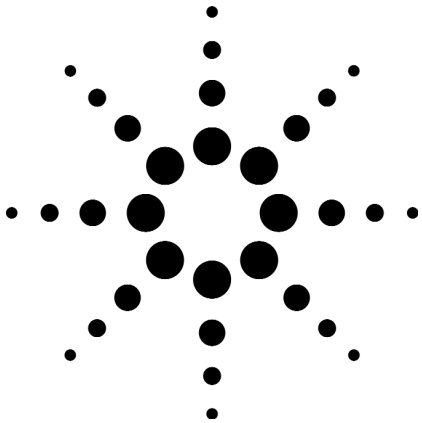
Agilent VQT Portable Analyzer – J1981B

Data Sheet



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Telephony Interfaces

Analog FXO

Number of ports:	2
Connector:	RJ11 modular jack
Limit Loop Current:	variable
Signaling:	supports analog loop and ground start
Accuracy of transmission or reception of sine wave:	+/- 1 dBm under conditions: 300 Hz to 3400 Hz; -3 dBm to -50 dBm

Analog E & M

Number of ports:	2
Connector:	RJ45 modular jack
Addressing:	Delay-dial, Immediate-start, Wink-start
Signaling:	Type I, II, III, V
Transmission:	two-wire, four-wire operation
Accuracy of transmission or reception of sine wave:	+/- 1 dBm under conditions: 300 Hz to 3400 Hz; -3 dBm to -45 dBm

T1

Number of ports:	2
Jack:	RJ48C
Signalling:	ISDN PRI and CAS
Framing:	D4, ESF
Line Coding:	AMI, B8ZS
Zero bit suppression:	selectable B8ZS, ZCS, no suppression

E1

Number of ports:	2
Jack:	RJ48C
Impedance:	120 ohms (75 ohm converter available)
Signalling:	ISDN PRI and CAS
Framing:	CEPT G.703/G.704 Channel Associated Signaling
Line Coding:	HDB3 or AMI (no zero code suppression)
Zero bit suppression:	selectable B8ZS, ZCS, no suppression

10/100 Ethernet VoIP

Number of ports:	1
Jack:	RJ45
Transmission:	10/100Base-T (10/100 Mbps)
Signaling:	SIP (IETF RFC 2543); H.323
Media:	RTP (IETF RFC 1889)

Physical

Dimensions

Height:	10.5"
Length:	7"
Width:	16"
Weight:	9.6 kg (21.1 lbs)

Platform

Processor:	Pentium®III 866MHz
Memory:	256MB
Hard disk drive:	40GB
External drive:	1.44MB, 3.5" floppy drive

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External drive:	1 CDRW Drive
Display type:	14.1" XGA 1024x768
Video:	8MB video RAM
Network Interface Card:	10/100 Mbps
Built-in mouse:	touchpad
External mouse:	serial mouse
Keyboard:	1
External Video output:	1
Serial ports:	2
Parallel port:	1
Operating system:	MS Windows®NT 4.0, SP 6a
Power:	115/230 V~, 50/60 Hz, 4/2A
Regulatory compliances:	UL/CUL, CE, C-Tick

Feature Summary

- Distributed VQT software allows client software for PC control of remote VQT Servers
- Delay (one-way and roundtrip)
- Clarity using PESQ (ITU P.862)
- Clarity File using PESQ applied off-line to audio files
- Clarity Trending using PESQ (trending results on multiple repetitions)
- Clarity using PAMS
- Clarity File using PAMS applied off-line to audio files
- Clarity Trending using PAMS (trending results on multiple repetitions)
- Clarity using PSQM+ (enhanced version of ITU P.861)
- Clarity File using PSQM+ applied off-line to audio files
- Clarity Trending using PSQM+ (trending results on multiple repetitions)
- Clarity Distributed One-Way Measurements for PAMS and PSQM+ measurements
- Over 150 voice samples in 9 languages for testing
- Echo – PACE (Perceived Annoyance Caused by Echo)
- Echo Double-Talk (measures performance during two-way conversation)
- Signal loss measurement
- DTMF twist and attenuation
- Voice Activity Detector: front-end clipping, hold-over time, and comfort noise generation
- Remote Audio Playback Tool
- Path confirmation
- Impulse response
- Network Simulator
- Automated Testing
- Interactive Testing
- Pre-defined tasklists
- Single, repeat, and continuous test modes
- End-to-end and round-trip measurements
- File Play and Record
- Noise Generator
- Tone Generator
- Port loopback
- Colorful, graphical presentation of test results
- Audio monitor
- Log files of results and configurations
- Active log viewing
- Full graphical viewing of saved test logs

