

155 Mb/s, 622 Mb/s Packet over SONET/SDH Processor

The Agilent Technologies E1608A Packet over SONET/SDH Processor provides users of the Broadband Series Test System (BSTS) with a tool to evaluate the traffic management characteristics of POS/SDH switch-routers interfaces.

Such characteristics are central to the compliance and interoperability of network hardware.

Key Features

Generation and transmission of IP packets

Off-line configuration utilities allow you to create a POS data file with user-defined encapsulation parameters and variable interframe gaps. Full control down to the octet allows complete testing of Layer-2 POS implementations. This file can be transmitted either once or continually with hardware performing real-time scrambling and SONET/SDH framing.

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Agilent Broadband Series Test System

Agilent E1608A

Product Features

- Complete Layer-2 testing and Layer-2/3 analyzer statistics with total control of transmit payload down to bit level
- Support for HDLC, PPP, MAPOS, and SRP encapsulations with real-time x⁴³ + 1 scrambling and descrambling
- 0-100% transmit & receive bandwidth
- Capture filtering with 32 octet pattern matcher
- Automated connection to device under test using PPP link negotiation & IP address registration
- Native LAN support (encodes and decodes)
- Intensive SONET/SDH testing at OC-3c/STM-1c and OC-12c/STM-4c rate
- Full line rate transmit and receive of IP packets

Capture and analysis of IP packets

On the receive interface, you can perform optional payload descrambling, capturing of POS data using basic triggers or capture filters, and upload the file for off-line analysis. Some of the statistics provided by the off-line analyzer are:

- IP header checksum errors
- IP packet length errors
- total frames
- frames/sec (packet throughput)

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Real-time scrambling/descrambling of SONET/SDH payload

Unique to the BSTS solutions, support for programmable real-time scrambling/descrambling to X^{43} +1 of the entire SONET/SDH payload is available as per the latest addendum to RFC 2615 (obsoletes RFC 1619)/1662.

Native LAN Support

The Agilent POS solutions provide full support for the classic LAN protocols including: IP, TCP, UDP and ICMP. An extensive PDU editor is available for each of these protocols which gives access to all protocol fields and automatically highlights protocol errors. In addition, full decode support is provided for over 100 LAN protocols from the following protocol suites:

- TCP/IP
- Microsoft LAN Manager
- Appletalk
- Banyan/VINES
- DECnet
- IBM/SNA
- Xerox/XNS
- Novell/IPX
- ISO
- Sun
- X Windows

POS Functional Testing

Functional Testing of POS Hardware Designs

The following three test examples can be performed to verify correct behavior of the hardware design. The tests require the behavior of the equipment under test to be monitored while it receives packets with different traffic or payload patterns.

• Payload Pattern #1: Send maximum stuffing-ratio traffic

An IP/PPP packet that contains all 7D or 7E octet values will result in a doubling of the payload size after insertion into the HDLC frame. A sequence of such packets will cause maximum stress on the stuffing and de-stuffing circuits.

This payload pattern also tests the effectiveness of the flow control mechanism between the POS line card and the router's egress or ingress buffer.

• Payload Pattern #2: Vary the inter-frame gap by octet increments

This test effectively introduces a "phase shift" of the octetsynchronous HDLC frame as it is presented to wide-bus architectures and will pick up problems in the pack-and-rotate circuits.

For example, in a POS line card with a 32-bit architecture, there are four different octet phases to be verified.

• Payload Pattern #3: Send minimum-size packets at full rate

This determines the maximum rate of FCS calculations that can be performed. It is also a good overall test of the POS line card's HDLC frame-handling capacity.

Link Initialization

Both the LCP (Link Control Protocol) and IPCP (IP Control Protocol) initialization procedures must complete successfully before any user data will be forwarded across the link. Because PPP is handled by software, it can generally be by-passed or disabled at the hardware testing stage.

However, for system testing, this layer must be working correctly. This is particularly the case when conducting field trials on POS equipment from multiple vendors.

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Configuration and Use With Other BSTS Modules and Applications

The minimum configuration required to test 155Mb/s and 622Mb/s POS interfaces is as follows:

- Agilent E1608A POS Processor
- Either
 - E1697A Optical Line Interface (for testing at 155 Mb/s), or
 - E1618A Optical Line Interface (for testing at 622 Mb/s)
- Agilent Broadband Series Test System chassis

The Agilent E1608A requires the following system configuration:

- 1 x V743 HP-UX controller running at 64 MHz or 100 MHz and:
 - a minimum of 32 Mb RAM (not recommended)
 - 64 Mb RAM (recommended), or
 - 128 Mb RAM
- minimum 2 GB SCSI hard drive

Since the Agilent BSTS is a flexible and modular ATM/B-ISDN test platform, you can maximize the return on your test equipment investment by selecting a chassis, line interfaces, dedicated hardware modules, and test software that suit your specific needs. Remember that you can always add extra software or modules at any time.

