

REMOTE CONTROL AND PROGRAMMING REFERENCE

for the FLUKE 123

Industrial ScopeMeter

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This file contains remote control and programming information for the above-mentioned model with use of the PM9080/001 Optically Isolated RS232 Adapter/Cable.

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1. INSTALLATION OF THE PM9080/001

- Connect the PM9080/001 to the RS232 port of the computer as indicated in the PM9080/001 Instruction Manual. If necessary, use the 9-pin to 25-pin adapter and the 25-pin gender changer included in the PM9080/001 shipment.
- Hook the PM9080/001 cable to the ScopeMeter as indicated in the PM9080/001 Instruction Manual.
- Turn on the computer and the ScopeMeter.
- Make sure that the communication settings match for the RS232 port of the computer and the ScopeMeter.

After power-on, the default settings of the ScopeMeter are as follows:

1200 baud, No parity, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit

You can modify the baud rate with the PC (Program Communication) command. See chapter 3 COMMAND REFERENCE. Other settings are fixed.

You can modify the computer RS232 port settings to match the above ScopeMeter settings with the following DOS command:

MODE COM1:1200,N,8,1

This command assumes that COM1 is the RS232 port used on the computer. Replace COM1 in the above command with COM2, COM3, or COM4 if one of these ports is used. You can place this command in the computer startup file AUTOEXEC.BAT so that the default settings for the computer are the same as for the ScopeMeter. If you want to use a higher data transfer speed (baud rate), let your QBASIC program change the settings for both the computer and the ScopeMeter. See the example under the PC (Program Communication) command in chapter 3 COMMAND REFERENCE.

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## 2. INTRODUCTION TO PROGRAMMING

### \*\* Basic Programming Information \*\*

When you have installed the PM9080/001 as described in the previous chapter, you can control the ScopeMeter from the computer with simple communication facilities, such as GWBASIC, QuickBASIC and QBASIC (programming languages from Microsoft Corporation).

All examples given in this manual are in the QBASIC language but will also run in QuickBASIC. QuickBASIC allows you to make executable files from programs so you can start such programs directly from DOS.

It is assumed that you have knowledge of these programming languages. QBASIC is supplied with Microsoft Operating System MS-DOS 5.0 and higher, and has an 'on-line' Help function.

Features of the syntax and protocol for the ScopeMeter are as follows:

- Easy input format with a 'forgiving' syntax:
  - All commands consist of two characters that can be UPPER or lower case.
  - Parameters that sometimes follow the command may be separated from it by one or more separation characters.
- Strict and consistent output format:
  - Alpha character responses are always in UPPERCASE.
  - Parameters are always separated by a comma ("," = ASCII 44, see Appendix D).
  - Responses always end with the carriage return code (ASCII 13). Because the carriage return code is a non-visible character (not visible on the screen or on paper), this character is represented as <cr> in the command syntax.
- Synchronization between input and output:
  - After receipt of every command, the ScopeMeter returns an acknowledge character (digit) followed by the carriage return code (ASCII 13). This indicates that the command has been successfully received and executed.
  - The computer program must always read this acknowledge response before sending the next command to the ScopeMeter.

**\*\* Commands sent to the ScopeMeter \*\***

All commands for the ScopeMeter consist of a header made up of two alpha characters sometimes followed by parameters. Example:

RI                    This is the Reset Instrument command. It resets the ScopeMeter.

Some of the commands are followed by one or more parameters to give the ScopeMeter more information.  
Example:

SS 8                This is the Save Setup command. It saves the present acquisition settings in memory. The SS header is followed by a separator (space), then followed by the parameter "8" to indicate where to store the settings. The meaning of this parameter is described in Chapter 3 COMMAND REFERENCE.

Some commands require several parameters.  
Example:

WT 9,50,30        This is the Write Time command. This command requires three parameters. The parameters are separated by a comma, which is called the Program Data Separator. You may use only one comma between the parameters. Also refer to the section 'Data Separators'.

A code at the end of each command tells the ScopeMeter that the command is ended. This is the carriage return code (ASCII 13) and is called the Program Message Terminator. This code is needed to indicate to the ScopeMeter that the command is completed so it can start executing the command. Also refer to the section 'Command and Response Terminators'.

**\*\* Responses received from the ScopeMeter \*\***

After each command sent to the ScopeMeter there is an automatic response from it, indicated as <acknowledge> (which you MUST input), to let the computer know whether or not the received command has been successfully executed. Refer to the 'Acknowledge' section below.

There are several commands that ask the ScopeMeter for response data. Such commands are called Queries. Example:

ID            This is the IDentification query, which asks for the model number and the software version of the ScopeMeter.

When the ScopeMeter has received a query, it sends the <acknowledge> reply as it does after any command, but now it is followed by the queried response data.

The format of the response data depends upon which query is sent. When a response consists of different response data portions, these are separated with commas (ASCII code 44). Also refer to the section 'Data Separators'.

All response data, <acknowledge> as well as following (queried) response data are terminated with the carriage return code (<cr> = ASCII 13). Also refer to the section 'Command and Response Terminators'.

**\*\* Acknowledge \*\***

After receiving of a command, the ScopeMeter automatically returns the <acknowledge> response to let the computer know whether or not the received command has been successfully executed.

This response is a one-digit number followed by <cr> as response terminator. If <acknowledge> is 0, it indicates that the ScopeMeter has successfully executed the command. If the command was a query, the <acknowledge><cr> response is immediately followed by the queried response data terminated with <cr>.

If <acknowledge> is 1 or higher, it indicates that the ScopeMeter has not executed the command successfully. In that case, if the command was a query, the <acknowledge><cr> response is NOT followed by any further response data.

There can be several reasons for a non-zero <acknowledge> response. For more information see Appendix A.

In case of an error you can obtain more detailed status information by using the ST (STATUS) query.

Note:        YOU MUST ALWAYS INPUT <acknowledge>, EVEN WHEN  
              THE COMMAND WAS NOT A QUERY.

**\*\* Data Separators \*\***

Data Separators are used between parameters sent to the ScopeMeter and between values and strings received from the ScopeMeter. Comma (",") is used as program data separator as well as response data separator:

## - Program Data Separator

Name	Character	ASCII Value Decimal	Comments
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comma	,	44	Single comma allowed

## - Response Data Separator

Name	Character	ASCII Value Decimal	Comments
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comma	,	44	

**\*\* Command and Response Terminators \*\***  
(Message Terminators)

- Command (Program Message) Terminators

A code is needed at the end of each command to tell the ScopeMeter that the command is ended, and that it can start executing the command. This code is called the Program Message Terminator. The code needed for the ScopeMeter is carriage return (ASCII code 13 decimal).  
Notes:

1. The carriage return code is a non-visible ASCII character. Therefore this code is represented as <cr> in the Command Syntax and Response Syntax lines given for each command.
2. The QBASIC programming language, which is used for all program examples, automatically adds a carriage return to the end of the command output. (In the QBASIC language, this is the PRINT #.... statement.)

After <cr> is recognized by the ScopeMeter, the entered command is executed. After EACH command the ScopeMeter returns <acknowledge><cr> to the computer to signal the end of the command processing (also see the section 'Acknowledge'.)

- Response (Message) Terminators

The response from the ScopeMeter ends with a carriage return (ASCII 13). This is indicated as <cr> in the Response Syntax for each command.



**\*\* Typical program sequence \*\***  
An example

A typical program sequence consists of the following user actions:

1. Set the communication parameters for the RS232 port of the computer to match the ScopeMeter settings.
2. Output a command or query to the ScopeMeter.
3. Input the acknowledge response from the ScopeMeter.

If the response value is zero, go to step 4.

If the response value is non-zero, the ScopeMeter did not execute the previous command. Read the error message from the following acknowledge subroutine, recover the error, and repeat the command or query. (This is not shown in the following program example.)

4. If a query was output to the ScopeMeter, input its response.
5. The sequence of points 2, 3, and 4 may be repeated for different commands or queries.
6. Close the communication channel.

Refer to the program example on the next page.

'Example of a typical program sequence:

'\*\*\*\*\* Begin example program \*\*\*\*\*

OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1

'This QBASIC program line sets the parameters for the  
'RS232 port (COM1 on the Computer) to match the  
'ScopeMeter power-on default settings. It also opens a  
'communication channel (assigned #1) for input or output  
'through the COM1 port. Your ScopeMeter must be connected  
'to this port. "RB2048" sets the size of the computer  
'receive buffer to 2048 bytes to prevent buffer overflow  
'during communication with the ScopeMeter.

PRINT #1, "ID"

'Outputs the IDENTITY command (query) to the ScopeMeter.

GOSUB Acknowledge

'This subroutine inputs the acknowledge response from  
'the ScopeMeter and displays an error message if the  
'acknowledge value is non-zero.

INPUT #1, Response\$

'This inputs the response data from the IDENTITY query.

PRINT Response\$

'Displays the queried data.

CLOSE #1

'This closes the communication channel.

END

'This ends the program.

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'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****  
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the  
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge  
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,  
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly  
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is  
'displayed and the program is aborted.
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Acknowledge:

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INPUT #1, ACK           'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.  
IF ACK <> 0 THEN  
    PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";  
    SELECT CASE ACK  
        CASE 1  
            PRINT "Syntax Error"  
        CASE 2  
            PRINT "Execution Error"  
        CASE 3  
            PRINT "Synchronization Error"  
        CASE 4  
            PRINT "Communication Error"  
        CASE IS < 1  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
        CASE IS > 4  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
    END SELECT  
    PRINT "Program aborted."  
END  
END IF  
RETURN
```

```
'***** End example program *****
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3. COMMAND REFERENCE

CONVENTIONS

\*\* Page layout used for each command \*\*

- Header

Each command description starts on a new page with a header for quickly finding the command. This header indicates the command name and the two-character header used for the command syntax. Example:

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                AUTO SETUP                                AS
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Where AUTO SETUP is a descriptive name for the command (this is no syntax!),

and AS are the first two characters used for the command syntax (not the complete syntax).

- Purpose:

Explains what the command does or what it is used for.

- Command Syntax:

Shows the syntax for the command. Parameters are separated by commas. Commands are terminated by <cr> (carriage return).

- Response Syntax:

Shows the format of the response from the ScopeMeter. Responses are terminated by <cr> (carriage return). Each Response Syntax starts with the <acknowledge> response, followed by the query response if the syntax relates to a query.

- Example:

This is an example QBASIC program which shows how you can use the command. The example may also include some other commands to show the relation with these commands. The following two comment lines (start with ') successively indicate the beginning and the end of an example program.

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'***** Begin example program *****
'***** End example program *****

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Use an MS-DOS Editor and copy the complete program between these two lines to a file name with the .BAS extension. Start QBASIC and open this file from the FILE menu. Long programs (longer than 55 lines) include page breaks. Such page breaks are preceded by the ' (remark) character to prevent the QBASIC interpreter from interpreting them as an incorrect statement. When you have connected the ScopeMeter as indicated in the PM9080 Instruction Manual, you can start the program from the RUN menu.