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Delay	Description:	Measures transmission delay of VF signal from source port to destination port (end-to-end), and from source port to destination port to source port (round-trip)
	Test signal:	MLS
	Gain applied to test signal:	-40dBm to 0dBm
	Audio path:	end-to-end, roundtrip
	Measurement iterations:	single, repeat, continuous
	Max iterations:	1440
	Max measurement window:	2 seconds
	Resolution:	1 millisecond
	User-set thresholds:	maximum delay, minimum delay
	Measurements:	minimum delay, maximum delay, average delay, last delay, duration, max threshold exceeded, below min threshold, duration, tests completed, timeouts
	Graph:	delay (over entire duration of transmission), max threshold, min threshold, summary, last measurement made
Clarity (PESQ)	Description:	Measures perceptual quality of voice transmitted across a network
	Measurement Standard:	ITU P.862 Perceptual Evaluation of Speech Quality
	Test Signal:	Natural voice
	Audio Path:	Local one-way and local round-trip; distributed one-way and distributed round-trip
	Measurement Iterations:	Single (use Clarity Trending for multiple iterations)
	User-set thresholds:	PESQ Listening Quality (LQ) score
	Reported Results:	PESQ Listening Quality (LQ) score, PESQ threshold, Average Symmetrical Disturbance, Average Asymmetrical Disturbance, estimated delay
	Graphical Results:	Symmetrical Disturbance, Asymmetrical Disturbance, Error Surface, transmitted signal, received signal
Clarity Trending (PESQ)	Description:	Performs PESQ measurement in multiple iterations for trending data. Adheres to Clarity (PESQ) specification, with the following exceptions:
	Measurement Iterations:	repeat n times or continuous
	Maximum Iterations:	1440
	User-set thresholds:	PESQ Listening Quality (LQ) score
	Reported Results:	Average PESQ (LQ) score, last PESQ (LQ) score, High PESQ (LQ) score, Low PESQ (LQ) score, Overall Average Symmetrical Disturbance, Overall Average Asymmetrical Disturbance, average estimated delay
	Graphical Results:	PESQ (LQ) score per iteration, average PESQ (LQ) score, minimum PESQ (LQ) score, maximum PESQ (LQ) score
Clarity File (PESQ)	Description:	Performs offline Clarity (PESQ) measurement for pre-recorded audio files. Adheres to Clarity (PESQ) specification

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Clarity (PSQM+)	Description:	Measures perceptual quality of voice transmitted across a network
	Measurement Standard:	PSQM+, an enhancement to the ITU P.861 recommendation for Perceptual Speech Quality Measurement (PSQM)
	Test Signal:	Natural voice
	Audio Path:	Local one-way and local roundtrip, distributed one-way and distributed roundtrip
	Measurement Iterations:	Single (user Clarity Trending for multiple iterations)
	Measurement Resolution:	0.01 PSQM+
	User-set Thresholds:	maximum PSQM+, average PSQM+, outliers percentage
	Reported Results:	average PSQM+, average PSQM+ threshold exceeded, maximum PSQM+, maximum PSQM+ threshold exceeded, outliers percentage, outliers percentage threshold exceeded, PSQM+ standard deviation, MOS equivalent, delay, loss/gain, correlation timeout
	Graphical Results:	reference signal, received signal, PSQM+ scoring over time, maximum PSQM+ threshold
Clarity Trending (PSQM+)	Description:	Performs Clarity (PSQM+) measurement in multiple iterations for trending data. Adheres to Clarity (PSQM+) specification, with the following exceptions:
	Measurement Iterations:	repeat n times or continuous
	Maximum Iterations:	1440
	User-set Thresholds:	overall average PSQM+, maximum average PSQM+, outliers percentage
	Reported Results:	Results are reported against the average PSQM+ score for each iteration: overall average PSQM+, overall average PSQM+ threshold exceeded, last average PSQM+, high average PSQM+, low average PSQM+, average outliers percentage, average outliers percentage threshold exceeded, average delay, average loss/gain, test duration, tests completed, correlation timeouts
	Graphical Results:	average PSQM+ per iteration, maximum PSQM+ per iteration, average PSQM+ threshold, outliers percentage per iteration, outliers percentage threshold
Clarity File (PSQM+)	Description:	Performs offline Clarity (PSQM+) measurement for pre-recorded audio files. Adheres to Clarity (PSQM+) specification

