This is effective for recordings that have strong left or right channel elements.

DTS Neo:6 Cinema is a matrix decoder that can be used with any matrix-encoded movie. Separation is created by allowing sounds to be placed at different points in the sound field.

DTS Neo:6 Music is a matrix decoder for stereo music.

All Channels sends the left and right channels to the surround and rear channels with equal loudness while the center channel and subwoofer receive a combination of both.

#### FOR 5.1-CHANNEL SOURCES (MRX 710/510)

7.1 speakers are needed in the main zone.

Dolby Pro Logic IIx Movie is suitable for extracting back channels from any 5.1-channel source.

Dolby Pro Logic IIx Music is similar but with increased emphasis on the surround channels.

DTS Neo:6 is also suitable for extracting back channels from any 5.1-channel source.

#### LIP-SYNC DELAY

If audio is heard before its corresponding image is seen, you can set up to 150 milliseconds of audio delay – set using synchronization test disc or trial and error. Movies are not always the best test because sounds including dialog are usually re-recorded after the filming is completed, and can be slightly out of sync at various points in the recording. Adjustment can also be made while viewing material after pressing the Lip-Sync button.

### 3.7 VOLUMES / REC OUTPUT

Here you can set preferences as listed.

Volumes / REC Output	A	M	T	H	E	M
Mute Level						Silent
Main Max Volume						10 dB
Zone 2 Max Volume						10 dB
Main Power On Volume						-35 dB
Zone 2 Power On Volume						-35 dB
Mute Analog REC Out when selecting						Never
Mute Digital REC Out when selecting						Never

#### MUTE LEVEL

When Mute is pressed, sound can cut out completely or decrease in volume by the amount that you set to keep some of it in the background. Select from Silent or -5 to -30 dB in 5 dB steps.

#### MAXIMUM VOLUME

These settings allow you to limit the volume setting to avoid damaging equipment and/or hearing.

#### POWER-ON VOLUME

The volume will be at these levels when the receiver is turned on.

#### RECORDING DEVICE

If using a recording device, select the input that the recorder's output is connected to. This prevents the recorder's output from being fed back to its input, something that results in a loud noise.



### 3.8 NETWORK / REMOTE CONTROL

Network / Remote Control		A N T H E M	
Device Name		MRX 710	
Network Type		Wired LAN	
IP Configuration			
Trigger Configuration			
TCP Port		14999	
UDP Port		14999	
Rear IR		Enable	
Front IR		Enable	
Tx Status		Disable	

#### DEVICE NAME:

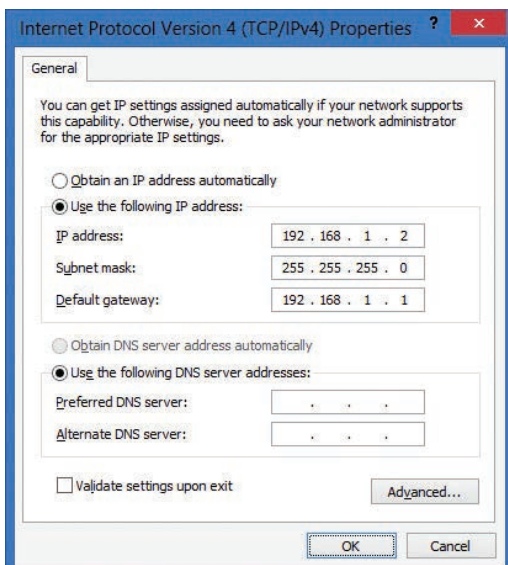
This is the name that the receiver broadcasts, and it can be changed using up to 16 characters.

#### NETWORK TYPE:

The default is wired LAN, which will allow the easiest way to run Anthem Room Correction, described later, as long as the receiver is connected to an Ethernet router.

The alternative is to change the setting to Direct Connect (generally not recommended), which allows connecting the CAT5 cable directly between the receiver and your computer, but your computer will need to have its network settings changed to make this work. Setting a static IP address is beyond the scope of this manual because the method varies according to the computer's operating system. Instructions may be found on the Internet by entering "How to assign a static IP address" into a search engine.

Once you have located a screen resembling the one below, enter these settings:



IP address: 192.168.1.2

Subnet mask: 255.255.255.0

Default gateway: 192.168.1.1

Normally, you should return the setting to "Obtain an IP address automatically" when the static address is no longer needed.

### IP CONFIGURATION

Settings in this submenu should only be changed if your network administrator gives the direction or if using Direct Connect to run ARC.

IP Configuration		A T H E M	
Mode			Auto
IP		192.168.1.3	
Subnet Mask		255.255.255.0	
Gateway		192.168.1.1	

### MODE

Static IP settings take effect once this is changed to Manual. For ARC, enter the IP, Subnet Mask, and Gateway values shown above (note that the receiver's IP address is not the same as the computer's).

### TRIGGER CONFIGURATION

When the receiver's trigger output is connected to the trigger input of another component, such as an amplifier or projector, the receiver can turn it on or off according to the trigger's setup.

Trigger Configuration		A T H E M	
Trigger Control			Menu
Power		Main or Zone 2	
HDMI 1			Off
HDMI 2			Off
HDMI 3			Off
FM			Off
AM			Off

In the example shown, the trigger activates while Main or Zone 2 power is turned on. Trigger outputs can also be set to activate according to any combination of inputs instead of Power.

If triggers are to be controlled through IP or RS-232, change "Menu" to "RS-232/IP".

### TCP AND UDP PORT

Change these only if there is a conflict with another application that uses 14999.

### REAR AND FRONT IR

This allows you to disable each of the receiver's infra-red inputs, which can be useful when the receiver is connected to an IR repeater and is receiving too many signals.

Note that the moment that you disable the front IR input, you will not be able to control the receiver the traditional way from the remote control – re-enable the IR input using the front panel buttons. If your remote control appears to not be working and you have checked the batteries, check this menu next before contacting technical support.