**\*\* Syntax conventions \*\***

The Command Syntax and the Response Syntax may contain the following meta symbols and data elements:

UPPERCASE	These characters are part of the syntax. For commands, lower case is also allowed.
<...>	An expression between these brackets is a code, such as <cr> (carriage return) that can not be expressed in a printable character, or it is a parameter that is further specified. Do not insert the brackets in the command!
[...]	The item between these brackets is optional. This means that you may omit it for the command, or for a response it may not appear. Do not insert the brackets in the command!
	This is a separator between selectable items. This means that you must choose only one of the items (exclusive or).
{...}	Specifies an element that may be repeated 0 or more instances.
(...)	Grouping of multiple elements.
<binary_character>=	0 to 255
<digit> =	0 to 9
<decimal_number>=	<digit>{<digit>}
<float> =	<mantisse><exponent>
<mantisse> =	<signed_integer>
<exponent> =	<signed_byte>
<signed_integer> =	<binary_character><binary_character> Two bytes representing a signed integer value. The first byte is the most significant and contains the sign bit (bit 7).
<unsigned_integer>=	<binary_character><binary_character> Two bytes representing an unsigned integer value. The first byte is the most significant.

## \*\* Overview of commands for the ScopeMeter \*\*

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AUTO SETUP

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AS

Purpose:

Invokes an automatic setup for the active mode. The result of this command is the same as pressing the AUTO key on the ScopeMeter.

Note: You can select the items that are affected by the AUTO SET procedure via the USER OPTIONS key on the ScopeMeter.

Command Syntax:

AS<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>

Example:

The following example program sends an AUTO SETUP command to the ScopeMeter. Connect a repetitive signal on INPUT A to see the effect of AUTO SETUP.



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'***** Begin example program *****

CLS                                     'Clears the PC screen.
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1, "AS"                         'Sends AUTO SETUP command.
GOSUB Acknowledge                       'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
CLOSE #1
END

'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.

Acknowledge:
INPUT #1, ACK                           'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
    PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
    SELECT CASE ACK
        CASE 1
            PRINT "Syntax Error"
        CASE 2
            PRINT "Execution Error"
        CASE 3
            PRINT "Synchronization Error"
        CASE 4
            PRINT "Communication Error"
        CASE IS < 1
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
        CASE IS > 4
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
    END SELECT
    PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN

'***** End example program *****
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ARM TRIGGER
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AT
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Purpose:

Resets and arms the trigger system for a new acquisition. This command is used for single shot measurements. When the AT command is given while an acquisition is in progress, this acquisition is aborted and the trigger system is rearmed.

Command Syntax:

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AT<cr>
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Response Syntax:

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<acknowledge><cr>
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Example:

The following example program arms the trigger system of the ScopeMeter with the AT command. This means that after this command the ScopeMeter starts an acquisition when a trigger occurs from the signal (when exceeding the trigger level) or from a TA (Trigger Acquisition) command. After the AT command it is assumed that the signal amplitude is sufficient to trigger the acquisition. If it is not, you can use the TA (TRIGGER ACQUISITION) command to force the acquisition to be triggered. But this is not useful if you want the acquisition to be started on a signal edge for synchronization purposes.

Also see the example program for the IS command, which also uses the AT command for a single shot application.

```
'***** Begin example program *****'
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1, "AT"           'Sends the ARM TRIGGER command.
GOSUB Acknowledge       'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
CLOSE #1
END
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```
'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****  
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the  
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge  
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,  
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly  
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is  
'displayed and the program is aborted.
```

Acknowledge:

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INPUT #1, ACK           'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.  
IF ACK <> 0 THEN  
    PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";  
    SELECT CASE ACK  
        CASE 1  
            PRINT "Syntax Error"  
        CASE 2  
            PRINT "Execution Error"  
        CASE 3  
            PRINT "Synchronization Error"  
        CASE 4  
            PRINT "Communication Error"  
        CASE IS < 1  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
        CASE IS > 4  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
    END SELECT  
    PRINT "Program aborted."  
END  
END IF  
RETURN
```

```
'***** End example program *****
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CLEAR MEMORY

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CM

Purpose:

Clears all saved setups, waveforms, and screens from memory.

Command Syntax:

CM<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>

Example:

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'
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'***** Begin example program *****

OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1,"CM"           'Sends the Clear Memory command.
GOSUB Acknowledge      'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
CLOSE #1
END

'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.

Acknowledge:
INPUT #1, ACK          'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
    PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
    SELECT CASE ACK
        CASE 1
            PRINT "Syntax Error"
        CASE 2
            PRINT "Execution Error"
        CASE 3
            PRINT "Synchronization Error"
        CASE 4
            PRINT "Communication Error"
        CASE IS < 1
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
        CASE IS > 4
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
    END SELECT
    PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN

'***** End example program *****
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CPL VERSION QUERY

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CV

Purpose:

Queries the CPL interface version.

Command Syntax:

CV<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr> [<version><cr>]

where,

<version> is an ASCII string representing the year this version has been created.

Example:

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'***** Begin example program *****

OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1,"CV"           'Sends CPL VERSION query.
GOSUB Acknowledge      'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
INPUT #1,VERSION$      'Inputs queried data.
PRINT "CPL Version "; VERSION$   'Displays version data.
END

'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.

Acknowledge:
INPUT #1, ACK           'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
    PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
    SELECT CASE ACK
        CASE 1
            PRINT "Syntax Error"
        CASE 2
            PRINT "Execution Error"
        CASE 3
            PRINT "Synchronization Error"
        CASE 4
            PRINT "Communication Error"
        CASE IS < 1
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
        CASE IS > 4
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
    END SELECT
    PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN

'***** End example program *****
```

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DEFAULT SETUP

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DS

Purpose:

Resets the ScopeMeter to the factory settings at delivery, except for the RS232 communication settings such as baud rate, to keep the communication alive. A Master Reset (refer to the Users Manual) performs the same, but also resets the RS232 communication settings to the default values.

Command Syntax:

DS<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>

Note: Wait for at least 2 seconds after the <acknowledge> reply has been received, to let the ScopeMeter settle itself before you send the next command.

Example:



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'***** Begin example program *****

OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
CLS
PRINT #1, "DS"           'Sends DEFAULT SETUP command.
GOSUB Acknowledge       'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
SLEEP 2                 'Delay (2 s) necessary after "DS".
PRINT #1, "ID"          'Sends the IDENTIFICATION query.
GOSUB Acknowledge       'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
INPUT #1, ID$           'Inputs identity data from ScopeMeter.
PRINT ID$               'Displays identity data.
CLOSE #1
END

'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.

Acknowledge:
INPUT #1, ACK           'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
  PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
  SELECT CASE ACK
    CASE 1
      PRINT "Syntax Error"
    CASE 2
      PRINT "Execution Error"
    CASE 3
      PRINT "Synchronization Error"
    CASE 4
      PRINT "Communication Error"
    CASE IS < 1
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
    CASE IS > 4
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
  END SELECT
  PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN

'***** End example program *****

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GET DOWN

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GD

Purpose:

Switches the instrument's power off. If a power adapter is connected, you can use the SO command to switch power on again. If there is no power adapter connected, the instrument can only be switched on manually by pressing the Power ON/OFF key.

Command Syntax:

GD<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>

Example:

```
'***** Begin example program *****
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```
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
CLS
PRINT #1, "GD"          'Sends the GET DOWN command.
GOSUB Acknowledge      'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
PRINT "The GET DOWN command switched the ScopeMeter off."
PRINT "Press any key on the PC keyboard to switch "
PRINT "the ScopeMeter on again."
SLEEP
PRINT #1, "SO"         'Sends the SWITCH ON command.
GOSUB Acknowledge      'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
CLOSE #1
END
```

```
'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.
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Acknowledge:
INPUT #1, ACK          'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
  PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
  SELECT CASE ACK
    CASE 1
      PRINT "Syntax Error"
    CASE 2
      PRINT "Execution Error"
    CASE 3
      PRINT "Synchronization Error"
    CASE 4
      PRINT "Communication Error"
    CASE IS < 1
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
    CASE IS > 4
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
  END SELECT
  PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN
```

```
'***** End example program *****
```

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GO TO LOCAL

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GL

Purpose:

Sets the ScopeMeter in the local operation mode so the keypad is enabled.

Also refer to the GR (Go to Remote) command.

Command Syntax:

GL<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>

Example:

The following example uses the GR (GO TO REMOTE) command (refer to the description for this command) to set the ScopeMeter in the REMOTE state so that the keypad is disabled (except for the F4 key). After that, the GL (GO TO LOCAL) command is sent so that the keypad is enabled again.

```
'
                                     Begin example program *****
CLS                                     'Clears the PC screen.
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1, "GR"                         'Sends GO TO REMOTE command.
GOSUB Acknowledge                       'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
PRINT "All ScopeMeter keys (except F4 softkey, which sets
PRINT "ScopeMeter back to LOCAL, and the Power ON/OFF key)
PRINT "are now disabled by the GR (GO TO REMOTE) command."
PRINT "Check this."
PRINT "The remote state is indicated as REMOTE on the bottom"
PRINT "right of the display."
PRINT
PRINT "Press any key on the PC keyboard to continue."
SLEEP
PRINT
PRINT #1, "GL"                         'Sends GO TO LOCAL command.
GOSUB Acknowledge                       'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
PRINT "The ScopeMeter keys are now enabled again by the "
PRINT "GL (GO TO LOCAL) command."
PRINT "Check this."
CLOSE #1
END
'
```

```
'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****  
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the  
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge  
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,  
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly  
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is  
'displayed and the program is aborted.
```

Acknowledge:

```
INPUT #1, ACK           'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.  
IF ACK <> 0 THEN  
    PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";  
    SELECT CASE ACK  
        CASE 1  
            PRINT "Syntax Error"  
        CASE 2  
            PRINT "Execution Error"  
        CASE 3  
            PRINT "Synchronization Error"  
        CASE 4  
            PRINT "Communication Error"  
        CASE IS < 1  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
        CASE IS > 4  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
    END SELECT  
    PRINT "Program aborted."  
END  
END IF  
RETURN
```

```
'***** End example program *****
```

=====

GO TO REMOTE

-----

GR

Purpose:

Sets the ScopeMeter in the remote operation mode so that the keypad is disabled (except for the F4 key). You can use one of the following methods to return to the local operation mode so that the keypad is enabled:

1. Sending the GL (Go to Local) command.
2. Pressing the F4 key on the ScopeMeter keypad.

Command Syntax:

GR<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>

See an example for this command under GO TO LOCAL (GL).

=====

IDENTIFICATION	ID
----------------	----

-----

Purpose:

Returns the ScopeMeter model identification information.

Command Syntax:

ID<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>[<identity><cr>]

where,

<identity> is an ASCII string containing the following data elements:

<model\_number>;<software\_version>;  
<creation\_date>;<languages>

Example:

The following example program queries the identity data of the ScopeMeter and displays this data on the PC screen.