Warranty & Support Options

Hardware

All BSTS hardware components are warranted for a period of 3 years. Products must be returned to an authorized Agilent service center for service.

Software

Agilent Broadband Series Test System software and firmware products are supplied on transportable media such as disk, CD-ROM or integrated circuits. The warranty covers physical defects in the media, and defective media is replaced at no charge during the warranty period. When installed in an Agilent Broadband Series Test System, the software/firmware media has the same warranty period as the product.

Ordering Information

The BSTS Packet over SONET/SDH solutions are sold as bundles for either 155 Mb/s or 622 Mb/s. However, individual product numbers can also be ordered to supplement your existing BSTS solutions.

Product Numbers

Agilent E4200B/4210B Option 050

The 622 Mb/s (OC-12c/STM-4c) POS Test Solution

Consists of the following:

•	E1608A	0-622 Mb/s POS
		Processor

• E1618A 622 Mb/s Optical Line Interface

Agilent E4200B/4210B Option 055

The 155 Mb/s (OC-3c/STM-1) POS Test Solution

Consists of the following

- E1608A 0-622 Mb/s POS Processor
- E1697A 155 Mb/s Optical Line Interface



Technical Specifications

Summary of Module Test Features

E1608A 155Mb/s, 622Mb/s Packet over SONET/SDH Processor module

- Packet Over SONET/SDH, SONET/SDH POH and SPE/VC testing
- Used in conjunction with the Agilent E1618A 622 Mb/s **Optical Line Interface** or E1697A 155Mb/s **Optical Line Interface**
- General:

Supports RFC 2615 (obsoletes RFC-1619) & RFC-1662

- Transmit:
- Real time scrambling to RFC-1662
- 0-100% bandwidth
- · Full control over transmit payload
- POH Error and alarm simulation
- SONET/SDH POH builder
- POH octet editor (Including C2 protocol type field)
- Path trace message generation

Receive:

- Real time descrambling to RFC-1662
- 0-100% bandwidth acceptance
- · Full analysis over captured payload to IP
- Capture SPE contents, frames only or pattern matched frames
- · Pattern matching to 32 octets on SPE or octet destuffed frames
- C2 protocol type field display
- Path trace message display

Additional Modules

E1697A

Interface

- E1618A · For detailed specifications on the SONET/ SDH 622Mb/s Optical Line Functionary available on the E1618A 622Mb/s Interface Optical Line Interface, please refer to Agilent Publication number 5966-1444E
 - For detailed specifications on the SONET/ SDH 155Mb/s Optical Line functionary available on the E1697A 155Mb/s Optical Line Interface please refer to Agilent Publication number 5966-1444E

POS Features

Encapsulations & Scrambling

Supported	• PPP
encapsulations	• HDLC
	• MAPOS
	User defined
Scrambling	Real time scrambling and descrambling of data as per RFC1662
	 Transmit scrambling {on off}
	 Receive descrambling {on off}
PPP Link Negotiation P	rotocol
Link control	Operations available through the PPP state machine
	Active link setup
	Passive link setup
	Link teardown
	 FCS for LCP and IPCP negotiation {FCS-16 FCS-32}
LCP options supported	Settable options for the Link Control Protocol
	 (MRU) Maximum Receive Unit size settable: 0 to 65 535
	 Magic Number {on off}
	• (PFC) Protocol Field Compression {on $ $ off}
	 (ACFC) Address & Control Field Compression {on off}
	 FCS alternatives {FCS-16 FCS-32}
IPCP Options supported	Settable options for the IP Control Protocol
	• Set own IP Address: any value except 0.0.0.0
	• Accept peer IP Address: any value except 0.0.0.0

Traffic Generation

Traffic is loaded into a transmit buffer from a file containing space-delimited ASCII Hex data. This buffer is replayed to generate the transmit data stream.

Data Generator Features

Transmit buffer size	Loaded from POS data file1,048,552 octets
Available transmit bandwidth	Data bandwidth: 0% to100%Ctrl-Esc ratio: 0% to100%
Transmit buffer operations	Controls for the transmission of transmit buffer contents • Off (Sends all Ox7E data) • Continuous • Once

Data is captured and then saved to a file for off-line analysis using the in-built POS data

