

# **APx517 B Series** | ACOUSTIC ANALYZER

Acoustic Production Test Redefined



## **KEY FEATURES**

- 35 W mono power amplifier
- 2-channel headphone amplifier with field-swappable 1/4-in, 3.5 mm, or dual-BNC headphone connector panel
- Integrated dual-channel Kelvin impedance measurement capabilities
- 2 analog microphone input channels (XLR and BNC)
- Built-in TEDS support
- Integrated microphone power supplies with ICP/IEPE, DCV and 48 V phantom power
- APx Module I/O support for digital I/O requirements
- Overload, short circuit, and reverse current protection



**Headphone Connector Panel Options** 

## A complete, integrated solution for loudspeaker and headphone test

The **APx517 B Series** acoustic audio analyzer is specifically designed, configured and priced to meet production-line needs. It is ideal for the testing of speakers, microphones, headphones, headsets and the wide range of consumer electronics incorporating speakers and microphones. With the APx517B, manufacturers can deploy an integrated acoustic test system that brings the renowned quality, reliability and robustness of Audio Precision's lab-oriented analyzers to their manufacturing lines.

### Fast Setup & Reconfiguration

On a production line, any time spent setting up a new test system, calibrating a system for a new shift, or reconfiguring a system for a change in DUT (device under test), is effectively a "line down" situation. As an integrated system combining audio analyzer (signal generation and acquisition), power amplifier, headphone amplifier, and microphone power supplies, along with any required digital interface such as *Bluetooth*<sup>®</sup>, the APx517B has the power to drastically reduce setup and reconfiguration time by eliminating multiple individual components (from a variety of vendors) and their associated cabling. Additionally, and unlike those individual components, the APx517B is uniquely delivered with an accredited ISO/IEC 17025 calibration.

## **Quality & Reliability**

Most, if not all, current acoustic analysis systems are an assortment of individual components from different vendors. As such, an additional "line down" risk of these systems is the quality and reliability of each component, along with the configuration of each connection point. In contrast, the APx517B is an integrated system engineered and assembled to the same standard as all other APx analyzers and is delivered with a three-year warranty and accredited calibration. For 36 years, AP analyzers have been recognized as much for their quality and reliability as they have been for their performance and measurement accuracy.

## **Configuration & Options**

The APx517B maintains the APx Series' tradition of flexibility and configurability. In its base configuration, APx517B is a ready-to-go system for measuring analog speakers, microphones, headphones, or headsets. For digital devices, APx517B has a module slot for the addition of a single APx digital interface module, such as Bluetooth, PDM or HDMI. On the software side, a standard system provides a core set of measurements and functionality to allow out-of-the-box, fundamental test of acoustic devices. Additional advanced measurement options are available, either individually or in groups.





### **APx Digital Options**

APx B Series audio analyzers offer world-class performance and flexibility. Our modular systems allow you to select the interfaces and options that make sense for the work you do, covering the widest range of digital I/O in the industry.



#### **Bluetooth**<sup>®</sup> The B Series APx Bluetooth Duo supports A2DP, AVRCP, HFP, and

HSP profiles for comprehensive wireless audio testing. With two integrated radios, APx Bluetooth Duo easily supports source/ sink, audio gateway/handsfree, and target/controller profile roles.



## PDM 16

The B Series APx PDM 16 option provides 16 acquisition channels for audio devices that

have a PDM output (such as MEMS microphones), connecting through the module's PDM 16 remote pod. All 16 channels can be measured simultaneously to provide sample-accurate interchannel timing information. With cables available in lengths of 2, 5, and 10 meters, the acoustically silent remote pod can be placed next to the analyzer or up to 10 meters away, facilitating anechoic chamber testing.



## PDM

The APx PDM option provides direct connectivity for audio devices that have a PDM output

(such as a MEMS microphone) or input (such as the decimator on a smartphone chip). In addition to all the standard audio measurements, APx provides variable DC voltage, variable sample rate, and a PSR (Power Supply Rejection) measurement to test the device's full operating parameters.



### **Digital Serial**

The Digital Serial I/O option adds a multichannel digital serial interface. This provides a direct

connection to chip-level interfaces such as I2S and supports all popular serial interface formats including left justified, right justified, and DSP.



#### HDMI The B Series

The B Series APx HDMI option (HDMI+ARC) allows you to measure HDMI audio quality

and audio format compatibility on devices such as surround sound receivers, set-top boxes, HDTVs, smartphones and tablets, and DVD or Blu-ray Disc<sup>™</sup> players.



#### AES/SPDIF The B Series APx DIO

The B Series APx DIO option provides AES3, AES/EBU balanced digital I/O on XLR;

unbalanced SPDIF digital I/O on BNC; and TOSLINK optical digital I/O.



## **Automation Capabilities**

Production testing can easily be automated with the built-in measurement sequencer and saved as a project that can be used with any APx analyzer. Production Test mode provides an optional simplified operator interface with multiple run statistics, created and supervised by a manufacturing engineer. Access the API if you prefer: documentation for VB.NET, C#.NET, MATLAB, and LabVIEW is included.