### TX STATUS

When enabled, all commands, status changes, and control information are reported through the Ethernet and RS-232 connections.

### 3.9 DISPLAY

The front panel display's brightness is set here.



#### BRIGHTNESS:

Set preferred default brightness.

#### WAKE UP BRIGHTNESS:

When a button is pressed the display can go to a brighter level for 5 seconds – select None, Up 1 brightness level, Medium, or High. When “None” is selected and the display is off, the wake-up behaves as Up 1 to indicate that the unit is running.

### 3.10 GENERAL CONFIGURATION

This menu contains power saving, control, and tuner options.

General Configuration		A T H E M	
Auto Off		30 minutes	
ECO Mode		Enable	
IP Control		Enable	
Standby IP Control		Disable	
Standby HDMI Bypass		Disable	
CEC Control		Off	
CEC Power Off Control		Disable	
CEC Power On Control		Disable	
AM Tuner Steps		10 kHz	
FM Tuner Steps		100 kHz	

#### AUTO OFF

When there is no input signal the receiver will turn off after the selected time: 5, 10, or 30 minutes, 1, 2, or 6 hours, or Never.

#### ECO MODE

When enabled, options that increase power consumption during standby are disabled. With default settings, just under 0.3 W is consumed in standby.

#### IP CONTROL

With this setting you can enable/disable response to networked Internet Protocol commands.

#### STANDBY IP CONTROL

By default, the receiver goes into a low-consumption standby mode and does not sense IP commands while in it. To make it respond to a power-on command, enable this setting. Standby consumption increases to 2.0 W (1.8 W if network cable is not connected).

#### STANDBY HDMI BYPASS

This option brings standby consumption to 5.6 W (6.6 W if Standby IP Control is also in use) although it allows use of an HDMI source without turning on the receiver. Select HDMI 1-7, Front HDMI (MRX 710/510), or Last Used. The standby LED on the front panel changes to red. Your TV may need setup to allow the sound to come from its speakers – check its manual.

## CEC

When Consumer Electronics Control is enabled it allows controlling one HDMI-connected component using another's remote control, as long as CEC is also enabled in the other components. Note that when component brands are mixed this control system may not be reliable.

CEC Control must also be On for Audio Return Channel, described in an earlier section, to function.

With CEC, turning on one component in the system can turn on the rest of the system, same with turning one component off. You may or may not want this which is why separate options are provided for Power Off and Power On control. When either is disabled, the corresponding power commands sent by other HDMI-connected components are ignored. This is also useful if you would like to use Audio Return Channel but not one-touch power.

After changing CEC settings or loading factory defaults it may be necessary to briefly disconnect and reconnect the HDMI cable between the receiver and TV or source component for the new settings to be recognized.

## TUNER STEPS

Set according to your country's radio standards.

AM step can be set to 9 kHz (range 531-1710 kHz) or 10 kHz (range 530-1710 kHz).

FM step can be set to 50 or 100 kHz (range 87.50-108.00 MHz), or 200 kHz (range 87.5-107.9 MHz).

### 3.11 SAVE / LOAD SETTINGS



#### SAVE/LOAD USER SETTINGS

After selecting Save User Settings and confirming, all menu settings will be stored. If you change settings later and want to recall the saved settings, select Load User Settings and confirm.

#### RESET ON-THE-FLY SETTINGS

After selecting and confirming, all non-menu settings such as level and bass/treble will be reset.

#### LOAD FACTORY DEFAULTS

After selecting and confirming, all menu settings will be reset.

#### MASTER RESET

This is not a menu setting. To reset the unit to factory condition, connect power and press the front panel Setup and main power buttons at the same time. The unit should turn on. This may be useful if unit has become inoperable.

### 3.12 SYSTEM INFORMATION

System Information		A N T H E M	
Update Via USB			
Release Version		1.0.5	
Main Micro Version		1.0.5	
DSP Version		0.2.2	
HDMI Version		0.2.1	
ARC Name			
ARC Upload Time			
MAC Address		7C:B7:7B:00:00:0A	
LAN Status		Disconnected	

#### UPDATE VIA USB AND VERSION NUMBERING:

The operational characteristics of the receiver are controlled by software installed through the USB port on the rear panel. Updates can be downloaded from our web site and installed afterwards.

- On [www.anthemAV.com](http://www.anthemAV.com) locate the software pertaining to your MRX model and voltage. Proceed only if your version is a lower number, indicating that it is older.
- You will be asked where to save a .zip file – save it to Desktop.
- When the .zip file download is complete, extract it to Desktop.
- See Read Me.txt for the change history.
- Copy the .fw file to your USB flash drive, root directory (not in a folder). Make sure that no other .fw file is in the root directory.
- Connect the USB flash drive to the back of the receiver, directly or through the supplied USB extension cable.
- Select Update Via USB. Alternatively, the front panel Select button can be pressed for 8 seconds to start the process without going into the setup menu (MRX must be powered on first). Installation takes less than 10 minutes and the front panel display will indicate progress. Do not interfere by pressing buttons or turning power off – the unit will turn on and off by itself a few times. At the end it will remain on with the normal source and volume info on the display.

#### ARC NAME

This is the name that you gave to your measurement file.

#### ARC UPLOAD TIME

This is the date and time that your ARC file was uploaded.

#### MAC ADDRESS

This is your receiver's unique identifier on the network.

#### LAN STATUS

This displays the receiver's IP address once connected to the local area network.