```
'***** Begin example program *****
```

```
CLS 'Clears the PC screen.
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1, "ID" 'Sends IDENTIFICATION query.
GOSUB Acknowledge 'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
INPUT #1, IDENT$ 'Inputs the queried data.
PRINT IDENT$ 'Displays queried data.
CLOSE #1
END
```

```
'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
```

```
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.
```

```
Acknowledge:
```

```
INPUT #1, ACK 'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
  PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
  SELECT CASE ACK
    CASE 1
      PRINT "Syntax Error"
    CASE 2
      PRINT "Execution Error"
    CASE 3
      PRINT "Synchronization Error"
    CASE 4
      PRINT "Communication Error"
    CASE IS < 1
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
    CASE IS > 4
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
  END SELECT
  PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN
```

```
'***** End example program *****
```

```
=====
INSTRUMENT STATUS
```

```
IS
-----
```

Purpose:

Queries the contents of the ScopeMeter's status register. The returned value reflects the present operational status of the ScopeMeter. This is a 16-bit word, presented as an integer value, where each bit represents the Boolean value of a related event.

Command Syntax:

```
IS<cr>
```

Response Syntax:

```
<acknowledge><cr>[<status><cr>]
```

where,

```
<status> = integer value 0 to 32768
```

```
<status>
```

value	Status Description
1	Maintenance mode
2	Charging
4	Refreshing
8	AutoRanging
16	Remote
32	Battery Connected
64	Power Adapter connected
128	Calibration necessary
256	
512	Pre Calibration busy
1024	
2048	Ground Error detected
4096	Triggered
8192	Instrument On

Example:

```
'***** Begin example program *****'  
  
CLS 'Clears the PC screen  
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1  
PRINT #1, "IS" 'Sends the INSTRUMENT STATUS query  
GOSUB Acknowledge 'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter  
INPUT #1, Status$ 'Input Instrument Status  
StatVal = VAL(Status$) 'Decimal value of Instrument Status  
PRINT "Instrument Status : "; StatVal  
IF (StatVal AND 2) = 2 THEN PRINT " ScopeMeter charging."  
IF (StatVal AND 8) = 8 THEN PRINT " AutoRanging active"  
IF (StatVal AND 32) = 32 THEN PRINT " Battery connected."  
IF (StatVal AND 64) = 64 THEN PRINT " Power Adapter connected."  
IF (StatVal AND 8192) = 8192 THEN PRINT " Instrument On."  
IF StatVal < 8192 THEN PRINT " Instrument Off."  
END  
,
```

```
'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****  
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the  
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge  
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,  
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly  
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is  
'displayed and the program is aborted.
```

Acknowledge:

```
INPUT #1, ACK           'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.  
IF ACK <> 0 THEN  
    PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";  
    SELECT CASE ACK  
        CASE 1  
            PRINT "Syntax Error"  
        CASE 2  
            PRINT "Execution Error"  
        CASE 3  
            PRINT "Synchronization Error"  
        CASE 4  
            PRINT "Communication Error"  
        CASE IS < 1  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
        CASE IS > 4  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
    END SELECT  
    PRINT "Program aborted."  
END  
END IF  
RETURN
```

```
'***** End example program *****
```

Purpose:

Programs the baud rate for RS232 communication:

Command Syntax:

PC <baudrate>

where,

<baudrate> = 1200|2400|4800|9600|19200

The default baudrate is 1200. This is set at power-on or after a Reset Instrument command (command "RI")

Notes:

The Fluke 123 supports 1 stopbit, 8 databits and software handshake (X-on X-off protocol). Hardware handshaking is not supported.

Response Syntax:

```
<acknowledge><cr>
```

See an example for this command under QUERY PRINT (QP).

```
=====
PROGRAM SETUP
```

```
PS
-----
```

Purpose:

Restores a complete setup, previously saved with the SS (Save Setup) command and queried with the QS (Query Setup) command and saved in a string variable or to a file.

Command Syntax 1:

```
PS [<saved_setup_no>]<cr>
```

where,

```
<saved_setup_no> = 0 to 10
```

This is the register number where a setup is stored. Also see the description of the Save Setup (SS) command.

Response Syntax 1:

```
<acknowledge><cr>
```

Command Syntax 2:

```
<queried_setup><cr>
```

```
<queried_setup> = The data returned with the QS command.
                   (<omit the <acknowledge><cr> response).
```

Response Syntax 2:

```
<acknowledge><cr>
```

Note: Wait for at least two seconds after the <acknowledge> reply has been received, to let the ScopeMeter settle itself before you send the next command.

Remarks:

The ScopeMeter sends the <acknowledge> reply after it has executed the setup from the PS command. You must send the <setup> string as a whole, exactly as returned from the QS (Query Setup) command. If you do not follow this rule, the ScopeMeter may crash. A Reset may then be necessary to recover the ScopeMeter. (Refer to the ScopeMeter Users Manual.)

Example:

The following example program demonstrates the use of the QS (QUERY SETUP) and the PS (PROGRAM SETUP) commands.

The present setup is queried from ScopeMeter and saved to file. The program asks you to change the ScopeMeter settings. Then the original setup is read from file and sent back to the ScopeMeter.



```
'
                                     Begin example program *****
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
CLS
GOSUB ClearPort           'Clears pending data from port.
PRINT #1, "QS"            'Queries the actual setup data.
GOSUB Acknowledge        'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
GOSUB Response           'Writes the setup data to file.
PRINT "Present setup data are stored in the file SETUP0"
PRINT "This setup will now be retrieved from the file and"
PRINT "sent back to the ScopeMeter."
PRINT "To see if this works, change the present settings and"
PRINT "verify if the ScopeMeter returns to the previous"
PRINT "settings."
PRINT
PRINT "Press any key on the PC keyboard to continue."
SLEEP
CLS
PRINT #1, "PS"           'Program header for programming
                           'the setup data to the ScopeMeter.
GOSUB Acknowledge        'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
OPEN "SETUP0" FOR INPUT AS #2
                           'Opens file SETUP0 for data retrieval.
DO WHILE NOT EOF(2)
  SUCHR$ = INPUT$(1, #2)  'Reads setup data from file
  PRINT #1, SUCHR$;      'Programs ScopeMeter with the"
                           'setup data stored in SETUP0$.
LOOP
PRINT #1, CHR$(13);      'Program message terminator
CLOSE #2                 'Close file SETUP0.
GOSUB Acknowledge        'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
END
'
```

```

'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.

```

Acknowledge:

```

INPUT #1, ACK           'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
  PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
  SELECT CASE ACK
    CASE 1
      PRINT "Syntax Error"
    CASE 2
      PRINT "Execution Error"
    CASE 3
      PRINT "Synchronization Error"
    CASE 4
      PRINT "Communication Error"
    CASE IS < 1
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
    CASE IS > 4
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
  END SELECT
  PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN

```

```

'***** Clears pending data from the RS232 port *****
ClearPort:
  WHILE LOC(1) > 0
    Dummy$ = INPUT$(1, #1)
  WEND
RETURN

```

```
'
***** Response subroutine *****
' This subroutine reads bytes from the RS232 buffer as long
' as they enter. When no bytes enter for 1 second, the program
' assumes that the ScopeMeter has terminated its response.
' All bytes that enter the buffer are appended to the string
' Resp$.
```

Response:

```
start! = TIMER
' Wait for bytes (maximum 1 s) to enter RS232 buffer
WHILE ((TIMER < (start! + 1)) AND (LOC(1) = 0))
WEND
IF LOC(1) > 0 THEN      ' If RS232 buffer contains bytes
  OPEN "Setup0" FOR OUTPUT AS #2      ' File for setup data
  DO
    ' LOC(1) gives the number of bytes waiting:
    ScopeInput$ = INPUT$(LOC(1), #1)  ' Input bytes
    PRINT #2, ScopeInput$;
    start! = TIMER
    WHILE ((TIMER < (start! + 1)) AND (LOC(1) = 0))
    WEND
  LOOP WHILE LOC(1) > 0      ' Repeat as long as bytes enter
  CLOSE #2
END IF
RETURN

***** End example program *****
```



Response Syntax:

```
<acknowledge><cr>[<meas_value><cr>]
```

where,

```
<meas_value> =  [<sign><decimal_number>"E"  
                 <sign><decimal_number>
```

Note: Only displayed results are available for output.

Example:

```
'***** Begin example program *****  
  
'This example program resets the ScopeMeter (RI command),  
'programs the default setup (DS command).  
  
CLS 'Clears the PC screen.  
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1  
PRINT #1, "RI" 'Sends the RESET INSTRUMENT command.  
GOSUB Acknowledge 'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.  
SLEEP 2 'Delay (2 s) necessary after reset.  
PRINT #1, "QM 11" 'Queries the Vac rms result.  
GOSUB Acknowledge 'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.  
INPUT #1, result$  
PRINT "Measurement result = ";result$;" Vrms"  
CLOSE #1  
END  
,
```

```
'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****  
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the  
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge  
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,  
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly  
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is  
'displayed and the program is aborted.
```

Acknowledge:

```
INPUT #1, ACK           'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.  
IF ACK <> 0 THEN  
    PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";  
    SELECT CASE ACK  
        CASE 1  
            PRINT "Syntax Error"  
        CASE 2  
            PRINT "Execution Error"  
        CASE 3  
            PRINT "Synchronization Error"  
        CASE 4  
            PRINT "Communication Error"  
        CASE IS < 1  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
        CASE IS > 4  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
    END SELECT  
    PRINT "Program aborted."  
END  
END IF  
RETURN
```

```
'***** End example program *****
```

=====

QUERY PRINT QP

-----  
Purpose:

Queries a screen dump of the ScopeMeter in different printer formats. This allows you to make a copy of the ScopeMeter screen on paper.

## Command Syntax:

```
QP 0,<output_format><cr>
```

where,

```
<output_format> = 0   Epson FX, LQ compatible
                  1   Laser Jet
                  2   Desk Jet
                  3   PostScript
```

## Response Syntax:

```
<acknowledge><cr>[<printer_data>]
```

```
<printer_data>
```

This data can directly be sent to the printer to get a screen copy on paper.

## Example:

The following program reads the ScopeMeter screen (print) data and copies this data to the file Qpfile. Hereafter, you can copy this file to the printer port LPT1, for example. The Read Buffer length for the PC is set to 7500 bytes to prevent buffer overflow during input from the ScopeMeter. The data transfer speed (baud rate) is set to 19200 and after the output it is set back to 1200 (default baud rate).

```
'
                                     Page 3.36
'***** Begin example program *****
CLS
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB7500" FOR RANDOM AS #1
                                     'Programs COM1 port parameters to
                                     'match with the ScopeMeter power-on
                                     'defaults.
PRINT #1, "PC 19200"                 'Programs ScopeMeter to the maximum
                                     'baud rate.
GOSUB Acknowledge                   'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
CLOSE #1
OPEN "COM1:19200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB7500" FOR RANDOM AS #1
                                     'Programs COM1 port parameters to
                                     'match with the new ScopeMeter
                                     'settings.
PRINT #1, "QP 0,1"                  'Sends QUERY PRINT data command.
                                     '(actual screen for LaserJet print)
GOSUB Acknowledge                   'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
PRINT
PRINT "Busy reading print data !"
PRINT
GOSUB Response
PRINT #1, "PC 1200"                 'Programs ScopeMeter back to the
                                     'default baud rate.
GOSUB Acknowledge                   'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.

