



## The science behind the report:

# HP ProBook 445 G11 Notebook PC: Save time and help increase overall productivity

This document describes what we tested, how we tested, and what we found. To learn how these facts translate into real-world benefits, read the report [HP ProBook 445 G11 Notebook PC: Save time and help increase overall productivity](#).

We concluded our hands-on testing on September 9, 2024. During testing, we determined the appropriate hardware and software configurations and applied updates as they became available. The results in this report reflect configurations that we finalized on August 5, 2024 or earlier. Unavoidably, these configurations may not represent the latest versions available when this report appears.

## Our results

To learn more about how we have calculated the wins in this report, go to <http://facts.pt/calculating-and-highlighting-wins>. Unless we state otherwise, we have followed the rules and principles we outline in that document.

Table 1: Median results of our hands-on testing. Higher benchmark scores and longer battery life times are better.

	HP ProBook 445 G11	Dell™ Latitude™ 3450	Lenovo® ThinkPad® E14 Gen 6
PassMark PerformanceTest 11.0	5,561.5	4,693.4	5,5053.9
MobileMark 30 battery life results in Balanced power mode			
DC performance	1,191	1,069	1,025
Battery life (h:mm)	9:38	8:23	7:16
Index	688	537	446

HP ProBook 445 G11	Dell™ Latitude™ 3450	Lenovo® ThinkPad® E14 Gen 6
MobileMark 30 battery life results in Best power efficiency power mode		
DC performance		
894	838	719
Battery life (h:mm)		
10:43	8:44	8:03
Index		
574	439	347
Procyon Battery Life Benchmark results in Best power efficiency power mode		
Office productivity performance score		
108,000	96,000	94,000
Battery life (h:mm)		
11:50	11:02	9:50
Battery life during a 9-person Microsoft Teams video-conferencing meeting (h:mm)		
5:38	4:58	4:49
3DMark® Fire Strike benchmark		
5,875	4,888	4,832
Cinebench 2024 benchmark CPU multi-core		
603	435	597
Geekbench AI (ONNX DirectML iGPU inference)		
4,360	1,717	1,657
Procyon AI Computer Vision Benchmark float32 GPU scores (Windows ML GPU on AMD. Intel® OpenVINO™ GPU on Intel)		
148	167	173
Cinebench 2024 workload performance scores during thermal and acoustic testing		
551.0	415.0	564.0
External temperatures during a sustained Cinebench 2024 workload (°F)		
Keyboard deck		
112.6	123.4	130.8
Underside of chassis		
119.4	141.1	148.1
Average dBA during a sustained Cinebench 2024 workload		
27.7	26.2	28.0

# System configuration information

Table 2: Detailed information on the systems we tested.

System configuration information	HP Elitebook 445 G11	Dell Latitude 3450	Lenovo ThinkPad E14 Gen 6
<b>Processor</b>			
Vendor	AMD®	Intel	Intel
Model number	Ryzen™ 7 7735U	Core™ Ultra 7 155U	Core Ultra 7 155U
Core frequency (GHz)	2.7 – 4.7	1.7 – 4.8	1.7 – 4.8
Number of cores	8	12	12
Logical Processors	16	14	14
Cache (MB)	16	12	12
<b>Memory</b>			
Amount (GB)	16 (2 x 8)	16 (2 x 8)	16 (2 x 8)
Type	DDR-5600	DDR-5600	DDR-5600
<b>Integrated graphics</b>			
Vendor	AMD	Intel	Intel
Model number	Radeon™ Graphics	Intel Graphics	Intel Graphics
<b>Storage</b>			
Model	SK Hynix BC901	SK Hynix BC901	Samsung MZVL8512HDLU-00BLL
Amount (GB)	512	512	512
Type	PCIe Gen4 x4 NVMe M.2 2280	PCIe Gen4 x4 NVMe M.2 2280	PCIe Gen4 x4 NVMe M.2 2280
<b>Display</b>			
Specifications	14" WUXGA 1920 x 1200, non-touch	14" FHD 1920x1080, non-touch	14.5" 1920 x 1200, non-touch
<b>Connectivity/expansion</b>			
Wired internet	Realtek PCIe GbE Family Controller	Realtek PCIe GbE Family Controller	Intel Ethernet Connection I219-V
Wireless internet	MediaTek Wi-Fi 6E MT7922 (RZ616)	Intel Wi-Fi 6E AX211	Intel Wi-Fi 6 AX201
Bluetooth	5.3	5.3	5.1
# of USB Type A	2	3	2
# of USB Type C	2	1	2
Video outputs	1 x HDMI	1 x HDMI	1 x HDMI
<b>OS</b>			
Vendor	Microsoft	Microsoft	Microsoft
Name	Windows 11 Pro	Windows 11 Pro	Windows 11 Pro
Build number or version	10.0.22631.4037 (23H2)	10.0.22631.4037 (23H2)	10.0.22631.4037 (23H2)

