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Softkey This indicates a “softkey,” a key whose label is determined by the firmware of the instrument.

Screen Text This indicates text displayed on the instrument’s screen.

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References

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- HP-IB Reference Manuals

 - Tutorial Description of the Hewlett Packard Interface Bus*

 - HP Part Number 5021-1927

 - Using the HP-IB Interface and Command Library*

 - HP Part Number 82335-90001.

- *HP 83475A Lightwave Communications Analyzer User's Guide*
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- Microsoft QuickC Manuals:

 - C for Yourself* (version 2.5)

 - Up and Running* (version 2.5)

 - Tool Kit* (version 2.5)

- Microsoft QuickBASIC Manuals for IBM Personal Computers and Compatibles

 - Learning to Use Microsoft QuickBASIC* (version 4.5)

 - Programming in BASIC* (version 4.5)

 - Microsoft QuickBASIC BASIC Language Reference* (version 4.5).

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 - Installing and Using HP Instrument BASIC for Windows*

 - HP Part Number E2200-9000

 - HP Instrument BASIC User's Handbook*

 - HP Part Number E2083-90000

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	Chapter 2	describes the additional functions available when using the remote programming module.
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Installation

Installation

What you'll find in this chapter

This chapter provides you with the information necessary to install the remote programming module on the analyzer. Information is also provided to connect and configure the module to the desired external devices (such as a printer, plotter, or computer) prior to local or remote operation.

To Install the Remote Programming Module

1. Turn off the analyzer.
2. Install the module as shown in Figure 1-1.

The analyzer is reset after installation. The type of module installed is shown in the information displayed when the analyzer is first turned on.

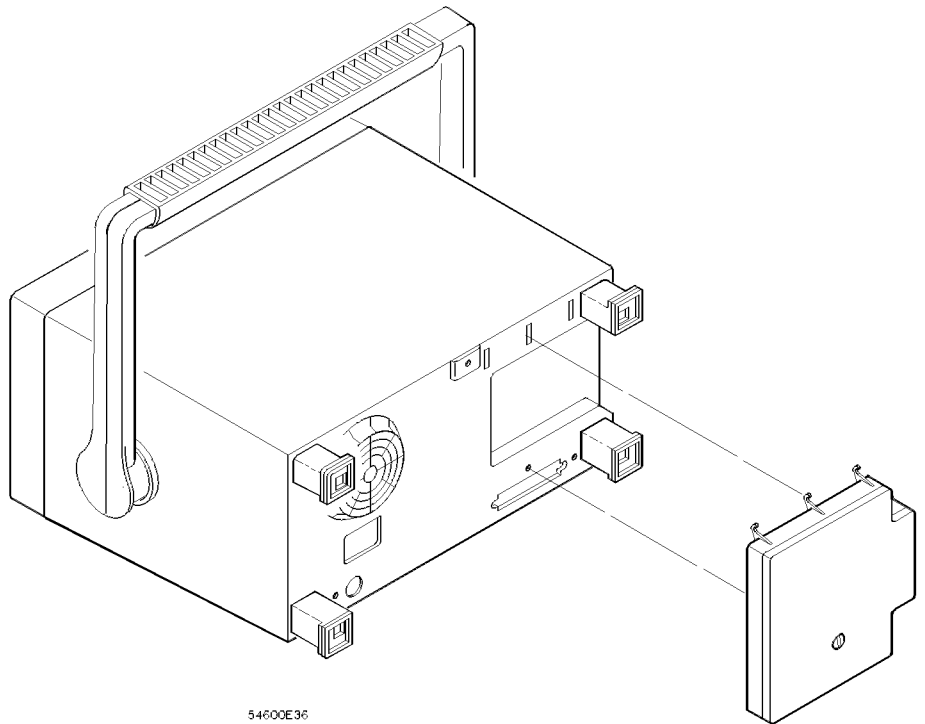


Figure 1-1. Installing the remote programming module.

Analyzer Compatibility

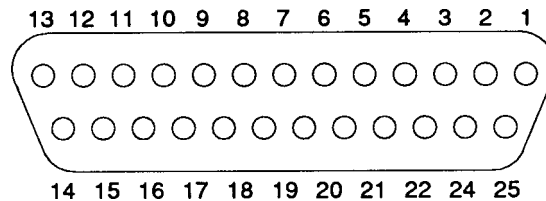
The remote programming module can be connected to a printer, a plotter, or a computer through the interface. The HP 83475A Option 201 has an HP-IB interface while the HP 83475A Option 202 has an RS-232 interface. The following cables may be used.

Table 1-1. Cable Part Numbers

Cable Function	HP Part Number	Description
HP 83475A Option 201 (HP-IB)		
Analyzer to Printer/Plotter Controller	HP 10833A	1 meter 3.3 feet
	HP 10833B	2 meters 6.6 feet
	HP 10833C	4 meters 13.2 feet
	HP 10833D	0.5 meter 1.6 feet
HP 83475A Option 202 (RS-232)		
Analyzer to Printer/Plotter	HP 13242G	5 meters 16.7 feet
HP Vectra 25-pin serial port	HP 17255M	1.2 meters 3.9 feet
Analyzer to IBM 25-pin serial port	HP 92219J	5 meters 16.7 feet
Analyzer to 9-pin serial port	HP 24542G	3 meters 9.9 feet

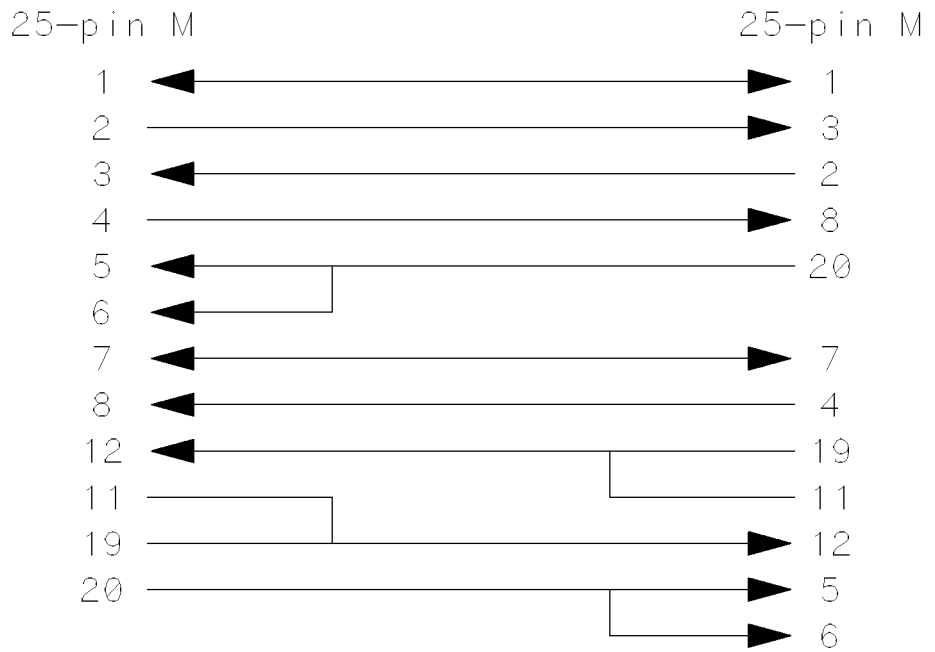
The following figures show the pin outs of the RS-232 cables used with the HP 83475A Option 202. The signals for the RS-232 port on the HP 83475A are listed below:

Pin Number	Signal
2	Transmit Data
3	Receive Data
4	Request to Send
5	Clear to Send
6	Data Set Ready
7	Signal Ground
8	Data Carrier Detect
20	Data Terminal Ready
SHELL	Ground



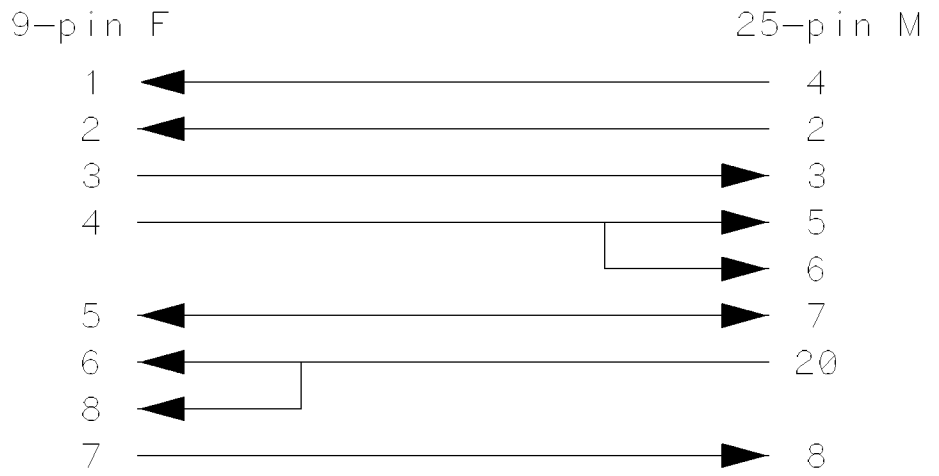
Pin out of RS-232 port in HP 83475A Option 202 looking into DB25 connector.

Analyzer Compatibility



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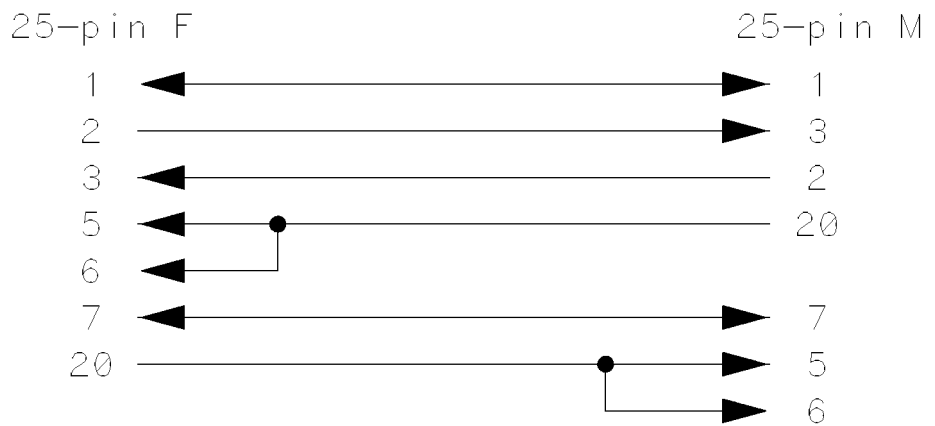
Pin out of RS-232 cable for connecting to Printer/Plotter/HP Vectra 25-pin serial port.



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Pin out of RS-232 cable for connecting to 9-pin serial port.

Analyzer Compatibility



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Pin out of RS-232 cable for connecting to IBM PC/XT 25-pin serial port.

To configure the interface

1. Connect the remote programming module to a printer, plotter, or computer through a suitable cable. Refer to Table 1-1 for the HP part numbers of the proper cables.
2. Press **Print/Utility**.

When the module is installed, an additional softkey appears at the second softkey from the left. If you are using the HP 83475A Option 201, the softkey is labeled **HP-IB Menu**, continue with the procedure described in “The **HP-IB menu** softkey”. If you are using the HP 83475A Option 202, the softkey is labeled **RS-232 Menu**, continue with the procedure described in “The **RS-232 Menu** softkey”.

The **HP-IB menu** softkey

Press the **HP-IB Menu** softkey.

Four of the softkeys are related to the configuration of the HP-IB interface.

Connect to	Selects the device connected to the analyzer. Selections include HP plotter, HP printer, and computer.
Factors	Selects whether the printer or plotter output contains the information concerning the basic settings of the analyzer. See “Selecting Print Factors” later in this section for more information.
Resolution	Selects the resolution of the printer or plotter output. See “Selecting Print Resolution” later in this section for more information.
Address	Selects the HP-IB address of the instrument. Valid addresses range from 0 to 30. To change the address, press the softkey or turn the knob closest to the Cursors key.

The RS-232 Menu softkey

Press the **RS-232 Menu** softkey.

Five of the softkeys are related to the configuration of the RS-232 interface.

Connect to Selects the device that the analyzer is connected to. Selections include HP plotter, HP printer, Epson compatible printer, and computer.

Factors Selects whether the printer or plotter output contains the information concerning the basic settings of the analyzer. See “Selecting Print Factors” later in this section for more information.

Resolution Selects the resolution of the printer or plotter output. See “Selecting Print Resolution” later in this section for more information.

Baud Rate Selects the baud rate of the RS-232 port. Valid baud rates are 1200, 2400, 9600, and 19200.

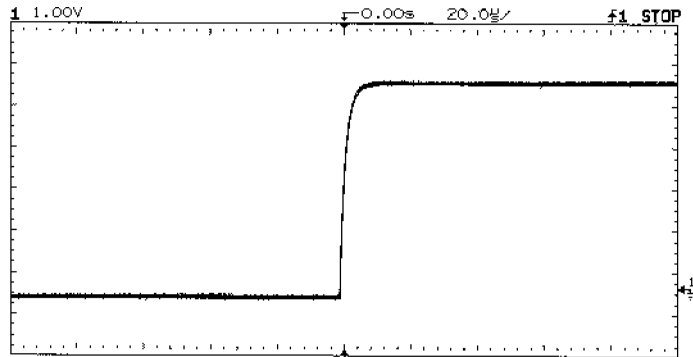
Handshake Selects the handshaking method used in the RS-232. DTR refers to the hardware handshaking using the DTR signal line. XON refers to the software handshaking using the XON/XOFF protocol.

Toggle the softkeys to select the correct configuration for your printer, plotter, or computer.

Selecting Print Factors

Analyzer factors may be turned on or off for hard copy prints and plots. All factors are printed on the hard copy when **Factors On** is selected. When factors are selected for a hard copy plot, the plot is in portrait mode, with the factors plotted at the bottom. When **Factors Off** is selected for hard copy plot, the plot is automatically plotted in landscape mode to maximize the plot area. Figure 1-2 shows an example of a printout using the **Factors On** function. Figure 1-3 shows an example of a printout using the **Factors Off** function.

To configure the interface



Chan	State	Volts/Div	Position	Couplg	BW Lim	Invert	Proba
Chan 1	On	1.000 V	-2.366 V	DC	Off	Off	1:1
Chan 2	Off	100.0mV	0.000 V	DC	Off	Off	1:1
Chan 3	Off	100.0mV	0.000 V	DC	---	---	1:1
Chan 4	Off	100.0mV	0.000 V	DC	---	---	1:1

Horizontal	Mode	Main Time/Div	Main Delay	Time Ref	Delayed Time/Div	Delayed Delay
Horizontal	Normal	20.00us/	0.000 s	Cntr	-----	-----

Trigger Mode	Source	Level	Holdoff	Slope	Couplg	Reject	NoiseRej
AutoLvl	Ch 1	2.366 V	200.0ns	Pos	DC	Off	Off

Display Mode: Normal

Figure 1-2. Printout using the Factors On function.

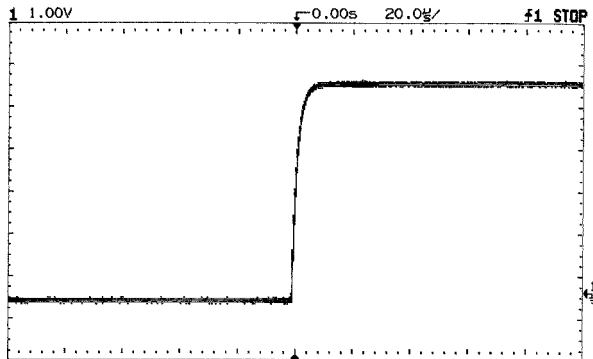


Figure 1-3. Printout using the Factors Off function.

Installation

Selecting Print Resolution High or low hard copy resolution can be selected for hardcopy prints and plots. When **Resolution High** is selected, the full-bright and half-bright traces on the analyzer screen are printed or plotted on the hardcopy.

High resolution printing requires an HP-PCL compatible printer capable of printing at 300 dpi (dots per inch), such as an HP LaserJet Series printer. The half-bright trace is printed in gray shading while the full-bright trace is printed in black. Figure 1-4 shows an example of a high resolution print using the HP LaserJet II printer.

High resolution plotting uses two pens. Half-bright traces are plotted with plotter pen 1 and full-bright traces are plotted with plotter pen 2.

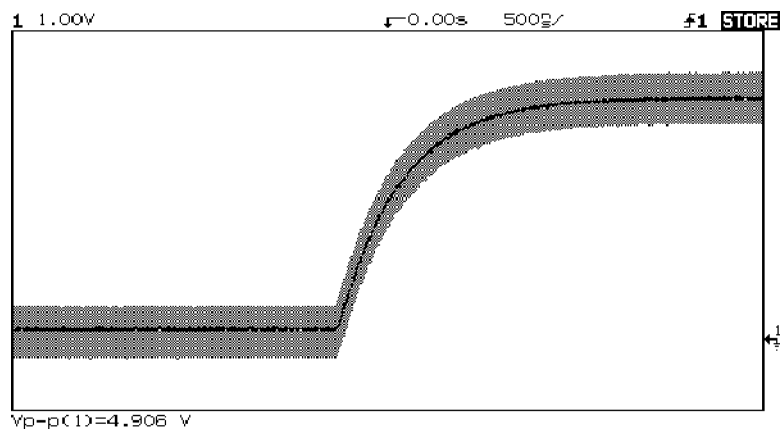


Figure 1-4.

Printout using the **Resolution High** function on an HP LaserJet Series II printer.

Operating the Remote Programming Module

Operating the Remote Programming Module

What you'll find in this chapter

This chapter provides you with the information necessary to use the features the Remote Programming Module provides. Basic operation for the analyzer is covered in the *HP 83475A Lightwave Communications Analyzer User's Guide*.

