

Sage 935AT and 930i Test Specifications

PVIT and PSQM Next Generation Voice Tests



Next Generation Voice Tests

The Sage Next Generation Voice Tests on the 935AT and 930i include:

- Packet Voice Impairment Test (PVIT)
- Perceptual Speech Quality Measurement (PSQM)

Next Generation voice tests are ideally suited for quality of service testing over packet switched networks, including:

- Voice over the internet (VoIP)
- Voice over digital subscriber line (DSL)
- Voice over asynchronous transfer mode (ATM)
- Voice over frame relay (FR)
- Voice over hybrid fiber coax (HFC)

PVIT Description

PVIT provides detailed diagnostic information about events that impact voice clarity over packet switched networks, including:

- Voice frame losses
- Voice frame slips (also know as jitters)
- Voice clippings
- Noise hits

PVIT works by sending a complex test signal over the network, and measuring events that degrade that signal. The test:

- Measures four types of impairment events
- Displays cumulative event counts in real time
- Displays details about events as they occur
- Accumulates data over the test period

PVIT Specifications

PVIT Signal

The PVIT signal is a carrier-modulated spread spectrum signal with silence insertion.

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| Active Signal Bandwidth | 1000 Hz |
| Active Signal Center Frequency | 1000 Hz |
| Active Signal Peak to RMS Ratio | 5 dB |
| Active to Silence Period Ratio | 65/35 |
| PVIT Signal Send Range | -40 dBm to -3 dBm |
| PVIT Signal Measurement Range | >-30 dBm to 0 dBm |
| Test Duration | 15 minutes, 1 hour, 24 hours, or continuous (NOTE: The continuous duration operates for up to 1000 hours) |

PVIT Measurement Precision

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| Voice Frame Loss | ±2 ms |
| Voice Frame Slip (jitter) | ±0.5 ms |
| Voice Clipping | ±2 ms |
| Noise Level | ±1 dB |
| Percentage Voice Frame Loss | ±10% of actual percentage of frame loss |

PSQM Description

The Sage Perceptual Speech Quality Measurement is an objective, quantitative test of voice quality that uses an artificial voice test signal. Voice characteristics in the test signal include:

- Long term average spectrum
- Short term spectrum
- Instantaneous amplitude distribution
- Voice and unvoiced structure of speech waveform
- Syllabic envelope

The Sage PSQM test is based on ITU standard Part 861, and correlates with traditional Mean Opinion Score (MOS) results.

PSQM Specifications

Send

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| Artificial voice | per ITU-T P.50 |
| Active Speech Level | -20 dBm |
| Genders | male and female |
| Talk Speed | slow, medium, fast |

Measure

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| Round Trip Delay | 0 to 8000 ms, ± 0.2 ms |
| PSQM | 0 to 6.5, ± 0.2 |
| MOS | 1 to 5, ± 0.2 |
| Gain | -30 dB to 10 dB, ± 0.5 dB |

Test Duration

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| Default | 10 seconds |
| Duration Range | 1 to 16 seconds |

Transmission Level Point

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|----------------------|--------------------|
| Send TLP Default | 0 dBm |
| Valid Send Values | -30 dBm to +10 dBm |
| Receive TLP Default | 0 dBm |
| Valid Receive Values | -30 dBm to +10 dBm |