System configuration information	HP Elitebook 445 G11	Dell Latitude 3450	Lenovo ThinkPad E14 Gen 6
BIOS			
BIOS name and version	HP W77 Ver. 01.01.04 (06/20/2024)	Dell Inc 1.5.0 (06/07/2024)	Lenovo R2JET32W 1.09 (04/30/2024)
Battery			
Type (Whr)	3-cell, 54	3-cell, 54	3-cell, 47
Dimensions			
Height (in.)	0.42 – 0.66	0.70 – 0.76	0.70
Width (in.)	12.54	12.69	12.32
Depth (in.)	8.83	8.64	8.63
Weight (lbs)	3.08	3.30	3.17

# How we tested

## Setting up the system

### Setting up and updating the OEM image

1. Boot the system.
2. To complete installation, follow the on-screen instructions, using the default selections when appropriate.
3. Set the Windows (plugged in) Power Mode to Best Performance.
4. Set Screen and Sleep options to Never:
  - a. Right-click the desktop, and select Display settings.
  - b. From the left column, select System.
  - c. Click Power & Battery.
  - d. For all power options listed under Screen and Sleep, select Never.
5. Disable User Account Control notifications:
  - a. Select Windows Start, type UAC, and press Enter.
  - b. Move the slider control to Never notify, and click OK.
6. Run Windows Update, and install all updates available.
7. Verify the date and time are correct, and synchronize the system clock with the time server.
8. Pause Automatic Windows Updates:
  - a. Click the Windows Start button.
  - b. Type `Windows Update settings`, and press Enter.
  - c. From the Pause updates drop-down menu, select Pause for 5 weeks.

## Measuring performance with benchmarks

### Testing with 3DMark

#### Setting up the tests

1. Double-click the 3DMark-setup.exe file, and install with default options.
2. To launch 3DMark, double-click the 3DMark desktop icon.
3. Click Options, enter the registration code, and click Register.
4. Exit 3DMark.
5. Launch 3DMark again, click Update, and click Install.
6. If prompted, update the DLC packages.

#### Running the tests

1. Boot the system.
2. Select Windows Start.
3. Type `cmd`, and press Ctrl+Shift+Enter.
4. Type `Rundll32.exe advapi32.dll,ProcessIdleTasks`. Do not interact with the system until the command completes.
5. After the command completes, wait five minutes before running the tests.
6. To launch the benchmark, double-click the 3DMark desktop icon.
7. At the top of the 3DMark home screen, click Benchmarks.
8. Select the Fire Strike benchmark.
9. To turn off the Include Demo feature, move the slider button.
10. Click Run.
11. When the benchmark run completes, record the results.
12. Wait 5 minutes before re-running.
13. Perform steps 7 through 12 two more times.
14. Report the median results for both workloads.

## Testing with Cinebench 2024

### Setting up the test

1. Download and install Cinebench 2024 from <https://www.maxon.net/en/downloads/cinebench-2024-downloads>.
2. Launch Cinebench 2024.
3. Select File→Advanced benchmark.
4. From the Minimum Test Duration drop-down menu, select Off.

### Running the multi-core test

1. Launch Cinebench 2024.
2. Next to CPU (Multi Core), click Start.
3. Record the result.
4. Wait 5 minutes before re-running.
5. Repeat steps 1 through 4 two more times.
6. Report the median results.

## Testing with Geekbench AI

### Setting up the test

1. Download and install Geekbench AI from <https://www.geekbench.com/ml/download/>.

### Running the test

1. Launch Geekbench AI.
2. From the Inference Backend drop-down menu, choose either CPU, GPU, or Neural Engine.
3. Click Run Inference Benchmark.
4. Record the result.
5. Wait 5 minutes before re-running.
6. Repeat steps 1 through 5 two more times.
7. Report the median results.

