

# ADVANCED SOUND LEVEL METER MODEL 831



# MODEL 831 SOUND LEVEL METER

#### **APPLICATIONS**

- Class 1 sound measurements to the latest international standards
- Environmental noise assessment and monitoring
- Reverberation time measurement and building acoustics
- Tonality
- Occupational noise evaluation

- HPD selection
- Noise reduction validation
- Product quality control
- NVH correlation
- In-Situ sound power measurements
- Code enforcement

#### **FEATURES**

- IEC 61672-1:2013, ANSI S1.4-2014 Class 1 integrating sound level meter
- Real-time frequency analysis in 1/1 and 1/3 octave bands, compliant with IEC 61260:2001 and ANSI S1.11-2004 Class 1
- Large, high-resolution screen, easily readable in bright sunlight
- Robust battery life (24 hours on 4 X AA Lithium batteries)
- Simplified system and measurement set-up
- Lightweight, ergonometric design
- Soft keypad for 1-handed operation
- Standard USB interface
- Dynamic range in excess of 120 dB
- Logging of broadband and spectral data to obtain time, measurement and event histories on the instrument
- Sound recording in .wav format for event, manual or time-based trigger
- Utility software included for set-up, archiving, export and reporting
- Supplied with heavy-duty carrying case





#### INTRODUCTION

The Larson Davis Model 831 Class 1 Sound Level Meter, with its high definition display, is extremely versatile, performing the functions of several instruments. It puts the combined features of a precision Class 1 sound level meter, environmental noise analyzer, personal noise dosimeter, and a real-time frequency analyzer in the palm of your hand. The Model 831 is a fifth generation Larson Davis sound level meter, designed for simple, single-handed operation, yet is fully featured, smart and versatile with an ever expanding firmware platform. The design of the Model 831 was based on countless inputs from customers. It expands upon the Larson Davis tradition of delivering value, innovation and function in a rugged, single-handed, expandable package and is backed by a 2-year factory warranty, 24-hour application support and accredited factory service/calibration..

## **MODEL 831 FIRMWARE OPTIONS**

CODE	DESCRIPTION
831-OB3	1/1 and 1/3, Class 1, octave band spectral analysis
831-IH	Industrial Hygiene or personal noise dosimetry
831-LOG	Time history logging at periods from 20 ms to 24 hrs
831-FST	Fast time history logging at 2.5, 5 or 10 ms periods
831-ELA	Automatic event detection, event history, and measurement history (1 min to 99 hour intervals) combine with 831-LOG for event time history and 831-SR for event sound recording
831-SR	Sound Recording to .wav files at 8, 16, 24 or 48 kHz
831-RT	Reverberation time measurement, computation and display
831-FFT	Fast Fourier Transform up to 6400 lines
831-MSR	Measurement History and Sound Recording

#### THE MODEL 831 STANDARD FEATURES

- IEC 61672-1:2013, ANSI S1.4-2014 Class 1 sound level meter
- Voice Annotation
- ANY LEVEL Display
- User-programmable run modes
- Six user-selectable statistics (Ln)
- Community noise calculations (Lden, CNEL)
- GPS support
- Back erase functionality
- Normalized spectrum
- User-selectable screen layout and lockable set-up protection
- Remote access and field upgradable
- Wide variety of non-proprietary powering options including -4XAA internal batteries, AC, USB and external batteries

#### SUPPORTED PC SOFTWARE

- G4 LD Utility PC software supplied with the Model 831 that supports full sound level meter control, in the field firmware and option upgrades, data export to Excel®, and includes an integrated "Screen Grabber" to display the SLM screen live on a PC
- DNA the analysis, post-processing and reporting tool for sound and vibration measurements. DNA delivers enhanced analysis capability, sound playback and graphical reporting. Graphs can be annotated and shared amongst multiple users using DNA reader software.
- Software Development Kit (SDK) toolkit for developing custom applications in MS Windows® or Linux for the Model 831
- 3rd Party the Model 831 has been integrated into various 3rd party software packages including software for airport noise management

The Model 831 offers a complete solution for noise measurement. Whether in the office or in the field, the Model 831 can handle your sound measurement needs.

# **DID YOU KNOW...**

# We Carefully Considered Every Design Element







#### **KEYBOARD FEATURES**

Much care was taken when designing the Model 831 keyboard. To reduce extraneous noise, the keys are manufactured of silicone to eliminate audible "clicks". In addition, the ON/OFF button is slightly recessed to avoid accidental power off. Together with the backlit display, the illuminated keyboard permits nightly operation indoors as well as outdoors. Finally, a raised thumbrest allows for careful positioning during measurements.



#### **AVOID ACOUSTIC REFLECTIONS**

To reduce noise reflections further, a noise cone was added between the preamplifier and the sound level meter body. The keypad is situated below the screen for ease of use and is slightly lower in height which positions the user's hand lower on the body allowing a free flow of acoustic waves. The preamplifier connection, the bulkier head, and the lowered keypad all contribute to the Model 831 Class 1 designation.



#### **MATERIAL FEATURES**

When selecting manufacturing materials, the day-to-day operation for users was taken into account. Advanced sound level meters like Model 831 are often used outside. The display with high readability in all lighting conditions is protected by a scratch resistant cover. A high impact plastic housing supports and safeguards the instrument for normal use.



#### **ACCESS FEATURES**

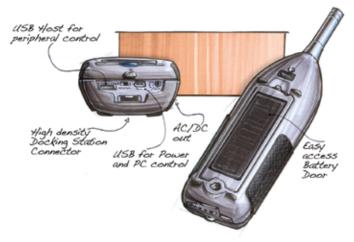
The large battery access panel allows for easy exchange of batteries. Extra connections are grouped at the bottom of the instrument with PC control and power supply combined via a single cable.

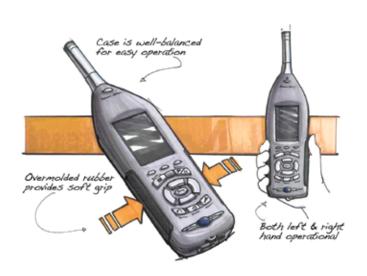


#### **SINGLE-HANDED OPERATION**

To reduce acoustic reflections during measurement, Model 831 was designed with single-handed operation in mind. The soft grips combined with the overall shape allow the meter to easily fit in the hand, without permanent finger pressure or user attention. For extra security a lanyard is provided as a standard accessory.











#### STANDARD FEATURES

When performing noise surveys, it is important to have a fully capable sound level meter at your fingertips to capture all of the essential data. How many times have you brought along additional equipment to log information such as GPS location, temperature, wind speed, and other environmental parameters? Then, how much time did you spend after the test merging that non-acoustic data into a report? Have you ever lost your measurement notes, or worse, forgot to log the information properly and then had to either go back and reacquire the data altogether or simply not report it? At Larson Davis, we recognize the value of measuring non-acoustic parameters in parallel with the acoustic data. The Model 831 firmware allows you to connect a variety of external sensors to log these non-acoustic parameters.