# ANTHEM ROOM CORRECTION

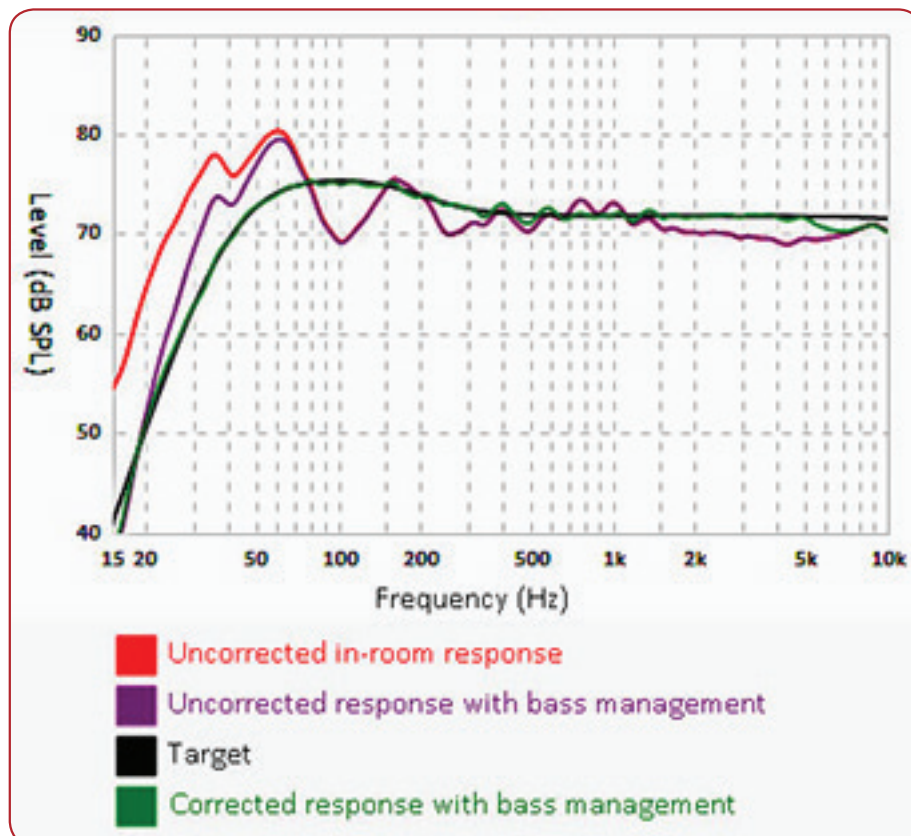
ARC corrects the effects of reflective surfaces and room boundaries on sound quality by measuring the response of each speaker relative to the listening area and equalizing it. ARC equalizes response without stressing the amplifier or speakers and does not downsample the source material to process it. ARC's filters are neither graphic nor parametric – ARC is a sophisticated system that flattens response using its ability to create practically any suitable function, inherently correcting phase effects created by the room.

The default correction range is up to 5 kHz. Although the limit can be changed if needed, a higher one is generally not advised since the microphone becomes directional at upper frequencies, affecting measurement accuracy especially if the height of the speaker's high frequency driver is not at ear level.

ARC also detects how much the room reinforces low frequencies due to its boundaries and pressurization. This room gain shows as a bump in the target response. ARC does not remove it because if flattened, bass sounds thin. Ideal anechoic speaker response, a straight line as measured in a special non-reverberant facility, is not the same as ideal in-room response which normally includes, to varying degree, this room gain.

ARC senses where each speaker's low-frequency response declines and sets high-pass filters accordingly. Calibration is set such that average level is the same when comparing EQ "On" vs "Off". Note that to set levels ARC uses a midrange band that's wider than the standard home theater setup noise, which is centered at 1 kHz and narrow so there's no chance its level would be reduced by a crossover.

Sample response:



## EQ IS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR MY SUBWOOFER(S) – SHOULD I USE IT?

Since rooms and correction systems, the answer varies although it is best to disable the subwoofer's EQ before running ARC. If the resulting calculated and target curves resemble each other, there is usually no reason to use the sub's EQ. If the curves significantly differ through a wide range, enable the sub's EQ and run ARC again to see if it helps. If you have run ARC with the sub's EQ enabled, ARC must be run again once the sub's EQ is turned off.

**Multiple Paradigm subs with PBK:**  
Results are often better with PBK run on each sub before using ARC.

#### 4.1 BEFORE STARTING

- Ensure that the receiver software and ARC-2 software that you will be using are compatible with one another – check [www.anthemAV.com](http://www.anthemAV.com) for latest versions.
- Your ARC microphone and its support file are a system. Before a mic can be used for measurement, its response must be known. Each ARC microphone's frequency response is measured precisely at the factory and this is used to create your microphone's calibration file.
- Your computer must be running Windows Vista or later and be connected to a local network. If a router is not available, the computer may be connected directly to the receiver using a static IP address as explained in the setup menu section of this manual. Windows XP also runs ARC-2 but this is not supported in itself due to the age of the operating system. If an issue presents itself in this case, the solution would be to use a newer version of Windows.
- If you are using a laptop computer, check its power settings and battery meter to ensure that procedures will not be interrupted.
- The measurement process rejects typical background noise but if loud noise is present ARC will indicate that re-measurement is required. Ensure that the room will be sufficiently quiet during measurement.
- Depending on how your network is set up, you may need to enable sharing to allow the receiver to be seen by your computer.
- If you are using more than one receiver on the network, note that each may be identified three ways – by MAC address, IP address, or Device Name (for more information see the System Information and Network setup menus).

#### 4.2 ARC SOFTWARE INSTALLATION

Instructions will appear on your computer's screen once the ARC CD is read. If your computer does not allow a CD to auto-run then double-click on the My Computer icon that's on Desktop, select the drive that the CD is in to view its contents (you may need to right-click on its icon then select Explore), and double-click on setup.exe.

If you downloaded ARC from our web site it needs to be extracted before setup is run. Your CD is still needed because it's the source of your microphone's unique calibration file. Example: 300001.cal. If you copy it to the same folder as setup.exe before running the installer, it will be installed as well.

The installation will put several files into an Anthem folder on your computer and create shortcuts in your Start Menu and on Desktop.