PRINT "Print data copied to file 'QPFILE'."
PRINT "You can copy the file contents to the Laser Printer."
PRINT "DOS-example: COPY Qpfile LPT1"
CLOSE                               'Close all files.
END
'
```



```
'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****  
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the  
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge  
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,  
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly  
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is  
'displayed and the program is aborted.
```

Acknowledge:

```
INPUT #1, ACK          'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.  
IF ACK <> 0 THEN  
    PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";  
    SELECT CASE ACK  
        CASE 1  
            PRINT "Syntax Error"  
        CASE 2  
            PRINT "Execution Error"  
        CASE 3  
            PRINT "Synchronization Error"  
        CASE 4  
            PRINT "Communication Error"  
        CASE IS < 1  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
        CASE IS > 4  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
    END SELECT  
    PRINT "Program aborted."  
END  
END IF  
RETURN  
'
```

```
'***** Response subroutine *****
'This subroutine reads bytes from the RS232 buffer as long
'as they enter. When no bytes enter for 1 second, the program
'assumes that the ScopeMeter has terminated its response.
'All bytes that enter the buffer are appended to the string
'Resp$.
```

Response:

```
start! = TIMER
'Wait for bytes (maximum 2 s) to enter RS232 buffer
WHILE ((TIMER < (start! + 2)) AND (LOC(1) = 0))
WEND
IF LOC(1) > 0 THEN      'If RS232 buffer contains bytes
    Resp$ = ""
    OPEN "Qpfile" FOR OUTPUT AS #2      'File for print data
    DO
        ' LOC(1) gives the number of bytes waiting:
        ScopeInput$ = INPUT$(LOC(1), #1)      'Input bytes
        PRINT #2, ScopeInput$;
        start! = TIMER
        WHILE ((TIMER < (start! + 2)) AND (LOC(1) = 0))
        WEND
    LOOP WHILE LOC(1) > 0      'Repeat as long as bytes enter
    CLOSE #2
END IF
RETURN

'***** End example program *****
```

=====

QUERY SETUP

-----

QS

-----

Purpose:

Queries the present acquisition setup data from the ScopeMeter.

Command Syntax:

QS [<setup\_no>]<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>[#0{<node>}<cr>]

where,

<node> = <node\_header><node\_identifier><node\_length>  
[<node\_data>]<check\_sum>

<node\_header> = <binary\_character>

Possible values:

20 hex All nodes except the last (end node)

A0 hex End node

<node\_identifier> = <binary\_character>

Unique number for each specific node.

<node\_length> = <unsigned\_integer>

Specifies the number of <binary\_character> fields that follow in the <node\_data> field.

<node\_data> = {<binary\_character>}

The contents of <node\_data> depends on the <node\_identifier> and the selected setup.

<check\_sum> = <binary\_character>

Contains the sum of all the binary bytes in the <node\_dat> field.

Note: Also see the Program Setup (PS) command.

See an example for this command under PROGRAM SETUP (PS).

```
=====
QUERY WAVEFORM
```

```
QW
-----
```

## Purpose:

Queries the waveform data and/or the setup data related to the waveform from the ScopeMeter.

## Command Syntax:

```
QW <trace_no>[,V|S]
```

<trace\_no> = Decimal number assigned to the following trace sources:

<trace_no>	Trace Source:
10	MinMax trace INPUT A
11	Normal trace INPUT A
20	MinMax trace INPUT B
21	Normal trace INPUT B

V | v Trace values (samples) only  
 S | s Setup (administration) data only.  
 When V or S is omitted, both trace vales and setup data are returned.

## Response Syntax:

```
<acknowledge><cr>[<trace_data><cr>]
```

where,

```
<trace_data> = <trace_admin> | <trace_samples> |
               <trace_admin>,<trace_samples>
```

If the optional parameter (V or S) is omitted:

```
<trace_data> = <trace_admin>,<trace_samples><cr>
```

This includes the complete information about the trace (waveform).

For detailed descriptions about the waveform structure, refer to Appendix C.

If option V or v (value only) is given:

```
<trace_data> = <trace_samples><cr>
```

For detailed descriptions about the waveform structure, refer to Appendix C.

If option S or s (Setup data only) is given:

```
<trace_data> = <trace_admin><cr>
```

where,

```
<trace_admin> = string of hexadecimal characters,
                 representing the setup related to the given
                 <trace_no>.
```

Example:

```
'***** Begin example program *****'
,
'***** If an error occurs in the waveform data,
'***** the program stops.
,
C65536 = 65536           '2-bytes Maximum constant
C32768 = 32768           '2-bytes Sign-bit constant
C256   =   256           '1-byte Maximum constant
C128   =   128           '1-byte Sign-bit constant
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
CLS
GOSUB ClearPort         'Clears pending data from port
,
'A min/max trace is a series of waveform samples consisting of
'minimum and maximum waveform points.
'Query$ = "QW 10"       'Queries min/max trace INPUT A
,
'A normal trace is a series of waveform samples consisting of
'single waveform points from the acquisition memory.
Query$ = "QW 11"       'Queries normal trace INPUT A
                        'See also Command Syntax
PRINT #1, Query$       'Response = <trace_admin>,<trace_samples>
GOSUB Acknowledge      'Inputs acknowledge from ScopeMeter
Resp$ = ""             'Clears the total Response string
GOSUB Response         'Writes waveform data to Resp$ & files
GOSUB Interpret.Admin  'Interpretes waveform administration data
                        'See also Appendix C
GOSUB Interpret.Samples 'Interpretes waveform sample data
GOSUB Create.CSV       'Creates Wave.CSV file from waveform data
                        'as input for Excel, for example.
END
,
```

```

'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.

```

Acknowledge:

```

INPUT #1, ACK           'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
  PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
  SELECT CASE ACK
    CASE 1
      PRINT "Syntax Error"
    CASE 2
      PRINT "Execution Error"
    CASE 3
      PRINT "Synchronization Error"
    CASE 4
      PRINT "Communication Error"
  CASE IS < 1
    PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
  CASE IS > 4
    PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
  END SELECT
  PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN

```

```

'***** Clears pending data from the RS232 port *****
ClearPort:
  WHILE LOC(1) > 0
    Dummy$ = INPUT$(1, #1)
  WEND
RETURN

```

```

'***** Response subroutine *****
'This subroutine reads bytes from the RS232 buffer as long
'as they enter. When no bytes enter for 1 second, the program
'assumes that the ScopeMeter has terminated its response. All
'bytes that enter the buffer are appended to the string Resp$
'and are written to the following files:
'File Waveform : the waveform data bytes
'File Waveresp : the waveform ASCII values

```

Response:

```

    start! = TIMER
    'Wait for bytes (maximum 1 s) to enter RS232 buffer
    WHILE ((TIMER < (start! + 1)) AND (LOC(1) = 0))
    WEND
    IF LOC(1) > 0 THEN          'If RS232 buffer contains bytes
        OPEN "WaveForm" FOR OUTPUT AS #2
            'File to contain the waveform data bytes
        DO
            ' LOC(1) gives the number of bytes waiting:
            ScopeInput$ = INPUT$(LOC(1), #1)    'Input bytes
            PRINT #2, ScopeInput$;
            PRINT ASC(ScopeInput$); 'Prints only first byte value
            Resp$ = Resp$ + ScopeInput$
            start! = TIMER
            WHILE ((TIMER < (start! + 1)) AND (LOC(1) = 0))
            WEND
        LOOP WHILE LOC(1) > 0    'Repeat as long as bytes enter
        CLOSE #2
        PRINT
    END IF
,
'***** Write the total Response string to file WaveResp
,
OPEN "WaveResp" FOR OUTPUT AS #3
PRINT "Response data length = "; LEN(Resp$)
PRINT #3, "Response data length = "; LEN(Resp$)
FOR i = 1 TO LEN(Resp$)
    PRINT #3, ASC(MID$(Resp$, i, 1));
NEXT i
CLOSE #3: RETURN
,

```

Interpret.Admin:

```

Resp.Count = 1           'Byte counter for Resp$
SumCheck1% = 0          'Sumcheck byte for Resp$
'
'***** Interpret the <trace_admin> waveform data bytes
'***** in the Resp$ string (see appendix C).
'
'***** 2 bytes <trace_admin> block trailing : #0
'
IF MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 2) <> "#0" GOTO Wave.Error
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 2
'
'***** 1 byte <block_header>
nb = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
IF nb <> 128 AND nb <> 0 GOTO Wave.Error
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 1
'
'***** 2 bytes <block_length>
Block1.Length = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1)) * 256
Block1.Length = Block1.Length + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 1, 1))
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 2
'
'***** 1 byte <trace_process> : 1, 2, or 3
Trace.Process = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
SumCheck1% = SumCheck1% + Trace.Process
IF Trace.Process < 1 OR Trace.Process > 3 GOTO Wave.Error
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 1
'
'***** 1 byte <trace_result> : 1, 2, or 3
Trace.Result = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
SumCheck1% = SumCheck1% + Trace.Result
IF Trace.Result < 1 OR Trace.Result > 3 GOTO Wave.Error
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 1
'
'***** 1 byte <misc_setup> : 0 or 128
Misc.Setup = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
SumCheck1% = SumCheck1% + Misc.Setup
IF Misc.Setup <> 0 AND Misc.Setup <> 128 GOTO Wave.Error
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 1
'
'***** 1 byte <y_unit>
Y.Unit = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
SumCheck1% = SumCheck1% + Y.Unit
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 1
PRINT "<y_unit>          "; Y.Unit;
'
'***** 1 byte <x_unit>
X.Unit = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
SumCheck1% = SumCheck1% + X.Unit
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 1
PRINT "          <x_unit>          "; X.Unit
'

```



```

'
'
DIM exponent(4)          'Exponents for Y/X.Zero & Y/X.Resol
DIM YXvalue#(4)         'Values for Y/X.Zero & Y/X.Resol
'
'***** 3 bytes <y_zero> = <mantissa_high><mantissa_low><exponent>
'***** <mantissa> = <mantissa_high> * 256 + <mantissa_low>
'***** <y_zero> = <sign><mantissa> E <sign><exponent>
'*****          Example: +123E-4 = 123 / 10000 = 0.0123
FOR i = 0 TO 2
    SumCheck1% = (SumCheck1% + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + i, 1))) M
NEXT i
nb = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
IF nb >= 128 THEN
    nb = - (256 - nb) * 256          'Negative value
    nb = nb + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 1, 1))
ELSE
    nb = nb * 256                  'Positive value
    nb = nb + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 1, 1))
END IF
exponent(1) = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 2, 1))
YXvalue#(1) = nb
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 3
'*****
'* Further calculation after 'Signed.Samples' determination
'*****
'
'***** 3 bytes <x_zero> = <mantissa_high><mantissa_low><exponent>
'***** <mantissa> = <mantissa_high> * 256 + <mantissa_low>
'***** <x_zero> = <sign><mantissa> E <sign><exponent>
'*****          Example: +123E-4 = 123 / 10000 = 0.0123
FOR i = 0 TO 2
    SumCheck1% = (SumCheck1% + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + i, 1))) M
NEXT i
nb = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
IF nb >= 128 THEN
    nb = - (256 - nb) * 256          'Negative value
    nb = nb + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 1, 1))
ELSE
    nb = nb * 256                  'Positive value
    nb = nb + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 1, 1))
END IF
exponent(2) = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 2, 1))
YXvalue#(2) = nb
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 3
'*****
'* Further calculation after 'Signed.Samples' determination
'*****
'