#### **EXTENDED POWER OPERATION**

A variety of powering options allows for flexibility when out in the field. There is no need to worry about proprietary batteries, cables, etc. since most power options are "off-the-shelf items". Great care was taken during the design of the Model 831 to ensure low power consumption, further extending measurement time. With (4) Lithium AA batteries, up to 24 hours of 1 second LAeq with 1/3 octave data can be measured.

#### Options include:

- AA batteries: Alkaline, NiMH rechargeable or 1.5V Lithium
- USB power from a universal AC power supply (PSA027), a PC or a powered USB hub
- 12 VDC from a DC power adaptor, 12 VDC battery, or car power connector

When using 12 VDC, the Model 831 can sense a low voltage condition and shut itself down automatically then restart automatically upon power restoration to protect external batteries from damage due to over-discharge.



#### **ANY LEVEL**

The Larson Davis Model 831 provides an ANY LEVEL feature to preview and review acquired sound field measurements utilizing multiple time weightings (Slow, Fast & Impulse) and frequency weightings (A, C & Z). This feature allows the operator to easily view and acquire measurement data with the desired settings and ensures the correct values are measured. With the 831-LOG option all of the various measurement parameters are available and can simply be selected for storage and download. Pre-selected detector and frequency weighting are used to determine the metric sampled for statistical and event data.

#### SIX DIFFERENT RUN MODES

The Model 831 has six (6) measurement control modes to accommodate a variety of field situations.

- MANUAL typically used for walk-around surveys. Ideally used with the Measurement History (MH) to give a quick overview of the averages, the min-max values, and store multiple measurements into a single file.
- **TIMED STOP** operates for a specified period of time
- CONTINUOUS typically used for longer term monitoring, it allows storage of data files daily or even multiple times during the day. In this mode the Model 831 will start automatically upon powering. This is required for instances of power failure in remote locations.
- STOP WHEN STABLE typically used to assess workplace noise exposure, it stops when the LAeq is stabilized in a narrow range
- SINGLE BLOCK a start and stop timer controls the sound data acquisition
- MULTI-BLOCK three separate time periods, of which one can cross the dateline

#### **AVAILABLE BROADBAND METRICS**

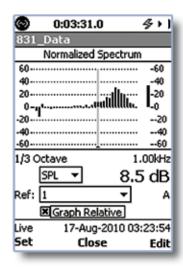
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L <sub>wS</sub>	✓	✓	✓
L <sub>wF</sub>	1	✓	✓
L <sub>wl</sub>	✓	✓	✓
L <sub>PEAK</sub>	/	/	/

OVERALL	A	С	Z
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#### **NORMALIZED SPECTRUM**

831-OB3 Frequency Analysis firmware allows the user to compare the frequency content of various measurements using the Normalized Spectrum function. Inverse A and C weighting filters can be applied, as well as user defined curves to current measurements and graph them relative to each other. For example, when comparing the noise signatures of various machines, a reference measurement can be saved such that subsequent measurements can easily be compared.



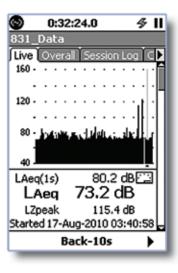
# TWO RMS AND THREE PEAK THRESHOLD TRIGGERS

Another standard feature of the Model 831 is the ability to define up to two (2) RMS and three (3) Peak threshold levels. During operation, Model 831 will count the number of threshold exceedances as well as the cumulative time of exceedance. This information is available real-time on the instrument display as well as included on any measurement files transferred to software. This is an ideal way to keep track of limit and action values according to EU Directive 2003/10/EC.



#### **BACK ERASE**

Simple transient noises such as an ambulance siren or dog bark can erroneously contribute to an outdoor measurement. The Model 831 includes a Back Erase feature allowing for the removal of the last 5 or 10 seconds of a measurement and recalculate the measurement parameters automatically. To ensure proper bookkeeping, the data is annotated so it can easily be identified post test.



#### **VOICE RECORDER**

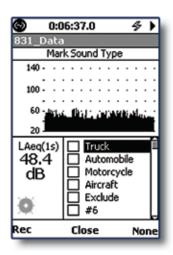
The Model 831 allows for annotative noise measurements with a voice memo via a headset plugged into the AC/DC output jack or directly through the condenser microphone. Information can be played back through a headset directly connected to the instrument or by downloading the data file to a PC.





#### TEN ANNOTATION MARKERS

To further annotate data in the field, the Model 831 allows the user to enter up to ten (10) user-defined Markers which are easily accessed through the main measurement screen. For example, during a traffic noise measurement, markers such as "Truck" or "Motorcycle" can be queued such that they are quickly ready to identify certain events. Time history data is then tagged with this Marker for ease of reporting. When equipped with the optional 831- SR Sound Recording firmware, the Model 831 will also automatically take a .wav file sound recording when a Marker is engaged.



#### **USER-SELECTABLE SCREEN LAYOUT**

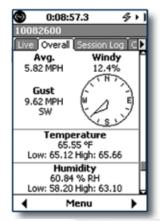
The powerful Model 831 user interface can be tailored for a wide-variety of end users. While the acoustical consultant may like to see all data parameters, a code enforcement officer may simply like to read the Leq or Peak dB level. In addition, the sound level meter may be utilized by untrained personnel who are unfamiliar with the set-up of the instrument. In this situation, the Model 831 provides a lock feature so that set-up parameters cannot be modified without entering a security code. Modifying the user interface of the Model 831 is easily done via the keypad or G4 LD Utility Software. Various set-ups and configurations can be created within G4 and transferred to the sound level meter such that they are easily accessible.

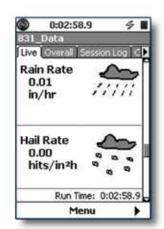


#### **WEATHER MEASUREMENTS**

The Model 831 can be configured to log weather parameter data in the Time History along with all of the normal acoustic parameters at rates up to 1 sps (sample per second). A wide range of meteorological parameters are available including wind speed, wind direction, temperature, humidity and rain fall.

Combined Meteorological Unit (SEN031 Vaisala WXT520)		
Measurement Method	Digitized sensors with ultrasonic wind sensors over serial port to USB	
Connectivity	USB to Model 831 or 831-INT (-ET)	
Measured Parameters	Wind speed and direction, temperature, relative humidity, barometric pressure, rain fall and hail	

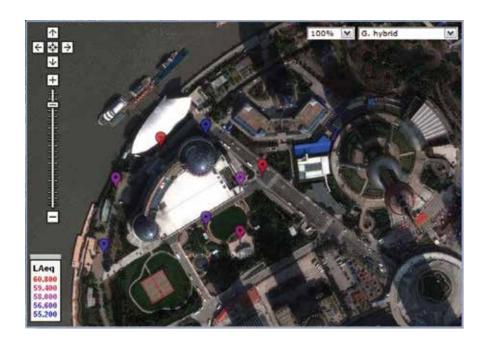








Model 831-INT Docking Station – Configuration

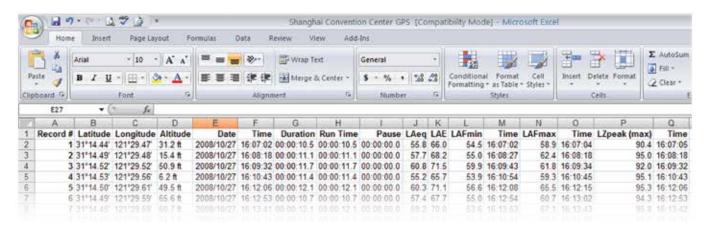




#### **GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (GPS)**

Commonly, users want the ability to use GPS to log the location for each measurement, which is very beneficial when performing environmental noise surveys that require multiple points around large buildings or when mapping noise along a roadway. To meet this need, every Model 831 Sound Level Meter is equipped with firmware to decode and log GPS position information from an optional external GPS antenna (GPS001). When enabled, the GPS will log in position automatically at the beginning of each measurement run (831-ELA). In addition, the GPS signal also includes a highly accurate clock that the Model 831 can use to automatically update its internal clock as needed. Once the data is downloaded to a PC, the location information can be easily imported into mapping software to create, in seconds, a very powerful report showing exactly where noise measurements were made.