## Testing with PassMark PerformanceTest 11

### Setting up the test

1. Download PassMark PerformanceTest from <https://www.passmark.com/products/performancetest/download.php>.
2. To begin the installation, press Install.
3. To accept the license agreement, select Accept, and press Next.
4. After the installation is complete, deselect Launch Performance Test, and press Finish.

### Running the test

1. Boot the system.
2. Select Windows Start.
3. Type cmd, and press Ctrl+Shift+Enter.
4. Type `Cmd.exe /c start /wait Rundl132.exe advapi32.dll,ProcessIdleTasks`. Do not interact with the system until the command completes.
5. After the command completes, wait five minutes before running the test.
6. To launch PassMark PerformanceTest, press the PassMark PerformanceTest icon.
7. To start the benchmark, press Run Benchmark.
8. When the test completes, record the results.
9. Repeat steps 6 through 8 two more times.
10. Report the median results.

## Testing with Procyon AI Computer Vision Benchmark

### Setting up the test

1. Purchase and download the Procyon benchmark from <https://benchmarks.ul.com/procyon>.
2. Install the Procyon benchmark.
3. Launch Procyon.
4. Select Settings, and input the Procyon AI Computer Vision license key.
5. Close Procyon.

### Running the test

1. Launch Procyon.
2. Select the Computer Vision test.
3. For the hardware under test, select the appropriate tab.
4. If applicable, select the device and precision.
5. To begin the test, click Run.
6. When the test completes, record the results, and wait 15 minutes before re-running.
7. Repeat steps 4 through 6 two more times.
8. Report the median results.

## Testing with MobileMark 30

This test requires a lux meter.

### Avoiding antivirus software conflicts

MobileMark 30 is not compatible with any virus-scanning software, so we uninstalled any such software present on the PCs before we installed the benchmark.

### Avoiding pre-installed software conflicts

MobileMark 30 installs the following applications, which its test scripts employ:

#### Productivity

- Corel WinZip 26.0 Enterprise
- Microsoft Excel 2021 Professional Plus
- Microsoft Outlook 2021 Professional Plus
- Microsoft PowerPoint 2021 Professional Plus
- Microsoft Word 2021 Professional Plus

#### Creativity

- Adobe® Photoshop® CC

If any of these applications already exist on the system under test, they could cause problems with the benchmark due to software conflicts. To avoid any such issues, we uninstalled all conflicting pre-installed software applications—including different versions of any of the programs MobileMark 30 uses—before we installed the benchmark.

### Using the MobileMark built-in configuration tool

This tool supports three levels of configuration:

1. Only makes changes that are **REQUIRED** for the benchmark to run.
2. Additionally, makes changes that are **RECOMMENDED** for repeatable results.
3. Additionally, makes **OPTIONAL** changes that help ensure best results.

The configuration tool makes the following configuration changes at each of the three levels:

#### *Level 1 - Required*

- Disables User Account Control (UAC)
- Set DPI Scaling to 100%
- Disables Low Battery Actions
- Disables Network Proxies
- Disables System Sleep and Hibernate
- Disables Windows Update
- Enables Windows Search
- Disables WinSAT

#### *Level 2 - Recommended*

- Create BAPCo power scheme
- Set Power Plan Type to Balanced
- Set CPU Adaptive Mode
- Disables Battery Saver Dimming
- Verifies Battery Saver Threshold
- Disables Disk Defrag
- Disables Windows Error Reporting
- Disables Windows Lock Screen
- Disables Screen Saver and Monitor Timeout
- Set Font Smoothing

#### *Level 3 - Optional*

- Disables Battery Saver
- Disables Hard Disk Timeout
- Disables System Restore
- Ignores Laptop Lid Close
- Enables Dark Mode

We chose the official BAPCo “Run Benchmark” default as outlined in the BAPCo MobileMark 30 User Guide ([https://bapco.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/BAPCo-MobileMark30\\_User-Guide-v1.0.pdf](https://bapco.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/BAPCo-MobileMark30_User-Guide-v1.0.pdf)), which runs the benchmark using the Required and Recommended options.