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'
'
'***** 3 bytes <y_resolution> = <mantissa_high><mantissa_low><exponent>
'***** <mantissa> = <mantissa_high> * 256 + <mantissa_low>
'***** <y_resolution> = <sign><mantissa> E <sign><exponent>
'*****
'***** Example: +123E-4 = 123 / 10000 = 0.0123
FOR i = 0 TO 2
    SumCheck1% = (SumCheck1% + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + i, 1))) M
NEXT i
nb = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
IF nb >= 128 THEN
    nb = - (256 - nb) * 256          'Negative value
    nb = nb + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 1, 1))
ELSE
    nb = nb * 256                  'Positive value
    nb = nb + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 1, 1))
END IF
exponent(3) = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 2, 1))
YXvalue#(3) = nb
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 3
'*****
' * Further calculation after 'Signed.Samples' determination
'*****
'***** 3 bytes <x_resolution> = <mantissa_high><mantissa_low><exponent>
'***** <mantissa> = <mantissa_high> * 256 + <mantissa_low>
'***** <x_resolution> = <sign><mantissa> E <sign><exponent>
'*****
'***** Example: +123E-4 = 123 / 10000 = 0.0123
FOR i = 0 TO 2
    SumCheck1% = (SumCheck1% + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + i, 1))) M
NEXT i
nb = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
IF nb >= 128 THEN
    nb = - (256 - nb) * 256          'Negative value
    nb = nb + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 1, 1))
ELSE
    nb = nb * 256                  'Positive value
    nb = nb + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 1, 1))
END IF
exponent(4) = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 2, 1))
YXvalue#(4) = nb
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 3
'*****
' * Further calculation after 'Signed.Samples' determination
'*****
'***** 8 bytes <year><month><date>
FOR i = 0 TO 7
    SumCheck1% = (SumCheck1% + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + i, 1))) M
NEXT i
Year$ = MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1)
Year$ = Year$ + MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 1, 1)
Year$ = Year$ + MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 2, 1)
Year$ = Year$ + MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 3, 1)
Month$ = MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 4, 1)
Month$ = Month$ + MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 5, 1)
Day$ = MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 6, 1)
Day$ = Day$ + MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 7, 1)
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 8

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```
PRINT "<date_stamp> = "; Year$ + "-" + Month$ + "-" + Day$;
```

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'
'
'***** 6 bytes <hours><minutes><seconds>
FOR i = 0 TO 5
    SumCheck1% = (SumCheck1% + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + i, 1))) M
NEXT i
Hours$ = MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1)
Hours$ = Hours$ + MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 1, 1)
Minutes$ = MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 2, 1)
Minutes$ = Minutes$ + MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 3, 1)
Seconds$ = MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 4, 1)
Seconds$ = Seconds$ + MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 5, 1)
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 6
PRINT "    <time_stamp>          = "; Hours$ + ":" + Minutes$ + ":" + Sec
'
'***** 1 byte <check_sum>
Check.Sum% = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
IF Check.Sum% <> (SumCheck1% MOD 256) GOTO Wave.Error
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 1
PRINT "<check_sum> ="; Check.Sum%; " & ";
PRINT "SumCheck1 MOD 256 ="; SumCheck1% MOD 256
RETURN
Wave.Error:
PRINT "Waveform admin error at byte   "; Resp.Count
PRINT "Waveform decimal byte value   ="; ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count,
PRINT "SumCheck so far (MOD 256)      ="; SumCheck1% MOD 256
CLOSE: END
'

```

Interpret.Samples:

```

'***** Interpret the <trace_samples> waveform data bytes
'***** in the Resp$ string (see appendix C).
'*****
'***** 1 byte separator admin/samples : ,
'***** 2 bytes <trace_samples> block trailing : #0
,
SumCheck2% = 0
IF MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 3) <> ",#0" GOTO Wave2.Error
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 3
,
'***** 1 byte <block_header>
nb = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
IF nb <> 128 AND nb <> 0 AND nb <> 129 GOTO Wave2.Error
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 1
,
'***** 2 bytes <block_length>
Block2.Length = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1)) * 256
Block2.Length = Block2.Length + ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 1, 1))
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 2
PRINT "Number of sample chars ="; Block2.Length
OPEN "Samples" FOR OUTPUT AS #4
PRINT #4, "Number of sample chars ="; Block2.Length
,
'***** 1 byte <sample_format>
Sample.Format = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
SumCheck2% = SumCheck2% + Sample.Format
IF (Sample.Format AND 128) = 128 THEN
    Signed.Samples = 1
ELSE
    Signed.Samples = 0
END IF
IF (Sample.Format AND 64) = 64 THEN
    MinMax.Samples = 1
ELSE
    MinMax.Samples = 0
END IF
Sample.Bytes = Sample.Format AND 7
IF Sample.Bytes = 1 THEN          'Single-byte samples
    CLimit = C128
    CMaxim = C256
ELSE                               'Double-byte samples
    CLimit = C32768
    CMaxim = C65536
END IF
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 1
PRINT "Signed.Samples          = ";
PRINT #4, "Signed.Samples      = ";
IF Signed.Samples = 1 THEN
    PRINT "TRUE          ";
    PRINT #4, "TRUE"
ELSE
    PRINT "FALSE          ";
    PRINT #4, "FALSE"
END IF

```



```

'
'
PRINT "MinMax.Samples          = ";
PRINT #4, "MinMax.Samples          = ";
IF MinMax.Samples = 1 THEN
    PRINT "TRUE" : PRINT #4, "TRUE"
ELSE
    PRINT "FALSE" : PRINT #4, "FALSE"
END IF
PRINT "Number of Sample.Bytes ="; Sample.Bytes
PRINT #4, "Number of Sample.Bytes ="; Sample.Bytes
'*****
'* Further calculation now that 'Signed.Samples' is determined
'*****
FOR j = 1 TO 4
    IF (Signed.Samples = 0) AND (YXvalue#(j) < 0) THEN
        'Unsigned samples, so undo (invert back) the sign-
        'calculation of the YXvalue# samples.
        YXvalue#(j) = CMaxim - YXvalue#(j)
    END IF
    IF exponent(j) > 127 THEN          'Negative exponent
        exponent(j) = 256 - exponent(j)
        FOR i = 1 TO exponent(j)
            YXvalue#(j) = YXvalue#(j) / 10
        NEXT i
    ELSE                               'Positive exponent
        FOR i = 1 TO exponent(j)
            YXvalue#(j) = YXvalue#(j) * 10
        NEXT i
    END IF
NEXT j
Y.Zero = YXvalue#(1) : X.Zero = YXvalue#(2)
Y.Resol = YXvalue#(3) : X.Resol = YXvalue#(4)
PRINT "<y_zero>                ="; Y.Zero
PRINT "<x_zero>                ="; X.Zero
PRINT "<y_resolution>         ="; Y.Resol
PRINT "<x_resolution>         ="; X.Resol
'
'***** <Sample.Bytes> bytes <overflow> value
Sample.Byte = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
SumCheck2% = SumCheck2% + Sample.Byte
IF (Signed.Samples = 1) AND (Sample.Byte >= 128) THEN
    Sample.Byte = - (256 - Sample.Byte)
END IF
Overflow& = Sample.Byte
FOR i = 2 TO Sample.Bytes
    Sample.Byte = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + i - 1, 1))
    SumCheck2% = (SumCheck2% + Sample.Byte) MOD 256
    Overflow& = Overflow& * 256 + Sample.Byte
NEXT i
IF (Signed.Samples = 0) OR (Overflow& < CLimit) THEN
    Overflow.Value = Overflow& * Y.Resol          'Positive value
ELSE
    Overflow.Value = - ((CMaxim - Overflow&) * Y.Resol) 'Negative value
END IF
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + Sample.Bytes
PRINT "Overflow sample value ="; Overflow&; Overflow.Value

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PRINT #4, "Overload sample value  ="; Overload&; Overload.Value  
,
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'
'
'***** <Sample.Bytes> bytes <underload> value
Sample.Byte = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
SumCheck2% = SumCheck2% + Sample.Byte
IF (Signed.Samples = 1) AND (Sample.Byte >= 128) THEN
    Sample.Byte = - (256 - Sample.Byte)
END IF
Underload& = Sample.Byte
FOR i = 2 TO Sample.Bytes
    Sample.Byte = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + i - 1, 1))
    SumCheck2% = (SumCheck2% + Sample.Byte) MOD 256
    Underload& = Underload& * 256 + Sample.Byte
NEXT i
IF (Signed.Samples = 0) OR (Underload& < CLimit) THEN
    Underload.Value = Underload& * Y.Resol    'Positive value
ELSE
    'Negative value
    Underload.Value = - ((CMaxim - Underload&) * Y.Resol)
END IF
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + Sample.Bytes
PRINT "Underload sample value ="; Underload&; Underload.Value
PRINT #4, "Underload sample value ="; Underload&; Underload.Value
'
'***** <Sample.Bytes> bytes <invalid> value
Sample.Byte = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
SumCheck2% = SumCheck2% + Sample.Byte
IF (Signed.Samples = 1) AND (Sample.Byte >= 128) THEN
    Sample.Byte = - (256 - Sample.Byte)
END IF
Invalid& = Sample.Byte
FOR i = 2 TO Sample.Bytes
    Sample.Byte = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + i - 1, 1))
    SumCheck2% = (SumCheck2% + Sample.Byte) MOD 256
    Invalid& = Invalid& * 256 + Sample.Byte
NEXT i
IF (Signed.Samples = 0) OR (Invalid& < CLimit) THEN
    Invalid.Value = Invalid& * Y.Resol    'Positive value
ELSE
    'Negative value
    Invalid.Value = - ((CMaxim - Invalid&) * Y.Resol)
END IF
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + Sample.Bytes
PRINT "Invalid sample value ="; Invalid&; Invalid.Value
PRINT #4, "Invalid sample value ="; Invalid&; Invalid.Value
'
'***** 2 bytes <nbr_of_samples>
Sample.Byte = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
SumCheck2% = (SumCheck2% + Sample.Byte) MOD 256
Nbr.Of.Samples = Sample.Byte
Sample.Byte = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + 1, 1))
SumCheck2% = (SumCheck2% + Sample.Byte) MOD 256
Nbr.Of.Samples = Nbr.Of.Samples * 256 + Sample.Byte
IF MinMax.Samples = 1 THEN    'Min/Max pair of samples
    Nbr.Of.Samples = Nbr.Of.Samples * 2
END IF
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 2