**CUSTOM INSTALLERS:** To set up multiple systems using one computer, copy the serialized files from each ARC CD to this directory after ARC is installed (it only needs to be installed once):

My Computer, Local Disk C:\Program Files\Anthem Room Correction 2

Measurement files created with the original version of ARC software cannot be opened or used with ARC-2 software.

### 4.3 MICROPHONE STAND ASSEMBLY

Screw the telescoping tube into its base and the microphone clip onto the tube. Position the clip vertically. Connect the USB microphone cable to the microphone and slide the microphone into the clip.

### 4.4 MICROPHONE POSITIONING

During measurement the microphone must point straight up. The microphone's height is critical to proper measurement and should be at ear level when seated. Ideally, the front speakers' high-frequency drivers should be at approximately the same height as the listener's ears but if they aren't and the result sounds dull or bright, microphone height will have to be adjusted and measurements repeated.

To adjust the length of the telescoping tube, first loosen its clamp by rotating it counterclockwise.

Five listening area positions are normally measured but this number can be increased up to ten. The first must be at or just in front of the central seating position. This is also used to set Speaker Calibration levels. Positions 2 and 3 should be symmetric to the left and the right of the center line, and the same applies to the remaining positions. If your room has less than five seating positions, measurements must still be taken from five positions at least 2 feet (70 cm) apart to ensure optimal sound.

### 4.5 MEASUREMENT

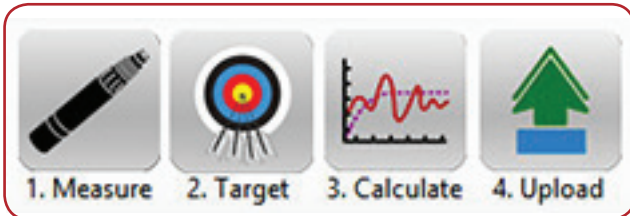
- Connect the microphone and the processor to the computer.
- Set the microphone in the first position. Don't stand near the microphone while sweep tones are playing otherwise reflections from your body may cause bad measurements.
- Run Anthem Room Correction from the Start Menu or through its Desktop shortcut. The program will guide you through the remaining steps and at the end will load the correction data to your processor. The process takes about 10 minutes depending on the number of measurements.
- Up to 16 characters may be used to name a measurement. Additional characters will be removed.
- Valid characters are: a-z, A-Z, 0-9, " ", "-", ".", ":", ";", "<", "=", ">", "?", and "@". Other characters will be removed from the ARC upload name.
- Once the ARC program is finished, you can disconnect the computer. Turn on the processor and set "Room EQ:" On/Off in the Source Setup menu according to each source. If you made measurements for a Music configuration, assign Bass Manager accordingly.
- Save your settings in the Save / Load Settings menu.

#### QUICK MEASURE SPEAKER POSITION HELPER

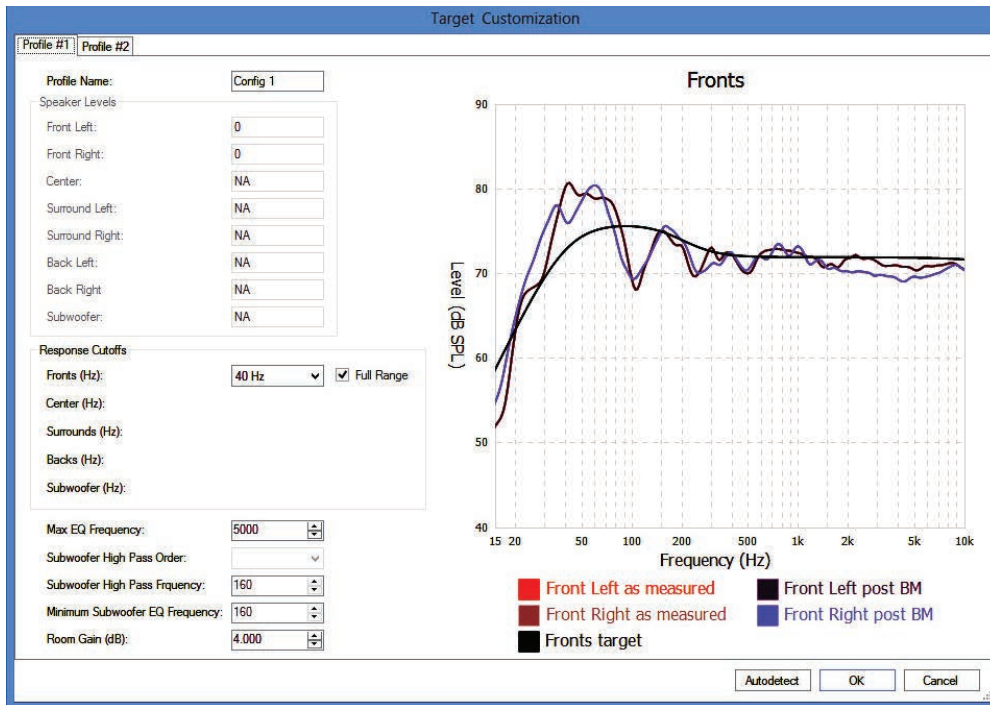
If speaker positioning, particularly for the sub, is flexible you can try this before running ARC. Alternatively you can start with a full measurement and then see whether it's necessary to re-position speakers. To use Quick Measure, select Manual mode instead of Automatic when starting ARC. Click on the Quick Measure button and enable the sweep tone for the speaker that you are positioning. After a few sweeps the graph will show a live update of the uncorrected measurement. It will keep running until you turn it off. Leave speakers where the graph is flattest, particularly in the bass region, then run ARC normally.

## 4.6 MANUAL MODE AND TARGETS

When creating a new file, manual mode is the same as automatic mode except that you must measure, calculate, and upload in separate steps. After the measurement phase, targets can be edited but doing so is recommended only for experienced users.



A file created in Automatic mode can be opened in Manual mode to allow target editing. After changing targets, you must click OK when closing the window to apply the settings, then Calculate. To restore original settings, click on Auto Detect then Calculate.