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Clarity (PAMS)	Description:	Measures perceptual quality of voice transmitted across a network
	Measurement Standard:	Perceptual Analysis Measurement System (PAMS)
	Test Signal:	Artificial speech, natural voice
	Audio Path:	Local one-way and local roundtrip, distributed one-way and distributed roundtrip.
	Measurement Iterations:	Single (user Clarity Trending for multiple iterations)
	Measurement Resolution:	0.01 LQS, 0.01 LES
	User-set Thresholds:	Listening Quality Score, Listening Effort Score
	Reported Results:	Listening Quality Score, Listening Effort Score, Listening Quality Score threshold exceeded, Listening Effort Score threshold exceeded, correlation timeout
	Graphical Results:	Error surface, reference signal waveform, degraded signal waveform
Clarity Trending (PAMS)	Description:	Performs Clarity (PAMS) measurement in multiple iterations for trending data. Adheres to Clarity (PAMS) specification, with the following exceptions:
	Measurement Iterations:	repeat n times or continuous
	Maximum Iterations:	1440
	User-set Thresholds:	Listening Quality Score, Listening Effort Score
	Reported Results:	average LQS, minimum LQS, maximum LQS, average LES, minimum LES, maximum LES, LQS threshold exceeded, LES threshold exceeded, test duration, tests completed, correlation timeouts
	Graphical Results:	LQS, average LQS, minimum LQS, maximum LQS, LQS threshold, LES, average LES, minimum LES, maximum LES, LES threshold
Clarity File (PAMS)	Description:	Performs offline Clarity (PAMS) measurement for pre-recorded audio files. Adheres to Clarity (PAMS) specification
Echo - PACE (PSQM)	Description:	Measures echo received during and after transmission of voice, and the Perceived Annoyance Caused by Echo (PACE)
	Test Signal:	Natural voice
	Audio Path:	End-to-end, roundtrip with network echo simulation
	Measurement Iterations:	Single
	Measurement Resolution:	0.01 PSQM+, 1 msec echo duration, 1 msec echo delay
	User-set Thresholds:	Average PSQM+, maximum PSQM+, percentage of echo-free speech, outliers percentage
	Reported Results:	Average PSQM+, average PSQM+ threshold exceeded, maximum PSQM+, maximum PSQM+ threshold exceeded, percentage of echo-free speech, percentage of echo-free speech threshold exceeded, outliers percentage, outliers percentage threshold exceeded, duration of echo in speech, duration of echo in silence, echo delay, correlation timeout
	Graphical Results:	Reference signal, received echo signal, echo-in-speech duration, echo-in-silence duration, PSQM+ scoring over time, maximum PSQM+ threshold