```

```
PRINT "Number of samples      ="; Nbr.Of.Samples
PRINT #4, "Number of samples      ="; Nbr.Of.Samples
,
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'
'
'***** <Sample.Bytes> bytes <sample_value>'s
'
DIM Sample.Value(Nbr.Of.Samples) AS LONG
FOR i = 1 TO Nbr.Of.Samples      'Sample loop
    Sample.Byte = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
    SumCheck2% = (SumCheck2% + Sample.Byte) MOD 256
    IF (Signed.Samples = 1) AND (Sample.Byte >= 128) THEN
        Sample.Byte = - (256 - Sample.Byte)
    END IF
    Sample.Value&(i) = Sample.Byte
    IF Sample.Bytes > 1 THEN      'More sample bytes
        FOR j = 2 TO Sample.Bytes
            Sample.Byte = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count + j - 1, 1))
            SumCheck2% = (SumCheck2% + Sample.Byte) MOD 256
            Sample.Value&(i) = Sample.Value&(i) * 256 + Sample.Byte
        NEXT j
    END IF
    Resp.Count = Resp.Count + Sample.Bytes
    IF i = 1 OR i = 2 OR i = Nbr.Of.Samples - 1 OR i = Nbr.Of.Samples
        IF (Signed.Samples = 0) OR (Sample.Value&(i) < CLimit) THEN
            Ampl.Value = Sample.Value&(i) * Y.Resol      'Positive value
        ELSE
            'Negative value
            Ampl.Value = - ((CMaxim - Sample.Value&(i)) * Y.Resol)
        END IF
        PRINT "Sample"; i; "="; Sample.Value&(i); Ampl.Value
    END IF
    PRINT #4, "Sample"; i; "="; Sample.Value&(i); Ampl.Value
NEXT i
'
'***** 1 byte <check_sum>
Check.Sum% = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
IF Check.Sum% <> (SumCheck2% MOD 256) GOTO Wave2.Error
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 1
PRINT "<check_sum> ="; Check.Sum%; " & ";
PRINT "SumCheck2 MOD 256 ="; SumCheck2% MOD 256
PRINT #4, "<check_sum> ="; Check.Sum%; " & ";
PRINT #4, "SumCheck2 MOD 256 ="; SumCheck2% MOD 256
'
'***** 1 byte CR
C.R = ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count, 1))
IF C.R <> 13 GOTO Wave2.Error
Resp.Count = Resp.Count + 1
CLOSE #4: RETURN
Wave2.Error:
PRINT "Waveform sample error at byte :"; Resp.Count
PRINT "Waveform decimal byte value   ="; ASC(MID$(Resp$, Resp.Count,
PRINT "SumCheck so far (MOD 256)     ="; SumCheck2% MOD 256
CLOSE: END
'

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Create.CSV:

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'
'*****
'***** Convert the total Response string to file Wave.CSV
'***** as input file for Excel (spreadsheet), for example.
'*****
'
OPEN "Wave.CSV" FOR OUTPUT AS #4
PRINT #4, "Title      , ";
IF MID$(Query$, 4, 2) = "10" THEN
    PRINT #4, "Input A"
ELSEIF MID$(Query$, 4, 2) = "11" THEN
    PRINT #4, "Acquisition Memory A"
END IF
IF Trace.Process = 1 OR Trace.Process = 2 THEN
    PRINT #4, "ID          ,"; 1      'Single trace
    PRINT #4, "Type          ,"; "Waveform"
ELSEIF Trace.Process = 3 THEN
    PRINT #4, "ID          ,"; 2      'Envelope trace
    PRINT #4, "Type          ,"; "Envelope"
END IF
PRINT #4, "Date          , "; Month$+ "/" + Day$ + "/" + MID$(Year$, 3, 2)
PRINT #4, "Time          , "; Hours$ + ":" + Minutes$ + ":" + Seconds$
'
'***** X.Scale = time per division (over 10 divisions)
X.Scale = X.Resol * ((Nbr.Of.Samples - 1) / 10)
PRINT #4, "X Scale      ,"; X.Scale
PRINT #4, "X At 0%       ,"; X.Zero
PRINT #4, "X Resolution ,"; X.Resol
PRINT #4, "X Size       ,"; Nbr.Of.Samples
PRINT #4, "X Unit       , ";
IF X.Unit = 7 THEN PRINT #4, "s"
IF X.Unit = 10 THEN PRINT #4, "Hz"
PRINT #4, "X Label      ,";
IF X.Unit = 7 THEN PRINT #4, X.Scale; "s/Div"
IF X.Unit = 10 THEN PRINT #4, X.Scale; "Hz/Div"
'
'***** Y.Scale = unit per division (over 8 divisions)
IF Sample.Bytes = 1 THEN      '1-byte samples
    Y.Scale = Y.Resol * ((256 - 1) / 8)
END IF                        'Range = 256
IF Sample.Bytes = 2 THEN      '2-byte samples
    Y.Scale = Y.Resol * ((65536 - 1) / 8)
END IF                        'Range = 256*256
PRINT #4, "Y Scale      ,"; Y.Scale
PRINT #4, "Y At 50%     ,"; Y.Zero
PRINT #4, "Y Resolution ,"; Y.Resol
PRINT #4, "Y Size       ,";
IF Sample.Bytes = 1 THEN      '1-byte samples
    PRINT #4, 256
END IF                        'Range = 256
IF Sample.Bytes = 2 THEN      '2-byte samples
    PRINT #4, 65536
END IF                        'Range = 256*256
PRINT #4, "Y Unit       , ";
IF Y.Unit = 1 THEN PRINT #4, "V"

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IF Y.Unit = 2 THEN PRINT #4, "A"  
IF Y.Unit = 3 THEN PRINT #4, "Ohm"
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'
'
PRINT #4, "Y Label      ,";
IF Y.Unit = 1 THEN PRINT #4, Y.Scale; "V/Div"
IF Y.Unit = 2 THEN PRINT #4, Y.Scale; "A/Div"
IF Y.Unit = 3 THEN PRINT #4, Y.Scale; "Ohm/Div"
PRINT #4,
'
'***** Sample values x,y (time,amplitude)
Time.Value = X.Zero           'Start at x-offset
MinMax.Flag = 1               'Switch flag
FOR i = 1 TO Nbr.Of.Samples
  IF (Signed.Samples = 0) OR (Sample.Value&(i) < CLimit) THEN
    'Positive value
    Amplit.Value = Sample.Value&(i) * Y.Resol
  ELSE
    'Negative value
    Amplit.Value = - ((CMaxim - Sample.Value&(i)) * Y.Resol)
  END IF
  IF MinMax.Samples = 1 THEN           'Min/Max waveform
    IF MinMax.Flag = 1 THEN
      MinMax.Flag = 0
      PRINT #4, Time.Value; ", "; Amplit.Value; ", ";
    ELSE
      MinMax.Flag = 1
      PRINT #4, Amplit.Value
      Time.Value = Time.Value + X.Resol
    END IF
  ELSE
    'Single waveform
    PRINT #4, Time.Value; ", "; Amplit.Value
    Time.Value = Time.Value + X.Resol
  END IF
NEXT i
CLOSE #4: RETURN
'
'***** End example program *****

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READ DATE

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RD

Purpose:

Reads the real time clock date settings.

Command Syntax:

RD<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>[<date><cr>]

where,

<date> =           string of the following format:  
                  <year>,<month>,<day>  
                  e.g. 1997,8,14

Example:

The following example program reads the date setting from the ScopeMeter.

```

'***** Begin example program *****

CLS
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1, "RD"          'Sends the READ DATE query.
GOSUB Acknowledge      'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
INPUT #1, SMYear$, SMMonth$, SMDay$  'Inputs the date string.
PRINT "Date "; SMYear$; "-" ; SMMonth$; "-" ; SMDay$
                                'Displays the date string.
END

'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.

Acknowledge:
INPUT #1, ACK          'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
  PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
  SELECT CASE ACK
    CASE 1
      PRINT "Syntax Error"
    CASE 2
      PRINT "Execution Error"
    CASE 3
      PRINT "Synchronization Error"
    CASE 4
      PRINT "Communication Error"
    CASE IS < 1
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
    CASE IS > 4
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
  END SELECT
  PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN

'***** End example program *****

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RESET INSTRUMENT                RI
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Purpose:

Resets the entire instrument, including the CPL interface.  
The baud rate remains unchanged.

Command Syntax:

RI<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>

Note: Wait for at least 2 seconds after the  
<acknowledge> reply has been received, to let  
the ScopeMeter settle itself before you send the  
next command.

Example:

The following example resets the ScopeMeter and waits for 2  
seconds to let the ScopeMeter execute the reset and become  
ready for next commands.

The ScopeMeter is queried for the identification data; this  
data is input and displayed on the PC screen.

```

'***** Begin example program *****
CLS 'Clears the PC screen.
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1, "RI" 'Sends the RESET INSTRUMENT command.
GOSUB Acknowledge 'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
SLEEP 2 'Delay (2 s) necessary after reset.
GOSUB ClearPort 'Clears pending data from port.
PRINT #1, "ID" 'Sends IDENTIFICATION query.
GOSUB Acknowledge 'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
INPUT #1, IDENT$ 'Inputs the queried data.
PRINT IDENT$ 'Displays queried data.
CLOSE #1
END

```

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'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.

```

Acknowledge:

```

INPUT #1, ACK 'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
  PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
  SELECT CASE ACK
    CASE 1
      PRINT "Syntax Error"
    CASE 2
      PRINT "Execution Error"
    CASE 3
      PRINT "Synchronization Error"
    CASE 4
      PRINT "Communication Error"
    CASE IS < 1
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
    CASE IS > 4
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
  END SELECT
  PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN

```

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'***** Clears pending data from the RS232 port *****
ClearPort:
  WHILE LOC(1) > 0
    Dummy$ = INPUT$(1, #1)
  WEND
RETURN

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'***** End example program *****

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RECALL SETUP

RS

## -----

## Purpose:

Recalls an internally stored setup. This setup must have been stored in the ScopeMeter manually or with the SS (Save Setup) command.

## Command Syntax:

RS <setup\_reg><cr>

where,

<setup\_reg> = 1 to 10

## Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>

Note: The new setup is active when you have received the <acknowledge> response from the ScopeMeter.

## Example:

The following example program saves the present setup in setup memory 8. You are requested to change the present settings. Then the original settings are recalled from setup memory 8 and made the actual setting.