<b>Location and Timestamp</b>	with GPS001
Time Synchronization	Automatically performed with daily auto-store
Location	Latitude, longitude and altitude with measurement history



Export the "Measurement History" tab directly into a web-based GPS mapping software (shown above). This tool will retrieve the appropriate map and add the acoustic parameters to the map automatically.

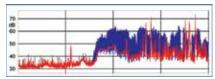
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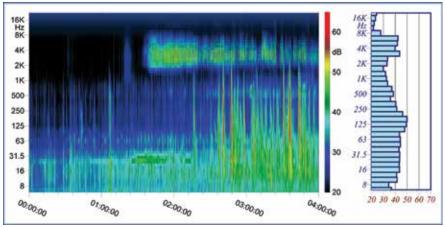
# MODEL 831 OPTIONS

#### **OCTAVE BAND ANALYSIS (831-0B3)**

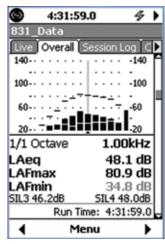
In many applications, it is important to acquire both the broadband level and spectral content of noise data. With spectral information, the source and content of the measured overall level can be better understood. Constant percentage bandwidth filters (1/1 or 1/3 octave) best approximate human perception to sound. Option 831-OB3 firmware enables simultaneous real time measurement of 1/1 and 1/3 octave Leq, Lmax, Lmin along with all the ANY LEVEL broadband parameters. Option 831-OB3 is compliant with IEC 61260:2001 Class 1 and ANSI S1.11-2004 Class 1 standards and covers the entire frequency range of human hearing: 6.3 Hz to 20 kHz for 1/3 octave bands. When 831-OB3 is combined with Time History Logging (831-LOG) or Automatic Event Detection and Event History (831-ELA) it is possible to review the frequency content of logged data or specific events.



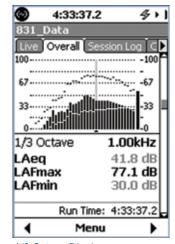
**Events Extracted from Noisy Data** 



Spectrogram of Events with High Frequency Noise



1/1 Octave Display



1/3 Octave Display

#### **INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE (831-IH)**

The Model 831 is available with two (2) virtual noise dosimeters compliant with ANSI S1.25 and IEC 61252:2001, each with programmable threshold levels. This is very convenient when performing worker noise exposure assessment when coupled with the 1/1 octave band spectral analysis for hearing protection device selection. Typically, the characteristics of the hearing protectors are stored as one of the four reference curves on the Model 831 for easy on-site "what-if" measurements.

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#### LOGGING (831-LOG) & FAST LOGGING (831-FST)

The Model 831 can be used to record the evolution of sound pressure level over time as a Time History (TH). The Time History is then used to profile the observation period, which can vary from a couple of seconds to continuous monitoring.

Larson Davis has enhanced the versatility of the Model 831 Sound Level Meter with the addition of Time History Logging Firmware (831-LOG). Users can pre-select from logging periods as small as 20 ms to a full 24 hrs. With time periods greater than or equal to 100 ms, up to 58 selectable parameters can be chosen. Selections consist of familiar acoustic metrics as well as non-acoustic metrics, such as battery condition, outdoor microphone performance and meteorological data (831-WTHR).

Special acquisition circumstances may require the user to acquire time-based data swifter than 20 ms. For these occasions, Larson Davis offers 831-FST firmware, which adds the additional sampling rate options of 2.5, 5, and 10 ms.





Time History Parameter Selection in SLM Utility-G3

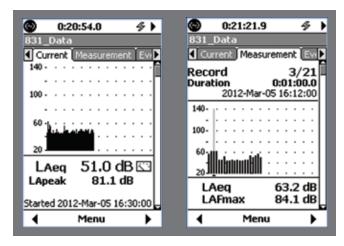
### **MEASUREMENT HISTORY (831-ELA)**

While time histories are typically logged at one sample per second, it is convenient to view longer term averages of measurement data to more easily ascertain trends, i.e. 10 minute or one hour averages of various noise parameters. The 831-ELA firmware enables Measurement History (MH) which logs parameters similar to the Time History (TH) yet looks at the average, minimum and maximum over the selected interval time. MH and TH can run in parallel or independently.

When the Model 831 is set to "Manual Run" mode, MH history can be used to construct a noise survey. Data for each measurement or location is saved individually and may include the Leq, Lmax, Lmin, SPL, and statistical distribution of the SPL (Ln).

MH records are available for easy review on the Model 831. The current measurement is visible on the "Current" display tab, while completed measurements can be browsed in the "Measurements" tab. When combined with 831-LOG, the time history detail of each measurement can be viewed quickly using keypad shortcuts. Finally, an automated sound recording at the beginning of each measurement can be achieved with 831-SR firmware.

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**Current Measurement Display** 

Measurement History Summary Display

# **AUTOMATIC EVENT DETECTION AND EVENT HISTORY (831-ELA)**

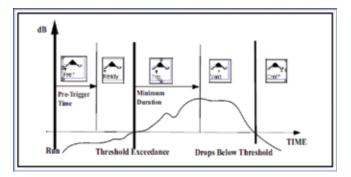
The Model 831 includes basic exceedance logging functionality (see "Threshold Triggers" on page 8). However, only the number of exceedances and cumulative time above threshold values is provided. With 831-ELA firmware, you are able to define the attributes of an event including threshold level, duration and hysteresis. An event is considered "Valid" when it meets these criteria and ends when the SPL drops below the threshold level for a specific period of time (Continuation Period). The user is provided triggering status updates via triggering icon graphics, helping to identify event progression and qualification (see graph to right).

A "Dynamic" trigger method can also be selected in the Model 831. The dynamic trigger is set to trigger when L85, L90 or L95 is exceeded by a predetermined number of decibels. A rise time can also be specified to determine how quickly the meter responds to changes in the background noise level. By utilizing the dynamic trigger, the

number of false triggers is reduced and events (significant noise above background level) are better determined.

In the Model 831 events are defined as either:

- Exceedance of a fixed threshold level for a minimum duration
- Exceedance of a dynamic threshold level for a minimum duration
- External trigger set by the digital input signal



## **HEAR THE SOUND BEING MEASURED (831-SR)**

Measuring sound levels is a well-accepted way to objectively quantify the noise radiated by a product in an environmental survey. But a sound pressure level or octave data only provides part of the overall acoustic picture. How many times were you asked "are you sure that the spike in the data is actually the noise of the product or the actual environmental event of interest?" Rather than rely simply on the 'objective' data why not record a sample of the sound to truly determine if that elevated noise level was a police car driving past with its sirens on or a noisy dog barking at the letter carrier.