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Echo – PACE (PESQ)	Description:	Measures echo received during and after transmission of voice, and the Perceived Annoyance Caused by Echo (PACE)
	Test Signal:	Natural Voice
	Audio Path:	End-to-end, roundtrip with network echo simulation
	Measurement Iterations:	Single
	Measurement Resolution:	0.01 PESQ LQ, 1 msec echo duration, 1 msec echo delay
	User-set Thresholds:	Average PESQ LQ, maximum PESQ LQ, percentage of echo-free speech, outliers percentage
	Reported Results:	Average PESQ LQ, average PESQ LQ threshold exceeded, maximum PESQ LQ, maximum PESQ LQ exceeded, percentage of echo-free speech, percentage of echo-free speech threshold exceeded, outliers percentage, outliers percentage threshold exceeded, duraction of echo in speech, duration of echo in silence, echo delay, Average Symmetrical Disturbance, Average Asymmetrical Disturbance, correlation timeout
	Graphical Results:	Reference signal, received echo signal, echo in speech duration, echo in silence duration, Symmetrical Frame Disturbance, Asymmetrical Frame Disturbance
Echo – Doubletalk (PSQM)	Description:	Measures performance of echo cancelers under conditions of Doubletalk
	Test Signal:	Natural voice
	Audio Path:	End-to-end in both directions
	Measurement Iterations:	Single
	Measurement Resolution:	0.01 PSQM+
	User-set Thresholds:	Average PSQM+, maximum PSQM+, outliers percentage
	Reported Results:	Average PSQM+, average PSQM+ threshold exceeded, maximum PSQM+, maximum PSQM+ threshold exceeded, outliers percentage, outliers percentage threshold exceeded, correlation timeout
	Graphical Results:	Reference signal, doubletalk signal, received signal, PSQM+ scoring over time, maximum PSQM+ threshold
Echo – Doubletalk (PESQ)	Description:	Measures performance of echo cancelers under conditions of Doubletalk
	Test Signal:	Natural Voice
	Audio Path:	End-to-end in both directions
	Measurement Iterations:	Single
	Measurement Resolution:	0.01 PESQ LQ
	User-set Thresholds:	Average PESQ LQ
	Reported Results:	Average PESQ LQ, Average PESQ LQ threshold exceeded, Average Symmetrical Disturbance, Average Asymmetrical Disturbance, correlation timeout
	Graphical Results:	Reference signal, doubletalk signal, received signal, Symmetrical Frame Disturbance, Asymmetrical Frame Disturbance

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Signal Loss

Description:	Measures the mean loss or gain of an audio signal transmitted across the system under test. The mean loss or gain is computed by comparing the average received signal level in dB with the average reference signal level in dB
Test Signal:	Natural voice, white noise, and a single frequency tone. White noise and tone signals may be selected in the range of –40 to 0 dBm and a tone signal has a selectable frequency range from 400 to 3400 Hz
Audio Path:	End-to-End, roundtrip
Measurement Iterations:	Single
Measurement Resolution:	0.01 dB.
User-set Thresholds:	signal loss\gain threshold (dB)
Reported Results:	mean signal loss\gain in dB, signal loss threshold exceeded, correlation timeout
Graphical Results:	reference signal, received signal

Impulse Response

Description:	Measures and records the I/O transfer function of a network by transmitting test signal and measuring individual delays and amplitudes of time-segmented received signal. Records function as polynomial coefficients to be used in Network Simulator.
Test signal:	MLS
Audio path:	end-to-end
Measurement iterations:	single
Max measurement window:	2 seconds
Maximum FIR taps:	100
Resolution:	1 millisecond
User-set thresholds:	max delay threshold
Measurements:	impulse response (saved to IR file), max delay threshold exceeded, last delay, loss/gain, timeout
Graph:	delay and amplitude of received signal (over entire duration of transmission)