```
'
                                     Begin example program *****
CLS                                     'Clears the PC screen.
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1, "SS 8"                       'Sends SAVE SETUP command.
                                         'Setup saved in setup memory 8.
GOSUB Acknowledge                       'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter
PRINT "The present setup data are stored in setup memory 8."
PRINT "The remainder of this program will restore these."
PRINT "To test if this works, change the present settings"
PRINT "and verify if the ScopeMeter returns to the original"
PRINT "settings after continuing the program."
PRINT
PRINT "Press any key on the PC keyboard to continue."
SLEEP
PRINT #1, "RS 8"                       'Sends RECALL SETUP command.
                                         'Setup recalled from register 8.
GOSUB Acknowledge                       'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
PRINT
PRINT "Original settings restored"
CLOSE #1
END
'
```

```
'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****  
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the  
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge  
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,  
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly  
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is  
'displayed and the program is aborted.
```

Acknowledge:

```
INPUT #1, ACK           'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.  
IF ACK <> 0 THEN  
    PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";  
    SELECT CASE ACK  
        CASE 1  
            PRINT "Syntax Error"  
        CASE 2  
            PRINT "Execution Error"  
        CASE 3  
            PRINT "Synchronization Error"  
        CASE 4  
            PRINT "Communication Error"  
        CASE IS < 1  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
        CASE IS > 4  
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"  
    END SELECT  
    PRINT "Program aborted."  
END  
END IF  
RETURN
```

```
'***** End example program *****
```

=====

READ TIME

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RT

Purpose:

Reads the real time clock time settings.

Command Syntax:

RT<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>[<time><cr>]

where,

<time> = string of the following format:  
<hours>,<minutes>,<seconds>  
e.g. 15,4,43

Example:

The following example program reads the time setting from the ScopeMeter.

```
'
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'***** Begin example program *****

OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1,"RT"           'Sends the READ TIME query.
GOSUB Acknowledge      'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
INPUT #1,SMhour$,SMmin$,SMsec$  'Inputs the time strings.
PRINT "Time "; SMhour$;":";SMmin$;":";SMsec$
                                     'Displays the time string.
END

'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.

Acknowledge:
INPUT #1, ACK           'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
    PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
    SELECT CASE ACK
        CASE 1
            PRINT "Syntax Error"
        CASE 2
            PRINT "Execution Error"
        CASE 3
            PRINT "Synchronization Error"
        CASE 4
            PRINT "Communication Error"
        CASE IS < 1
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
        CASE IS > 4
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
    END SELECT
    PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN

'***** End example program *****
```

=====

SWITCH ON

-----

SO

Purpose:

Switches the ScopeMeter on.  
This only works when the ScopeMeter is powered via the  
power adapter.

Command Syntax:

SO<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>

See an example for this command under GET DOWN (GD).



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SAVE SETUP

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SS

Purpose:

Saves the present setup in one of the battery backedup instrument registers.

Command Syntax:

SS <setup\_reg><cr>

where,

<setup\_reg> = 1 to 10

When <setup\_reg> is omitted, the number 1 is assumed.

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>

See an example for this command under RECALL SETUP (RS).

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STATUS QUERY

ST

## -----

## Purpose:

Queries the error status of the ScopeMeter. This is a 16-bit word, presented as an integer value, where each bit represents the Boolean value of a related error event. After the reply or after a RI (Reset Instrument) command, the value is reset to zero. A complete description of the status word is given in Appendix B.

## Command Syntax:

ST&lt;cr&gt;

## Response Syntax:

&lt;acknowledge&gt;&lt;cr&gt;[&lt;status&gt;

where,

&lt;status&gt; = integer value 0 to 32767

## Example:

The following example program sends a wrong command to the ScopeMeter to test the Acknowledge subroutine and to check the status returned from the ST query. The acknowledge subroutine contains a GOSUB Status.display to input the status data from the ScopeMeter when the acknowledge response is non-zero (ACK <> 0).

```

'
'***** Begin example program *****
CLS 'Clears the PC screen.
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1, "PC 12345" 'Sends a baud rate value that is
' out of range for the ScopeMeter.
GOSUB Acknowledge.Status 'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter
'and the status value if the
'acknowledge value is non-zero.
END

'***** Acknowledge + Status subroutine *****
'This subroutine inputs the acknowledge value from the
'ScopeMeter. If the acknowledge value is non-zero,
'the ST query is used to get further status information from
'the ScopeMeter with respect to the error.
'In case of an error the program is aborted.

Acknowledge.Status:
INPUT #1, ACK 'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
SELECT CASE ACK
CASE 1
PRINT "Syntax Error"
CASE 2
PRINT "Execution Error"
CASE 3
PRINT "Synchronization Error"
CASE 4
PRINT "Communication Error"
CASE IS < 1
PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
CASE IS > 4
PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
END SELECT
GOSUB Status.display 'Further specifies the error.
PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN
'

```

```
'***** Displays ScopeMeter status *****

'This subroutine gives you further information if the
'acknowledge reply from the ScopeMeter is non-zero.

Status.display:
PRINT #1, "ST"           'Sends the STATUS query.
GOSUB Acknowledge.Status 'Inputs acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
INPUT #1, STAT          'Inputs status value.
PRINT "Status " + STR$(STAT) + ": ";
IF STAT = 0 THEN PRINT "No error"
IF (STAT AND 1) = 1 THEN PRINT "Illegal Command"
IF (STAT AND 2) = 2 THEN
    PRINT "Data format of parameter is wrong"
END IF
IF (STAT AND 4) = 4 THEN PRINT "Parameter out of range"
IF (STAT AND 8) = 8 THEN
    PRINT "Invalid command in this CPL interface"
END IF
IF (STAT AND 16) = 16 THEN PRINT "Command not implemented"
IF (STAT AND 32) = 32 THEN
    PRINT "Invalid number of parameters"
END IF
IF (STAT AND 64) = 64 THEN
    PRINT "Wrong number of data bits"
END IF
IF (STAT AND 512) = 512 THEN
    PRINT "Conflicting instrument settings"
END IF
IF (STAT AND 16384) = 16384 THEN
    PRINT "Checksum error"
END IF
RETURN

'***** End example program *****
```

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TRIGGER ACQUISITION

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TA

Purpose:

Triggers an acquisition. This command acts as a hardware trigger to start a new acquisition. In SINGLE shot acquisition mode the trigger system must have been armed with the AT (Arm Trigger) command.

Command Syntax:

TA<cr>

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>

Example:

```
'
                                     Begin example program *****
CLS                                     'Clears the PC screen.
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1, "TA"                         'Sends TRIGGER ACQUISITION command.
GOSUB Acknowledge                       'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
END

***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.

Acknowledge:
INPUT #1, ACK                           'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
    PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
    SELECT CASE ACK
        CASE 1
            PRINT "Syntax Error"
        CASE 2
            PRINT "Execution Error"
        CASE 3
            PRINT "Synchronization Error"
        CASE 4
            PRINT "Communication Error"
        CASE IS < 1
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
        CASE IS > 4
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
    END SELECT
    PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN

***** End example program *****
```

=====

WRITE DATE

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WD

Purpose:

Writes the real time clock date settings.

Command Syntax:

WD <date><cr>

where,

<date> = string of the following format:  
<year>,<month>,<date>  
e.g. 1999,9,14

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>

Example:

The following example program programs the ScopeMeter with a new date setting.

```
'
***** Begin example program *****
CLS 'Clears the PC screen.
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1, "WD 1999,9,14" 'Sets the real time clock date
' to September 14, 1999
GOSUB Acknowledge 'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
END
```

```
'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.
```

Acknowledge:

```
INPUT #1, ACK 'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
  PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
  SELECT CASE ACK
    CASE 1
      PRINT "Syntax Error"
    CASE 2
      PRINT "Execution Error"
    CASE 3
      PRINT "Synchronization Error"
    CASE 4
      PRINT "Communication Error"
    CASE IS < 1
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
    CASE IS > 4
      PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
  END SELECT
  PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN
```

```
'***** End example program *****
```



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WRITE TIME	WT
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Purpose:

Writes the real time clock time settings.

Command Syntax:

WT <time><cr>

where,

<time> = string of the following format:  
<hours>,<minutes>,<seconds>  
e.g. 15,30,0

Response Syntax:

<acknowledge><cr>

Example:

The following example program programs the ScopeMeter with a new time setting.

```
'
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'***** Begin example program *****
CLS                                'Clears the PC screen.
OPEN "COM1:1200,N,8,1,CS,DS,RB2048" FOR RANDOM AS #1
PRINT #1, "WT 15,28,0"           'Sets the real time clock to
                                     '03:28 p.m..
GOSUB Acknowledge                 'Input acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
END

'***** Acknowledge subroutine *****
'Use this subroutine after each command or query sent to the
'ScopeMeter. This routine inputs the acknowledge
'response from the ScopeMeter. If the response is non-zero,
'the previous command was not correct or was not correctly
'received by the ScopeMeter. Then an error message is
'displayed and the program is aborted.

Acknowledge:
INPUT #1, ACK                      'Reads acknowledge from ScopeMeter.
IF ACK <> 0 THEN
    PRINT "Error "; ACK; ": ";
    SELECT CASE ACK
        CASE 1
            PRINT "Syntax Error"
        CASE 2
            PRINT "Execution Error"
        CASE 3
            PRINT "Synchronization Error"
        CASE 4
            PRINT "Communication Error"
        CASE IS < 1
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
        CASE IS > 4
            PRINT "Unknown Acknowledge"
    END SELECT
    PRINT "Program aborted."
END
END IF
RETURN

'***** End example program *****
```

The ScopeMeter returns an <acknowledge> reply after each command or query. The value indicates correct or incorrect operation. You always must read this reply to check for the correct operation and to achieve synchronization between your program and the RS232 interface of the ScopeMeter.

<acknowledge> VALUE	MEANING
0	No Error
1	Syntax Error (see Note)
2	Execution Error (see Note)
3	Synchronization Error
4	Communication Error

Note: The ST query may give you additional information.

When the ScopeMeter detects an error during the execution of a command, it sends the corresponding <acknowledge> reply, terminates further execution of the command and will be ready to accept a new command.

#### Syntax Error

Returned when the command is not understood by the ScopeMeter for one of the following reasons :

- Unknown header
- Wrong instructions
- Data format of body is wrong, e.g. alpha characters when decimal data is needed.

#### Execution Error

Returned when internal processing is not possible because of one of the following reasons:

- Data out of range
- Conflicting instrument settings

### Synchronization Error

Returned when the ScopeMeter receives data while it does not expect any data. This can occur as follows:

- The ScopeMeter receives a new command while a previous command or query is not yet completely executed. You can prevent this error by doing the following:
  1. Read the <acknowledge> reply after each command or query.
  2. If this <acknowledge> is zero and if a query was sent to the ScopeMeter, read all available response data.

### Communication Error

Any framing, parity or overrun error detected on the received data will cause Communication Error.

## APPENDIX B

## STATUS DATA

The Status word returned from the ST query gives you extra information when you have received a non-zero <acknowledge> reply.

The Status word is a 16-bit binary word where each bit set true represents an error event with a decimal value determined by the bit position. (See the following table.)

When more than one bit is set true in the status word, the response from the ST query will be the sum of the decimal values of the individual bits.

Example:

```
<status> = 34      This equals 32 + 2
                  2 = Wrong parameter data format
                  32 = Invalid number of parameters
```

BIT	DECIMAL VALUE	EVENT DESCRIPTION	<acknowledge> VALUE
0	1	Illegal command	1
1	2	Wrong parameter data format	1
2	4	Parameter out of range	1 or 2
3	8	Instruction not valid in present state	1
4	16	Called function not implemented	2
5	32	Invalid number of parameters	2
6	64	Wrong number of data bits	2
9	512	Conflicting instrument settings	2
14	16384	Checksum error	2

Remarks:

1. A bit in the status word is set when the corresponding error event occurs.
2. Bits do not affect each other.
3. New error events will 'accumulate' in the status word. This means existing bits remain set.

The status word is cleared (all bits reset) as follows:

1. After the response (the status word) from the ST query has been read.
2. After the RI (Reset Instrument) command.

The waveform data that is received from the QW (Query Waveform) query, consists of the following data.

<trace\_admin>,<trace\_samples>

where,