When recording raw time samples for playback, users can add the 831-SR firmware option. This option allows for high fidelity recordings up to 48 kHz sampling with the Model 831 either manually or automatically, based on an array of triggering options.

#### **OPTION 831-SR FEATURES**

User-initiated Recordings:

- Manual Sound Recording User-controlled recording duration, acquired during operation, up to 48 kHz
- Measurement History Sound Recordings Automated sound recording at the beginning of each Measurement History Note: Event & Measurement Sound Recordings can be enabled at the same time.

Automatic Recording Mode:

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Option 831-ELA Recordings:

- Event History Sound Recordings Acquired upon events meeting preset conditions with fixed or dynamic triggering available
- Measurement History Sound Recordings sound recording at the beginning of each Measurement History

Note: Event & Measurement Sound Recordings can be enabled at the same time.

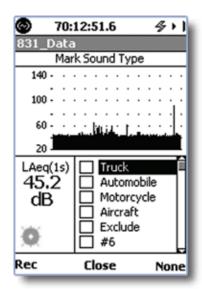
These recordings can then be downloaded to a PC and stored as .wav files using the included G4 LD Utility software or the DNA advanced post processing and reporting tool.

#### TYPICAL MODEL 831 SOUND LEVEL METER RANGES

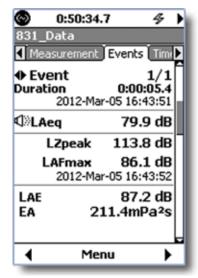
(when using a microphone with 50 mV/Pa sensitivity)

INSTRUMENT GAIN				
	0	dB	20	dB
Range	High	Low	High	Low
Peak Overload Level	143 dB	110 dB	123 dB	90 dB
Lower Level of A/D Range	50 dB	17 dB	30 dB	-7 dB
Instrument Noise Floor	23 dB	23 dB	21 dB	21 dB
Sound Recording Range	50 - 143 dB	23 - 110 dB	30 - 123 dB	21 - 90 dB





**Events Extracted from Noisy Data** 



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## **REVERBERATION TIME (831-RT)**

Reverberation times are used in multiple architectural acoustics applications ranging from simple experimental reverberation time determination for room performance, to calculating absorption coefficients for material performance. Most of the time, these measurements are dictated by various international standards.

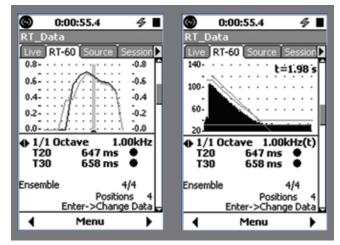
Model 831 measures the decays and then computes the reverberation time according to ISO 3382-2 or ASTM 2235-04 standards. When using the Interrupted Noise method, the Model 831 not only triggers the data acquisition, but its built-in Noise Generator can be used to drive the omni-directional sound source. Recent trends show that the Integrated Impulse method is gaining popularity and Model 831 handles the acquisition of the decays and the subsequent T20 or T30 calculations completely and with ease.

While the use of 1/3 octave bands is the most common method on the Model 831, the user can elect to work either with 1/3 octaves or full octave bands.

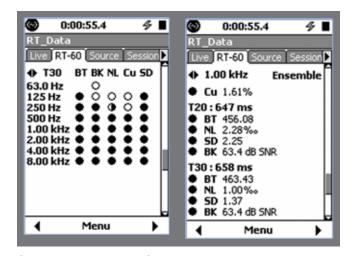
Helping the user in the field assess his measurement results the Model 831 computes the decay times automatically, shows the T20 and T30 spectra superimposed, computes seven (7) quality indicators per frequency as well as grades the measurement data. All these indicators are immediately available saving considerable time.

Easy-to-read screen and keyboard indicators help guide the user through the measurement. For example, a flashing red LED on the Model 831 indicates to the user when they need to create the impulsive noise, for example, with a starter pistol or a balloon.

The resulting data and decays can be exported to the G4 LD Utility or can be processed further in DNA for reverberation time, absorption coefficients or sound insulation calculations. Using DNA software, a full array of building acoustic measurements are possible as defined in ISO 10140, 140, 717 and ASTM standards.



RT Displays of Decay Curves



Quality and Measurement Grade Indicators





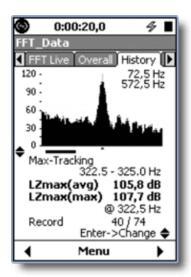
## **FAST FOURIER TRANSFORM ANALYSIS (831-FFT)**

When a frequency resolution greater than 1/3 octave band spectral analysis is needed, the Model 831- FFT frequency analysis is the ideal solution. The Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) algorithm is implemented in the Model 831 for precision spectral analysis of acoustic signals. By utilizing a variety of frequency span and resolution settings, FFT acquisition settings can be adjusted to tune into specific acoustic and vibration phenomena.

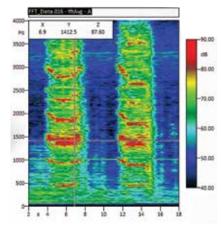
The Model 831-FFT has three (3) operational modes serving different applications. The "Count" mode accumulates the average spectrum and maximum for a fixed number of FFT spectra. The "Timed" mode repeats the count mode for a given period of time and accumulates the spectra in a history. The "Timed" mode is best suited for transient signals, while the "Manual" mode is typically used for steady state measurements. In Manual mode, the number of averages is open and each Start-Stop sequence adds an entry to the history table.

Up to 6400 lines of resolution are available with the Model 831-FFT, allowing for detailed measurement analysis.

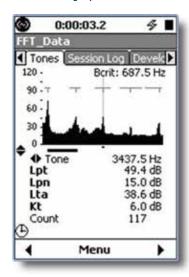
The FFT option has been further enhanced with the onboard computation of tonality as described in ISO 1996-2 Annex C. Tone level, masking noise level, audibility and quality indicators are all automatically computed and displayed in a simple to use interface that makes object measurement of tones in the field easy.



FFT Max-tracking on Model 831



DNA Software FFT-spectrogram of Stone-cutting Operation



Model 831 Tonality Calculation

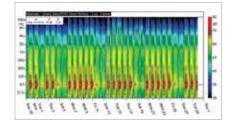
# SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS

The Model 831 has numerous on-board capabilities, yet often further processing, visualization or reporting needs exist. For this purpose the Model 831 can be used as a portable instrument and retrieve the data, work as a data acquisition front-end, or in combination.



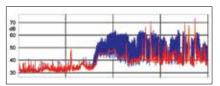
#### **SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS**

The G4 LD Utility program is an easy-to-use Windows® software for the Model 831 providing configuration set-up, data download and remote access. The Screengrabber feature emulates the SLM screen on your PC, convenient for presenting data stored on the Model 831 or for teaching classes. Measurement set-ups can be stored on the PC and exchanged with one or more Model 831 sound level meters. Data can be downloaded into a PC and easily exported to Excel® for further analysis. G4 LD Utility can simultaneously access multiple 831-based noise monitoring stations via USB, modem or Ethernet, which makes managing multiple noise monitors simple and convenient.