## **KEY SPECIFICATIONS**

#### SYSTEM LEVEL

192 kHz SR (High-Res Audio Ready) Quiet, thermostatically controlled fans, Universal 100-240 V power supply

#### ANALOG OUTPUTS

35 W Mono Power Amplifier 17 Vrms max output 2 – 16 Ω @ 35 W < -80 dB THD+N

Impedance Accuracy

- $\leq$  1% for resistive loads 4  $\Omega$  to 16  $\Omega,$  20 Hz to 20 kHz
- $\leq$  2% for resistive loads 2  $\Omega$  to 4  $\Omega,$  20 Hz to 20 kHz
- Output current limited

Reverse overload protected Integrated, dual-channel (Vsense, Vdriver) Kelvin impedance measurement

#### Stereo (2 ch) Headphone Amplifier

9 Vrms max output 2 – 800 Ω @ 100 mW < -90 dB THD+N



Accredited by A2LA under ISO/IEC: 17025 for equipment calibration Impedance Accuracy

- $\leq$  1% for resistive loads < 350  $\Omega,$  20 Hz to 20 kHz
- $\leq$  1% for resistive loads
- $350 \Omega$  to  $800 \Omega$ , 20 Hz to 6 kHz  $\leq 3\%$  for resistive loads

 $350~\Omega$  to  $800~\Omega,$  6 kHz to 20 kHz Output current limited

Reverse overload protected

Integrated, dual-channel (Vsense, Vdriver) Kelvin impedance measurement

#### ANALOG INPUTS

BNC Unbalanced 40 Vpk max input ICP / IEPE mic power, 4 or 10 mA

DC Bias mic power, 0 - 12 V < -100 dB THD+N Input overload protection

#### XLR Balanced

40 Vpk max input 48 V phantom power < -100 dB THD+N Input overload protection



## **APx517B Measurement Options**

The APx517B uses the same APx500 measurement software that is used on all other APx series analyzers and includes features like input signal monitors and file analysis. To minimize the cost of the measurement software, the system is offered using the APx500 FLEX option model, which provides seven standard measurements, allowing additional measurements to be purchased in cost-effective Flex Packs or as individual measurements.

Software maintenance options are available to extend the standard year of coverage that comes with a new APx analyzer. Software maintenance options entitle the user to receive the next major software release, and can be extended for multiple years.



#### **FLEX PACK OPTIONS**

PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	INCLUDED MEASUREMENT
N/A	Base Configuration	Standard with APx500 Flex: Frequency, Level & Gain, Loudspeaker Production Test (incl. Rub & Buzz), Pass/Fail, Stepped Frequency Sweep, Signal Acquisition, THD+N.
APX-FLEX-PACK-2	Flex Pack 2	Includes the following measurements: Crosstalk, Crosstalk Sweeps, DC Level, DC Level Sweep, DUT Delay, Frequency Response, Interchannel Phase, Level Ratio, Measurement Recorder, Noise, Noise Recorder, Q-Peak Noise, SNR, SINAD, Stepped Level Sweep.
APX-FLEX-PACK-3	Flex Pack 3	Includes the following measurements: Continuous Sweep, Digital Error Rate, Dynamic Range–AES17, IMD, IMD Frequency Sweep, IMD Level Sweep, Input Sample Rate, Maximum Output, Maximum Output (CEA–2006), Multitone Analyzer, Regulated Frequency Sweep, Signal Analyzer.
APX-FLEX-PACK-4	Flex Pack 4	Includes the following measurements: Acoustic Response, Bandpass Frequency Sweep, Bandpass Level, Bandpass Level Sweep, Cumulative Spectral Decay, Impedance/Thiele-Small, Modulated Noise, Polar Plots, Transfer Function.



## **APx517B** Measurement Options (continued)

In addition to Flex Packs, measurement options can be purchased individually so that you can get just the measurements you need, without paying for ones you don't. Measurements can be added to an APx517B when ordering a new acoustic analyzer or they can be delivered electronically to add to an existing APx517B. APx500 software's Bench Mode is also available, as are specialized perceptual audio tests such as ABC-MRT, STI, PESQ and POLQA.

### INDIVIDUAL MEASUREMENT OPTIONS

ABC-MRT	Frequency Response	Noise Recorder
Acoustic Response	IMD	Pass/Fail*
Bandpass Frequency Sweep	IMD Level Sweep	PESQ
Bandpass Level	IMD Frequency Sweeps	Polar Plots
Bandpass Level Sweep	Impedance/Thiele-Small	POLQA
Crosstalk Sweep, 1 Channel Driven	Input Sample Rate	Q-peak Noise
Crosstalk Sweep, 1 Channel Undriven	Interchannel Phase	Regulated Frequency Sweep
Crosstalk, 1 Channel Driven	Level & Gain*	Signal Acquisition*
Crosstalk, 1 Channel Undriven	Level Ratio	Signal Analyzer
Crosstalk, Custom Measurement	Loudspeaker Production Test*	SNR
DC Level	Maximum Output Level	SINAD
DC Level Sweep	Maximum Output per CEA-2006	Stepped Frequency Sweep
Digital Error Rate	Measurement Recorder	Stepped Level Sweep*
Dynamic Range (AEX17)	Modulated Noise	STI
DUT Delay	Multitone Analysis	THD+N*
Frequency*	Noise	Transfer Function

 $^{\ast}$  These measurements are included in the base configuration

### SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE OPTIONS

PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	MEASUREMENT/FEATURES
SW-MAINT-1/3/5	Software Maintenance	Provides 1, 3, or 5 years of software maintenance for an existing APx Legacy or B Series audio analyzer.
SW-EXT-3/5	Software Maintenance	Provides 2 or 4 additional years of software maintenance with the purchase of a new APx B Series analyzer.

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