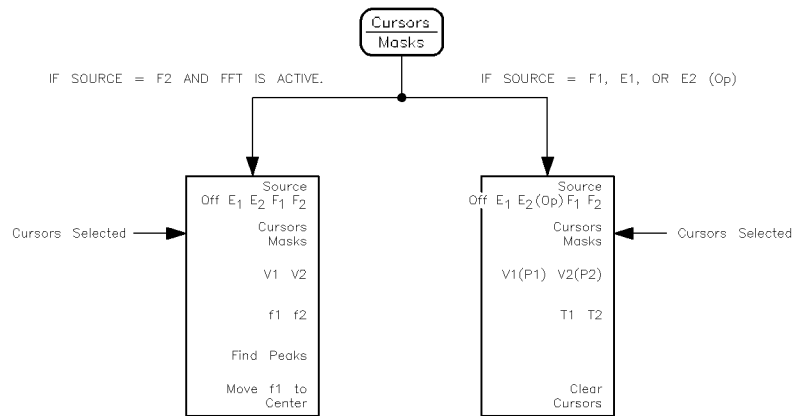
This chapter provides you with practical exercises and detailed information designed to guide you through operation of the following functions:

- Math Functions
- Trace Storage

Remote Programming Menu Trees

When the remote programming module is installed the following menu trees are changed:

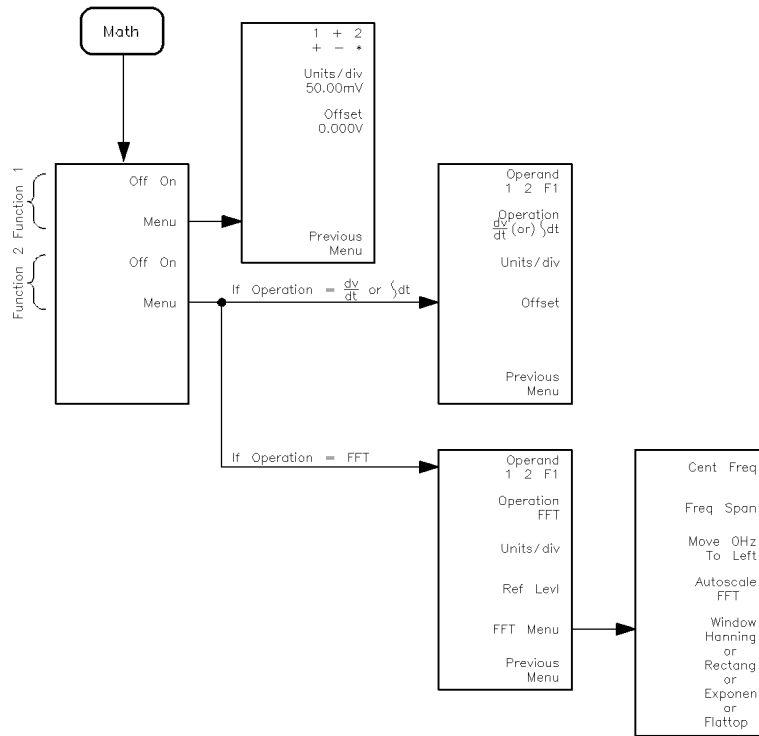
Cursors/Masks
Math
Print/Utility
Trace



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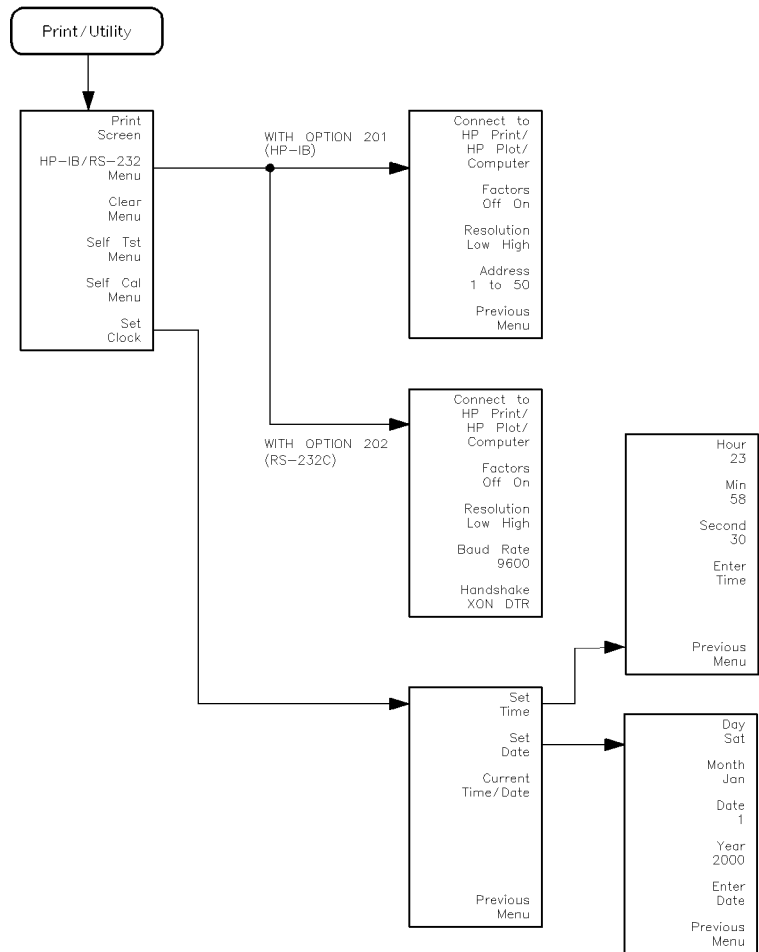
Figure 2-1. Cursor/Masks softkey menus.

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Remote Programming Menu Trees



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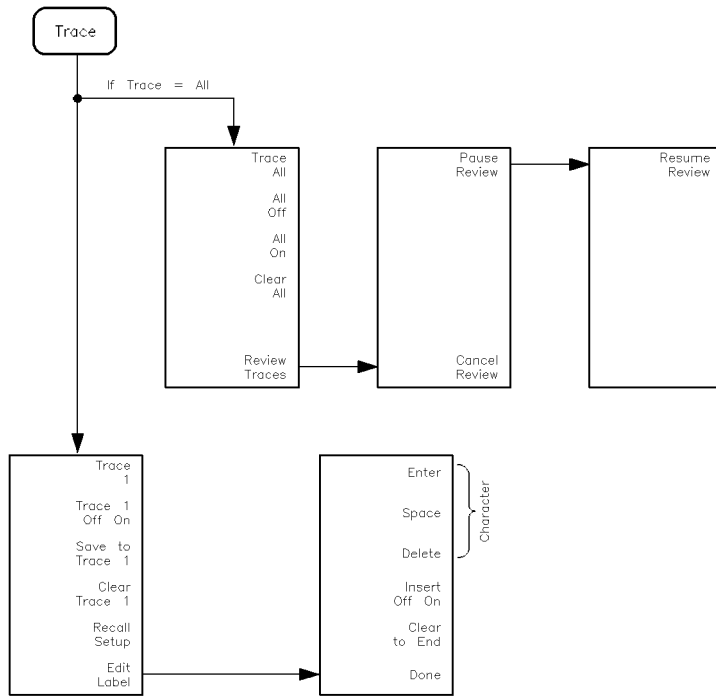
Figure 2-2. Math softkey menus.



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Figure 2-3. Print/Utility softkey menus.

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Figure 2-4. Trace softkey menus.

Math Functions

Without the remote programming module installed, addition and subtraction are the only math operations provided. In addition to the limited selections, the single function is performed on the pixel position of the data on the screen.

With the remote programming module installed, two functions define up to six operations that create mathematically altered waveforms (not pixel math).

- Function 1 will add (+), subtract (−), or multiply (*) the signals acquired on vertical inputs 1 and 2, then it will display the result as F1.
- Function 2 will integrate, differentiate, or perform an FFT on the signal acquired on input 1, input 2, or the result in F1; then it will display the result as F2.

The vertical range and offset of each function can be adjusted for ease of viewing and measurement considerations. Each function can be:

- displayed
- measured (with cursors)
- stored in trace memory
- output over the interface

NOTE

The math functions are *not* available when the optical channel is active or when the measurement type is set to Eye:NRZ. To activate electrical channel 2, press:

Optical/Elec2

Chan 2 Off Op E2 E2

To set the measurement type to General Waveform, press:

Power/Voltage

Meas Type Eye:NRZ Gen1 Wvfm Gen1 Wvfm

Math Functions

Function 1 menu

1. To enable math function number 1, press:



Function 1 Off On On

2. Display the math functions by pressing:

Function 1 Menu

Toggle the **+ - *** softkey until the desired operation is selected. The results (F1) are displayed on the screen.

All results are calculated on a point-by-point basis.

- | | |
|--------------|--|
| plus (+) | algebraically sum input 1 and input 2 (input 1 + input 2). |
| minus (-) | algebraically subtract input 2 from input 1 (input 1 - input 2). |
| multiply (*) | algebraically multiply input 1 with input 2 (input 1 × input 2). |

3. To set the vertical sensitivity of the resulting waveform, press:

Units/div

Rotate the knob closest to the **Cursors/Masks** key to set the vertical sensitivity.

4. To set the offset (from the center graticule) of the resulting waveform, press:

Offset

Rotate the knob closest to the **Cursors/Masks** key to set the offset.

Function waveform (F1) is available for viewing, measurement, or storage.

5. To return to the previous menu, press:

Previous Menu

Function 1 operating hints

When multiply is the operation selected, the value displayed for units per division and offset is (V^2).

Offset is the value (in volts or volts²) assigned to the center graticule for function 1. Normal screen position is 0 V offset, or at the center graticule (until changed).

See “Making Cursor Measurements”, and “Saving and Recalling Traces” in this chapter for more information.

Function 2 menu

Function 2 will plot differential or integral waveforms, or perform an FFT using the input signals connected to the vertical inputs (1 and 2), or using the function 1 waveform.

1. To enable math function number 2, press:



Function 2 Off On On

2. Display the math functions by pressing:

Function 2 Menu

3. Toggle the **Operand** softkey until the desired operand is selected. The results (F2) are displayed on the screen.
F1 uses the result waveform in function 1.
4. Toggle the **Operation** softkey until the desired operation is selected.
Results (F2) are displayed on the screen.

Math Functions

Differentiate (dV/dt) Plots the derivative of the selected source using the “Central Difference” formula, as follows:

$$d_1 = \frac{c_1 - c_0}{\Delta t}$$
$$d_n = \frac{c_{(n+1)} - c_{(n-1)}}{2\Delta t}$$

Where: d = differential waveform
 c = input 1, 2, or function 1

Integrate ($\int dt$) Plots the integral of the source using the “Trapezoidal Rule”, as follows:

$$I_n = \frac{\Delta t}{2} \int_{i=1}^{i=n} c_i + c_{i+1}$$

Where: i = integral
 c = input 1, 2, or function 1

The integrate calculation is relative to the currently selected source's input offset. The following examples illustrate any changes in offset level.

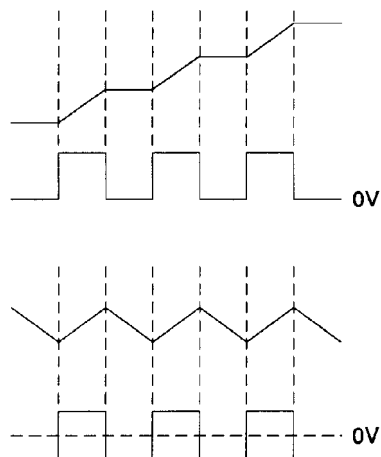


Figure 2-5. Integrate and offset.

FFT The Fast Fourier Transform inputs the digitized time record of the source and transforms it to the frequency domain. The FFT spectrum is plotted on the analyzer display as dBV versus frequency. Selecting this function also adds the FFT MENU. See “FFT Measurement” later in this chapter for more information.

5. To set the vertical sensitivity of the resulting waveform, press:

Units/div

Rotate the knob closest to the **Cursors/Masks** key to set the vertical sensitivity.

Units per division changes from volts to dB when FFT is selected.

Math Functions

- To set the offset (differentiate and integrate), press:

Offset

Rotate the knob closest to the **Cursors/Masks** key to set the offset (from the center graticule).

- To set the reference level (FFT), press:

Ref Level

Rotate the knob closest to the **Cursors/Masks** key to set the reference level (top graticule).

Function waveform (F2) is available for viewing, measurement, or storage.

- To return to the previous menu, press:

Previous Menu

For FFT functions, an additional menu is available to set additional parameters. See “FFT Measurement” later in this chapter for more information.

Function 2 operating hints

Timebase must be set to **MAIN** when using function 2.

When differential is the operation selected, the value displayed for units per division and offset is volts per second (V/s). When integral is the operation selected, the value displayed for units per division and offset is volt-seconds (Vs).

Offset is the value (in volts per second or volt seconds) assigned to the center graticule for function 2. Normal screen position is 0 V offset, or at the center graticule (until changed).

Refer to “Making Cursor Measurements” and “Saving and Recalling Traces” in this chapter for more information.

FFT measurement menu

FFT (Function 2) is used to compute the fast Fourier transform using vertical inputs (1 and 2), or the Function 1 waveform. This function takes the digitized time record of the specified source and transforms it to the frequency domain. When the function is selected, the FFT spectrum is plotted on the analyzer display as dBV versus frequency. The readout for the horizontal axis changes from time to Hertz and the vertical readout changes from volts to dBV.

Operating system
requirements

When the Remote Programming module is added to the HP 83475A lightwave analyzer, FFT measurement is based on repetitive sampling, with the number of points in the record fixed at 1024, and the FFT display is calibrated in dBV. This is a unit of measure that is referenced to 1 Vrms. If the display needs to be in dBm, the operator must switch to the 50Ω input mode and then perform the following conversion:

$$dBm = dBV + 13.01$$

DC value

The FFT computation produces a DC value that is incorrect. It does not take the offset at center screen into account and is 1.41421 times greater than its actual value. The DC value is not corrected in order to accurately represent frequency components near DC. All DC measurements should be performed in normal analyzer mode.

NOTE

The FFT function is not available if the optical channel is active. To use the FFT function select `Chan 2 Off Op E2 E2`.

Math Functions

Aliasing

When using fast Fourier transforms, it is important to be aware of aliasing. This requires the operator have an idea of what the frequency domain should contain, and should also consider the effective sampling rate, frequency span, and analyzer vertical bandwidth when making FFT measurements. Sample rate is briefly displayed when the \oplus key is pressed.

Aliasing happens when there are insufficient samples acquired on each cycle of the input signal to recognize the signal. This occurs whenever the frequency of the input signal is greater than the Nyquist frequency (sample frequency divided by 2). When a signal is aliased, the higher frequency components show up in the FFT spectrum at a lower frequency.

Figure 2-6 illustrates aliasing. In waveform A, the sample rate is set to 200 kSa/s, and the analyzer displays the correct spectrum. In waveform B, the sample rate is reduced by one-half (100 kSa/s), causing the components of the input signal above the Nyquist frequency to be mirrored (aliased) on the display.

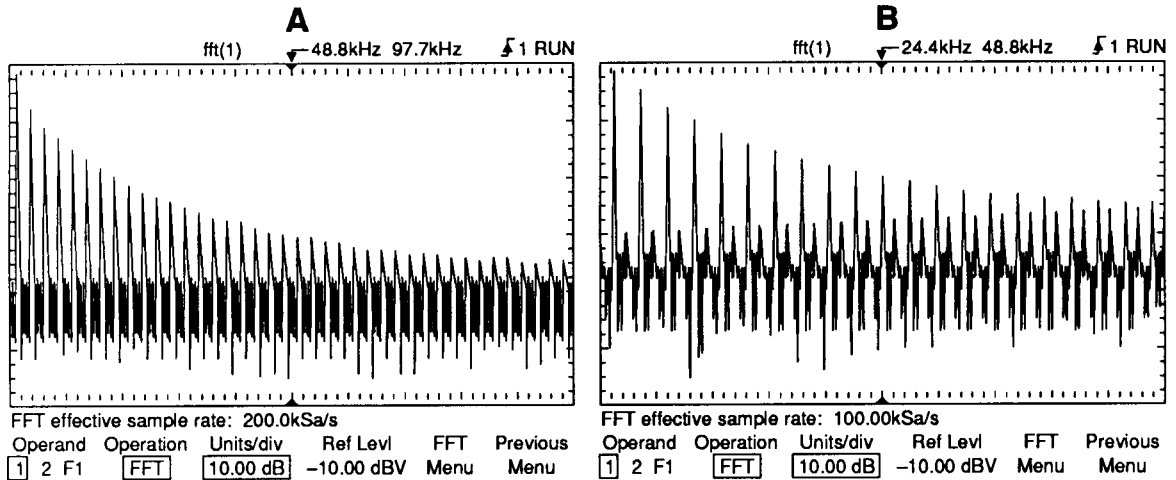


Figure 2-6. An example of aliasing.

Since the frequency span goes from ≈ 0 to the Nyquist frequency, the best way to prevent aliasing is to make sure that the frequency span is greater than the frequencies present in the input signal.

Spectral leakage

The FFT operation assumes that the time record repeats. Unless there is an integral number of cycles of the sampled waveform in the record, a discontinuity is created at the end of the record. This is referred to as leakage. In order to minimize spectral leakage, windows that approach zero smoothly at the beginning and end of the signal are employed as filters to the FFT. The remote programming module provides four windows: rectangular, exponential, Hanning, and flattop. For more information on leakage, see HP Application Note 243, *The Fundamentals of Signal Analysis*.

FFT operation

1. Enable math function 2 by pressing:



Function 2 ON OFF ON

Function 2 Menu

Toggle the **Operand** softkey until the desired source is selected.

F1 uses the result waveform in function 1.

2. Press the **Operation** softkey until FFT is selected.

Results (F2) are displayed on the screen.

3. Set the vertical sensitivity of the resulting waveform by pressing:

Units/div

Rotate the knob closest to the **Cursors/Masks** key to set the vertical sensitivity.

4. Set the reference level (top graticule line) of the resulting waveform by pressing:

Ref Levl

Rotate the knob closest to the **Cursors/Masks** key to set the reference level.

5. Display the FFT menu by pressing:

FFT Menu

Math Functions

The choices related to FFT are:

Cent Freq	Allows centering of the FFT spectrum to the desired frequency. Select and rotate the knob closest to the Cursors/Masks key to set the center frequency to the desired value.
Freq Span	Sets the overall width of the FFT spectrum (left graticule to right graticule). Select and rotate the knob closest to the Cursors/Masks key to set the center frequency to the desired value. See FFT Measurement Hints (later in this chapter) for information on using frequency span to magnify the display.
Move 0Hz To Left	Pressing this key changes the center frequency so that the left most graticule represents 0 Hz.
Window	Allows one of four windows to be selected. Select and rotate the knob closest to the Cursors/Masks key to set the desired window. The rectangular window is useful for transients signals and signals where there are an integral number of cycles in the time record. The Hanning window is useful for frequency resolution and general purpose use. It is good for resolving two frequencies that are close together or for making frequency measurements. The flattop window is the best window for making accurate amplitude measurements of frequency peaks. The exponential window is the best window for transients analysis.
Previous Menu	Returns you to the previous softkey menu.