#### DATA NAVIGATION AND ANALYSIS SOFTWARE (SWW-DNA)

Data Navigation and Analysis Software (SWW-DNA) is designed to analyze and report environmental noise, worker exposure and architectural acoustic measurements with an interactive graphical interface.



DNA and the Model 831 can be used in two ways: DNA retrieves files from the Model 831 or DNA uses the Model 831 as a data acquisition front-end.

#### Features:

- Remote access over modem or network
- Interactive graphs with data: zoom, evaluate processing for events, masking automated placement of speaker icon on time history and running cursor with sound replay on TH linked cursors over several graphs
- Template based operation with customizable templates

A major differentiating concept of DNA is the principle of separation of data and graphical layout. This allows for drag-anddrop functionality of new data in the same layout. With many environmental studies being similar in nature, this feature allows for quick, professional looking reports.

#### **SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT KIT (831-SDK)**

The Software Development Kit for the Model 831 interfaces smoothly and directly with Microsoft or Linux programming environments supporting Excel®, VBA, Visual C++ or C# programming languages. The SDK provides functionality to establish connection and fully control the Model 831 over USB, network or modem connections. File download is supported and the SDK includes documentation and software for extracting data from files.

Because of a reliance upon JSON, the SDK makes it easy to create modern, web based applications with minimal effort.

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# **MODEL 831 STANDARDS, FEATURES & SPECIFICATIONS**

The Model 831 meets the specifications of the following standards:  Sound Level Meter Standards  IEC61672-1 Ed. 2.0 (2013-09) Class 1, Group X  IEC60651 Ed 1.2 (2001) plus Amendment 1 (1993-02) and Amendment 2 (2000-10) Type 1, Group X  IEC60804 (2000-10) Type 1, Group X  IEC60804 (2000-10) Type 1, Group X  ANIS IS1.4-2014 Type 1  Octave Filter Standards (Option 831-083)  IEC61260 Ed. 1. 0 (1995-08) plus Amendment 1 (2001-09), 1/1 and 1/3 octave bands, Class 1, Group X, all filters  ANIS IS1.1-2004 Class 1  Personal Noise Dosimeter Standards (Option 831-IH)  IEC61262 Ed. 1. 1 (2002-03) Type 1  ANIS IS1.25-1991 Class 1  Personal Noise Dosimeter Standards (Option 831-IH)  IEC61262 Ed. 1. 1 (2002-03) Type 1  ANIS IS1.25-1991 Class 1  Personal Moise Dosimeter Standards (Option 831-IH)  IEC61262 Ed. 1. 1 (2002-03) Type 1  ANIS IS1.25-1991 Class 1  Personal Moise Dosimeter Standards (Option 831-IH)  IEC61262 Ed. 1. 1 (2002-03) Type 1  ANIS IS1.25-1991 Class 1  Robert Moise M	
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Averaging (Integration method)         Linear or Exponential           RMS Time Weighting         Slow, Fast or Impulse           Frequency Weightings         A, C or Z           Peak Detector Frequency Weighting         A, C or Z           Gain         0 dB or +20 dB           Exchange Rates         3, 4, 5, or 6 dB with optional 831-IH           Sample Rate         51,200 Hz           Peak Rise Time         30 μμs           Physical Characteristics         Length with Microphone and Preamplifier         11.35 in         29.0 cm	
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Exchange Rates 3, 4, 5, or 6 dB with optional 831-IH Sample Rate 51,200 Hz Peak Rise Time 30 $\mu$ ps Physical Characteristics Length with Microphone and Preamplifier 11.35 in 29.0 cm	
Sample Rate         51,200 Hz           Peak Rise Time         30 μμs           Physical Characteristics         Length with Microphone and Preamplifier         11.35 in         29.0 cm	
Peak Rise Time     30 μμs       Physical Characteristics     29.0 cm	
Physical Characteristics  Length with Microphone and Preamplifier 11.35 in 29.0 cm	
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Length, Instrument Body Only 8.8 in 22.4 cm	
Width         2.8 in         7.1 cm	
Depth 1.6 in 4.1 cm	
Weight with Batteries, No Preamplifer or Microphone 13.6 oz 390 g	
Weight with Batteries, Preamplifer and Microphone 1.2 lb 550 g	

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<b>GENERAL SPECIFICATION</b>	\$	
Reference level	114.0 dB re. 20 μPa	
Reference level range	Single large range for SLM Normal for OBA option, Gain 0 dB	
Reference frequency	1000 Hz	
Reference direction	0° is perpendicular to the microphone diaphragm	
Temperature Effects	$\leq$ ± 0.5 dB error between +14 to +122 °F (-10 to 50 °C)	
Operating Temperature	-13 °F to +122 °F (-25 °C to +50 °C)	
Storage temperature	-13 to +158 °F (-25 to +70 °C)	
Humidity	$\leq$ ± 0.5 dB error from 30% to 90% relative humidity at 104 °F (40 °C)	
Equivalent Microphone Impedance	12 pF for Larson Davis 1/2 in microphone	
Range Level Error (OBA option)	≤ ± 0.1 dB relative to the reference range	
Digital Display Update Rate	Four times per second (0.25 sec between updates).  First display indication is available 0.25 seconds  after initiation of a measurement.	
Effect of an Extension Cable	None (up to 200 ft or 61 m with EXCxxx cable)	
Electrostatic Discharges	The instrument is not adversely affected by electrostatic discharges	
Extended Weather Options	-40 to +158 °F (-40 to +70 °C) operation with CER-831-E	
Resolution Specifications		
Levels	0.1 dB	
Dose	0.1%	
Elapsed time	0.1 second	
Real time clock	1 second	
Calendar	Through 31 Dec 2100	
Integration Time		
Time Averaged Levels and Sound Expos	ure Levels (s)	
Minimum	0.1 second	
Maximum with Daily Autostore Enabled	Unlimited	
Maximum with Daily Autostore Disabled	> 23 days with error < 0.5 dB	
Dosimeter Metrics: TWA, Dose (s)		
Minimum	0.1 second	
Maximum	Unlimited	
Ln Statistics		
Number of selectable parameters	6 in xx.xx% format, visible on the Model 831	
Storage of Complete Table	0.1 dB Steps	
Spectral Statistics	Requires Octave Analysis option (831-0B3)	
Markers		
Number of Markers	10	
Prenamed Markers	5: Truck, Automobile, Motorcycle, Aircraft, Exclude	
Link Marker to Automatic Sound Recording	Yes, requires Sound Recording option (831-SR)	
Back Erase		
	5 or 10 seconds	
Back Ease Time Supported Modes	Manual	
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Measurement Control Modes  Available Modes	Manual Stop, Timed Stop, Stop when Stable, Continuous,	
Timed Stop	Single Block Timer, Daily Block Timer Time in hh:mm:ss	
Stop When Stable	Delta level in xx x dB and time in hh:mm:ss	
Continuous with Daily Auto-Store	1, 2, 4, 6, 12, 24, 48, 96 or 144 files per day, automated find numbering "yymmddnn.LD0"	
Continuous Restart on Power Failure	Automatic if powered by 12VDC	
Single Block Timer	Start date and time to End data and time	
Daily Block Timer	Up to 3 blocks with each start and end date, blocks can cross date line	
Clock Stability	01000 0000 11110	
< 1 sec in 24 hours, at 75 °F (+24 °C)		
< 10 sec in 30 days, at -40 to +158 °F (-	40 to +70 °C)	
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Digital Voice Annotation		
Annotate Recordings	Use headset (ACC003) or measurement microphone	
Recording Sample Rate	8 ksps	