For advice in getting the most out of your system based on your measurements, we welcome you to send your .arc2 file (not screenshots as they cannot be changed) to Anthem Technical Support.

### WHAT NOT TO DO

Upon seeing results for the first time you may be tempted to immediately change the targets. There is rarely a good technical reason to do so. If you are not satisfied with the initial results, examine the red pre-correction measurement curve. This shows how your system is performing without room correction. Does it reflect the performance that you should be seeing from your speakers, especially in the bass? If not, do not try to compensate through electronic correction. You are not losing what was never there.

If you did change settings such that a large portion of the bass is being boosted, as would be shown by a wide range of the green corrected curve having higher level than the red measured curve, chances are that your equipment will be stressed more than the sound will improve. There is very little to gain by doing this.

Instead, address the real reasons behind the areas which could be improved but are beyond what electronic correction is meant to fix, for example large dips in the in-room response. These are not uncommon and can almost always be cured by repositioning the speakers, especially the subwoofer, and repeating the measurement.

Can one set of measurements be used across both profiles but with different settings applied? Can the subwoofer be disabled in only one of the profiles?

THE ANSWER TO BOTH QUESTIONS IS YES, AND THE PROCEDURE IS:

- When starting the measurement (Automatic or Manual), set the profiles to be the same.
- In Manual mode, open the Targets panel and change the settings as desired – the same measurements will be used across the different profiles.
- To remove the subwoofer, select No Speaker from the pull-down menu. You may be tempted to remove the center and surround channels to create a profile for playing 2-channel sources only from the front left and right speakers, but this is unnecessary because if the listening mode is “None” during playback, sound will not be redirected to the center and surround channels.

#### MAX EQ FREQUENCY

Default correction range is 5 kHz but this may be lowered for experimentation or comparison.

#### ROOM GAIN

If you wish to experiment by flattening room gain, you can try it by setting this to 0 dB. Note that auto-detected room gain will be at or near 0 dB if bass absorbers are used or if the speakers are not particularly responsive in the bass region.

#### 4.7 ADVANCED SUBWOOFER TARGETS

Use of these controls is recommended only for the advanced user who understands the technical capabilities of the subwoofer model in use. When in doubt, use auto-detected settings and as always, check whether changes are worthwhile by listening to a variety of source material before and after changing the targets.

#### SUBWOOFER HIGH PASS ORDER

Here you may set the low-end slope. If you have a subwoofer that has strong output below 20 Hz, or if it uses its own low-frequency input protection (check with its manufacturer, don't assume) then selecting Flat may improve system performance.

If on the other hand you have a subwoofer that is designed to be flat to a certain frequency then have response that drops very quickly below that, manually selecting a steeper than average slope may be beneficial. Normally, ARC does not auto-select a slope that is steeper than fourth-order (24 dB per octave rolloff) although up to eighth-order (48 dB per octave) is available through this manual selection.

### SUBWOOFER HIGH PASS FREQUENCY

Use this with High Pass Order when manually creating a curve on the lower end of the subwoofer's response. The left side of the red measured curve is the guideline for shaping the target curve. An attempt to use this as a bottom-end boost to increase low-frequency output is likely to be detrimental to the subwoofer's performance. If the subwoofer's specifications indicate that low-frequency output should be greater than the uncorrected in-room response curve is showing, then the proper solution would be to reposition the subwoofer.

### MINIMUM SUBWOOFER EQ FREQUENCY

If you would not like for ARC to equalize the subwoofer channel below a certain frequency, enter it here.

## 4.8 PRINTING A REPORT

To print a copy of your graphs and targets, click on Print.

## 4.9 UPDATING ARC

Check **www.anthemAV.com** periodically for ARC software updates. The download contains revision history, which may also indicate that the processor requires an update for the ARC version to work correctly. If a newer version is posted and you would like to use it, check your current version:

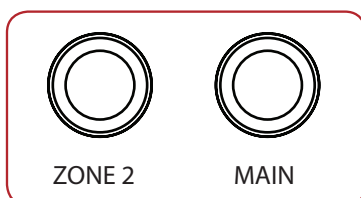
- Run Anthem Room Correction.
- Click on About. The version number will be displayed. Proceed only if your version is not the latest.
- Download the latest ARC-2 software from **www.anthemAV.com** and save it to Desktop.
- When the .zip file download is complete, extract it to Desktop. The software will not work properly if an attempt is made to run it from a compressed folder.
- Open the extracted folder and double click on setup or setup.exe. Software installation instructions will appear on your screen. If you are installing ARC on the computer for the first time, copy your serialized file(s) from your ARC CD to the extracted folder on Desktop before double-clicking on setup. This way they will be added to Program Files as the software is installed.
- When installation is complete, you can delete the downloaded file and the extracted folder.

# OPERATION

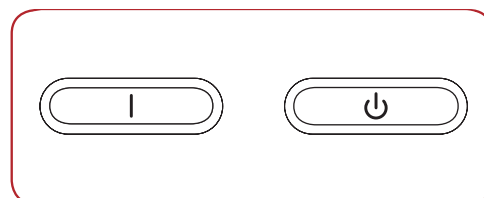
## 5.1 POWER ON / OFF AND VOLUME

Main and Zone 2 have separate power controls. During power-on and power-off a mechanical click is produced from the unit – this is normal. Volume comes on according to setup menu setting.