```
<trace_admin> = #0<block_header><block_length><trace_process>
                <trace_result><misc_setup><y_unit><x_unit>
                <y_zero><x_zero><y_resolution><x_resolution>
                <date_stamp><time_stamp><check_sum>
```

where,

```
<block_header> = <binary_character>
                Possible values: 128 and 0.
                The value 0 is returned when also the
                <trace_samples> data block is requested.
```

```
<block_length> = <unsigned_integer>
                = This value gives the number of bytes that
                are transmitted after the <block_length>
                and before the <check_sum>.
```

```
<trace_process>= <normal>|<envelope>|<average>
                = <binary_character>. The value of this
                field specifies which processing is
                performed on the samples of this
                particular trace:
                <normal>   = 1   No processing
                <average> = 2   The trace is the result of the
                                averaging of multiple traces (equal to
                                the SMOOTH function in manual mode)
                <envelope>= 3   The trace is the result of the
                                envelope process (equal to the
                                ENVELOPE function in manual mode)
```

```
<trace_result> = <acquisition>|<trend_plot>|<touch_hold>
                = <binary_character>. The value of this
                field specifies which function created
                this particular trace:
                <acquisition>= 1   The trace is a direct result of the
                                trace acquisition.
                <trend_plot>  = 2   The trace is a result of the TrendPlot
                                function (recording numerical results).
                <touch_hold> = 3   The trace is a copy of the acquisition
                                trace. The copy is activated by the
                                Touch Hold function of the instrument.
```

<misc\_setup> = <binary\_character>  
 This byte contains additional setup information about the queried trace. Bit 7 of the byte specifies the coupling (0=AC, 1=DC) of the channel.

<y\_unit> = <unit>

<x\_unit> = <unit>  
 The <unit> is a <binary\_character> which value represents the unit:

<volt>	=	1
<ampere>	=	2
<ohm>	=	3
<farad>	=	5
<seconds>	=	7
<hertz>	=	10
<degree>	=	11
<degree_celcius>	=	12
<degree_fahrenheit>	=	13
<percentage>	=	14
<dbm50>	=	15
<dbm600>	=	16
<dbv>	=	17
<dba>	=	18

<y\_zero> = <float>  
 Measurement value for the samples with value zero (0). This value can be seen as the offset value.

<x\_zero> = <float>  
 This field specifies the x-offset of the first sample in the <trace\_samples> array. (= time between trigger moment and first sample.)

<y\_resolution> = <float>  
 This field contains the value that represents the step between two consecutive sample values or in other words the step per least significant bit.

<x\_resolution> = <float>  
 This field contains the value (seconds) that represents the distance between two samples. (is time between two samples.)

```

<date_stamp> = <year><month><day>
  <year> = <digit><digit><digit><digit>
  <month>= <digit><digit>
  <day> = <digit><digit>

```

```

<time_stamp> = <hours><minutes><seconds>
  <hours>= <digit><digit>
  <minutes>= <digit><digit>
  <seconds>= <digit><digit>

```

```

<check_sum> = <binary_character>
              One binary character which represents
              the sum of all the <binary_character>s
              send after the <block_length> and
              before the <check_sum>.

```

and where,

```

<trace_samples> = #0<block_header><block_length>
                  <sample_format><overload><underload>
                  <invalid><nbr_of_samples><samples>
                  <check_sum><cr>

```

```

<block_header>= <binary_character> which is 1, 128 or 129.

```

```

<block_length>= <unsigned_integer>
                This parameter specifies the number of
                characters that will follow until the
                <check_sum>.

```

```

<sample_format>= <binary_character>
                This byte specifies the format of the samples.
                The highest bit (7) defines whether the
                samples should be interpreted as signed (1)
                or unsigned values (0).
                Bit number 6 in the <sample_format> byte
                defines whether the samples are min/max pairs
                or not. In the case of min/max pairs, the
                minimum value will be followed by the maximum.
                The number of samples specifies the number of
                sample pairs in this case.
                The bits 0 to 2 in the <sample_format> byte
                define the number of <binary_character>'s in
                which a sample value is represented.

```

```

<overload> = <sample_value>
             This field specifies which value in the trace
             samples represents the overload value.

```



<underload> = <sample\_value>  
 This field specifies which value in the trace samples represents the underload value.

<invalid> = <sample\_value>  
 This field specifies which value in the trace samples represents an invalid sample. Invalid samples can be present at locations in the trace that have not been filled (yet). This can e.g. occur in random sampling.

<nbr\_of\_samples>= <unsigned\_integer>  
 Total number of samples (or sample pairs) that will follow.

<samples> = {<sample\_value>}  
 In total <nbr\_of\_samples> will be transmitted.

<sample\_value>= {<binary\_character>}  
 Depending on the number of <binary\_character>'s in the <sample\_format> byte, each <sample\_vale> is transmitted in a number of <binary\_character>s. In case the <sample\_value> contains multiple <binary\_character>'s, the most significant byte is transmitted first.

<check\_sum> = <binary\_character>  
 One binary character which represents the sum of all the <binary\_character>s after the <block\_length> and before the <check\_sum>.

Remarks: The instrument will finish any processing on the queried waveform first before sending the data to the remote device. This means that the remote device will not have to do any polling on status bits before the query is send. When the waveform that was queried for, is still under processing, the processing is finished first. So no "half traces" will be returned. When the waveform under processing is in roll mode, the query will give an execution error. The remote device has the possibility to cancel the query, when waiting for response takes to long. This can be achieved by sending an <esc> or hardware break.

## APPENDIX D

## ASCII 7-BIT CODES

Hexadecimal value

Hexadecimal value		ASCII character		Decimal value	
00	NUL	0		20	SP 32
01	SOH	1		21	! 33
02	STX	2		22	" 34
03	ETX	3		23	# 35
04	EOT	4		24	\$ 36
05	ENQ	5		25	% 37
06	ACK	6		26	& 38
07	BEL	7		27	' 39
08	BS	8		28	( 40
09	HT	9		29	) 41
0A	LF	10		2A	* 42
0B	VT	11		2B	+ 43
0C	FF	12		2C	, 44
0D	CR	13		2D	- 45
0E	SO	14		2E	. 46
0F	SI	15		2F	/ 47
10	DLE	16		30	0 48
11	XON	17		31	1 49
12	DC2	18		32	2 50
13	XOF	19		33	3 51
14	DC4	20		34	4 52
15	NAK	21		35	5 53
16	SYN	22		36	6 54
17	ETB	23		37	7 55
18	CAN	24		38	8 56
19	EM	25		39	9 57
1A	SUB	26		3A	: 58
1B	ESC	27		3B	; 59
1C	FS	28		3C	< 60
1D	GS	29		3D	= 61
1E	RS	30		3E	> 62
1F	US	31		3F	? 63
40	@	64		40	@ 64
41	A	65		41	A 65
42	B	66		42	B 66
43	C	67		43	C 67
44	D	68		44	D 68
45	E	69		45	E 69
46	F	70		46	F 70
47	G	71		47	G 71
48	H	72		48	H 72
49	I	73		49	I 73
4A	J	74		4A	J 74
4B	K	75		4B	K 75
4C	L	76		4C	L 76
4D	M	77		4D	M 77
4E	N	78		4E	N 78
4F	O	79		4F	O 79
60	`	96		60	` 96
61	a	97		61	a 97
62	b	98		62	b 98
63	c	99		63	c 99
64	d	100		64	d 100
65	e	101		65	e 101
66	f	102		66	f 102
67	g	103		67	g 103
68	h	104		68	h 104
69	i	105		69	i 105
6A	j	106		6A	j 106
6B	k	107		6B	k 107
6C	l	108		6C	l 108
6D	m	109		6D	m 109
6E	n	110		6E	n 110
6F	o	111		6F	o 111
70	p	112		70	p 112
71	q	113		71	q 113
72	r	114		72	r 114
73	s	115		73	s 115
74	t	116		74	t 116
75	u	117		75	u 117
76	v	118		76	v 118
77	w	119		77	w 119
78	x	120		78	x 120
79	y	121		79	y 121
7A	z	122		7A	z 122
7B	{	123		7B	{ 123
7C		124		7C	124
7D	}	125		7D	} 125
7E	~	126		7E	~ 126
7F		127		7F	127
50	P	80		50	P 80
51	Q	81		51	Q 81
52	R	82		52	R 82
53	S	83		53	S 83
54	T	84		54	T 84
55	U	85		55	U 85
56	V	86		56	V 86
57	W	87		57	W 87
58	X	88		58	X 88
59	Y	89		59	Y 89
5A	Z	90		5A	Z 90
5B	[	91		5B	[ 91
5C	\	92		5C	\ 92
5D	]	93		5D	] 93
5E	^	94		5E	^ 94
5F	_	95		5F	_ 95

## Hexadecimal value

Hexadecimal value		ASCII character		Decimal value	
Hex	Char	Hex	Char	Hex	Char
80	?	A0		C0	À
81		A1	ı	C1	Á
82	,	A2	ç	C2	Â
83	f	A3	£	C3	Ã
84	"	A4	¤	C4	Ä
85	...	A5	¥	C5	Å
86	†	A6		C6	Æ
87	‡	A7	§	C7	Ç
88	^	A8	"	C8	È
89	‰	A9	©	C9	É
8A	Š	AA	ª	CA	Ê
8B	<	AB	«	CB	Ë
8C	Œ	AC	¬	CC	Ì
8D		AD	-	CD	Í
8E	?	AE	®	CE	Î
8F		AF	-	CF	Ï
90		B0	°	D0	Ð
91	`	B1	±	D1	Ñ
92	'	B2	²	D2	Ò
93	"	B3	³	D3	Ó
94	"	B4	´	D4	Ô
95	•	B5	µ	D5	Õ
96	-	B6	¶	D6	Ö
97	-	B7	·	D7	×
98	~	B8	,	D8	Ø
99	™	B9	¹	D9	Ø
9A	š	BA	º	DA	Ú
9B	>	BB	»	DB	Û
9C	œ	BC	¼	DC	Ü
9D		BD	½	DD	Ý
9E	?	BE	¾	DE	Þ
9F	ÿ	BF	¿	DF	ß
				E0	à
				E1	á
				E2	â
				E3	ã
				E4	ä
				E5	å
				E6	æ
				E7	ç
				E8	è
				E9	é
				EA	ê
				EB	ë
				EC	ì
				ED	í
				EE	î
				EF	ï
				F0	ð
				F1	ñ
				F2	ò
				F3	ó
				F4	ô
				F5	õ
				F6	ö
				F7	÷
				F8	ø
				F9	ù
				FA	ú
				FB	û
				FC	ü
				FD	ý
				FE	þ
				FF	