6. Press the source channel number key to turn off its display and activate the vectors display. You now have an FFT display with vectors being drawn between the samples (connect the dots).

FFT spectrum (F2) is available for viewing, measurement, or storage.

7. The **Cursors/Masks** key contains two additional selections that can be used to measure or move the FFT spectrum. Press **Cursors/Masks**.

Find Peaks

Pressing this key sets Vmarker1 and the start marker (f1) on the peak with the highest amplitude and sets Vmarker2 and the stop marker (f2) on the peak with the next highest amplitude. Marker values in dBV or frequency (dependent on the active cursor) are automatically displayed at the bottom of the analyzer screen. The difference in dBV (ΔV) or frequency (Δf) between the two peaks is also displayed.

Move f1 To Center

Pressing this key changes the center graticule (or center frequency) to the current f1 marker frequency. If f1 cannot be found, a message is displayed on the screen.

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The following FFT spectrum was obtained by connecting the front panel probe adjustment signal to input 1. Set Time/Div to 500 s/div, Volts/Div to 100 mV/div, Units/div to 10.00 dB, Ref Level to -10.00 dBv, Center Freq to 6.055 kHz, Freq Span to 12.21 kHz, and window to Hanning.

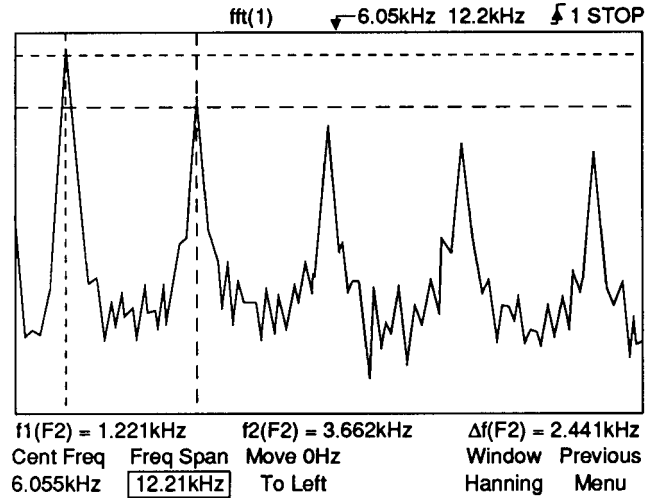


Figure 2.7. FFT measurements.

FFT measurement hints

It is easiest to view FFT's with vectors set to on. To do this, press:

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Display  
Vectors ON OFF ON  
STOP
```

The time and frequency domain will be displayed at the same time. Turning a channel **OFF** will also provide vectors on the live FFT trace.

The number of points acquired for the FFT record is always 1024, and when frequency span is at maximum, all 1024 points are displayed. Once the FFT spectrum is displayed, the frequency span and center frequency controls are used much like the controls of a spectrum analyzer to examine the frequency of interest in greater detail. Place the desired part of the waveform at the center of the screen and decrease frequency span to increase the display resolution. As frequency span is decreased, the number of points shown is reduced, and the display is magnified.

While the FFT spectrum is displayed, use the cursor keys to switch between measurement functions and frequency domain controls in the FFT menu.

Decreasing the effective sampling rate, by selecting a slower sweep speed, will increase the low frequency resolution of the FFT display and also increase the chance that an alias will be displayed. Because there is always 1024 samples across the main sweep display window, the frequency resolution will be $2/1024$ of the effective sampling rate. The actual resolution of the display will not be this fine because the shape of the window is the actual limiting factor in the FFT's ability to resolve two closely spaced frequencies. A good way to test the ability of the FFT to resolve two closely spaced frequencies is to examine the sidebands of an amplitude modulated sine wave. For example, at 2 MSa/sec effective sampling rate, a 1 MHz AM signal can be resolved to 2 kHz. Increasing the effective sampling rate to 4 MSa/sec reduces the resolution to 5 kHz.

For the best vertical accuracy on peak measurements:

- Make sure the source impedance and probe attenuation is set correctly. The impedance and probe attenuation are set from the Elec 1 or Optical/Elec 2 menu if the operand is a channel.
- Set the source sensitivity so that the input signal is near full screen, but not clipped.
- Use the flattop window.
- Set the FFT sensitivity to a sensitive range, such as 2 dB/division.

Math Functions

FFT measurement hints (continued)

For best frequency accuracy on peaks:

- Use the Hanning window
- Use cursors to place f1 cursor on the frequency of interest.
- Press the **move f1 to center** softkey.
- Adjust frequency span for better cursor placement.
- Return to the cursor menu to fine tune the f1 cursor.

For more information on the use of window, please refer to HP Application Note 243, *The Fundamentals of Signal Analysis* Chapter III, Section 5. Additional information can be found in chapter 4 of *Spectrum and Network Measurements* by Robert A. Witte. (This book is available as HP part number 5960-5718.)

Additional FFT
function keys

When the FFT function is selected (refer to Math Functions), two additional keys are available.

Find Peaks

Sets Vmarker1 and the start marker (f1) on the FFT trace peak with the highest amplitude and sets Vmarker2 and the stop marker (f2) on the peak with the next highest amplitude. Marker values in dBV or frequency (dependent on the active cursor) are automatically displayed at the bottom of the analyzer screen. The difference in dBV (ΔV) or frequency (Δf) between the two peaks is also displayed.

Move f1 To Center

Changes the center graticule (or center frequency) to the current f1 marker frequency. If f1 cannot be found, a message is displayed on the screen.

To Save or Recall Traces

With the remote programming module installed, the two volatile pixel memories are replaced with four high-speed nonvolatile memories.

In addition, 64 kilobytes of nonvolatile trace memory with data compression is also provided. A data compression algorithm maximizes the number of traces and front-panel setups that can be stored into this memory.

The total number of traces that can be saved depends on the complexity of each trace. At least four highly complex traces, or up to 96 simple traces, can be saved in this 64 KB of memory. Storage time is less than ten seconds.

1. Adjust analyzer controls for desired stable display.
2. To display the Trace menu, press:

Trace

The choices related to the trace memories of the module are:

Trace	Selects the trace memory (All, 1 to 100). When Trace All 1 to 100 All is selected, the following additional softkeys are displayed:
All Off	Used to turn all 100 trace memories to off.
All On	Used to turn all 100 trace memories to on.
Clear All	Used to clear the contents of all 100 trace memories at one time.
Review Traces	Used to view the contents of all trace memories (with stored data) one at a time. View time is approximately three seconds. When selected, two additional softkeys are displayed. Pause Review pauses review cycle on current trace until the key is pressed again, and Cancel Review cancels the review cycle.
Trace X Off On	Turns the selected memory number to on or off. When on is selected, trace status is temporarily displayed on the screen.

To Save or Recall Traces

Save to Trace X

Saves the currently displayed waveform and front-panel setup to the selected trace memory location.

Clear Trace X

Erases a previously stored waveform and front-panel setup from the selected trace memory location.

Recall Setup

Recalls the previously stored front-panel setup that was saved with the waveform for the trace selected.

Edit Label

Used to enter a 20-character label that identifies the stored waveform. Refer to “To Create a Label for a Trace Memory” later in this chapter for more information.

3. Turn the knob closest to the **Cursors/Masks** key to move the cursor in the character area to select the desired trace location (from 1 to 100).

Trace status is displayed on the screen. Information includes the edit label (or trace number if label has not been entered), and the time and date the memory was saved or cleared.

4. Select the desired softkey (**Save**, **Clear**, or **Recall**).

Saving traces hints

For traces 1 to 3, the trace is saved in the non-compressed state. For traces greater than 3, the trace is saved in 64 KB of nonvolatile trace memory with data compression. After a compressed trace is saved, the available area (in percent) is displayed.

The number of traces that can be saved in 64 KB of nonvolatile trace memory is dependent on the trace complexity and the current analyzer configuration. For example:

Up to 96 simple traces (for example, a square wave) can be stored.

As few as four complex traces (for example, an AM modulated sine wave) can be stored.

Saving a trace with autostore information or the grid requires more memory. If the information is not needed, turn it off to save memory.

The data compression algorithm uses run length encoding to compress the data. Where possible, runs of identical bits are stored as a single word (1 identification bit and 15 length bits).

The Review Traces function is useful when observing test failures.

To store only the front-panel setup, blank the screen prior to saving the trace. The edit label function can be used to identify the setup.

To Create a Label for a Trace Memory

Each trace stored in the remote programming module can have a label up to 20 characters long to identify the stored waveform.

1. To create a label, press:



Five of the displayed softkeys are related to editing the message.

- | | |
|---------------------|--|
| Enter | Enters the highlighted character in the character area into the message area under the cursor position. |
| Space | Enters a space in the message area under the cursor position. |
| Delete | Deletes the character in the message area under the cursor position. |
| Insert | Toggles the insert function on or off. With insert on, pressing Enter or Space inserts the character or space into the message before the character at the cursor position. The rest of the message is shifted to the right by one character. With insert off, pressing Enter or Space replaces the character highlighted in the character area. |
| Clear To End | Clears the characters from the cursor position to the end of the message including the one under the cursor. |
| Done | Exits the editing of the message. |
2. Turn the Delay knob to move the cursor to the position in the label that you want to edit.
 3. Turn the knob closest to the cursor/masks key to move the cursor in the character area to select the character that you want to enter.
 4. Press the **Enter** softkey to enter the highlighted character into the user message, or press the **Space** softkey to enter a space into the user message.

To Create a Label for a Trace Memory

5. Repeat procedures 3 through 5 until finished editing the message. The maximum length of the label is 20 characters.
6. Press the **Done** softkey.

Your message is displayed when you execute the various trace functions.

To Set the Real-Time Clock

Time (24-hour format) and date tagging of hard copy and nonvolatile trace memories is provided using a built in, battery backed up real-time clock.

1. To set time and date, or view current contents, press:

Print/Utility
Set Clock
Set Time

The choices related to setting the real-time clock time are:

Hour	Selects the hours digits (in 24-hour format). Current selection can be changed using the knob closest to the cursors key, or by repeatedly pressing the softkey.
Minute	Selects the minutes digits. Current selection can be changed using the knob closest to the cursors key, or by repeatedly pressing the softkey.
Second	Selects the seconds digits. Current selection can be changed using the knob closest to the cursors key, or by repeatedly pressing the softkey.
Enter Time	Press to set the real-time clock time to the values displayed in the softkey area.
Previous Menu	Returns you to the previous softkey menu.

2. To set the date, press:

Set Date

The choices related to setting the real-time clock date are:

Day	Selects the day. Current selection can be changed using the knob closest to the cursors key, or by repeatedly pressing the softkey.
Month	Selects the month. Current selection can be changed using the knob closest to the cursors key, or by repeatedly pressing the softkey.

To Set the Real-Time Clock

- Date** Selects the day of the month. Current selection can be changed using the knob closest to the cursors key, or by repeatedly pressing the softkey.
- Year** Selects the year. Current selection can be changed using the knob closest to the cursors key, or by repeatedly pressing the softkey.
- Enter Date** Press to set the real-time clock date to the values displayed in the softkey area.
- Previous Menu** Returns you to the previous softkey menu.

3. To display current real-time clock time and date information, press:

Current Time/Date

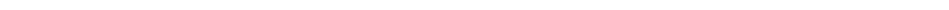
Real-time clock hints

The real-time clock only allows selection of valid dates. If a day is selected and the month or year is changed so the day is now invalid, the day is automatically adjusted (for example, Feb 29).

Operating the Remote

Programming Module

To Set the Real-Time Clock





Reference Information

Reference Information

What you'll find in this chapter

This chapter contains reference information for the remote programming module including its operating characteristics.

Operating Characteristics

Operating characteristics are specified with the remote programming module installed on the HP 83475A Lightwave Communication Analyzer. Refer to the *HP 83475A Lightwave Communications Analyzer User's Guide* for specifications on the HP 83475A.

Fast Fourier transforms

Test region	Each pixel is selectable to be tested or not.
Inputs	On either ch1, ch2, or F1
Frequency cursor resolution	From 1.22 mHz (millihertz) to 9.766 MHz
Points	Fixed at 1024
Peak Find	Peak Find automatically snaps cursor to the two largest peaks located anywhere in the displayed frequency span. Measurement information is automatically displayed at the bottom of the screen together with the difference in frequency between the two selected peaks.
Variable sensitivity and offset	Sensitivity and vertical offset (position) are controlled from the front panel to display an optimum view of the spectrum. Sensitivity is calibrated in dB per divisions; vertical offset is calibrated in dBV.
Time record length	10× main sweep speed.

Operating Characteristics

Magnifying the display As the frequency span is changed, the display is magnified about center frequency so that you get a closer view.

Selectable windows Four windows are selectable. Hanning, for best frequency resolution and general purpose use. Flattop, for best amplitude accuracy;. Rectangular, for single-shot signals such as transients and signals where there are an integral number of cycles in the time record. Exponential for best transient analysis.

Window characteristics

Window	Highest Side Lobe (dB)	3dB Bandwidth (bins)	6dB Bandwidth (bins)	Scallop Loss (dB)
Rectangular	-13	0.89	1.21	3.92
Hanning	-32	1.44	2.00	1.42
Flattop	-70	3.38	4.17	0.005

FFT frequency range dc to 500 MHz

Frequency span control This control allows you to specify the frequency span of the FFT display. When the span is adjusted, the display will expand or contract about the center frequency as set by the Center Frequency control. Refer to Figure 3-1 for the limits of the Frequency Span control.

Center frequency control This control allows you to specify the frequency at the center of the FFT display. When the Frequency Span is changed, the FFT display will expand or contract about the frequency at the center of the display. Refer to Figure 3-1 for the limits of this control.

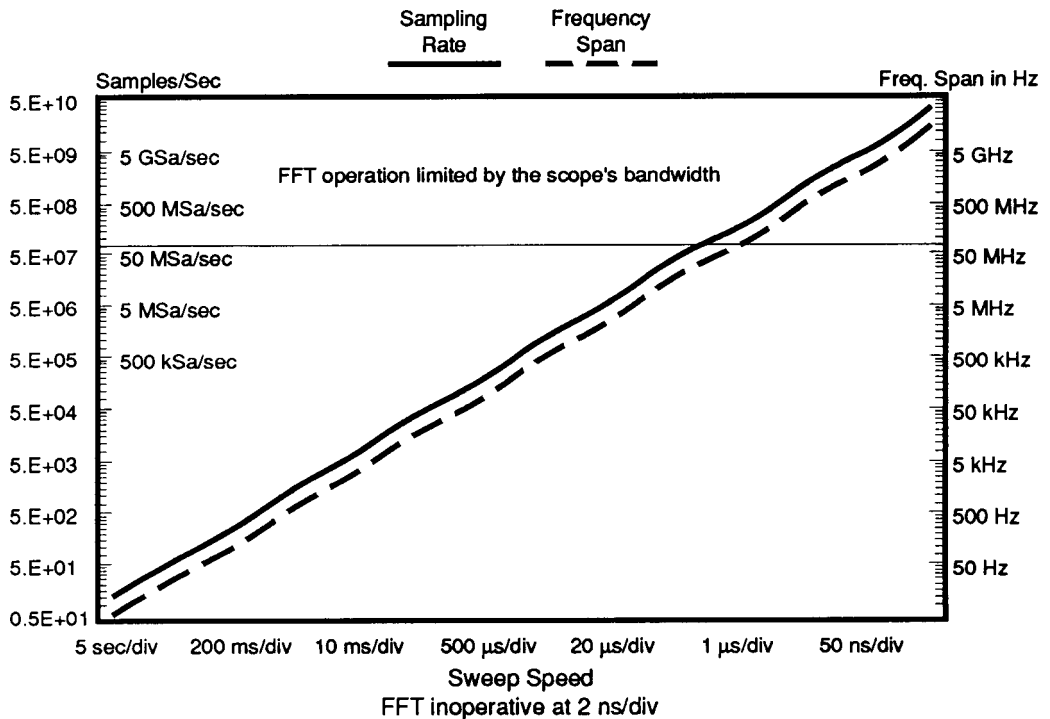
Move 0 Hz to left Pressing this softkey will move the FFT display so that the left-hand edge of the display will be 0 Hz.

FFT vector display When the time domain display is turned off, the FFT display will be displayed in vector drawing mode. The time domain display can be turned off by pressing the **Channel #** key a couple of times.

Display	FFT vertical units in dB.
Units/div	This control allows you to adjust the vertical scaling of the FFT display in a 1-2-5 sequence from 1 dB/div to 50 dB/div.
Reference level	This control allows adjustment of the reference level of the FFT display across a range of 400 dBV. The minimum setting is -196 dB at 1 dBV/division, decreasing to 0 dB at 50 dBV/div. The maximum setting is 400 dB at 50 dBV/division, decreasing to 204 dB at 1 dBV/div.
Programmability	All front-panel controls are fully programmable over HP-IB (HP 83475A Option 201) or RS-232 (HP 83475A Option 202).

Operating Characteristics

HP 54657A/54658A FFT Operation Frequency Span and Effective Sampling Rate vs Sweep Speed



Sweep Speed	Sampling Rate	Frequency Span	Sweep Speed	Sampling Rate	Frequency Span
5 sec/div	20 Hz	9.75 Hz	100 μ s/div	1 MHz	488.5 kHz
2 sec/div	50 Hz	24.4 Hz	50 μ s/div	2 MHz	975 kHz
1 sec/div	100 Hz	48.85 Hz	20 μ s/div	5 MHz	2.44 MHz
500 ms/div	200 Hz	97.5 Hz	10 μ s/div	10 MHz	4.885 MHz
200 ms/div	500 Hz	244 Hz	5 μ s/div	20 MHz	9.75 MHz
100 ms/div	1 kHz	488.5 Hz	2 μ s/div	50 MHz	24.4 MHz
50 ms/div	2 kHz	975 Hz	1 μ s/div	100 MHz	48.85 MHz
20 ms/div	5 kHz	2.44 kHz	500 ns/div	200 MHz	97.5 MHz
10 ms/div	10 kHz	4.885 kHz	200 ns/div	500 MHz	244 MHz
5 ms/div	20 kHz	9.75 kHz	100 ns/div	1 GHz	488.5 MHz
2 ms/div	50 kHz	24.4 kHz	50 ns/div	2 GHz	975 MHz
1 ms/div	100 kHz	48.85 kHz	20 ns/div	5 GHz	2.44 GHz
500 μ s/div	200 kHz	97.5 kHz	10 ns/div	10 GHz	4.885 GHz
200 μ s/div	500 kHz	244 kHz	5 ns/div	20 GHz	9.75 GHz

Figure 3-1. Frequency span and effective sampling rate vs. sweep speed.

Trace memory (all nonvolatile)

1 through 3	High-speed storage without compression.
4 through 100	Storage with compression, number of traces is a function of complexity. Storage time is less than 10 seconds.

Real-time clock

Can be set from front panel	24-hour format with battery back-up.
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Hardcopy output

Printer/plotter supported	HP ThinkJet, HP QuietJet, HP PaintJet, and HP LaserJet printer. HP-GL compatible plotters.
Option 202 only	Epson FX-80 or compatible printer.

RS-232 configurations

Connector type	With the adapter cable connected, at the end of the cable is a 25-pin DTE port; a printer cable is required to connect it to hardcopy devices or a computer.
Protocols	XON/XOFF, hardware
Data bits	Eight (8)
Stop bits	One (1)
Parity	None
Baud rates	1200, 2400, 9600, 19200

Programmability

All instrument settings and operating modes may be remotely programmed via RS-232 and HP-IB (IEEE-488).

Remote Programming

Remote Programming

What you'll find in this chapter

This chapter introduces the basics for remote programming of an analyzer. Sections covering the following topics are included:

- provides an introduction to programming
- gets you started programming the analyzer
- describes the HP-IB interface functions
- describes the interface functions and programming over RS-232-C

Introduction to Programming

The programming instructions in this manual conform to the IEEE 488.2 Standard Digital Interface for Programmable Instrumentation. The programming instructions provide the means of remote control.

To program the HP 83475A Lightwave Communication Analyzer, it is necessary to add either an HB-IB or RS-232-C interface to the rear panel of the analyzer.

You can perform the following basic operations with a controller and an analyzer:

- Set up the instrument.
- Make measurements.
- Get data (waveform, measurements, configuration) from analyzer.
- Send information (pixel image, configurations) to analyzer.

Other tasks are accomplished by combining these basic functions.

NOTE

The programming examples for individual commands in this manual are written in HP BASIC 5.0 for an HP 9000 Series 200/300 Controller.

Talking to the instrument

Computers acting as controllers communicate with the instrument by sending and receiving messages over a remote interface. Instructions for programming normally appear as ASCII character strings embedded inside the output

statements of a “host” language available on your controller. The input statements of the host language are used to read in responses from the analyzer.

For example, HP 9000 Series 200/300 BASIC uses the OUTPUT statement for sending commands and queries. After a query is sent, the response is usually read in using the ENTER statement.

Messages are placed on the bus using an output command and passing the device address, program message, and terminator. Passing the device address ensures that the program message is sent to the correct interface and instrument.

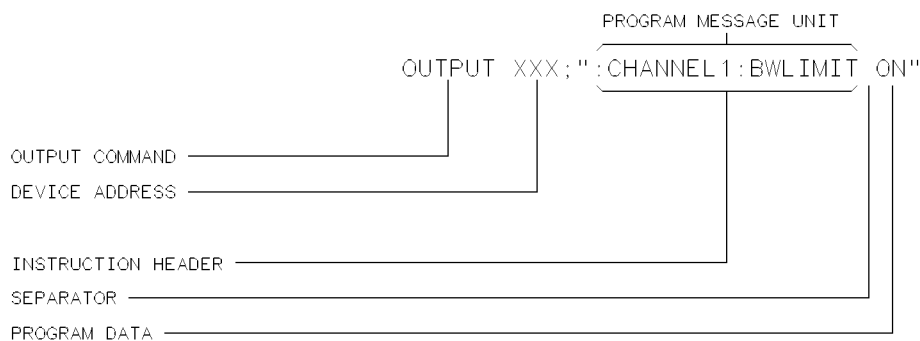
The following HP BASIC statement sends a command which sets the bandwidth limit of channel 1 on:

```
OUTPUT < device address > ;":CHANNEL1:BWLIMIT ON"<terminator>
```

The < device address > represents the address of the device being programmed. Each of the other parts of the above statement are explained in the following pages.

Program message syntax

To program the instrument remotely, you must have an understanding of the command format and structure expected by the instrument. The IEEE 488.2 syntax rules govern how individual elements such as headers, separators, program data, and terminators may be grouped together to form complete instructions. Syntax definitions are also given to show how query responses are formatted. Figure 4-1 shows the main syntactical parts of a typical program statement.



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Figure 4-1. Program message syntax.

Output command

The output command is entirely dependent on the programming language. Throughout this manual, HP 9000 Series 200/300 BASIC 5.0 is used in the examples of individual commands. If you are using other languages, you will need to find the equivalents of HP BASIC commands like OUTPUT, ENTER, and CLEAR in order to convert the examples. The instructions listed in this manual are always shown between quotes in the example programs. This manual also has examples using Microsoft QuickBASIC and Microsoft Quick C.

Device address

The location where the device address must be specified is also dependent on the programming language you are using. In some languages, this may be specified outside the output command. In HP BASIC, this is always specified after the keyword OUTPUT. The examples in this manual assume the analyzer is at device address 707. When writing programs, the address varies according to how the bus is configured.

Instructions	<p>Instructions (both commands and queries) normally appear as a string embedded in a statement of your host language, such as BASIC, Pascal, or C. The only time a parameter is not meant to be expressed as a string is when the instruction's syntax definition specifies <block data>, such as learnstring. There are only a few instructions which use block data.</p> <p>Instructions are composed of two main parts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The header, which specifies the command or query to be sent.• The program data, which provide additional information needed to clarify the meaning of the instruction.
Instruction header	<p>The instruction header is one or more mnemonics separated by colons (:) that represent the operation to be performed by the instrument. The command trees in Figure 5-1 and Figure 5-2 illustrate how all the mnemonics can be joined together to form a complete header (see Chapter 5, "Programming and Documentation Conventions").</p> <p>The example in Figure 4-1 is a command. Queries are indicated by adding a question mark (?) to the end of the header. Many instructions can be used as either commands or queries, depending on whether or not you have included the question mark. The command and query forms of an instruction usually have different program data. Many queries do not use any program data.</p>
White space (separator)	<p>White space is used to separate the instruction header from the program data. If the instruction does not require any program data parameters, you do not need to include any white space. In this manual, white space is defined as one or more spaces. ASCII defines a space to be character 32 (in decimal).</p>
Program data	<p>Program data is used to clarify the meaning of the command or query. It provides necessary information, such as whether a function should be on or off, or which waveform is to be displayed. Each instruction's syntax definition shows the program data, as well as the acceptable values. The section "Program Data Syntax Rules" in this chapter lists the general rules about acceptable values.</p> <p>When there is more than one data parameter, the parameters are separated by commas (.). Spaces can be added around the commas to improve readability.</p>

Header Types

There are three types of headers:

- simple command headers
- compound command headers
- common command headers

Simple command header

Simple command headers contain a single mnemonic. AUTOSCALE and DIGITIZE are examples of simple command headers typically used in this instrument. The syntax is:

```
<program mnemonic><terminator>
```

When program data must be included with the simple command header (for example, :DIGITIZE CHAN1), white space is added to separate the data from the header. The syntax is:

```
<program mnemonic><separator><program data><terminator>
```

Compound command header

Compound command headers are a combination of two program mnemonics. The first mnemonic selects the subsystem, and the second mnemonic selects the function within that subsystem. The mnemonics within the compound message are separated by colons. For example:

To execute a single function within a subsystem:

```
<subsystem>:<function><separator><program data><terminator>
```

(For example :CHANNEL1:BWLIMIT ON)

Common command header

Common command headers control IEEE 488.2 functions within the instrument (such as clear status). Their syntax is:

```
*<command header><terminator>
```

No space or separator is allowed between the asterisk (*) and the command header. *CLS is an example of a common command header.

Combining commands

To execute more than one function within the same subsystem, a semi-colon (;) is used to separate the functions:

```
:<subsystem>:<function><separator><data>;<function><separator>  
<data><terminator>
```

(For example :CHANNEL1:COUPLING DC;BWLIMIT ON)

Duplicate mnemonics

Identical function mnemonics can be used for more than one subsystem. For example, the function mnemonic RANGE may be used to change the vertical range or to change the horizontal range:

- To set the vertical range of channel 1 to 0.4 volts full scale, use:

```
:CHANNEL1:RANGE .4 V
```

- To set the horizontal time base to 1 second full scale, use:

```
:TIMEBASE:RANGE 1
```

CHANNEL1 and TIMEBASE are subsystem selectors and determine which range is being modified.

Query command

Command headers immediately followed by a question mark (?) are queries. After receiving a query, the instrument interrogates the requested function and places the answer in its output queue. The answer remains in the output queue until it is read or another command is issued. When read, the answer is transmitted across the bus to the designated listener (typically a controller).

For example, the query `:TIMEBASE:RANGE?` places the current time base setting in the output queue. In HP BASIC, the controller input statement:

```
ENTER < device address > ;Range
```

passes the value across the bus to the controller and places it in the variable `Range`.

Query commands are used to find out how the instrument is currently configured. They are also used to get results of measurements made by the instrument. For example, the command `:MEASURE:RISETIME?` instructs the instrument to measure the rise time of your waveform and place the result in the output queue.

The output queue must be read before the next program message is sent. For example, when you send the query `:MEASURE:RISETIME?` you must follow that query with an input statement. In HP BASIC, this is usually done with an `ENTER` statement immediately followed by a variable name. This statement reads the result of the query and places the result in a specified variable.

NOTE

Sending another command or query, before reading the result of a query, causes the output buffer to be cleared and the current response to be lost. This also generates a query interrupted error in the error queue.

Program header options

Program headers can be sent using any combination of uppercase or lowercase ASCII characters. Instrument responses, however, are always returned in uppercase.

Program command and query headers may be sent in either long form (complete spelling), short form (abbreviated spelling), or any combination of long form and short form.

`TIMEBASE:DELAY 1US` - long form

`TIM:DEL 1US` - short form

Programs written in long form are easily read and are almost self-documenting. The short form syntax conserves the amount of controller memory needed for program storage and reduces the amount of I/O activity.

NOTE

The rules for the short form syntax are shown in chapter 5, "Programming and Documentation Conventions."

Program data syntax rules

Program data is used to convey a variety of types of parameter information related to the command header. At least one space must separate the command header or query header from the program data.

`<program mnemonic><separator><data><terminator>`

When a program mnemonic or query has multiple program data, a comma separates sequential program data.

`<program mnemonic><separator><data>,<data><terminator>`

For example, `:MEASURE:TVOLT 1.0V,2` has two program data: 1.0V and 2.

There are two main types of program data which are used in commands:

- character program data
- numeric program data

Character program data	<p>Character program data is used to convey parameter information as alpha or alphanumeric strings. For example, the <code>:TIMEBASE:MODE</code> command can be set to normal, delayed, or xy. The character program data, in this case, may be NORMAL, DELAYED, or XY. <code>:TIMEBASE:MODE DELAYED</code> sets the time base mode to delayed.</p> <p>The available mnemonics for character program data are always included with the instruction's syntax definition. When sending commands, either the long form or short form (if one exists) may be used. Uppercase and lowercase letters may be mixed freely. When receiving responses, uppercase letters are used exclusively.</p>
Numeric program data	<p>Some command headers require program data to be expressed numerically. For example, <code>:TIMEBASE:RANGE</code> requires the desired full scale range to be expressed numerically.</p> <p>For numeric program data, you have the option of using exponential notation or using suffix multipliers to indicate the numeric value. The following numbers are all equal:</p> $28 = 0.28E2 = 280e-1 = 28000m = 0.028K = 28e-3K$ <p>When a syntax definition specifies that a number is an integer, that means that the number should be whole. Any fractional part would be ignored, truncating the number. Numeric data parameters which accept fractional values are called real numbers.</p> <p>All numbers are expected to be strings of ASCII characters. Thus, when sending the number 9, you would send a byte representing the ASCII code for the character "9" (which is 57). A three-digit number like 102 would take up three bytes (ASCII codes 49, 48, and 50). This is taken care of automatically when you include the entire instruction in a string.</p>
Embedded strings	<p>Embedded strings contain groups of alphanumeric characters which are treated as a unit of data by the analyzer. For example, the line of text written to the advisory line of the instrument with the <code>:SYSTEM:DSP</code> command:</p> <pre>:SYSTEM:DSP"This is a message."</pre> <p>Embedded strings may be delimited with either single (') or double (") quotes. These strings are case-sensitive and spaces act as legal characters just like any other character.</p>

Program message terminator

The program instructions within a data message are executed after the program message terminator is received. The terminator may be either an NL (New Line) character, an EOI (End-Of-Identify) asserted in the HP-IB interface, or a combination of the two. Asserting the EOI sets the EOI control line low on the last byte of the data message. The NL character is an ASCII linefeed (decimal 10).

NOTE

The NL (New Line) terminator has the same function as an EOS (End Of String) and EOT (End Of Text) terminator.

Selecting multiple subsystems

You can send multiple program commands and program queries for different subsystems on the same line by separating each command with a semicolon. The colon following the semicolon enables you to enter a new subsystem. For example:

```
<program mnemonic><data>; <program  
mnemonic><data><terminator>  
  
<CHANNEL1:RANGE 0.4 V; :TIMEBASE:RANGE 1
```

NOTE

Multiple commands may be any combination of compound and simple commands.

Programming: Getting Started

What you'll find in this section

This section provides information on:

- how to setup the instrument
- how to retrieve setup information
- how to retrieve measurement results
- how to digitize a waveform
- how to pass data to the controller

NOTE

The programming examples in this manual are written in HP BASIC 5.0 for an HP 9000 Series 200/300 Controller.

Initialization

To make sure the bus and all appropriate interfaces are in a known state, begin every program with an initialization statement. HP BASIC provides a CLEAR command which clears the interface buffer:

```
CLEAR 707 ! initializes the interface of the instrument
```

When you are using HP-IB, CLEAR also resets the analyzer's parser. The parser is the program which reads in the instructions which you send it.

After clearing the interface, initialize the instrument to a preset state:

```
OUTPUT 707;"*RST" ! initializes the instrument to a preset state.
```

NOTE

The actual commands and syntax for initializing the instrument are discussed in chapter 7, "Command Dictionary."

Refer to your controller manual and programming language reference manual for information on initializing the interface.

Autoscale

The AUTOSCALE feature of the analyzer performs a very useful function on unknown waveforms by setting up the vertical channel, time base, and trigger level of the instrument.

The syntax for the autoscale function is:

```
:AUTOSCALE<terminator>
```

Setting up the instrument

A typical analyzer setup would set the vertical range and offset voltage, the horizontal range, delay time, delay reference, trigger mode, trigger level, and slope. A typical example of the commands sent to the analyzer are:

```
:CHANNEL1:PROBE X10; RANGE 16 V;OFFSET 1.00 V<terminator>
```

```
:TIMEBASE:MODE NORMAL;RANGE 1E-3;DELAY 100E-6<terminator>
```

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This example sets the timebase at 1 ms full-scale ($100 \mu\text{s}/\text{div}$) with delay of $100 \mu\text{s}$. Vertical is set to 16 V full-scale ($2 \text{ V}/\text{div}$) with center of screen at 1 V and probe attenuation of 10.

Example program

This program demonstrates the basic command structure used to program the analyzer.

```

10 CLEAR 707                                ! Initialize instrument interface
20 OUTPUT 707; "*RST"                        ! Initialize instrument to preset state
30 OUTPUT 707; ":TIMEBASE:RANGE 5E-4"      ! Time base to 50 us/div
40 OUTPUT 707; ":TIMEBASE:DELAY 0"         ! Delay to zero
50 OUTPUT 707; ":TIMEBASE:REFERENCE CENTER" ! Display reference at center
60 OUTPUT 707; ":CHANNEL1:PROBE X10"       ! Probe attenuation to 10:1
70 OUTPUT 707; ":CHANNEL1:RANGE 1.6 V"     ! Vertical range to 1.6 V full scale
80 OUTPUT 707; ":CHANNEL1:OFFSET -.4 V"    ! Offset to -0.4
90 OUTPUT 707; ":CHANNEL1:COUPLING DC"     ! Coupling to DC
100 OUTPUT 707; ":TRIGGER:MODE NORMAL"     ! Normal triggering
110 OUTPUT 707; ":TRIGGER:LEVEL -.4 V"     ! Trigger level to -0.4
120 OUTPUT 707; ":TRIGGER:SLOPE POSITIVE"  ! Trigger on positive slope
130 OUTPUT 707; ":ACQUIRE:TYPE NORMAL"    ! Normal acquisition
140 OUTPUT 707; ":DISPLAY:GRID OFF"        ! Grid off
150 END

```

Program overview

Line 10	initializes the instrument interface to a known state.
Line 20	initializes the instrument to a preset state.
Lines 30 through 50	set the time base mode to normal with the horizontal time at 50 μ s/div with 0 s of delay referenced at the center of the graticule.
Lines 60 through 90	set the vertical range to 1.6 volts full scale with center screen at -0.4 volts with 10:1 probe attenuation and DC coupling.
Lines 100 through 120	configures the instrument to trigger at -0.4 volts with normal triggering.
Line 130	configures the instrument for normal acquisition.
Line 140	turns the grid off.

Using the Digitize
command

The Digitize command is a macro that captures data satisfying the specifications set up by the ACQUIRE subsystem. When the digitize process is complete, the acquisition is stopped. The captured data can then be measured by the instrument or transferred to the controller for further analysis. The captured data consists of two parts: the waveform data record and the preamble.

NOTE

After changing the analyzer configuration, the waveform buffers are cleared. Before doing a measurement, the Digitize command should be sent to ensure new data has been collected.

When the DIGITIZE command is sent to an instrument, the specified channel signal is digitized with the current ACQUIRE parameters. To obtain waveform data, you must specify the WAVEFORM parameters for the waveform data prior to sending the :WAVEFORM:DATA? query.

The number of data points comprising a waveform varies according to the number requested in the ACQUIRE subsystem. The ACQUIRE subsystem determines the number of data points, type of acquisition, and number of averages used by the DIGITIZE command. This allows you to specify exactly what the digitized information contains. The following program example shows a typical setup:

```
OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:TYPE AVERAGE"<terminator>  
OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:COMPLETE 100"<terminator>  
OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:SOURCE CHANNEL1"<terminator>  
OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:FORMAT BYTE"<terminator>  
OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:COUNT 8"<terminator>  
OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:POINTS 500"<terminator>  
OUTPUT 707;":DIGITIZE CHANNEL1"<terminator>  
OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:DATA?"<terminator>
```


This setup places the instrument into the averaged mode with eight averages. This means that when the DIGITIZE command is received, the command will execute until the signal has been averaged at least eight times.

After receiving the :WAVEFORM:DATA? query, the instrument will start passing the waveform information when addressed to talk.

Digitized waveforms are passed from the instrument to the controller by sending a numerical representation of each digitized point. The format of the numerical representation is controlled with the :WAVEFORM:FORMAT command and may be selected as BYTE, WORD, or ASCII.

The easiest method of entering a digitized waveform depends on data structures, formatting available and I/O capabilities. You must scale the integers to determine the amplitude value of each point. These integers are passed starting with the left-most point on the instrument's display. For more information, refer to chapter 6, "Waveform Commands."

NOTE

When using HP-IB, a digitize operation may be aborted by sending a Device Clear over the bus (CLEAR 707).

Receiving information
from the analyzer

After receiving a query (command header followed by a question mark), the analyzer interrogates the requested function and places the answer in its output queue. The answer remains in the output queue until it is read or another command is issued. When read, the answer is transmitted across the interface to the designated listener (typically a controller). The input statement for receiving a response message from an instrument's output queue typically has two parameters; the device address, and a format specification for handling the response message. For example, to read the result of the query command :CHANNEL1:COUPLING? you would execute the HP BASIC statement:

```
ENTER <device address> ;Setting$
```

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where <device address> represents the address of your device. This would enter the current setting for the channel one coupling in the string variable Setting\$.

All results for queries sent in a program message must be read before another program message is sent. For example, when you send the query :MEASURE:RISETIME?, you must follow that query with an input statement. In HP BASIC, this is usually done with an ENTER statement.

Sending another command, before reading the result of the query, causes the output buffer to be cleared and the current response to be lost. This also causes an error to be placed in the error queue.

Executing an input statement, before sending a query, causes the controller to wait indefinitely.

The format specification for handling response messages is dependent on both the controller and the programming language.

String variables

The output of the instrument may be numeric or character data, depending on what is queried. Refer to the specific commands for the formats and types of data returned from queries.

NOTE

In HP BASIC 5.0, string variables are case sensitive and must be expressed exactly the same each time they are used.

NOTE

For the example programs, assume that the device being programmed is at device address 707. The actual address varies according to how you have configured the bus for your own application.

The following example shows the data being returned to a string variable:

```
10 DIM Rang$ [30]
20 OUTPUT 707; ":CHANNEL1:RANGE?"
30 ENTER 707;Rang$
40 PRINT Rang
50 END
```

After running this program, the controller displays:

```
+8.00000E-01
```

Numeric variables

The following example shows the data being returned to a numeric variable:

```
10 OUTPUT 707; ":CHANNEL1:RANGE?"
20 ENTER 707;Rang
30 PRINT Rang
40 END
```

After running this program, the controller displays:

```
.8
```

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Definite-length block
response data

Definite-length block response data allows any type of device-dependent data to be transmitted over the system interface as a series of 8-bit binary data bytes. This is particularly useful for sending large quantities of data or 8-bit extended ASCII codes. The syntax is a pound sign (#) followed by a non-zero digit representing the number of digits in the decimal integer. After the non-zero digit is the decimal integer that states the number of 8-bit data bytes being sent. This is followed by the actual data.

For example, for transmitting 4000 bytes of data, the syntax would be:

NUMBER OF DIGITS
THAT FOLLOW

ACTUAL DATA

#800004000<4000 bytes of data><terminator>

NUMBER OF BYTES
TO BE TRANSMITTED

16500B03

The “8” states the number of digits that follow, and “00004000” states the number of bytes to be transmitted.

Multiple queries

You can send multiple queries to the instrument within a single program message, but you must also read them back within a single program message. This can be accomplished by either reading them back into a string variable or into multiple numeric variables. For example, you could read the result of the query :TIMEBASE:RANGE?;DELAY? into the string variable Results\$ with the command:

```
ENTER 707;Results$
```

When you read the result of multiple queries into string variables, each response is separated by a semicolon. For example, the response of the query :TIMEBASE:RANGE?;DELAY? would be:

```
<range_value>; <delay_value>
```

Use the following program message to read the query :TIMEBASE:RANGE?;DELAY? into multiple numeric variables:

```
ENTER 707;Result1,Result2
```

Instrument status

Status registers track the current status of the instrument. By checking the instrument status, you can find out whether an operation has been completed, whether the instrument is receiving triggers, and more.

Programming over HP-IB

What you'll find in this section

This section describes the HP-IB interface functions and some general concepts. In general, these functions are defined by IEEE 488.1. They deal with general interface management issues, as well as messages which can be sent over the interface as interface commands.

Interface capabilities

The interface capabilities of the analyzer, as defined by IEEE 488.1, are SH1, AH1, T5, L4, SR1, RL1, PP1, DC1, DT1, C0, and E2.

Command and data concepts

The interface has two modes of operation:

- command mode
- data mode

The bus is in the command mode when the ATN line is true. The command mode is used to send talk and listen addresses and various bus commands, such as a group execute trigger (GET).

The bus is in the data mode when the ATN line is false. The data mode is used to convey device-dependent messages across the bus.

Addressing

By using the front-panel controls, the instrument must be placed in the “connect to computer” mode. Figure 4-2 is the Utility/Print menu after the HP-IB interface has been installed on the rear panel of the analyzer. Use this menu to set the HP-IB address for the analyzer and “connect to computer”.

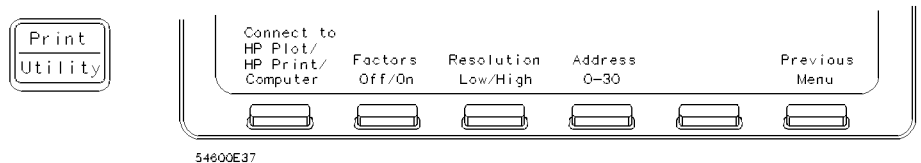


Figure 4-2. Analyzer utility/print menu with HP-IB.

- Each device on the HP-IB resides at a particular address, 0-30.
- The active controller specifies which devices talk and which listen.
- An instrument may be talk addressed, listen addressed, or unaddressed by the controller.

If the controller addresses the instrument to talk, the instrument remains configured to talk until it receives an interface clear message (IFC), another instrument’s talk address (OTA), its own listen address (MLA), or a universal untalk command (UNT).

If the controller addresses the instrument to listen, the instrument remains configured to listen until it receives an interface clear message (IFC), its own talk address (MTA), or a universal unlisten command (UNL).

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Communicating over
the bus

Since HP-IB can address multiple devices through the same interface card, the device address passed with the program message must include not only the correct interface select code, but also the correct instrument address.

Interface select code
(selects interface)

Each interface card has a unique interface select code. This code is used by the controller to direct commands and communications to the proper interface. The default is typically "7" for HP-IB controllers.

Instrument address
(selects instrument)

Each instrument on an HP-IB must have a unique instrument address between decimal 0 and 30. The device address passed with the program message must include not only the correct instrument address, but also the correct interface select code.

$$\text{DEVICE ADDRESS} = (\text{Interface Select Code} * 100) + (\text{Instrument Address})$$

For example, if the instrument address for the analyzer is 4 and the interface select code is 7, when the program message is passed, the routine performs its function on the instrument at device address 704.

For the analyzer, the instrument address is typically set to "7" at the factory. This address can be changed in the HP-IB menu.

NOTE

The examples in this manual assume the analyzer is at device address 707.

Lockout A SYSTem: LOCK command may be used to disable front-panel control while a program is running. By default, the instrument accepts and executes bus commands, and the front panel is entirely active.

NOTE

Cycling the power also restores front panel control.

With HP-IB, the instrument is placed in the lockout mode by sending the local lockout command (LLO). The instrument can be returned to local by sending the go-to-local command (GTL) to the instrument.

Bus commands The following commands are IEEE 488.1 bus commands (ATN true). IEEE 488.2 defines many of the actions which are taken when these commands are received by the instrument.

Device clear The device clear (DCL) or selected device clear (SDC) commands clear the input and output buffers, reset the parser, and clear any pending commands. If either of these commands is sent during a digitize operation, the digitize operation is aborted.

Interface clear The interface clear (IFC) command halts all bus activity. This includes unaddressing all listeners and the talker, disabling serial poll on all devices, and returning control to the system controller.

Programming over RS-232-C

What you'll find in this section

This section describes the interface functions and some general concepts of the RS-232-C interface. The RS-232-C interface on this instrument is Hewlett-Packard's implementation of EIA Recommended Standard RS-232-C, "Interface Between Data Terminal Equipment and Data Communications Equipment Employing Serial Binary Data Interchange." With this interface, data is sent one bit at a time and characters are not synchronized with preceding or subsequent data characters. Each character is sent as a complete entity without relationship to other events.

NOTE

IEEE 488.2 is designed to work with IEEE 488.1 as the physical interface. When RS-232-C is used as the physical interface, as much of IEEE 488.2 is retained as the hardware differences will allow. No IEEE 488.1 messages such as DCL, GET, and END are available.

Interface operation

The analyzer can be programmed with a controller over RS-232-C using either a minimum three-wire or extended hardware interface. The operation and exact connections for these interfaces are described in more detail in the following sections. When you are programming an analyzer over RS-232-C with a controller, you are normally operating directly between two DTE (Data Terminal Equipment) devices as compared to operating between a DTE device and a DCE (Data Communications Equipment) device.

When operating directly between two RS-232-C devices, certain considerations must be taken into account. For three-wire operation, XON/XOFF must be used to handle protocol between the devices. For extended hardware operation, protocol may be handled either with XON/XOFF or by manipulating the CTS and RTS lines of the analyzer. For both three-wire and extended hardware operation, the DCD and DSR inputs to the analyzer must remain high for proper operation.

With extended hardware operation, a high on the CTS input allows the analyzer to send data and a low on this line disables the analyzer data transmission. Likewise, a high on the RTS line allows the controller to send data and a low on this line signals a request for the controller to disable data transmission. Since three-wire operation has no control over the CTS input, internal pull-up resistors in the analyzer makes sure that this line remains high for proper three-wire operation.

Cables

Selecting a cable for the RS-232-C interface is dependent on your specific application. The following paragraphs describe which lines of the analyzer are used to control the operation of the RS-232-C bus relative to the analyzer. To locate the proper cable for your application, refer to the reference manual for your controller. This manual should address the exact method your controller uses to operate over the RS-232-C bus.

Minimum 3-wire
interface with
software protocol

With a 3-wire interface, the SOFTWARE (as compared to interface hardware) controls the data flow between the analyzer and the controller. This provides a much simpler connection between devices since you can ignore hardware handshake requirements. The analyzer uses the following connections on its RS-232-C interface for 3-wire communication:

- Pin-7 SGND (Signal Ground)
- Pin-2 TD (Transmit Data from analyzer)
- Pin-3 RD (Receive Data into analyzer)

The TD (Transmit Data) line from the analyzer must connect to the RD (Receive Data) line on the controller. Likewise, the RD line from the analyzer must connect to the TD line on the controller. Internal pull-up resistors in the analyzer insure the DCD, DSR, and CTS lines remain high when you are using a three-wire interface.

NOTE

The three-wire interface provides no hardware means to control data flow between the controller and the analyzer. XON/OFF protocol is the only means to control this data flow

Extended interface with
hardware handshake

With the extended interface, both the software and the hardware can control the data flow between the analyzer and the controller. This allows you to have more control of data flow between devices. The analyzer uses the following connections on its RS-232-C interface for extended interface communication:

- Pin-7 SGND (Signal Ground)
- Pin-2 TD (Transmit Data from analyzer)
- Pin-3 RD (Receive Data into analyzer)

The additional lines you use depends on your controller's implementation of the extended hardware interface.

- Pin-4 RTS (Request To Send) is an output from the analyzer which can be used to control incoming data flow.
- Pin-5 CTS (Clear To Send) is an input to the analyzer which controls data flow from the analyzer.
- Pin-6 DSR (Data Set Ready) is an input to the analyzer which controls data flow from the analyzer within two bytes.
- Pin-8 DCD (Data Carrier Detect) is an input to the analyzer which controls data flow from the analyzer within two bytes.
- Pin-20 DTR (Data Terminal Ready) is an output from the analyzer which is enabled as long as the analyzer is turned on.

The TD (Transmit Data) line from the analyzer must connect to the RD (Receive Data) line on the controller. Likewise, the RD line from the analyzer must connect to the TD line on the controller.

The RTS (Request To Send), is an output from the analyzer which can be used to control incoming data flow. A high on the RTS line allows the controller to send data and a low on this line signals a request for the controller to disable data transmission.

The CTS (Clear To Send), DSR (Data Set Ready), and DCD (Data Carrier Detect) lines are inputs to the analyzer which control data flow from the analyzer (Pin 2). Internal pull-up resistors in the analyzer assure the DCD and DSR lines remain high when they are not connected.

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If DCD or DSR are connected to the controller, the controller must keep these lines and the CTS line high to enable the analyzer to send data to the controller. A low on any one of these lines will disable the analyzer data transmission. Dropping the CTS line low during data transmission will stop analyzer data transmission immediately. Dropping either the DSR or DCD line low during data transmission will stop analyzer data transmission, but as many as two additional bytes may be transmitted from the analyzer.

Configuring the interface

By using the front-panel menus, the RS-232-C interface can be placed in either the printer mode or the controller mode. The printer mode should be used when you want the instrument to talk directly to a printer over RS-232-C, without the aid of a controller. The controller mode is used when the instrument will operate in conjunction with a controller over RS-232-C. Figure 4-3 is the analyzer Print/Utility menu after the RS-232-C has been installed on the rear panel. Use this menu to “connect to computer”, and assign the baud rate and protocol.

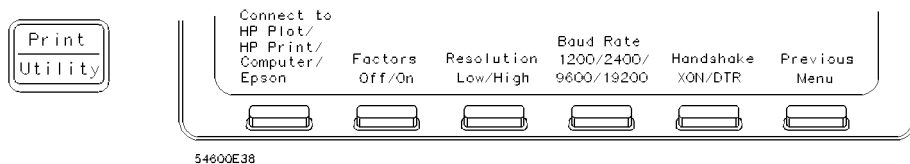


Figure 4-3. Analyzer print/utility menu with RS-232.

Interface capabilities

The baud rate, stop bits, parity, protocol, and data bits must be configured exactly the same for both the controller and the analyzer to properly communicate over the RS-232-C bus. The analyzer RS-232-C interface capabilities are listed below:

- Baud Rate: 1200, 2400, 9600, or 19.2 k
- Stop Bits: 1
- Parity: None
- Protocol: DTR or XON/XOFF
- Data Bits: 8

Protocol

DTR. With a three-wire interface, selecting Data Terminal Ready for the protocol does not allow the sending or receiving device to control data flow. No control over the data flow increases the possibility of missing data or transferring incomplete data.

With an extended hardware interface, selecting DTR allows a hardware handshake to occur. With hardware handshake, hardware signals control data flow.

XON/XOFF. XON/XOFF stands for Transmit On/Transmit Off. With this mode the receiver (controller or analyzer) controls data flow and can request that the sender (analyzer or controller) stop data flow.

By sending XOFF (ASCII 17) over its transmit data line, the receiver requests that the sender disables data transmission. A subsequent XON (ASCII 19) allows the sending device to resume data transmission.

A controller sending data to the analyzer should send no more than 32 bytes of data after an XOFF.

The analyzer will not send any data after an XOFF is received until an XON is received.

Data bits

Data bits are the number of bits sent and received per character that represent the binary code of that character.

Information is stored in bytes (8 bits at a time) in the analyzer. Data can be sent and received just as it is stored, without the need to convert the data.

Remote Programming

Communicating over the RS-232-C bus

Each RS-232-C interface card has its own interface select code. This code is used by the controller to direct commands and communications to the proper interface. Unlike HP-IB, which allows multiple devices to be connected through a single interface card, RS-232-C is only connected between two devices at a time through the same interface card. Because of this, only the interface code is required for the device address.

Generally, the interface select code can be any decimal value between 0 and 31, except for those interface codes which are reserved by the controller for internal peripherals and other internal interfaces. This value can be selected through switches on the interface card. For more information, refer to the reference manual for your interface card or controller.

For example, if your RS-232-C interface select code is 20, the device address required to communicate over the RS-232-C bus is 20.

Lockout command

To lockout the front panel controls, use the system command LOCK. When this function is on, all controls (except the power switch) are entirely locked out. Local control can only be restored by sending the command :SYSTEM:LOCK OFF.

NOTE

Cycling the power will also restore local control, but this will also reset certain RS-232-C states.

Programming and
Documentation
Conventions

Programming and Documentation Conventions

What you'll find in this section

This chapter covers conventions which are used in programming the instrument, as well as conventions used in the remainder of this manual. This chapter contains a detailed description of the command tree and command tree traversal.

Truncation rules

The truncation rule for the mnemonics used in headers and alpha arguments is:

The mnemonic is the first four characters of the keyword unless the fourth character is a vowel, in which case the mnemonic is the first three characters of the keyword.

This rule is *not* used if the length of the keyword is exactly four characters.

Some examples of how the truncation rule is applied to various commands are shown in Table 5-1.

Table 5-1. Mnemonic Truncation

Long Form	Short Form
RANGE	RANG
PATTERN	PATT
TIMEBASE	TIM
DELAY	DEL
TYPE	TYPE

Front-panel to command cross-reference

Table 5-2 lists the front-panel functions in alphabetical order with the corresponding programming commands.

The command tree

The command trees in Figure 5-1 and Figure 5-2 show all of the commands and the relationship of the commands to each other. The IEEE 488.2 common commands are not listed as part of the command tree since they do not affect the position of the parser within the tree. When a program message terminator (<NL>, linefeed - ASCII decimal 10) or a leading colon (:) is sent to the instrument, the parser is set to the “root” of the command tree.

Command types

This instrument has three types of commands:

- Common commands
- Root level commands
- Subsystem commands

Common commands	<p>The common commands are the commands defined by IEEE 488.2. These commands control some functions that are common to all IEEE 488.2 instruments.</p> <p>Common commands are independent of the tree, and do not affect the position of the parser within the tree. These commands differ from root level commands in that root level commands place the parser back at the root of the command tree.</p> <p>Example:</p> <p>*RST</p>
Root level commands	<p>The root level commands control many of the basic functions of the instrument. These commands reside at the root of the command tree. Root level commands are always parsable if they occur at the beginning of a program message, or are preceded by a colon.</p> <p>Example:</p> <p>:AUTOSCALE</p>
Subsystem commands	<p>Subsystem commands are grouped together under a common node of the command tree, such as the TIMEBASE commands. Only one subsystem may be selected at any given time. When the instrument is initially turned on, the command parser is set to the root of the command tree, therefore, no subsystem is selected.</p>

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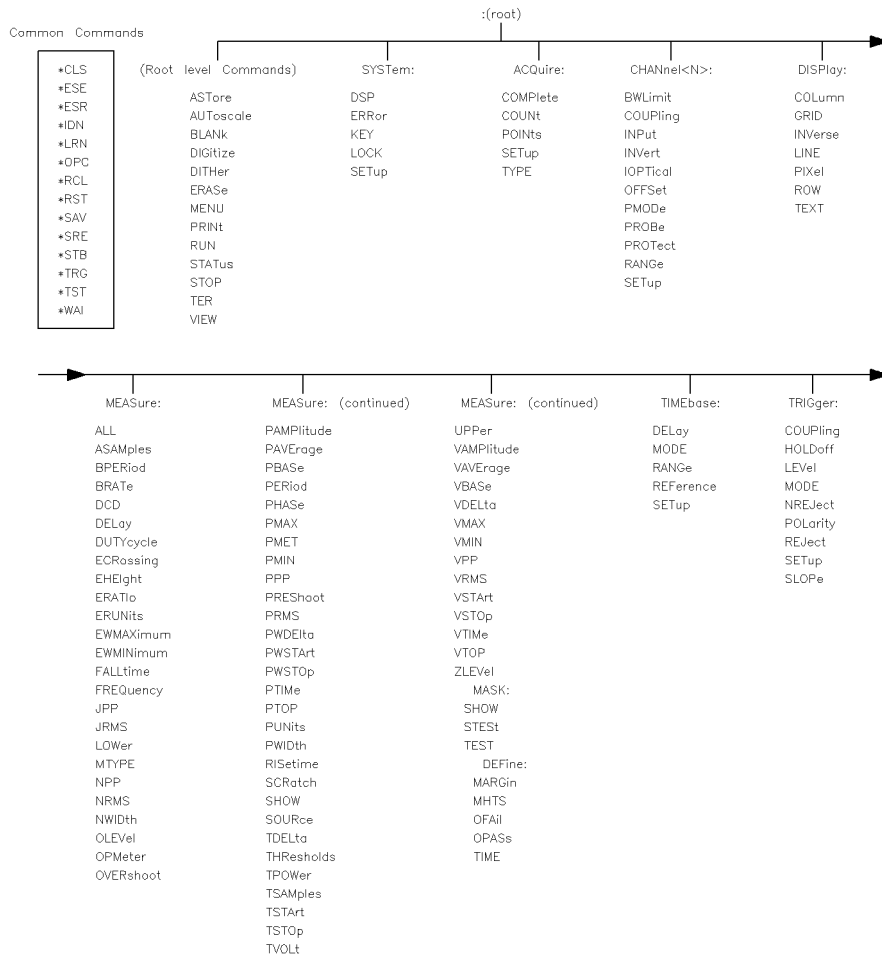


Figure 5-1. Programming command tree.

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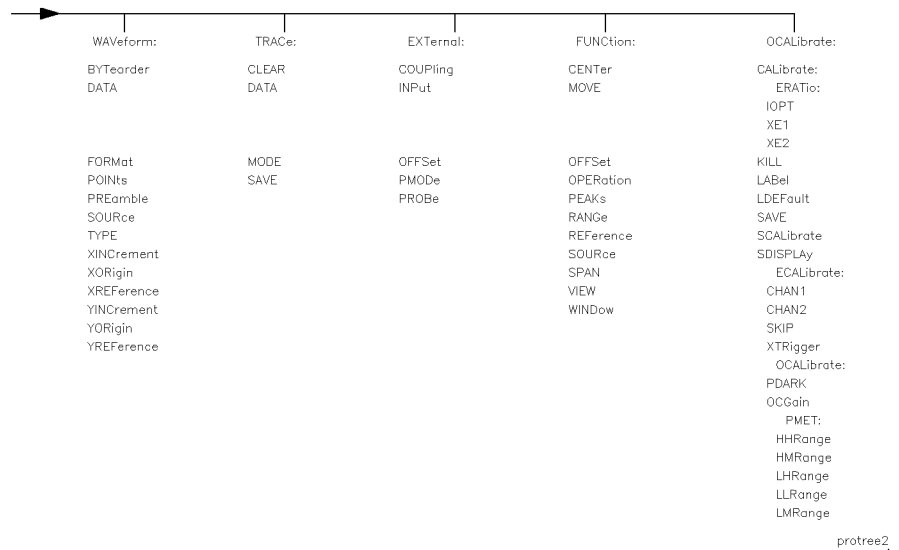


Figure 5-2. Programming command tree, continued.

Tree traversal rules

Command headers are created by traversing down the command tree. A legal command header from the command trees in Figure 5-1 would be :CHANNEL1:RANGE. This is referred to as a compound header. A compound header is a header made of two or more mnemonics separated by colons. The mnemonic created contains no spaces. The following rules apply to traversing the tree:

- A leading colon or a <program message terminator> (either an <NL> or EOI true on the last byte) places the parser at the root of the command tree. A leading colon is a colon that is the first character of a program header.
- Executing a subsystem command places you in that subsystem until a leading colon or a <program message terminator> is found. In the

Truncation rules

Command Tree2, Figure 5-1 and Figure 5-2, use the last mnemonic in the compound header as a reference point (for example, RANGE). Then find the last colon above that mnemonic (CHANNEL<N>:). That is the point where the parser resides. Any command below that point can be sent within the current program message without sending the mnemonics which appear above them (for example, OFFSET).

Examples

The OUTPUT statements in the examples are written using HP BASIC 5.0 on a HP 9000 Series 200/300 Controller. The quoted string is placed on the bus, followed by a carriage return and linefeed (CRLF).

Example 1 `OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:RANGE 0.5 V;OFFSET 0 V"`

Comments The colon between CHANNEL1 and RANGE is necessary because CHANNEL1:RANGE is a compound command. The semicolon between the RANGE command and the OFFSET command is the required program message unit separator. The OFFSET command does not need CHANNEL1 preceding it, since the CHANNEL1:RANGE command sets the parser to the CHANNEL1 node in the tree.

Example 2 `OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:REFERENCE CENTER ; DELAY 0.00001"`

or