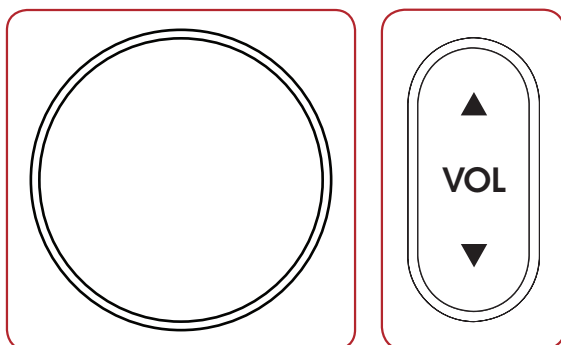
### Front Panel



### Remote

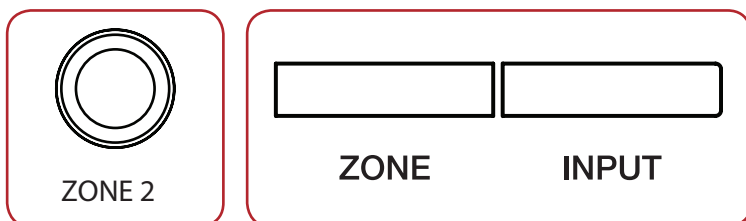


To control volume rotate the front panel knob or press VOL up/down on the remote control. To mute or un-mute the audio, press MUTE.

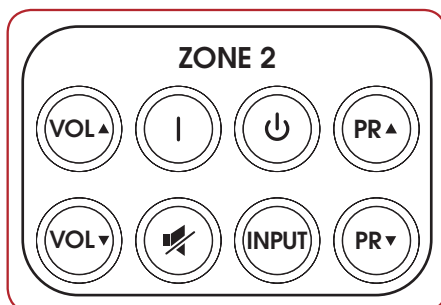


## 5.2 ZONE 2 OPERATION

To operate Zone 2 from the front panel after it is powered on, press the ZONE button and change volume or press INPUT within 5 seconds.



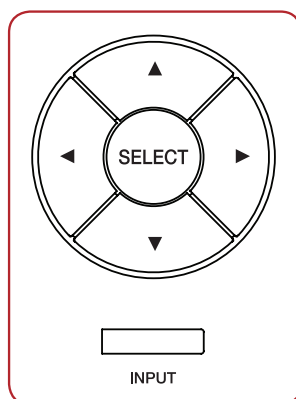
To operate Zone 2 using the remote control, use these buttons:



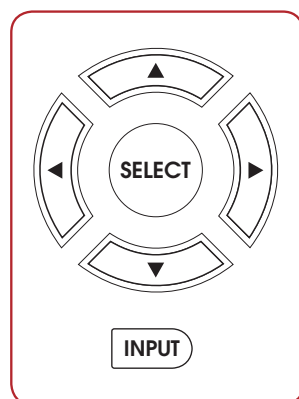
### 5.3 INPUT SELECTION

The number of active inputs varies according to how the Input Setup menu was programmed. To scroll through the next/previous active inputs press the right/left buttons, and to make a selection press SELECT.

#### Front Panel



#### Remote



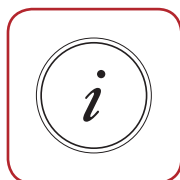
Alternatively, press the INPUT button for an on-screen list of inputs. Use the up/down and SELECT buttons to change the input.

To change input in Zone 2, press the INPUT button (after pressing ZONE button if using the front panel). The next input will be selected.

### 5.4 TUNER

After selecting AM or FM input change station and set presets as follows. If Main and Zone 2 are using the tuner at the same time, changes to Main will be applied to Zone 2.

Station info is shown on-screen for five minutes after a button is pressed. Song/artist info is also displayed if the station provides it. To display this info on the front panel, press INFO on the remote control.



#### AUTOMATIC TUNING

To seek the next/previous station with adequate signal strength, press up/down.

#### MANUAL TUNING

Press SELECT then up/down.

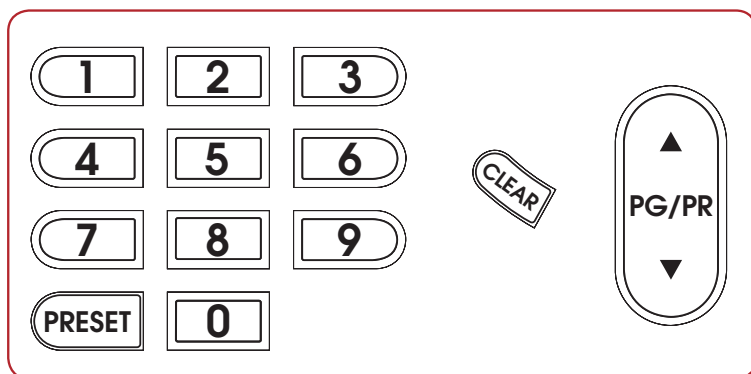


### PRESETS (remote control only)

30 AM and 30 FM stations can be stored. To store the current station press PRESET then assign a number from 01 to 30.

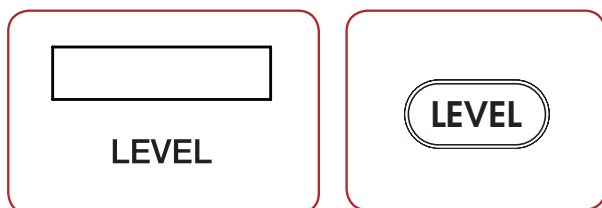
To recall a preset enter the assigned number or press PG/PR up/down for the next/previous one.

To delete a preset, select it then press CLEAR.



### 5.5 LEVEL TRIM

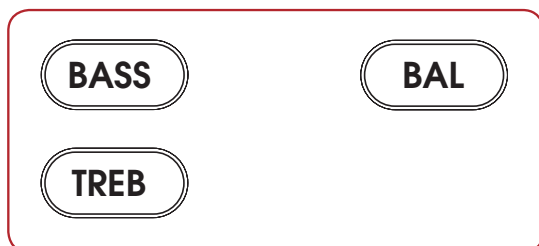
If a channel group, for example the surrounds or the subwoofer, occasionally sounds too loud or soft, its level can be adjusted on the fly. Press LEVEL to cycle through the groups then up/down to adjust. LFE is a separate adjustment from Subwoofer which can be used to reduce LFE level without affecting redirected bass from other channels. Subwoofer adjustment changes the redirected bass together with LFE.