On the Model 831 or using processing software for .wav files

Listening Options

# AC/DC OUTPUT, POWER SUPPLY, MEMORY RETENTION, BROADBAND NOISE LEVEL & PREAMPLIFIERS



GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS	(CONTIN	UED)		
AC/DC Output				
Jack	2.5	mm (3/32 in),	see CBL139 cat	ole
AC Output Voltage Range	± 2.3 Vpeak	maximum outp	ut, 0.5 mV to 1.	6 Vrms sine
AC Output Recommended Load	Head	set with ≥ 16 Ω	speaker imped	ance
DC Output Voltage Scale	10 mV	per dB, 0 V for	0 dB, 1 V for 1	00 dB
DC Output Frequency & Time Weighting	Follows	SLM Settings:	A, C or Z and S	, F or I
Tee-off Preamplifier Signal Alternative		Use ADP015	and EXC006	
Power Supply				
Batteries			Lithium or Alka 500 mAh NiMH	
External Power (5 V from USB)	*	PSA029 AC to D USE *	from computer OC power adapto	or
External Power			r: 10 to 15.5 VD el 831-INT Inter	
Operating Time on 1.5 V Lithium	> 24 hours with power save options, 1 sec Leq logging			
Power Consumption with PRM831	1.1 W (backlight off, running)			
Memory Retention				
Data Memory	Non-volatile flash memory, backup performed every minute			
Real-time Clock	≥ 10 minutes with batteries removed			
Broadband Noise Levels				
Self-generated Electrical Noise				
Weighting	0 dB	Gain	20 dB	Gain
	Typical (dB)	Max (dB)	Typical (dB)	Max (dB)
А	13	15	6	10
С	15	22	12	16
Z	22	25	19	26
Self-generated Total Noise				
Weighting	0 dB	Gain	20 dB	Gain
	Typical (dB)	Max (dB)	Typical (dB)	Max (dB)
A	18	19	17	17
С	18	23	17	19
Z	23	26	21	26

Note: Combination of the electronic noise and the thermal noise of the 377802 microphone at 68 °F (20 °C) measured in a sealed cavity and vibration isolated with an averaging time of 60 seconds. Electronic noise of the instrument with an ADP090 (12 pF) in place of the microphone highest anticipated self-generated noise.

MODEL 831 PREAMPLIFIER SPECIFICATION (PRM831)				
	ect to the response at 1 kHz with 1 Vrms input and 12 pF			
equivalent microphone.				
8 Hz to 16 Hz	+0.1, -0.2 dB			
16 Hz to 100 kHz	+0.1, -0.1 dB			
Lower -3 dB limit	< 1.5 Hz			
Attenuation	0.1 dB (typical)			
Input Impedance	10 G Ω / 0.16 pF			
Output Impedance	50 Ω			
Maximum Output	28 Vpp 143 dB peak for microphones with 50 mV/Pa sensitivity			
Maximum Output Current	12 mA peak			
Harmonic Distortion	< -70 dBC with 8 Vrms output at 1 kHz			
Output Slew Rate	2 V per μs (typical)			
Electronic Noise With 12 pF	1.8 μV typical A-weighted (2.4 μV max)			
Equivalent Microphone	4.3 μV typical Flat 20 Hz to 20 kHz (5.0 μV max)			
Power Supply Voltage	pply Voltage 15 to 36 V			
DC Output Level	1/2 power supply voltage			
Power Supply Current	1.9 mA (typical)			
Temperature Sensitivity	< ±0.05 dB from -40 to +176 °F (-40 to +80 °C)			
Humidity Sensitivity	< $\pm 0.05$ dB from 0 to 90% RH, non-condensing at +122 °F (+50 °C)			
Dimensions (D x L) 0.50 x 2.88 in (12.7 x 73 mm)				
Microphone Thread	11.7 mm - 60 UNS (0.4606 in - 60 UNS)			
Cable Driving Capability	The Model 831 SLM (10 Vrms output signal) to 20 kHz with 200 ft (61 m) cable			
Test Conditions	All values are at 73 °F (23 °C), 50% RH, 35 V supply, 10 ft (3 m) cable and equivalent microphone of 12 pF unless otherwise stated			
Output Connector	Switchcraft TA5M (5-pin male)			
Compatibility (to IEC61094-4)	Use with 1/2 in microphone, typical 50 mV/Pa sensitivity			

MODEL 831 WITH	PRM83	1 AND 377B02 MICF	ROPHONE
		0 dB Gain	20 dB Gain
	Α	18 - 140 dB	17 - 120 dB
Dynamic Range	С	18 - 140 dB	17 - 120 dB
	Z	23 - 140 dB	21 - 120 dB
	Α	28 - 140 dB	26 - 120 dB
Measurement Range [1]	С	29 - 140 dB	27 - 120 dB
	Z	35 - 140 dB	34 - 120 dB
	А	≥ 115 dB 24 to 140 dB	≥ 101 dB 19 to 120 dB
Linearity Range [2]	С	≥ 114 dB 25 to 140 dB	≥ 96 dB 23 to 120 dB
	Z	≥ 106 dB 32 to 140 dB	≥ 86 dB 32 to 120 dB
	Α	66 - 143 dB	46 - 123 dB
Peak Range	С	66 - 143 dB	46 - 123 dB
	Z	77 - 143 dB	59 - 123 dB
Marrianal	SPL	140 dB	120 dB
Max Level	PEAK	143 dB	123 dB

[1] As defined in IEC 61672-1. Microphone and electrical self-noise included. [2] As defined in ANSI S1.4-1983.
Electrical Measurements.