POS compiler controls	Command line options	file analyzer.	,
	• FCS: 16 or 32	Capture Buffer Feature	es
	HDLC Compression: on or off	•	
	 Protocol field size: 8 or 16 bits 	Capture buffer size	Selectable:
	PPP Compression: on or off		• 128K, 1M, 4M or 8M
	• Repeat definition throughout output file: on or off	Capture system	• Acceptable used bandwidth on input: 0 to 100%
	Per-frame PPP encapsulation parameters	bandwidth	• Acceptable Ctrl-Esc bandwidth on input: 0 to
	 PPP protocol field (8 bit): 0 to 0xFF 		100%
	 PPP protocol field (16 bit): 0 to 0xFE FF 	Capture buffer trigger	Start of buffer
	• Pad byte value: 0 to 255	points	
	• Pad size: 0 to 1 000 000	Capture filter	Capture line data (every octet)
	Address field: 0 to 0xFF		Reduce extra framing octets (reduce inter frame
	Control field: 0 to 0xFF		gaps)
	• Inter-frame gap: 1 to 1 048 549		Capture pattern-matched frames only
	Ctrl-Esc Percentage: 0% to 100%	Pattern Matcher	Pattern matches all frames
	 Off line POS data file IP compiler controls Number of frame descriptors: 0 to 350 000 		32-octet based pattern matcher
			• {0 1 x}-selectable for each bit
Transmit buffer	Per-frame IP Descriptor control parameters		Pattern match save/restore
operations	IP Version: 0 to 15		Pattern match on line data or octet-destuffed
	Precedence bits: 0 to 7		data
	TOS delay bit: 0 or 1	POS Data File Analyzer Features and Controls	
	TOS throughput bit: 0 or 1		
	TOS reliability bit: 0 or 1	Command line options	• FCS: 16 or 32
	TOS future use bits: 0 to 3		HDLC Compression: on or off
	 Identification: 0 to 65 535 		Protocol field size: 16 or 32
	Reserved bit: 0 or 1		PPP Compression: on or off
	Don't fragment bit: 0 or 1	Laver-2 capture	• Number of data bytes (excluding Ctrl-Esc octets)
	More fragments bit: 0 or 1	statistics	Number of Framing Octets (0x7E)
	 Fragmentation offset: 0 to 8 191 		Number of valid Ctrl-Esc octets
	TTL Time To Live: 0 to 255IP Protocol: 0 to 255		• Number of valid frames
			• Number of invalid frames
	• Source Address: 0 to 255 for all octets		Numbers of FCS errors
	 Destination Address: 0 to 255 for all octets Payload fill value: 0 to 0xFF 		• Number of Address field mismatches
			• Number of Control field mismatches
	• Payload size: U to 65 515		Number of Protocol field mismatches
Integrated Protocol Builder and Encodes		Laver-3 canture	Number of Invalid PDUs (IP datagram too small)
Creation of Traffic	PDU builders for the following protocols:	statistics	Number of Errored PDUs
Specification of Traffic Stream Pavload			Version field mismatch
	• TCP		Header length field error
	• UDP		Total length field error
	• ICMP		 Flags field error

Traffic Analysis

- TTL field error
- Header checksum error

POS Data File Compiler Features and Controls

Command line options

POS compiler controls

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• Sequence Builder

• Concatenates PDUs into sequences

SRP Data File Analyzer Features and Controls		Protocol Analysis	
Command Line Options	SRP: Enable SRP statistics	Integrated Protocol	Decode Engine and Viewer
	• LSB FCS: FCS in the SRP packet is transmitted with the least significant byte first	DARPA/IETF	BGP - RFC1105; Border Gateway Protocol; June 1989
	 Ignore source Address: The value of the source address is ignored for Control packets 		BGP-4 - RFC1771; A Border Gateway Protocol 4; March 1995
Framing Statistics	Number of Data bytes		BOOTP - RFC951; Bootstrap Protocol; September 1985
	 Number of trame fill bytes Number of valid Control-Escape bytes 		DHCP - RFC2131; Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol; March 1997
	Number of invalid Control-Escape bytes		DLSW - RFC1795; Data Link Switching Protocol v1.0; April 1995
	 Number of valid frames Number of invalid frames 		EGP - RFC904; Exterior Gateway Protocol; April 1984
	Number of FCS field errors		HTTP - RFC1945; Hypertext Transfer Protocol; May 1996
SRP Statistics	Number of parity errorsNumber of frames with Time To Live field errors		ICMP - RFC792; Internet Control Message Protocol; September 1981
	 Number of short frames Number of long frames 		IGMP - RFC1112; Internet Group Management Protocol; August 1989
	Number of data frames		IGRP - Charles L. Hedrick Rutgers University NJ; August 1991
	Number of keep alive framesNumber of control frames		IGP - RFC823; Internet Gateway Protocol; DARPA; September 1982
	• Number of frames with unknown mode		IP - RFC791; Internet Protocol; September 1981
	 Number of multicast frames Number of SRP frames with SRP control nackets 		IPV6 - RFC1883; Internet Protocol Version 6; December 1995
	Number of SRP frames with IP packets		NTP - RFC1119; Network Time Protocol (version 2); September 1989
	Number of SRP frames with ARP packets		OSPF - RFC1247; OSPF Version 2; July 1991
	 Number of SRP trames with unknown packets Number of SRP control frames with topology 		RIP - RFC1058; Routing Information Protocol; Xerox; June 1988
	discovery framesNumber of SRP control frames with APS packets		RTP - RFC1889; A Transport Protocol for Real-Time Applications; January 1996
	 Number of SRP control frames with unknown packets 		RTCP - RFC1889; Real-Time Control Protocol; January 1996
	Valid frame rate (frames/sec)		UDP - RFC768; User Datagram Protocol; August 1980
	Invalid frame rate (frames/sec)		SMTP - RFC821; Simple Mail Transfer Protocol; August 1982
			TCP - RFC793; Transmission Control Protocol; September 1981
			TFTP - RFC783; Trivial File Transfer Protocol (revision 2); June 1981
			TIMED - Time Daemon Protocol; Sun
			X11 - X Open; X-Window Protocol, X11 R4
		AppleTalk	DDP - Datagram Delivery Protocol; AppleTalk Phase 1; June 1989
		Banyan Vines	VINES - Banyan Vines Protocol; Banyan
		Berkeley Services	RLOGIN - RFC1282 Remote Login Protocol; December 1991
			RSHELL - Remote Shell Protocol; University of California, Berkeley
			REXEC - Remote Execution Protocol; University of California, Berkeley