### **Setting up the performance-qualified battery life test**

1. On the system under test, verify that the wireless adapter is disabled.
2. On the system under test, verify that the Lower screen brightness when using battery saver is turned off:
  - a. Select Windows Start, type `Battery saver`, and press Enter.
  - b. Next to Turns on at 20%, click the down arrow. Next to Lower screen brightness when using battery saver, toggle the button to Off.
3. On the system under test, verify that the volume is set to 50%.
4. On systems with AMD processors, disable Vari-Bright to prevent the screen from automatically dimming:
  - a. Launch AMD Software.
  - b. Click the Settings gear icon.
  - c. Select the Display tab, and disable Vari-Bright.
5. Verify the system is no less than 250 nits.
6. On the system under test, install MobileMark 30 with the default options.

### **Running the performance-qualified battery life test**

1. Boot the system.
2. Select Windows Start.
3. Type `cmd`, and press Ctrl+Shift+Enter.
4. Type `Cmd.exe /c start /wait Rundll32.exe advapi32.dll,ProcessIdleTasks`. Do not interact with the system until the command completes.
5. After the command completes, wait five minutes before running the test.



6. Launch MobileMark 30.
7. Click Run Benchmark.
8. Click the Brightness Profiler button.
9. Allow the white screen to warm up for 30 minutes. After 30 minutes, click Skip.
10. At the Panel Dark Luminance pop-up, to use the value that is queried from the display, select Yes.
11. Place the nit meter in the outlined spot on the screen.
12. On the system under test, toggle the F1 button to turn off the test overlay.
13. On the system under test, adjust the slider until the system meets the desired nits value.
14. Click Done, and click Continue.
15. The test will begin immediately. When prompted, unplug the AC power adapter.

The benchmark is complete when the notebook PC has fully depleted its battery and is no longer operational when running on battery power.

We executed the MobileMark 30 benchmark three times on the system and took the median battery life score run as the representative performance score result for that test.

## Testing with Procyon Battery Life Benchmark

### Setting up the test

1. Boot the system.
2. Verify the following display and power settings:
  - a. Right-click the desktop, and select Display settings.
  - b. Uncheck the box next to Change brightness automatically when lighting changes, if available.
  - c. Uncheck the box next to Change brightness based on content, if available.
  - d. In the Scale drop-down menu, select 100%.
  - e. From the pane on the left, select System.
  - f. Click Power & Battery.
  - g. Under Screen and Sleep, select Never for all options.
  - h. Set Power mode while unplugged to the desired setting.
3. To bring up a white screen, open a web browser, and type `about:blank` into the address bar.
4. Unplug the system.
5. Using a nit meter, adjust the screen brightness to as close to 250 nits as possible.
6. Plug in the system.
7. Download and install Procyon.
8. Open Procyon.
9. Click Battery Life Benchmark.
10. Click Register.
11. Enter the license key for the Battery Life Benchmark, and click Register.
12. Close Procyon.
13. Before running the benchmark, make sure to install a licensed version of Microsoft 365.

### Running the test

1. Boot the system.
2. Ensure the system is fully charged.
3. In Command Prompt, navigate to the installation folder:

```
cd "C:\Program Files\UL\Procyon"
```

4. Run the benchmark:

```
ProcyonCMD.exe -d .\custom_definition\office_productivity_mp_batterylife.def -o C:\Users\\Documents\Procyon\.procyon-result --export-simple-csv C:\Users\\Documents\Procyon\.csv
```

5. When prompted, unplug the system.
6. When the benchmark completes, plug in the system.
7. Open the `.procyon-result` file, and record the results.
8. Repeat steps 2 through 7 two more times.
9. Report the median results.

## Testing collaboration performance with Microsoft Teams

This test requires the following:

- Nine non-testing systems as permanent meeting attendees; one of these with a licensed account to host
- Microsoft Teams
- PT Internal battery life logger