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DTMF Tone	Description:	Measures impact of system under test on DTMF signal transmissions, in terms of twist, attenuation, and frequency deviation
	Test signal:	DTMF (1 to 16 signals)
	Audio path:	end-to-end
	Measurement iterations:	single
	User-set thresholds:	twist threshold (max and min amplitudes)
	Measurements:	twist, low-freq tone amplitude, high-freq tone low-freq tone frequency shift, high-freq, tone frequency shift, timeout
	Graph:	frequency response, low-freq tone marker, high-freq tone marker, low-freq tone amplitude marker, high-freq tone amplitude marker
Voice Activity Detector	Description:	Measures the impact of a VAD on a VF signal in terms of front-end clipping and hold-over time.
	Test signal:	MLS
	Gain applied to test signal:	30db to -5 db
	Test signal duration:	100 to 5000 msec
	Gain applied to tracer signal:	-60db to -20db
	Audio path:	end-to-end
	Measurement iterations:	single
	Max correlation window:	2 seconds
	Resolution:	1 msec
	Measurements:	Front-end clipping, hold-over time, transmitted signal duration, received signal duration
	Graph:	received signal amplitude, received signal frequency spectrum, pulse start marker, VAD open marker, pulse end marker, VAD close marker
File Play and Record	Description:	Transmits a user-selected audio file on one port, records the received signal on another port and saves to audio file. Tone and/or noise may be added to audio file transmission
	Gain applied to transmitted file:	-60db to 60db
	Measurement iterations:	single, repeat, continuous
Network Simulator (Analog only)	Description:	Simulates a previously tested network by applying the impulse response file to a test signal. Gain, delay, tone, and/or noise may be added to test signal
	Gain applied to test signal:	-60db to 60 db
	Delay applied to test signal:	11 to 1000 msec
Noise Generator	Description:	Transmits noise signal over selected port
	Signal:	MLS
	Signal duration:	128 to 16384 msec
	Gain applied to Signal:	-60db to 0db

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Tone Generator

Description:	Transmits single-frequency tone over selected port.
Tone duration:	not limited
Gain applied to signal:	-60db to 0db

Audio Monitor

Selectable source port monitoring modes:	transmit, receive, transmit and receive, none
Selectable destination port monitoring modes:	transmit, receive, transmit and receive, none
Selectable Remote audio monitor modes:	Record, "record and upload", "record, upload, and automatically play", none

Controlling PC Hardware Requirements:

Minimum Configuration

CPU:	Pentium® 3 200 MHz
Memory:	64 MBytes
Hard Disk:	100 MB
Screen Resolution:	800x600
TCP/IP Stack:	Microsoft's built-in TCP/IP stack
Supported OS's:	Windows®98 SE, Windows® NT 4.0 SP 5, Windows® 2000

Recommend Configuration

CPU:	Pentium® 3 500 MHz
Memory:	128 MBytes
Hard Disk:	100 MB
Screen Resolution:	1024x768
TCP/IP Stack:	Microsoft's built-in TCP/IP stack
Supported OS's:	Windows®98 SE, Windows® NT 4.0 SP 5, Windows® 2000

Operating Conditions

Temperature

Operating:	+5°C to +40°C (+41°F to +104°F)
Non-operating:	-40°C to +70°C (-40°F to +158°F)

Humidity

Operating:	5% to 93% relative humidity, non-condensing
Non-operating:	5% to 93% relative humidity, non-condensing

Altitude

Operating:	-305 to 4570 meters (-1000 to 15,000 feet)
Non-operating:	-460 to 12,200 meters (-1500 to 40,000 feet)

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Related Literature

Brochure

Downtime is not an Option for Enterprise	5988-2430EN

Technical Overview

VQT Portable Analyzer J1981 A/B, VQT Network Server J1987A, Advisor VQT Undercradle J4630A	5968-7723E

Data Sheet

VQT Network Sever J1987A	5988-3045EN

Warranty

Hardware: 1 year
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Software: 90 day media warranty

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J1981B	VQT Portable Analyzer

Module Interfaces

J1981B-200	VQT dual-port analog FXO and dual-port analog E/M interface
J1981B-201	VQT dual-port T1 interface for VQT
J1981B-202	VQT dual-port E1 interface for VQT
J5479A	VQT 10/100 SIP and H.323 interface software license

Software

J1979A	VQT Client software license
J1982A	License to use PAMS voice clarity measurement
J1983A	License to use PSQM voice clarity measurement
J1997A	License to use PESQ voice clarity measurement
J5422A	IP Telephony Reporter

Accessories

J1996A	VQT phone adapter
J5480A	10/100 Cardbus NIC for VQT

Education

H7211B-207	Voice over IP Technology and Testing

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Software	90 day media warranty

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