Note that this adjustment is not meant for system calibration – this is handled in the setup menu and by Anthem Room Correction.

## 5.6 BASS / TREBLE / BALANCE

To change tone, press Bass or Treble on the remote control then up/down. Note that Bass does not affect the subwoofer output – this is handled by the Level adjustment.



To change balance press BAL on the remote then up to move the image to the right, or down to move the image to the left.

## 5.7 LIP-SYNC

If the audio is not synchronized with the video, press Lip-Sync then up/down. Up to 150 milliseconds of audio delay may be used. Changing lip-sync on the fly changes the input's lip-sync setting in the setup menu.



## 5.8 LISTENING MODES

Refer to the Input Setup section for a description of listening modes. Once the receiver's display shows the input format, the listening mode preset will apply. If you wish, you can make a different selection after pressing the MODE button.

When playing a multichannel source, a listening mode may not be applicable if the source material is not PCM and its sampling rate higher than 96 kHz, or if you are using less than 7.1 speakers and the source is already multichannel.

At times it might appear that the receiver is detecting a sound format different from the one that you would like to be playing. Note that the source is in control and that the connection to the receiver carries one format at a time. To ensure that audio is sent to the receiver in its original form:

1. In the source's setup menu ensure that digital audio output is set to Bitstream mode for all Dolby Digital and DTS formats.
2. If the source is a Blu-ray player, also ensure that Secondary Audio is disabled.
3. If the source material is on Blu-ray or DVD, you may want to select an audio track other than the disc's default. There are two ways to do this – through the audio or language setup in the disc's menu, or during the movie by pressing AUDIO on the player's remote control.

### 5.9 DOLBY VOLUME AND DYNAMIC RANGE CONTROL

Refer to the Input Setup section for a description of Dolby Volume. To change on/off status press DYN on the remote control then up/down. To change Leveler amount press DYN a second time when Dolby Volume is on then adjust.



When Dolby Volume is off another dynamic range control becomes available after DYN is pressed a second time. This also allows you to control the difference between the softest and loudest passages, but only on multichannel Dolby Digital soundtracks that contain dynamic scaling cues. At least 5.1 speakers must be used. Press up/down to select:

**NORMAL:** No dynamic range modification.

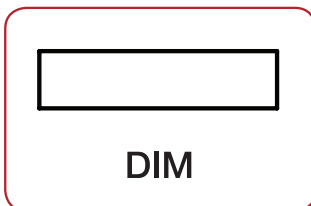
**REDUCED:** Allows the quieter parts to be heard more easily by raising the level of quieter sounds and/or reducing the level of louder ones according to cues in the soundtrack.

**LATE NIGHT:** Further reduces the softest-to-loudest difference.

Many sources also have dynamic range controls. Be sure to disable them to get the most from the receiver's controls and to prevent dynamic range from being reduced twice. In some cases the names of settings in sources are confusing because "Extended" can mean dynamics are left alone while "Normal" can mean they're reduced. Check the operating manuals of your sources to find what their settings mean and when they apply because sometimes default settings reduce dynamics.

### 5.10 DISPLAY BRIGHTNESS

To change the brightness of the front panel display and LED indicators, press DIM then up/down to select High, Medium, Low, or Off.



### 5.11 INFO DISPLAY

Pressing the info button in succession displays following:

- Song info if tuner is selected
- Video output resolution for HDMI 1 and HDMI 2
- Audio input
- Audio sampling or bit rate where applicable
- Software versions for main controller, boot loader, HDMI, and audio DSP

# SPECIFICATIONS

## PREAMPLIFIER

Maximum Output (<0.1% THD) . . . . . 3.5 Vrms, subwoofer channel 6.1 Vrms  
Frequency Response (2 Vrms output) . . . . . 8 Hz to 28 kHz (+0, -0.25 dB)  
Frequency Response,  
Analog-Direct mode (2 Vrms output) . . . . . 8 Hz to 50 kHz (+0, -0.25 dB)  
THD+N (2 Vrms output) . . . . . <0.03%  
S/N Ratio (2 Vrms output, IEC-A filter) . . . . . 102 dB  
L-R channel separation (analog input, 1 kHz) . . . . . .96 dB

## PREAMPLIFIER + AMPLIFIER

Frequency Response (full power output) . . . . . 10 Hz to 30 kHz (+0, -0.5 dB)  
THD+N (1W output) . . . . . <0.04% (20 Hz to 20 kHz)  
S/N Ratio (full power output, IEC-A filter) . . . . . 101 dB

## AMPLIFIER

Maximum continuous output into 8 ohms, 20 Hz to 20 kHz, 0.1% THD:

MRX 710 . . . . . 120 W (2 channels driven), 90 W (5 channels driven)  
MRX 510 . . . . . 100 W (2 channels driven), 75 W (5 channels driven)  
MRX 310 . . . . . 80 W (2 channels driven), 60 W (5 channels driven)

## POWER REQUIREMENT

120 V version: In countries where the line voltage is 120 V, this product operates from a single phase AC power source that supplies between 108 V and 132 V at a frequency of 60 Hz.

220-240 V version: In countries where the line voltage is 220, 230, or 240 V, this product operates from a single phase AC power source that supplies between 198 V and 264 V at a frequency of 50 Hz.