```
OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:REFERENCE CENTER"  
OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:DELAY 0.00001"
```

Comments In the first line of example 2, the “subsystem selector” is implied for the DELAY command in the compound command. The DELAY command must be in the same program message as the REFERENCE command, since the program message terminator places the parser back at the root of the command tree.

A second way to send these commands is by placing TIMEBASE: before the DELAY command as shown in the second part of example 2.

Example 3 `OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:REFERENCE CENTER ; :CHANNEL1:OFFSET 0 V"`

Comments The leading colon before CHANNEL1 tells the parser to go back to the root of the command tree. The parser can then see the CHANNEL1:OFFSET command.

Infinity representation

The representation of infinity is 9.9E+37. This is also the value returned when a measurement cannot be made.

Sequential and overlapped commands

IEEE 488.2 makes the distinction between sequential and overlapped commands. Sequential commands finish their task before the execution of the next command starts. Overlapped commands run concurrently. Commands following an overlapped command may be started before the overlapped command is completed. All of the commands are sequential.

Response generation

As defined by IEEE 488.2, query responses may be buffered for the following conditions:

- When the query is parsed by the instrument.
- When the controller addresses the instrument to talk so that it may read the response.

The responses to a query are buffered when the query is parsed.

Notation conventions and definitions

The following conventions and definitions are used in this manual in descriptions of remote operation:

Conventions	< >	Angle brackets enclose words or characters that symbolize a program code parameter or an interface command.
	::=	“Is defined as,” for example, <A> ::= indicates that <A> can be replaced by in any statement containing <A>.
		“Or” indicates a choice of one element from a list. For example, <A> indicates <A> or , but not both.
	...	An ellipsis (trailing dots) indicates that the preceding element may be repeated one or more times.
	[]	Square brackets indicate that the enclosed items are optional.
	{ }	When several items are enclosed by braces, one, and only one of these elements must be selected.
Definitions	d ::=	A single ASCII numeric character, 0–9.
	n ::=	A single ASCII non-zero, numeric character, 1–9.
	<NL> ::=	Newline or Linefeed (ASCII decimal 10).
	<sp> ::=	<white space>
	<white space> ::=	0 through 32 (decimal) except linefeed (decimal 10).

Program examples

The program examples given for each command in this manual were written on an HP 9000 Series 200/300 controller using the HP BASIC 5.0 programming language. The programs always assume the analyzer is at address 7 and the interface is at address 7 for a program address of 707. If a printer is used, it is always assumed to be at address 701.

In these examples, pay special attention to the way in which the command or query can be sent. The way the instrument is set up to respond to a command or query has no bearing on how you send the command or query. That is, the command or query can be sent using the long form or short form, if a short form exists for that command. You can send the command or query using uppercase (capital) letters or lowercase (small) letters.

If, however, you are sending an amplitude value, the value must be accompanied by the appropriate suffix. For example, when sending a Channel 2 range value, either a voltage (V, mV, uV) or wattage (W, mW, uW) suffix must be included.

As an example, set channel 2 range to 100 mV by sending one of the following:

- Commands in long form using the decimal format.

```
OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL2:RANGE .1V"
```

- Commands in short form using an exponential format.

```
OUTPUT 707;":CHAN2:RANG 1E-1V"
```

- Commands using lowercase letters and short forms.