### Setting up the test

1. Boot the systems under test.
2. Verify the following display and power settings:
  - a. Right-click the desktop, and select Display settings.
  - b. Uncheck the box next to Change brightness automatically when lighting changes, if available.
  - c. Uncheck the box next to Change brightness based on content, if available.
  - d. In the Scale drop-down menu, select 100%.
  - e. From the pane on the left, select System.
  - f. Click Power & Battery.
  - g. For all power options listed under Screen and Sleep, select Never.
  - h. Set Power mode while unplugged to the desired setting.
3. To bring up a white screen, open a web browser, and type `about:blank` into the address bar.
4. Unplug the system.
5. Using a nit meter, adjust the screen brightness to as close to 250 nits as possible.
6. Plug in the system.
7. Open Settings, and click Bluetooth & Devices.
8. Click Cameras, and select the built-in connected camera.
9. Under Windows Studio Effects, turn on all settings.
10. To each system under test, copy the battery life logger.
11. Open PowerShell as administrator, and run `Set-ExecutionPolicy Unrestricted`.
12. On one of the non-testing systems, launch Teams, and log into a licensed Microsoft account.
13. In the pane on the left, click Calendar.
14. Click Meet Now, and click Start Meeting.
15. Ensure the camera is turned on, and click Join now.
16. In the top toolbar, click More, and click Meeting Info.
17. Note the meeting ID and passcode.
18. On the remaining eight non-testing systems, launch Teams, and click Join a meeting.
19. Enter the meeting ID and passcode, and click Join meeting.
20. Ensure the camera is turned on, and click Join now.

### Running the test

1. Verify that the system's battery is fully charged.
2. Launch Teams, and click Join a meeting.
3. Enter the meeting ID and passcode, and click Join meeting.
4. Ensure the camera and audio are turned on, and click Join now.
5. In the top toolbar, click View.
6. Ensure Gallery View is selected, and set the Max Gallery Size to 9 people.
7. Open PowerShell as administrator, and navigate to the directory containing the battery life logger script.
8. To run the script, type `.\<battery_script_name>.ps1`, and click Enter.
9. When prompted, unplug the system, and switch back to the Teams meeting.
10. When the system has shut down, plug in the system, and start it.
11. In Explorer, navigate to `C:\ProgramData\ptbat\`.
12. Open the folder corresponding with the date and time of the test and record the results from `batresults_minutes.txt`.
13. Repeat steps 1 through 12 two more times.
14. Report the median results.

## Measuring acoustics while running Cinebench 2024

These tests require the following items:

- Extech SDL600 Sound Level Meter/Datalogger with SD card
- Cinebench 2024

### Setting up the test

1. Place the system under test in a sound-proofed professional sound booth.
2. Set the Extech SDL600 on a tripod so that it is 2 feet in front of and 1 foot above the system under test.
3. Download and install Cinebench 2024 from <https://www.maxon.net/en/downloads/cinebench-2024-downloads>.
4. Launch Cinebench 2024.
5. Select File→Advanced benchmark.
6. Select File→Preferences, change the Custom Minimum Test Duration to 30 minutes, and click OK.
7. Exit Cinebench.

### Running the test

1. Launch Cinebench 2024.
2. In the Minimum Test Duration field, select Custom (30 minutes).
3. Simultaneously start the Extech SDL600 Sound Level Meter/Datalogger and click the Cinebench 2024 CPU (Multi Core) Start button.
4. At the end of the 30-minute Cinebench 2024 run, stop the Extech SDL600, and record the average sound level (dB) while running Cinebench 2024.
5. Shut down the system for 40 minutes, and let it return to room temperature.
6. Repeat steps 1 through 5 two more times.
7. Report the median results.

## Measuring thermals while running Cinebench 2024

These tests require the following:

- A FLIR E6xt Infrared Camera
- Cinebench 2024

### Running the test

1. Boot the system.
2. Select Windows Start.
3. Type `cmd`, and press Ctrl+Shift+Enter.
4. Type `Rundll32.exe advapi32.dll,ProcessIdleTasks`. Do not interact with the system until the command completes.
5. After the command completes, wait five minutes before running the test.
6. Launch Cinebench 2024.
7. Select File | Advanced benchmark.
8. Verify that the Minimum Test Duration is set to the default 10 minutes (Test Throttling).
9. Select CPU (Multi Core), and click Start.
10. Record the performance results for the next five back-to-back 10-minute iterations, and at the end of each run, note the ambient room temperature and take a skin temperature photo with the FLIR E6xt Infrared Camera of the top and bottom, and report the hottest spots.
11. Shut down the system for 40 minutes, and let it return to room temperature.
12. Repeat steps 1 through 11 two more times.
13. Report the median results.

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