## CONSUMPTION

Maximum . . . . . 500 W (MRX 710/510), 400 W (MRX 310)  
Standby (default ECO mode) . . . . . <0.3 W  
Standby IP Control enabled . . . . . .2.0 W (1.8 W if network cable is not connected)  
Standby HDMI Bypass enabled . . . . . .5.6 W  
Standby IP Control and Standby HDMI Bypass enabled . . . . . .6.6 W

## DIMENSIONS

Height . . . . . 6 1/2 in. (16.4 cm) including feet, 4 rack units with special rackmount  
Width . . . . . 17 1/4 in. (43.9 cm)  
Depth . . . . . 14 5/8 in. (37.2 cm)  
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## CANADA & USA

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Please register your product at [www.anthemAV.com](http://www.anthemAV.com)

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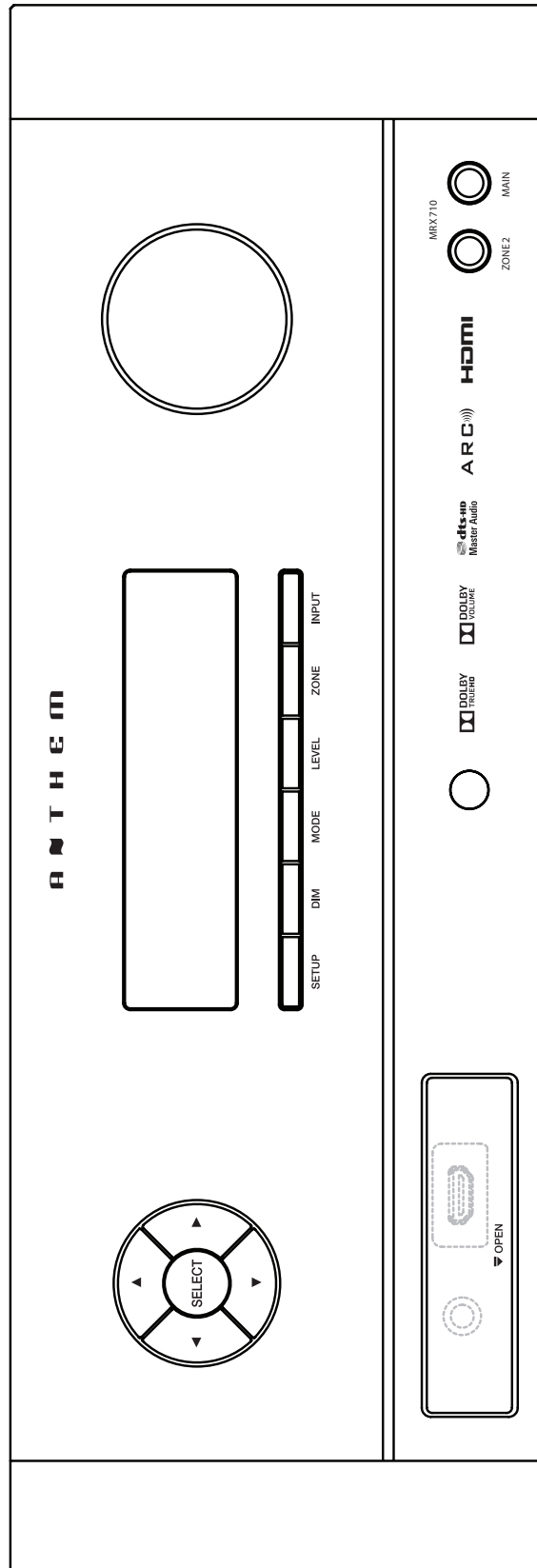
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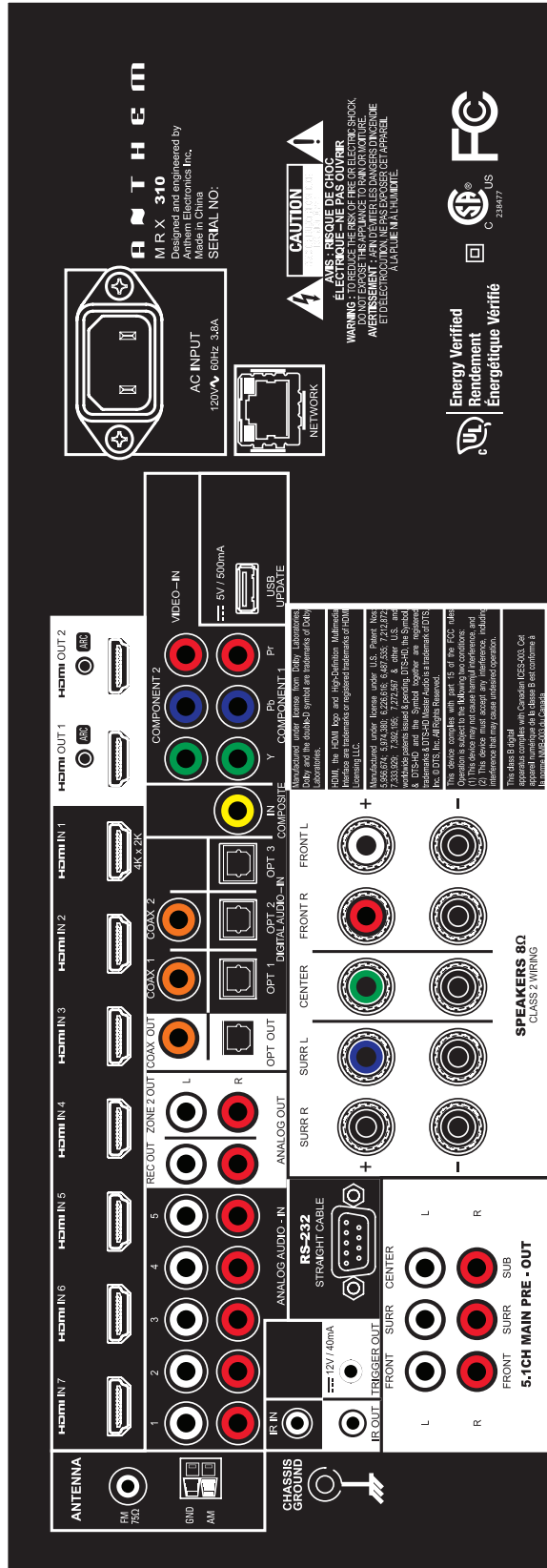
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