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EIGRP - Enhanced IGRP; Cisco

DECnet	CTERM - Network Command Terminal; DECnet Phase IV; Digital
	DAP - Data Access Protocol; DECnet Phase IV - Version 4; Digital
	DNAR - DNA Routing Protocol; Phase IV; Digital
	NICE - Network Information and Command Exchange Protocol; DECnet Phase IV; Digital
	NSP · DNA Network Service Protocol; Phase IV; Digital
	SCP - DNA Session Control Protocol; Phase IV - Version 1.0; Digital
IBM/SNA	SMB -Server Message Block, MS, Intel; November 1990
ISO	DAP - ISO 9594; X.500; CCITT; December 1990
	CLNP - ISO 8473: Connectionless Network Service: December 1988
Microsoft LAN Manager/X	LMX_DG - RFC1001; Microsoft LAN Manager Datagram Service; March 1987
	LMX_NS - RFC1001; Microsoft LAN Manager Name Service; March 1987
	LMX_SS - RFC1001; Microsoft LAN Manager Session Service; March 1987
Novell Netware	IPXDIAG - Diagnostics Protocol; Novell
	NCP - NetWare Version 3.x and 4.x; Novell
	NLSP - Netware Link Services Protocol; Novell
Sun	NFS - RFC1094; Network File System Protocol; Sun; March 1989
	RPC - RFC1057; Remote Procedure Call Protocol; Sun; June 1988
Xerox /XNS	ECHO Echo Protocol; Xerox
	ERROR - Error Protocol; Xerox
	IDP - Internetwork Datagram Protocol; Xerox
	IPX Internet Packet Exchange Protocol; Novell
	RIP - RFC1058; Routing Information Protocol; Xerox; June 1988
	SPX - Sequence Packet Exchange Protocol; Novell

Electrical & Mechanical Specification

VXI Module

Size	• 1 slot C-size VXI card
Weight	• 2.0 kg nominal
Power Dissipation	• 79 Watts (max)
Backplane Connectors	• P1, P2
Addressing	Logical and servant addressing

Front Panel LED Indicators

Тх	On: module is transmitting data continuouslyOff: module tranmitter is off	
Rx	• Not used in release 1.0 and 2.0	
Rx Err	• Not used in release 1.0 and 2.0	
Тх	• Not used in release 1.0 and 2.0	
Environmental Operating Conditions		
Operating Temperature	• 0°C to 45°C	
	 Jitter transfer specification maintained over the range 10°C to 55°C 	
Storage Temperature	• -40°C to 70°C	
Humidity	- 0% to 95% relative humidity from 25°C to 40°C	



Agilent Technologies Broadband Series Test System

The Agilent Technologies BSTS is the industry-standard ATM/BISDN test system for R&D engineering, product development, field trials and QA testing. The latest leading edge, innovative solutions help you lead the fast-packet revolution and reshape tomorrow's networks. It offers a wide range of applications:

- ATM traffic management and signalling
- Packet over SONET/SDH (POS)
- switch/router interworking and performance
- third generation wireless tesing
- complete, automated conformance testing

The BSTS is modular to grow with your testing needs. Because we build all BSTS products without shortcuts according to full specifications, you'll catch problems other test equipment may not detect.

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