
K-Meter

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Implementation of a K-System meter according to Bob Katz' specifications

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FLAC-compressed wave file (44.1 kHz, 24 bit, stereo)

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Please verify correctness of peak meter and maximum peak meter programmatically. In "ITU-R BS.1770" mode, make sure that recorded levels either equal the right channel's level for a moment (first part of the file) or shortly drop below the left channel's level (last part of the file).

Given levels describe the left channel. The left channel is delayed by one second, while the right channel's level has been attenuated by 1.93 dB.

00:00.000 - 00:02.000 silence
00:02.000 - 00:07.000 square wave (20 Hz, -41.0 dB FS peak)

 [left peak meter should read -21.00 dB (K-20)]
 [right peak meter should read -22.93 dB (K-20)]

 [left maximum peak should read -21.00 dB (K-20)]
 [right maximum peak should read -22.93 dB (K-20)]

00:07.000 - 00:09.000 silence
00:09.000 - 00:14.000 square wave (180 Hz, -29.0 dB FS peak)

 [left peak meter should read -9.00 dB (K-20)]
 [right peak meter should read -10.93 dB (K-20)]

 [left maximum peak should read -9.00 dB (K-20)]
 [right maximum peak should read -10.93 dB (K-20)]

00:14.000 - 00:16.000 silence
00:16.000 - 00:21.000 square wave (530 Hz, -17.5 dB FS peak)

 [left peak meter should read +2.50 dB (K-20)]
 [right peak meter should read +0.57 dB (K-20)]

 [left maximum peak should read +2.50 dB (K-20)]
 [right maximum peak should read +0.57 dB (K-20)]

00:21.000 - 00:23.000 silence
00:23.000 - 00:28.000 square wave (1111 Hz, -8.3 dB FS peak)

[left peak meter should read +11.70 dB (K-20)]
[right peak meter should read +9.77 dB (K-20)]

[left maximum peak should read +11.70 dB (K-20)]
[right maximum peak should read +9.77 dB (K-20)]

00:28.000 - 00:30.000 silence
00:30.000 - 00:35.000 square wave (1501 Hz, -0.1 dB FS peak)

[left peak meter should read +19.90 dB (K-20)]
[right peak meter should read +17.97 dB (K-20)]

[left maximum peak should read +19.90 dB (K-20)]
[right maximum peak should read +17.97 dB (K-20)]

00:35.000 - 00:37.000 silence
00:37.000 - 00:42.000 square wave (2890 Hz, -36.0 dB FS peak)

[left peak meter should read -16.00 dB (K-20)]
[right peak meter should read -17.93 dB (K-20)]

[left maximum peak should read +19.90 dB (K-20)]
[right maximum peak should read +17.97 dB (K-20)]

00:42.000 - 00:44.000 silence
00:44.000 - 00:49.000 square wave (4190 Hz, -69.5 dB FS peak)

[left peak meter should read -49.50 dB (K-20)]
[right peak meter should read -51.43 dB (K-20)]

[left maximum peak should read +19.90 dB (K-20)]
[right maximum peak should read +17.97 dB (K-20)]

00:49.000 - 00:51.000 silence
00:51.000 - 00:56.000 square wave (8345 Hz, -85.0 dB FS peak)

*(it seems like I have driven Sound Forge's test
tone generator to its limits -- the peak level
meter readings given below have been measured
using the "Statistics" dialog in Sound Forge)*

[left peak meter should read -65.05 dB (K-20)]
[right peak meter should read -66.99 dB (K-20)]

[left maximum peak should read +19.90 dB (K-20)]
[right maximum peak should read +17.97 dB (K-20)]

00:56.000 - 00:59.000 silence

Validation settings

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File: peak_meter.flac

Host SR: 44 100 Hz

Channel: All

Display: ☐ Average meter level
☒ Peak meter level
☒ Maximum peak level
☐ Stereo meter value
☐ Phase correlation