PERMANENT OUTDOOR PREAMPLIFIERS AND MICROPHONES
Model 426A12
Model PRM2103-FF

# **MODEL 831 OPTIONS-AT-A-GLANCE**

FAST FOURIER TRANSFORM (831-FFT)		
FFT lines	400, 800, 1600, 3200 or 6400	
Frequency Span	100, 200, 500, 1000, 2000, 5000, 10000 or 20000 Hz	
Window	Hanning, Flattop or Rectangular	
Frequency Weighting	A, C, Z	
Bandwidth, Z Weighting	3 Hz to 20 kHz	
Cursors	Manual and Max Tracking with or without Harmonic cursors	
Reverberation Time (831-RT)		
Methods	Impulse Excitation and Interrupted Noise	
Filters	1/1 (63 Hz to 8 kHz) and 1/3 (50 Hz to 10 kHz)	
Sample Time	2.5, 5, 10 or 20 ms	
Measurements	T20, T30 and ISO 3382-2 quality indicators	

Octave Analysis (Option OB3)		
Frequency Range		
1/1 Octave Filters	8 Hz to 16 kHz	
1/3 Octave Filters	6.3 Hz to 20 kHz	
Octave filter self generation noise	at 1 kHz	
1/1 Octave Filters	2.0 dB @ low range (0.2 dB in low range w/ 20 dB gain)	
1/3 Octave Filters	-3.1 dB @ low range (-4.9 dB in low range w/ 20 dB gain)	
Octave Analysis Parameters		
Filters	None, 1/1 octave, 1/3 octave, or 1/1 and 1/3 octaves	
Frequency Weighting (independent of broadband)	A, C or Z	
Maximum Spectrum	Maximum in each band or Spectrum at broadband Lmax	
Spectral Statistics	6 percentiles per band	
Octave Band Logging Capability	Time History (see 831-LOG) Measurement History (see 831-ELA) Event History (see 831-ELA)	
Normalized Spectrum		
View Modes	SPL, Leq, Lmax or Lmin; absolute or relative	
Predefined Filters	A, C, -A, -C	
User Defined Filters	Four named for 1/1 octave and four for 1/3 octaves bands	

# PROFILING WITH TIME HISTORY LOGGING, MEASUREMENT HISTORY AND EVENT HISTORY

HISTORY AND EVENT HISTORY			
Time History "TH" Logging	Time History "TH" Logging (831-LOG)		
Record Period	Selections from 20 ms to 24 h 2.5, 5 and 10 ms are available with option 831-FST		
Logging Parameters	Any combination of available broadband and spectral AnyData plus non sound metrics		
Measurement History "MH"	Logging (831-ELA)		
Interval	1 min to 99 hr		
Logging Parameters	Same as Overall Measurements Ln Statistics + Spectral Ln (if OB1 or OB3 enabled)		
Sound Record Tagging	At start of each interval (required to enable SR)		
<b>Event History "EH" Logging</b>	(831-ELA)		
Logging Period	20 ms to 5 s (independent of TH or MH)		
Logging Parameters	Leq, Lmax, Lpeak, Date and Time, Duration, Exposure in dB and Pa <sup>2</sup> s, and available spectral Leq and maximum. Event time history is also available with broadband and spectral levels.		
Sound Record Tagging	Required to enable SR at 8 or 16 ksps		
SEL	Yes (L∞)		
Sound Recording (831-SR)			
Data Format	Mono wave file (.wav), lossless		
Listening Options	On Model 831 using headset with Utility program, DNA or using standard wave file player		
Sample Rate	8, 16, 24 or 48 ksps		
Storage Requirement	1 MB/min at 8 ksps to 6 MB/min at 48 ksps		
Sound Recording Modes	Manual, Coupled to Marker, at measurement interval begin, upon exceedance event		
Pretrigger	Up to 9 s		
Duration	Max 9999 s		
Sound Streaming	Streaming to host requires USB communication line (831 V1.6 or later)		



**BAS003** Directional Speaker

DOSIMETRY (831-IH)	
Dosimeters	Two in parallel
Pre-configured settings	OSHA-1, OSHA-2, ACGIH, NIOSH, IEC
Exchange Rate	3, 4, 5, or 6 dB (independently selectable per dosimeter)
Threshold	Selectable level
Criterion Duration and Time	Numeric input

COMMUNICATION		
Serial Communication		
Serial Communication Prerequisite	USB to serial bridge (DVX008A)	
Serial Communication Protocol	Z-Modem	
Serial Communication Control	Model 831 USB port as host controller	
Network (CAT5 & Internet)		
Required accessory	831-INT-ET	
Interface	Ethernet RJ45	
IP address	From DHCP	
Protocol	TCP/IP	
USB Communication		
Standard Cables	Up to 16.4 ft (5 m), CBL138 is 6 ft (1.8 m)	
Extended Cable	Devices are available that extend the connection up to 330 ft (100 m	
<b>WEATHER (METEOROL</b>	OGICAL PARAMETERS)	
Combined Meteorological Unit (SEN031)		
Measurement Method	Digitized over serial port to USB	
Sensor Model	SEN031 (requires CBL167, DVX008A and 831-WTHR)	
Connectivity	Model 831-INT Docking station, or direct to Model 831	
	(external power source required)	
	CBL170 break-out cable can be used with user provided anemometers and analog sensors	
Measured Parameters	Wind speed and direction, temperature, relative humidity, rain and hail	

# **ORDERING INFORMATION**

Model Number	Description
Sound Level Met	er
831	Model 831 Sound Level Meter for Environmental / Community Noise including AnyData and Voice Annotation, without microphone or preamplifier
831-FF	Model 831 Sound Level Meter with Class-1 free-field, pre-polarized precision condenser microphone (50 mV/pa), preamplifier (PRM831), accessory kit (831-ACC)
831-RI	Model 831 Sound Level Meter with Class-1 random-incidence pre-polarized condenser microphone (50 mV/Pa), preamplifier (PRM831), accessory kit (831-ACC)
Sound Level Met	er Options
831-LOG	Upgrade Model 831 Sound Level Meter with logging of time histories with periods from 20 ms to 24 hr
831-ELA	Upgrade for Model 831 Sound Level Meter. Exceedance based logging analysis with event, interval and daily histories.
831-0B3	Upgrade Model 831 Sound Level Meter with Real-time 1/1 & 1/3 octave filter set
831-SR	Upgrade Model 831 Sound Level Meter with sound recording. Adds sound snapshot on demand, with Measurement History (831-ELA required) or on events.
831-FST	Upgrade Model 831 Sound Level Meter to logging of time histories with periods from 2.5 ms to 24 hr (requires 831-LOG & 831-DB3)
831-IH	Upgrade Model 831 Sound Level Meter, Industrial Hygiene feature
831-RT	Upgrade Model 831 Sound Level Meter with Reverberation Time Analysis
831-FFT	Upgrade Model 831 Sound Level Meter with FFT Analysis
831-MSR	Upgrade Model 831 Sound Level Meter with Measurement History and Sound Recording
Accessories	
WS001	3 1/2 inch diameter windscreen for 1/2 inch microphone
831-ACC	Accessory kit for Model 831 Sound Level Meter, which includes case (831-CCS), battery (4-AA), power supply w/ USB cable (PSA029) and windscreen (WS001)
831-CCS	Hard shell case for Model 831 Sound Level Meter
ACC003	Headset with microphone boom, 0.09 inch (2.5 mm) sub-miniature plug
ADP074	ICP® cable adaptor for Model 831 Sound Level Meter
ADP097	Direct input adapter with BNC connector for Model 831 Sound Level Meter
BAT015	8 D cell battery holder with fuse; batteries not included
CBL138	Cable USB A to Mini-B 6 ft (1.8 m)
CBL139	Cable 0.09 inch (2.5 mm) sub-miniature plug AC/DC out to BNC or RCA
CBL170	Cable connecting Model 831 to 9-pin D connector (wind speed, direction, logic I/O, 3 slow ADC) and coaxial DC connector (to PSA027)
CCS032	Soft pouch for Model 831 and SoundTrack LxT®  Microphone extension cable, 5 pin Switchcraft, 6' (2m), 10' (3m), 20' (6m), 50' (15m).
EXC006/10/20/50	Additional lengths available  90 to 264V to 12V switching power supply for 824 and 831 sound level meter and
PSA027 PSA029	HVM100  AC Power supply for Model 831 and SoundTrack LxT® (100-240 VAC to 5 V USB
	w/mini-B cable, CBL138)
PSA031 CBL140	12 VDC to USB Converter for SoundTrack LxT® and Model 831 DC power cable for Model 831 Sound Level Meter, 8 – 30 VDC includes
OFNIOOF	lead-acid battery clamps and 12 V car plug
SEN025	Single axis accelerometer, 10 mV/(m/s2) or 100 mV/g ICP®.
Microphones and	d Preamplifiers
PRM831	Model 831 Sound Level Meter preamplifier for 1/2 in free-field or random incidence prepolarized microphones
377B02	1/2 inch free-field, prepolarized condenser microphone, typical sensitivity = $50 \text{ mV/Pa}$ , $3.15 \text{ Hz}$ to $20 \text{ kHz}$ ( $\pm 2 \text{ dB}$ )
377C20	1/2 inch random incidence, prepolarized condenser microphone 50 mV/Pa, 3.15 Hz to 16 kHz (±2 dB)
377C10	$1/4$ inch pressure, prepolarized condenser microphone typical sensitivity = 1.6 mV/Pa, 4 Hz to 70 kHz ( $\pm$ 2 dB)
378A04	ICP® Low noise microphone & preamplifier system, 6.5 dB A-weighted typical noise
ADP043	1/4 inch microphone to 1/2 inch preamplifier adaptor
426A12	Permanent outdoor preamplifier with electrostatic actuator, humidity reading, TEDS and supporting externally and pre-polarized microphone (microphone not included)
PRM2103	Permanent Outdoor Preamplifier for Model 831 with Remote Calibration Check, humidity reading and heater, for pre-polarized microphone (MIC and cables not included)
PRM2103-FF	Permanent Outdoor Preamplifier for Model 831 with Remote Calibration Check, humidity reading and heater, for pre-polarized microphone (MIC and cables not included)

Model Number	Description
Software	
SWW-SLM-	G4 LD Utility software for SoundTrack LxT® and Model 831 sound level meter: download,
UTILG4 SWW-DNA	upgrade, translate, print text reports or export to spreadsheet. CD with Quick Start Guide Basic software and dongle (USB) for evaluation and reporting of data downloaded
CIANA/ DNIA 021	from the Larson Davis instruments, requires an instrument driver  Instrument driver for instrument control, set-up, live display, data translation, and data
SWW-DNA-831	download for Model 831 Sound Level Meter
SWW-DNA-EV SWW-DNA-BA	DNA option for events tracking: PNL and PNLT event time history and EPNL event  DNA software Building Acoustics, allows calculation of transmission loss and sound
SWW-DNA-BA	insulation calculations  DNA software for monitoring a remote location when using 820, 824, 870, or 831
REMOTE	Models. Uses modem connection for communication and data download.
Calibrators	
CAL200	Class 1 acoustic calibrator with user selectable output of 94 or 114 dB at 1 kHz.  1/2 inch opening (no adaptor)
CAL250	Class 1 microphone calibrator, output 114 dB at 251.2 Hz. 1 inch opening with 1/2 inch (ADP019) adaptor. 3/8 inch (ADP020) and 1/4 inch (ADP021) adaptors available
Temporary Noise	Monitoring System Components
EPS030-831	Case for Model 831 Sound Level Meter including (1) 21Ah battery, charger (PSA032), internal preamplifier cable (CBL141), and power distribution cable (CBL151)
EPS036-831	Case on wheels (CCS035) to enclose Model 831 with (2)x 21 Ah batteries (BAT011). Includes CBL166 & CBL168 to power Model 831
EPS037-831	Case on wheels (CCS035) to enclose Model 831 with 100 Ah batteries (BAT012). Includes CBL166 & CBL168 to power Model 831
EPS2116	Environmental protection for 1/2 inch preamplifiers with windscreen, bird spikes, desiccants and universal mounting
TRP001	Instrumentation tripod w/ADP032 preamplifier to tripod interface
TRP003 CBL174	Support tripod, maximum height 8 ft (2.4 m) used in portable NMS systems  Waterproof cable connecting EPS029-831/EPS030-831 to external PC, 2m USB A-to-B
	Monitoring Systems
	Permanent NMS on tilt-down pole using main power. Includes 831 (LOG, ELA), 831-
NMS016	INT, TRP019, 426A12-FF, EPS031 (w/ 9Āh battery) and cables.  NoiseTutor complete system including 831-FF with 831-0B3, 831-ELA and 831-LOG
NMS021	firmware options and EPS2116. Also includes EPS041 that consists of weathertight case, 80 Wh
MMOOZI	battery, embedded PC, HDMI display, wireless keypad, SWW-DNA-NT software, and wireless
	gateway. NoiseTutor complete system including 831 with 831-DB3, 831-ELA and 831-LOG firmware
NMS022	options, PRM2103-FF and EPS2116. Also includes EPS041 that consists of weathertight case, 80 Wh battery, embedded PC, HDMI display, wireless keypad, SWW-DNA-NT software, and
	wireless gateway.  NoiseTutor system for wired network in permanent case with TRP019/020 mounting. Includes
NMS043	831 with 831-DB3, 831-ELA and 831-LOG firmware, PRM2103-FF, EPS043, SWW-DNA-NT and EPS2116. Customer to supply wired network connection.
Noise Monitoring	System Components
831-INT	Model 831 docking station connecting weather sensors, batteries, charger and USB peripherals
831-INT-ET	Model 831 Docking Station with Ethernet (RJ45) connecting to power supply, weather sensors, batteries, charger and USB peripherals
ACC004	Surge suppressor for 110-240 VAC Cable connecting Model 831 to 9-pin D connector (wind speed, direction, logic I/O,
CBL170	a slow ADC) and coaxial DC connector (to PSA027), including breakout cable and I/F block
EPS037	Case on wheels (CCS035) with 100 Ah battery (BAT002) for permanent NMS, includes cable (CBL149) to enclosure (EPS031)
DVX008A	USB Adaptor to DB9 interface (used with Serial modem or SEN031)
SEN031	Combined weather sensor: wind speed and direction (no moving parts), temperature, humidity, pressure, rainfall (requires CBL167 cable + DVX008A)
Calibration	
CER-831	Calibration and certification of 831(SLM, preamplifier with microphone) and 831-RPT
CER-MIC	Calibration and certification for microphone  Environmental certification Model 831 for [-40,+158] °F ([-40,+70] °C) range. Includes
CER-831-E	calibration of 831 and PRM831, 831-RPT, environmental test of microphone. Microphone calibration
CER-PRM2103-E	not included.  Environmental Certification Model PRIM2103 for [-40,+158] °F ([-40,+70] °C) range; (no microphone certification); environmental test of microphone
CER-426A12	Calibration and certification for 426A12 including environmental testing for tempera- ture and humidity stability. Replaces windscreen, o-ring, and desiccant cartridges.
831-RPT	Model 831 Sound Level Meter certification test report. Certificate for SLM, preamplifier and microphone.
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