```
OUTPUT 707;":chan2:rang 100 mV"
```

NOTE

In these examples, the colon as the first character of the command is optional. The space between RANGE and the argument is required.

Command set organization

The command set is divided into common commands, root level commands, and several sets of subsystem commands. Each of the commands is listed alphabetically in this chapter with a brief description.

The commands are shown using upper and lowercase letters. As an example, AUToscale indicates that the entire command name is AUTOSCALE. In order to speed up the transfer, the short form AUT is also accepted by the analyzer. Each command listing contains a description of the command and its arguments, the command syntax, and a programming example.

The eight subsystems are listed below:

SYSTem	Controls some basic functions of the analyzer.
ACQuire	Sets the parameters for acquiring and storing data.
CHANnel	Controls all Y-axis analyzer functions.
DISPlay	Controls how waveforms, voltage and time markers, graticule, and text are displayed and written on the screen.
EXTernal	Defines the conditions for an external trigger.
FUNCTion	Controls the two functions, f1 and f2, available in the remote programming module.
MASK	Controls the mask and template testing.
MEASure	Selects the automatic measurements to be made.
OCALibrate	Controls optical calibration settings and functions.
TIMebase	Controls all horizontal analyzer functions.
TRACe	Controls the features used with the trace memories.
TRIGger	Controls the trigger modes and parameters for each internal trigger mode.
WAVEform	Provides access to waveform data.

Table 5-2 lists the commands in alphabetical order with their corresponding subsystem or command type.

Truncation rules**Table 5-2. Alphabetic Command Cross-Reference**

Command	Where Used
ALL	MEASure subsystem
ASAMples	MEASure subsystem
ASTore	Root level command
AUToscale	Root level command
BLANK	Root level command
BPERiod	MEASure subsystem
BRATe	MEASure subsystem
BWLimit	CHANnel subsystem
BYTeorder	WAVEform subsystem
CALibrate	OCCALibrate subsystem
CENTER ¹	FUNCtion subsystem
CHAN1	OCCALibrate:ECALibrate subsystem
CHAN2	OCCALibrate:ECALibrate subsystem
CLEAR	TRACe subsystem
*CLS	Common command
COLumn	DISPlay subsystem
COMPLete	ACQuire subsystem
COUNt	ACQuire subsystem
COUPling	CHANnel subsystem
COUPling	EXTernal subsystem
COUPling	TRIGger subsystem
DATA	TRACe subsystem
DATA	WAVEform subsystem
DCD	MEASure subsystem
DEFine	MEASure subsystem
DEFine	MEASure:MASK subsystem
DELay	MEASure subsystem
DELay	MEASure:DEFine subsystem
DELay	TIMebase subsystem
DIGitize	Root level command

¹ FFT function only

Table 5-2. Alphabetic Command Cross-Reference (continued)

Command	Where Used
DITHer	Root level command
DSP	SYSTem subsystem
DUTYcycle	MEASure subsystem
ECALibrate	OCALibrate subsystem
ECROSSing	MEASure subsystem
EHEIght	MEASure subsystem
ERASe	Root level command
ERATio	MEASure subsystem
ERATio	OCALibrate subsystem
ERRor	SYSTem subsystem
ERUNits	MEASure subsystem
*ESE	Common command
*ESR	Common command
EWMax	MEASure subsystem
EWMin	MEASure subsystem
FALLtime	MEASure subsystem
FORMat	WAVEform subsystem
FREQuency	MEASure subsystem
GRID	DISPlay subsystem
HHRange	OCALibrate:OCALibrate:PMET subsystem
HLRange	OCALibrate:OCALibrate:PMET subsystem
HMRange	OCALibrate:OCALibrate:PMET subsystem
HOLDoff	TRIGger subsystem
*IDN	Common command
INPut	CHANnel subsystem
INPut	EXTernal subsystem

Truncation rules**Table 5-2. Alphabetic Command Cross-Reference (continued)**

Command	Where Used
INVerse	DISPlay subsystem
INVert	CHANnel subsystem
IOPT	OCALibrate:ERATio subsystem
IOPTical	CHANnel subsystem
JPP	MEASure subsystem
JRMS	MEASure subsystem
KEY	SYSTem subsystem
KILL	OCALibrate subsystem
LABel	OCALibrate subsystem
LDEFault	OCALibrate subsystem
LEVel	TRIGger subsystem
LHRange	OCALibrate:OCALibrate:PMET subsystem
LINE	DISPlay subsystem
LLRange	OCALibrate:OCALibrate:PMET subsystem
LMRange	OCALibrate:OCALibrate:PMET subsystem
LOCK	SYSTem subsystem
LOWer	MEASure subsystem
*LRN	Common command
MARGin	MEASure:MASK:DEFine subsystem
MASK	MEASure subsystem
MHTS	MEASure:MASK:DEFine subsystem
MODE	TIMebase subsystem
MODE	TRACe subsystem
MODE	TRIGger subsystem
MOVE ¹	FUNCtion subsystem
MTYPe	MEASure subsystem

¹ FFT function only

Table 5-2. Alphabetic Command Cross-Reference (continued)

Command	Where Used
NPP	MEASure subsystem
NREJect	TRIGger subsystem
NRMS	MEASure subsystem
NWIDth	MEASure subsystem
OCALibrate	OCALibrate subsystem
OCGain	OCALibrate:OCALibrate subsystem
OFFAI	MEASure:MASK:DEFine subsystem
OFFSet	CHANnel subsystem
OFFSet	EXTernal subsystem
OFFSet	FUNCtion subsystem
OLEVel	MEASure subsystem
OPASs	MEASure:MASK:DEFine subsystem
*OPC	Common command
OPERation	FUNCtion subsystem
OPMeter	MEASure subsystem
OVERshoot	MEASure subsystem
PAMPLitude	MEASure subsystem
PAverage	MEASure subsystem
PBASe	MEASure subsystem
PDARK	OCALibrate:OCALibrate subsystem
PEAKs? ¹	FUNCtion subsystem
PERiod	MEASure subsystem
PHASe	MEASure subsystem
PIXel	DISPlay subsystem
PMAX	MEASure subsystem
PMET	MEASure subsystem
PMET	OCALibrate:OCALibrate subsystem
PMIN	MEASure subsystem

¹ FFT function only

Truncation rules**Table 5-2. Alphabetic Command Cross-Reference (continued)**

Command	Where Used
POINts	ACQuire subsystem
POINts	WAVeform subsystem
POLarity	TRIGGer subsystem
PPP	MEASure subsystem
PREamble	WAVeform subsystem
PREShoot	MEASure subsystem
PRINt	Root level command
PRMS	MEASure subsystem
PROBe	CHANnel subsystem
PROBe	EXTeRnal subsystem
PROTect	CHANnel subsystem
PROTect	EXTeRnal subsystem
PTIMe	MEASure subsystem
PTOP	MEASure subsystem
PUNIts	MEASure subsystem
PWDELta	MEASure subsystem
PWIDth	MEASure subsystem
PWSTArt	MEASure subsystem
PWSTop	MEASure subsystem
RANGe	CHANnel subsystem
RANGe	FUNCtion subsystem
RANGe	TIMebase subsystem
*RCL	Common command
REFerence ¹	FUNCtion subsystem
REFerence	TIMebase subsystem
REJect	TRIGGer subsystem
RISetime	MEASure subsystem

1 FFT function only

Table 5-2. Alphabetic Command Cross-Reference (continued)

Command	Where Used
ROW	DISPlay subsystem
*RST	Common command
RUN	Root level command
*SAV	Common command
SAVE	OCALibrate subsystem
SAVE	TRACe subsystem
SCALibrate	OCALibrate subsystem
SCRatch	MEASure subsystem
SDISplay	OCALibrate subsystem
SETup	ACQuire subsystem
SETup	CHANnel subsystem
SETup	DISPlay subsystem
SETup	EXTernal subsystem
SETup	SYSTem subsystem
SETup	TIMebase subsystem
SETup	TRIGger subsystem
SHOW	MEASure subsystem
SHOW	MEASure:MASK subsystem
SKEW	CHANnel subsystem
SKEW	EXTernal subsystem
SKIP	OCALibrate:ECALibrate subsystem
SLOPe	TRIGger subsystem
SOURce	FUNCtion subsystem
SOURce	MEASure subsystem
SOURce	TRIGger subsystem
SOURce	WAVeform subsystem
SPAN ¹	FUNCtion subsystem
*SRE	Common command
STATus	Root level command
*STB	Common command
STESt	MEASure:MASK subsystem
STOP	Root level command

¹ FFT function only

Truncation rules**Table 5-2. Alphabetic Command Cross-Reference (continued)**

Command	Where Used
TDELta	MEASure subsystem
TER	Root level command
TEST	MEASure:MASK subsystem
TEXT	DISPlay subsystem
THResholds	MEASure subsystem
TIME	MEASure:MASK:DEFine subsystem
TPOWer	MEASure subsystem
*TRG	Common command
TSAMples	MEASure subsystem
*TST	Common command
TSTArt	MEASure subsystem
TSTOp	MEASure subsystem
TVHFrej	TRIGger subsystem
TVMode	TRIGger subsystem
TVOLt	MEASure subsystem
TYPE	ACQuire subsystem
TYPE	WAVeform subsystem
UPPer	MEASure subsystem
VAMPlitude	MEASure subsystem
VAVerage	MEASure subsystem
VBASe	MEASure subsystem
VDELta	MEASure subsystem
VERNier	CHANnel subsystem
VERNier	TIMebase subsystem
VIEW	FUNCtion subsystem
VIEW	Root level command

Table 5-2. Alphabetic Command Cross-Reference (continued)

Command	Where Used
VMAX	MEASure subsystem
VMIN	MEASure subsystem
VPP	MEASure subsystem
VRMS	MEASure subsystem
VSTArt	MEASure subsystem
VSTOp	MEASure subsystem
VTIMe	MEASure subsystem
VTOP	MEASure subsystem
*WAI	Common command
WINDow ¹	FUNctioN subsystem
XE1	OCALibrate:ERATio subsystem
XE2	OCALibrate:ERATio subsystem
XINCrement	WAVEform subsystem
XOATn	CHANnel subsystem
XORigin	WAVEform subsystem
XREFerence	WAVEform subsystem
XTRigger	OCALibrate:ECALibrate subsystem
YINCrement	WAVEform subsystem
YORigin	WAVEform subsystem
YREFerence	WAVEform subsystem
ZLEVel	MEASure subsystem

¹ FFT function only

Programming and Documentation Conventions



Command Types

Command Types

What you'll find in this chapter

This chapter lists the types of commands available for the analyzer. For information on individual commands, refer to Chapter 7.

The types of commands are listed in this chapter in the following order:

- Common commands
- Root level commands
- System commands

- Acquire commands
- Channel commands
- Display commands
- External (trigger) commands
- Function commands
- Mask commands
- Measure commands
- Ocalibrate commands
- Timebase commands
- Trace commands
- Trigger (internal) commands
- Waveform commands

Common Commands

The common commands are defined by the IEEE 488.2 standard. These commands are common to all instruments that comply with the IEEE 488.2 standard. They control some of the basic instrument functions, such as instrument identification and reset, reading the learn (instrument setup) string, how status is read and cleared, and how commands and queries are received and processed by the instrument.

The following common commands are implemented in the analyzer:

- *CLS (Clear Status)
- *ESE (Event Status Enable)
- *ESR (Event Status Register)
- *IDN (Identification Number)
- *LRN (Learn)
- *OPC (Operation Complete)
- *RCL (Recall)
- *RST (Reset)
- *SAV (Save)
- *SRE (Service Request Enable)
- *STB (Status Byte)
- *TRG (Trigger)
- *TST (Test)
- *WAI (Wait)

Common commands can be received and processed by the oscilloscope whether they are sent over the interface as separate program messages or within other program messages. If an instrument subsystem has been selected and a common command is received by the instrument, the instrument remains in the selected subsystem. For example, if the program message “:ACQUIRE:TYPE AVERAGE; *CLS; COUNT 256” is received by the instrument, the instrument sets the acquire type and count, then clears the status information without leaving the selected subsystem.

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If some other type of command is received within the program message, you must reenter the original subsystem after the command. For example, the program message “:ACQUIRE:TYPE AVERAGE;;AUTOSCALE;;ACQUIRE:COUNT 256” sets the acquire type, completes the autoscale, then sets the acquire count. In this example, :ACQUIRE must be sent again after the AUTOSCALE command in order to reenter the acquire subsystem and set the count.

NOTE

Each of the status registers mentioned in this chapter has an enable (mask) register. By setting the bits in the enable register, you can select the status information you wish to use.

Root Level Commands

Root Level commands control many of the basic operations of the oscilloscope. These commands are always recognized by the parser if they are prefixed with a colon, regardless of current command tree position. After executing a root level command, the parser is positioned at the root of the command tree.

The following Root Level commands are implemented:

- ASTore
- AUToscale
- BLANK
- DIGitize
- DITHer
- ERASe
- PRINt
- RUN
- STATus
- STOP
- TER
- VIEW

System Commands

SYSTEM subsystem commands control the way in which query responses are formatted, simulate front panel key presses, and enable reading and writing to the advisory line of the instrument.

The System subsystem contains the following commands:

- DSP
- ERRor
- KEY
- LOCK
- SETup

Acquire Commands

The ACQUIRE subsystem commands set up conditions for executing a DIGITIZE root level command to acquire waveform data.

The Acquire subsystem selects the type of data, the number of averages, the number of data points, and the completion criteria.

This subsystem contains the following commands:

- COMPLETE
- COUNT
- POINTs
- SETup
- TYPE

Acquire type and count

The ACQUIRE subsystem is the only interface control for two display parameters: Display Mode and Number of Averages. There is a coupling between the front panel and the ACQUIRE subsystem parameters. This means that when the interface parameters for ACQUIRE TYPE or COUNT are changed, the front panel changes. Also, when the front-panel parameters are changed, the interface parameters change.

Normal mode

The :ACQUIRE:TYPE NORMAL command sets the oscilloscope to the normal mode when the instrument is operating in the repetitive timebase mode.

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Averaging mode

The `:ACQUIRE:TYPE AVERAGE` command sets the oscilloscope to the Averaging mode.

COUNT can be set in the AVERAGE mode by sending the `:ACQUIRE:COUNT` command followed by the number of averages. In this mode, the value is one of three values: 8, 64, or 256. The COUNT value determines the number of averages that must be acquired.

To activate the averaging mode from the front panel, select the Display menu, then select Average. Changing the number of averages changes the COUNT value.

Peak Detect mode

The `:ACQUIRE:TYPE PEAK` command sets the oscilloscope to the Peak Detect mode. The `:ACQUIRE:COUNT` has no meaning in PEAK mode.

Channel Commands

The CHANNEL subsystem commands control the channel display and vertical or Y-axis of the oscilloscope. Channels are independently programmable for all offset, probe, coupling, and range functions. The channel number specified in the command selects the channel that is affected by the command.

The channel displays are toggled on and off with the root level commands VIEW and BLANK.

The Channel subsystem contains the following commands:

- BWLimit
- COUPling
- INPut
- INVert
- IOPTical
- OFFSet
- PROBe
- PROTect
- RANGE
- SETup
- SKEW
- VERNier
- XOATtn

NOTE

When an amplitude or vertical scale parameter is set, the appropriate suffix, either volts or watts, must be included. Valid suffixes for volts are V, mV and uV. Valid suffixes for watts are W, mW and uW.

Display Commands

The DISPLAY subsystem is used to control the display of data, amplitude and time markers, text, and graticules.

NOTE

The Display mode can be selected with the :ACQUIRE:TYPE command. The number of averages can be specified with the ACQUIRE:COUNT command.

The Display subsystem contains the following commands:

- COLumn
- GRID
- INVerse
- LINE
- PIXel
- ROW
- SETup
- TEXT

External Commands (External Trigger)

The commands in the EXTERNAL subsystem define the conditions for an external trigger. If the command is a valid command for the external trigger, that setting is accepted. If the command is not valid for the external trigger, an error is generated.

The External Trigger subsystem contains the following commands:

- COUPling
- INPut
- OFFSet
- PROBe
- PROTect
- SETup
- SKEW

Function commands

The FUNCTION subsystem commands control the two functions available in the remote programming module. The function number specified in the command selects the function that is affected by the command. The commands control the scaling, source, and state of the functions.

The Function subsystem contains the following commands:

CENTer	(FFT function only)
MOVE	(FFT function only)
OFFSet	
OPERation	
PEAKs	(FFT function only)
RANGe	
REFerence	(FFT function only)
SOURce	
SPAN	(FFT function only)
VIEW	
WINDow	(FFT function only)

NOTE

The advanced math functions are *not* available when the optical channel is active or when the measurement type is set to Eye:NRZ.

Mask commands

The commands in the MEASURE:MASK subsystem are used to make mask and template measurements, and to set and report settings for mask testing. Some commands in this subsystem can also be used to adjust the Conformance test criteria.

The MEASURE:MASK subsystem includes the following commands:

- DEFINE
- DELay
- MARGin
- MHTS
- OFAil
- OPASs
- SHOW
- STESt
- TEST
- TIME

Mask setup

To make a mask measurement, the portion of the waveform to be mask tested must be placed on the screen. Refer to Chapter 7 for more information.

Mask measurements can only be performed on one source at a time. The source can be set to electrical channel 1, 2, or optical input channel 2.

Mask scaling and placement

The Mask is scaled and placed based on critical positions on the selected waveform. The critical positions on the waveform are determined using the same algorithms that are used to make the parametric measurements.

NOTE

Turn the VERNIER timebase setting OFF for the best throughput during mask scaling and placement.

Eye:NRZ

If a multi-valued, NRZ, waveform mask is chosen, then the critical positions are determined by using the same algorithms as: MEAS:OLEVel, MEAS:ZLEVel, and MEAS:ECrossing.

Single valued

If a single valued waveform mask or template is selected, then the critical positions on the waveform are determined with the equivalent algorithms as: MEAS:VTOP, MEAS:VBASe, and the 50% position of the rising or falling edge.

NOTE

When an eye diagram mask is selected, the measurement type is automatically set to Eye:NRZ. If a pulse mask is selected, the measurement type is automatically set to General Waveform. The automatic measurement algorithm is affected by the measurement type. For more information, refer to "Measure Commands".

Mask testing modes

The mask testing can be done in either of two modes, conformance test or run mode.

Conformance test mode

In Conformance Test mode, all sources but the selected SOURCE are blanked and the selected source is displayed on the screen. The mask is scaled and a test is performed. The results are determined based on the specified pass/fail conditions.

Run mode

In Run mode, the mask placement positions will be taken from the selected source, but hits will be determined based on all full bright incursions into the mask exclusion regions. For best results in this mode, it is suggested you only display the source on which you wish to perform mask measurements.

NOTE

Mask testing and placement is not allowed when advanced math functions, such as FFT, integration, and differentiation, are active.

Mask margins

The mask margin is a value from -100% to $+100\%$ that is used to relax (negative mask margin) or tighten (positive mask margin) the mask testing specification.

When a margin other than 0% is used, the number of hits in the margin, and the standard mask are counted, and reported separately.

The total number of hits (MEASure:MASK:TOTHits?) is the value used to determine if the conformance test is passed or failed. The total number of hits is determined differently, depending on whether there is a negative or positive margin applied.

If the margin is negative, the total number of hits reported includes only the hits in the internal section of the mask which does not include the negative margin. By definition, this section is inside the standard mask.

If the margin is positive, the total number of hits reported is the number of hits in the standard mask and the number of hits in the margin.

Measure Commands

The commands in the MEASURE subsystem are used to make parametric measurements on displayed waveforms and to report the settings of the voltage and time markers. Some commands in this subsystem can be used to set the voltage and time markers to specified voltages, times, or events.

Two types of measurements can be made, Eye:NRZ for eye diagram waveforms or General Waveforms for general repetitive waveforms.

Amplitude measurements can be made in either power or voltage units. To make optical power measurements on channel 2, the optical channel must first be activated by pressing **(Optical/Elec 2), Chan 2 Off Op E2 Op** or by sending the CHANnel2:IOPTtical ON command. If a power measurement query is sent such as: PAMplitude, and the optical channel is off, an error value of 9.9e37 will be returned.

The subsystem contains the following commands:

ALL	LOWer	PREShoot	TSTOp
ASAMples	MASK	PRMS	TVOLt
BPERiod	MTYPe	PTIMe	UPPer
BRATe	NPP	PTOP	VAMPplitude
DCD	NRMS	PUNits	VAVerage
DEFine	NWIDth	PWDELta	VBASe
DELay	OLEVel	PWIDth	VDELta
DUTYcycle	OPMeter	PWSTArt	VMAX
ECROSSing	OVERshoot	PWSTop	VMIN
EHEIght	PAMPitude	RISetime	VPP
ERATio	PAVerage	SCRatch	VRMS
ERUNits	PBASe	SHOW	VSTArt
EWMMax	PERiod	SOURce	VSTOp
EWMIn	PHASe	TDELta	VTIMe
FALLtime	PMAX	THResholds	VTOP
FREQuency	PMET	TPOWer	ZLEVel
JPP	PMIN	TSAMples	
JRMS	PPP	TSTArt	

Measure Commands

The Measure commands are available in Eye:NRZ and General Waveform modes.

NOTE

The measurement type is automatically set to Eye:NRZ when an eye diagram mask is selected. It is set to General Waveform when a pulse mask is selected.

Measurement	General Waveform	Eye:NRZ
Time Measurements		
Bit Period	No	Yes
Bit Rate	No	Yes
DC Distortion	No	Yes
Delay	Yes	No
Duty Cycle	Yes	No
Fall Time	Yes	Yes
Frequency	Yes	No
Jitter-pp	No	Yes
Jitter-rms	No	Yes
Minus Width	Yes	No
Period	Yes	No
Phase	Yes	No
Plus Width	Yes	No
Rise Time	Yes	Yes
Tdelta	Yes	Yes
Tpower	Yes	No
Tstart	Yes	Yes
Tstop	Yes	Yes
Tvolt	Yes	No

Measurement	General Waveform	Eye:NRZ
Power and Voltage Measurements		
Extinction Ratio	No	Yes
Eye Crossing	No	Yes
Eye Height	No	Yes
Noise-pp	No	Yes
Noise-rms	No	Yes
One Level	No	Yes
Overshoot	Yes	Yes
Pamp	Yes	No
Pavg	Yes	No
Pbase	Yes	No
Pmax	Yes	Yes
Pmet	Yes	Yes
Pmin	Yes	Yes
Ppp	Yes	No
Preshoot	Yes	No
Prms	Yes	No
Ptime	Yes	Yes
Ptop	Yes	No
Pwdelta	Yes	Yes
Pwstart	Yes	Yes
Pwstop	Yes	Yes
Top level	Yes	No
Vamp	Yes	No
Vavg	Yes	No
Vbase	Yes	No
Vdelta	Yes	Yes
Vmax	Yes	Yes
Vmin	Yes	Yes
Vpp	Yes	No
Vrms	Yes	No
Vstart	Yes	Yes
Vstop	Yes	Yes
Vtime	Yes	Yes
Vtop	Yes	No
Zero Level	No	Yes

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Measurement setup

To make a measurement, the portion of the waveform required for that measurement must be displayed on the oscilloscope:

- For a period or frequency measurement, at least one complete cycle must be displayed.
- For a pulse width measurement, the entire pulse must be displayed.
- For a rise time measurement, the leading (positive-going) edge of the waveform must be displayed.
- For a fall time measurement, the trailing (negative-going) edge of the waveform must be displayed.
- For an extinction ratio measurement, an entire eye must be displayed.

Measurement error

If a measurement cannot be made (typically because the proper portion of the waveform is not displayed), the value +9.9E+37 is returned for that parameter.

Making measurements

If more than one waveform, edge, or pulse is displayed, time measurements are made on the first (left-most) portion of the displayed waveform.

When any of the defined measurements are requested, the analyzer determines the top/one level (100%) and base/zero level (0%) voltages or powers of the waveform. Using this information, it can determine the other important voltage or power values (10%, 90%, and 50% voltage or power values) for making measurements.

The 10% and 90% amplitude values are typically used in the rise time and fall time measurements. The 50% voltage value is used for measuring frequency, period, pulse width, and duty cycle. The critical parameters on eye diagram measurements are the “1” level, “0” level, and crossing point values. These values are used when making bit rate, eye crossing percent and jitter measurements.

When the command form, or front-panel measurements is used, the instrument is placed into the continuous measurement mode. When the query form of these measurements is used, the measurement is made but not selected. Then the measurement is made one time, and the measurement result is returned.

Except for Vaverage and Vrms or Paverage and Prms measurements, which use only one cycle, general waveform voltage or power measurements are made using the entire display. If you want to make a measurement on a particular cycle, display only that cycle on the screen.

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All eye diagram amplitude and time measurements are made on the first, left-most, eye diagram.

Amplitude measurement values are returned in volts, μW , or dBm, depending on the currently selected measurement units and source. Voltage values are measured using zero volts as the reference. Power values are measured using zero light as the reference.

Returned time values are in seconds. Returned time values are measured with the trigger point (time 0) as the reference. The value returned for TDELTA? is the time difference between the stop and start markers.

Measurements are made on the displayed waveforms specified by the SOURCE command.

For more information about measurement algorithms, refer to Appendix A of the *HP 83475A Lightwave Communications Analyzer User's Guide*.

Ocalibrate Commands

The OCALIBRATE subsystem commands control the optical channel vertical scale and power meter calibration functions and settings. Commands are also provided to perform and save extinction ratio offset calibrations on the optical and electrical channels.

The Ocalibrate subsystem contains the following commands:

- CALibrate
- ECALibrate
- ERATio
- KILL
- LABel
- LDEFault
- OCALibrate
- SAVE
- SCALibrate
- SDISplay

NOTE

Refer to Appendix A for more information on the execution of a remote optical channel calibration.

Timebase Commands

The TIMEBASE subsystem commands control the horizontal or X-axis oscilloscope functions.

The Timebase subsystem contains the following commands:

- DElay
- MODE
- RANGe
- REFerence
- SETup
- VERNier

Trace Commands

The TRACE subsystem commands are used to control the features used with trace memories. Trace memories 1-4 are stored as non-compressed images, while memories 5-100 are stored in a compressed format. In addition to the waveform, the current front-panel setup is saved.

The Trace subsystem contains the following commands:

- CLEAR
- DATA
- MODE
- SAVE

Trigger Commands (Internal Trigger)

The commands in the TRIGGER subsystem define the conditions for an internal trigger. Many of the commands in the Trigger subsystem are valid in more than one of the trigger modes. If the command is a valid command for a trigger mode, that setting is accepted. If the command is not valid for a trigger mode, an error is generated.

The Internal Trigger subsystem contains the following commands:

- COUPling
- HOLDoFF
- LEVeL
- MODE
- NREJect
- POLarity
- REJect
- SETup
- SLOPe
- SOURce
- TVHFrej
- TVMode

Waveform Commands

The WAVEFORM subsystem is used to transfer waveform data between a controller and the oscilloscope waveform memories. This subsystem contains the following commands:

- BYTeorder
- DATA
- FORMat
- POINts
- PREAmble
- SOURce
- TYPE
- XINCrement
- XORigin
- XREFerence
- YINCrement
- YORigin
- YREFerence

Waveform data and preamble

The waveform record is actually contained in two portions: the waveform data and the preamble. The waveform data is the actual data acquired for each point in the specified source. The preamble contains the information for interpreting the waveform data, which includes the number of points acquired, format of acquired data, and type of acquired data. The preamble also contains the X and Y increments, origins, and references for the acquired data, so that the raw data can be translated to time and voltage values.

The values set in the preamble are determined when the :DIGITIZE command is executed. The preamble values are based on the settings of variables in the ACQUIRE subsystem.

Although the preamble values can be changed with a controller, the way the data is acquired cannot be changed. Changing the preamble values cannot

change the type of data that was actually acquired, the number of points actually acquired, etc. Therefore, you must use extreme caution when changing any waveform preamble values to ensure the data is still useful.

The waveform data and preamble must be read by the controller or sent to the oscilloscope with two separate commands, DATA and PREAMBLE.

Sending consecutive :DIGITIZE commands may improve the data throughput. Refer to the Root Level Command :DIGITIZE in Chapter 7 for more information.

Data acquisition types

There are three types of waveform acquisition that can be selected with the :ACQUIRE:TYPE command: NORMAL, AVERAGE, PEAK. When the data is acquired using the DIGITIZE or RUN command, the data is placed in the channel buffer of the specified source.

After a DIGITIZE command, the instrument is stopped. If the instrument is restarted, over the HP-IB or the front panel, the data acquired with the DIGITIZE command is overwritten.

Depending on the oscilloscope configuration, a waveform record consists of either 4000 or 2000 acquired points. Most configurations acquire 4000 points per channel. The number of hardware points acquired may be queried using :ACQUIRE:POINTS?.

Fewer points may be used to speed data transfers and to minimize controller analysis time. The :WAVEFORM:POINTS may be varied even after data on a channel is acquired.

The number of points transferred to the computer is controlled using the :WAVEFORM:POINTS command. The number of points selected for transfer using :WAVEFORM:POINTS must be an even divisor of the number of points available as read using :ACQUIRE:POINTS?.

A waveform record consists of 4000 acquired points. :WAVEFORM:POINTS determines the number of points that will be transferred for :WAVEFORM:DATA? query. :WAVEFORM:POINTS determines the increment

between timebuckets that will be transferred. :ACQUIRE:POINTS? must be an interger multiple of :WAVEFORM:POINTS. For example:

```
:WAVEFORM:POINTS 4000 returns time buckets 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, . . .3999.
:WAVEFORM:POINTS 2000 returns time buckets 0, 2, 4, 6, 8, . . .3998.
:WAVEFORM:POINTS 1000 returns time buckets 0, 4, 8, 12, 16, . .3992.
:WAVEFORM:POINTS 500 returns time buckets 0, 8, 16, 32, 64, . .3960.
```

Normal

Normal data consists of the last data point (hit) in each time bucket. This data is transmitted over HP-IB in a linear fashion starting with time bucket 0 and going through time bucket $n-1$, where n is the number returned by the WAVEFORM:POINTS query. Only the magnitude values of each data point are transmitted. The first voltage value corresponds to the first time bucket on the left of the screen and the last value corresponds to the next to last time bucket on the right side of the screen. Time buckets that do not have data in them return 0.

The time values for each data point correspond to the position of the data point in the data array. These values are not transmitted.

Average

Average data consists of the average of the first n hits in a time bucket, where n is the value returned by the ACQUIRE:COUNT query. Time buckets that have fewer than n hits return the average of what data they do have. If a time bucket does not have any data in it, it returns 0.

This data is transmitted over the interface linearly, starting with time bucket 0 and proceeding through time bucket $n-1$, where n is the number returned by the :WAVEFORM:POINTS? query. The first value corresponds to a point at the left side of the screen and the last value corresponds to one point away from the right side of the screen.

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Peak

Peak detect display mode is used to detect glitches for timebase settings of $50 \mu\text{s}/\text{div}$ and slower. In this mode, the analyzer can sample more data than it can store and display. So, when peak detect is turned on, the oscilloscope scans through the extra data, picks up the minimum and maximum and then stores the data in an array. Each time bucket contains two data.

The array is transmitted over the interface bus linearly, starting with time bucket 0 and proceeds through time bucket $(n/2)-1$, where n is the number returned by the `:WAVEFORM:POINTS?` query. In each time bucket, two data are transmitted, the maximum followed by the minimum value. The first pair of values corresponds to the time bucket at the left-most side of the screen. The last pair of values corresponds to the time bucket at the far right of the screen.

Data conversion

Data sent from the analyzer must be scaled for useful interpretation. The values used to interpret the data are the X and Y references, X and Y origins, and X and Y increments. These values are read from the waveform preamble. Each channel has its own waveform preamble.

Conversion from data value to voltage or watts The following formula converts a data value from a channel to a value in volts or watts:

$$\text{voltage/watt} = [(\text{data value} - \text{yreference}) * \text{yincrement}] + \text{yorigin}$$

Watts data can only be obtained from the optical channel. To acquire watts data from channel 2, the command **Chan2:IOPT ON** must have been sent. To obtain valid data, the correct optical wavelength calibration must be selected.

Conversion from data value to time The time value of a data point can be determined by the position of the data point. As an example, the fourth data point sent with XORIGIN = 16 ns, XREFERENCE = 0, and XINCREMENT = 2 ns can be calculated using the following formula:

$$\text{time} = [(\text{data point number} - \text{xreference}) * \text{xincrement}] + \text{xorigin}$$

This would result in the following calculation for time bucket 3:

$$\text{time} = [(3 - 0) * 2 \text{ ns}] + 16 \text{ ns} = 22 \text{ ns}$$

Data format for HP-IB transfer

There are three formats for transferring waveform data over the interface: BYTE, WORD, and ASCII.

BYTE and WORD formatted waveform records are transmitted using the arbitrary block program data format specified in IEEE 488.2. ASCII format block data does not use a block header.

When you use the block data format, the ASCII character string "#8&<DD..D>" is sent prior to sending the actual data. The 8 indicates how many D's follow. The D's are ASCII numbers which indicate how many data bytes follow.

For example, if 4000 points will be transferred and the WORD format was specified, the block header "#800008000" would be sent. The 8 indicates that eight length bytes follow, and 8000 indicates that 8000 binary data bytes follow.

WORD format

In the WORD format, the number of data bytes is twice the number of words (data points). The number of data points is the value returned by the :WAVEFORM:POINTS? query. The number of data bytes is followed by a sequence of bytes representing the data points, with the most significant byte of each word transmitted first. In this format the data is shifted so that the most significant bit after the sign bit contains the most significant bit of the data. If there is a hole in the data, the hole is represented by the 16-bit value of 0. The range of data in the WORD format is from 1 to 255. WORD format is useful in applications where the information is read directly into an integer array in a controller.

Use :WAVEFORM:BYTEORDER to determine if the least significant byte or most significant byte is to be transferred first. The most significant byte is always 0. The BYTEORDER command can be used to alter the transmit sequence to match the storage sequence of an integer in the programming language being used.

BYTE format	<p>The BYTE format allows direct access to the 8-bit waveform data. If there is a hole in the data, the hole is represented by a value of 0.</p> <p>The BYTE-formatted data transfers over the HP-IB faster than WORD-formatted data, since one byte per point is transferred in BYTE format and two bytes per point are transferred in WORD format.</p>
ASCII format	<p>Waveform records in the ASCII format are transmitted one value at a time, separated by a comma. The data values transmitted are the same as the values sent in the WORD FORMAT except that they are converted to an integer ASCII format (six or less characters) before being sent through the interface.</p>

Command Types



Command Dictionary

Command Dictionary

What you'll find in this chapter

This chapter is a dictionary reference of the remote programming commands. All commands are listed alphabetically by subsystem.

Common commands

*CLS
(Clear Status)

The *CLS (clear status) common command clears the status data structures, including the device-defined error queue. This command also clears the Request-for-OPC flag.

If the *CLS command immediately follows a program message terminator, the output queue and the MAV (message available) bit are cleared.

Command Syntax: *CLS

Example: OUTPUT 707;*"CLS"

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*ESE
(Event Status Enable)

The *ESE command sets the bits in the Standard Event Status Enable Register. The Standard Event Status Enable Register contains a mask value for the bits to be enabled in the Standard Event Status Register. A one in the Standard Event Status Enable Register enables the corresponding bit in the Standard Event Status Register. A zero disables the bit. Refer to Table 7-1 for information about the Standard Event Status Enable Register bits, bit weights, and what each bit masks.

The *ESE query returns the current contents of the register.

Command Syntax: *ESE <mask>	
Where:	<mask> ::= 0 to 255
Example: ¹	OUTPUT 707;”*ESE 64”
Query Syntax: *ESE?	
Returned Format:	<mask><NL>
Where:	<mask> ::= 0 to 255 [integer-NR1 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;”*ESE?” ENTER 707;Event PRINT Event

¹ In this example, the *ESE 64 command enables URQ (user request) bit 6 of the Standard Event Status Enable Register. Therefore, when a front panel key is pressed, the ESB (event summary bit) in the Status Byte Register is also set.

Table 7-1. Standard Event Status Enable Register

Enables Standard Event Status Enable Register (High-Enables the ERS bit)		
Bit	Weight	Enables
7	128	NOT USED
6	64	URQ - User Request
5	32	CME - Command Error
4	16	EXE - Execution Error
3	8	DDE - Device Dependent Error
2	4	QYE - Query Error
1	2	TRG - Trigger Query
0	1	OPC - Operation Complete

*ESR
(Event Status Register)

The *ESR query returns the contents of the Standard Event Status Register.

When you read the Event Status Register, the value returned is the total bit weights of all of the bits that are high at the time you read the byte. Table 7-2 shows each bit in the Event Status Register and its bit weight.

Reading the register clears the Event Status Register.

Query Syntax:	*ESR?
Returned Format:	<status><NL>
Where:	<status> ::= 0 to 255 [integer-NR1 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;"*ESR?" ENTER 707;Event PRINT Event

Table 7-2. Standard Event Status Register

Bit	Bit Weight	Bit Name	Condition
7	128		NOT USED
6	64	URQ	0 = no front-panel key has been pressed. 1 = a front-panel key has been pressed.
5	32	CME	0 = no command errors. 1 = a command error has been detected.
4	16	EXE	0 = no execution error. 1 = an execution error has been detected.
3	8	DDE	0 = no device dependent errors. 1 = a device dependent error has been detected.
2	4	QYE	0 = no query errors. 1 = a query error has been detected.
1	2	TRG	0 = No trigger or AUTO [autolevell]. 1 = Trigger [can be 1 only in Normal, Single, TV trigger modes].
0	1	OPC	0 = operation is not complete. 1 = operation is complete.
			0 = False = Low 1 = True = High

*IDN
(Identification Number)

The *IDN query identifies the instrument type and software version by returning the following string:

```
"HEWLETT-PACKARD,83475A,0,<X.X>"
```

Where:

<X.X> ::= the software revision of the instrument.

An *IDN query must be the last query in a message. Any queries after the *IDN query in a program message are ignored.

Query Syntax:	*IDN?
Returned Format:	HEWLETT-PACKARD,83475A,0,X.X<NL>
Example:	DIM lId\$(50) OUTPUT 707;"*IDN?" ENTER 707;lId\$ PRINT lId\$

*LRN
(Learn)

The *LRN query returns a program message that contains the current state of the instrument.

This query performs the same function as the :SYSTEM:SETUP? query. It allows you to store an instrument setup in the controller. The stored setup can then be returned to the instrument at a later time using the :SYSTEM:SETUP command.

Query Syntax:	*LRN?
Returned Format:	#80000121<learn string><NL>
Where:	<learn string> ::= 121 data bytes in length.
Example:	DIM Lrn\$(200) OUTPUT 707;"*LRN?" ENTER 707 USING "K";Lrn\$

*OPC
 (Operation Complete)

The *OPC (operation complete) command sets the operation complete bit in the Standard Event Status Register when all pending device operations have finished.

The *OPC query places an ASCII “1” in the output queue when all pending device operations have finished.

Command Syntax:	*OPC
Example:	OUTPUT 707;”*OPC”
Query Syntax:	*OPC?
Returned Format:	1<NL>
Example:	OUTPUT 707;”:AUTOSCALE;”OPC?” ENTER 707;Op\$

*RCL
 (Recall)

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The *RCL command restores the state of the instrument from the specified save/recall register. An instrument setup must have been stored previously in the specified register.

Command Syntax:	*RCL { 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 }
Example:	OUTPUT 707;”*RCL 3”

*RST
 (Reset)

The *RST command places the instrument in a known state. Refer to Table 7-3 for the reset conditions.

Command Syntax: *RST
 Example: OUTPUT 707; "*RST"

Table 7-3. Analyzer Reset Conditions

Timebase Menu		Display Menu	
time/division	100 μ s	mode	norm
delay	0.00 s	grid	on
reference	cntr	Cursors/Masks Menu	
mode	main	Δ V markers	off
Channel Menu		Δ t markers	off
Channel 1	on	Trace Menu	
Channel 2	off	Trace	Mem 1
volts/division	100 mV	Memory	off
offset	0.00	Measure Menu	
coupling	dc	Source	Channel 1
probe attenuation	X1		
vernier	off		
invert	off		
BW limit	off		
Trigger Menu			
Mode	auto level		
coupling	dc		
source	Channel 1		
level	0.0 V		
slope	positive		
reject and noise reject	off		
holdoff	200 ns		

*SAV
 (Save)

The *SAV command stores the current state of the device in a save register. The data parameter is the number of the save register where the data will be saved. Registers 1 through 16 are valid for this command.

<p>Command Syntax: *SAV {1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 }</p> <p>Example: OUTPUT 707;"*SAV 3"</p>

*SRE
 (Service Request Enable)

The *SRE command sets the bits in the Service Request Enable Register. The Service Request Enable Register contains a mask value for the bits to be enabled in the Status Byte Register. A one in the Service Request Enable Register enables the corresponding bit in the Status Byte Register. A zero disables the bit. Table 7-4 lists the bits in the Service Request Enable Register and what they mask.

The *SRE query returns the current value.

<p>Command Syntax: *SRE <mask></p> <p>Where: <mask> ::= 0 to 255</p> <p>Example: OUTPUT 707;"*SRE 32"</p>
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<p>Query Syntax: *SRE?</p> <p>Returned Format: <mask><NL></p> <p>Where: <mask> ::= sum of all bits that are set, 0 through 255 [integer-NR1 format]</p> <p>Example: OUTPUT 707;"*SRE?" ENTER 707;Value PRINT Value</p>
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Table 7-4. Service Request Enable Register

Service Request Enable Register (High - Enables the SRE bit)		
Bit	Weight	Enables
7	128	Not Used
6	64	RQS - Request Service
5	32	ESB - Event Status Bit
4	16	MAV - Message Available
3	8	Not Used
2	4	Not Used
1	2	Not Used
0	1	Not Used

*STB
 (Status Byte)

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The *STB query returns the current value of the instrument's status byte. The MSS (Master Summary Status) bit is reported on bit 6 instead of the RQS (request service) bit. The MSS indicates whether or not the device has at least one reason for requesting service. Refer to Table 7-5 for the meaning of the bits in the status byte.

To read the instrument's status byte with RQS reported on bit 6, use the interface Serial Poll.

Query Syntax:	*STB?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= 0 through 255 integer-NR1
Example:	OUTPUT 707;"*STB?" ENTER 707;Value PRINT Value

Table 7-5. Status Byte Register

Bit	Bit/Weight	Bit/Name	Condition
7	128	—	0 = not used.
6	64	RQS/MSS	0 = instrument has no reason for service. 1 = instrument is requesting service.
5	32	ESB	0 = no event status conditions have occurred. 1 = an enabled event status condition has occurred.
4	16	MAV	0 = no output messages are ready. 1 = an output message is ready.
3	8	—	0 = not used
2	4	—	0 = not used
1	2	—	0 = not used
0	1	—	0 = not used
			0 = False = Low 1 = True = High

*TRG
(Trigger)

The *TRG command has the same effect as if the RUN command had been sent.

Command Syntax: *TRG Example: OUTPUT 707;"*TRG"

*TST
(Test)

The *TST query performs a self-test on the instrument. The result of the test is placed in the output queue.

A zero indicates the test passed and a non-zero value indicates the test failed.

If a test fails, refer to the troubleshooting section of the analyzer service manual.

Query Syntax: *TST? Returned Format: <result><NL> Where: <result> ::= 0 or non-zero value Where: 0 indicates the test passed. Non-zero indicates the test failed. Example: OUTPUT 707;"*TST?" ENTER 707;Result PRINT Result

*WAI
(Wait)

The *WAI command has no function in the analyzer, but is parsed for compatibility with other instruments.

Command Syntax: *WAI Example: OUTPUT 707;"*WAI"

Instrument specific commands

:ACquire:COMPLete

The :ACquire:COMPLete command specifies the minimum completion criteria for an acquisition. The parameter determines what percentage of the time buckets need to be “full” before an acquisition is considered complete. If you are in the NORMAL mode, the instrument only needs one data bit per time bucket for that time bucket to be considered full.

The range for the :COMPLete command is 0 to 100 and indicates the minimum percentage of time buckets that must be “full” before the acquisition is considered complete. If the complete value is set to 100%, all time buckets must contain data for the acquisition to be considered complete. If the complete value is set to zero, then one acquisition cycle will take place.

NOTE

When the analyzer is in the averaging mode, it always has 100% completion for all acquisitions. The :ACQUIRE:COMPLETE does not have any effect.

The :COMPLete query returns the completion criteria for the currently selected mode.

For any of the horizontal vernier setting not equal to the 1-2-5 sequence, 100% completion cannot be achieved. Setting at 40% is suggested.

NOTE

The 2 ns/div (20 ns full scale) never reaches 100% complete. For this range, set complete to 40%.

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Command Syntax:	:ACQuire:COMPLete <comp>
Where:	<comp> ::= 0 to 100 percent
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:COMPLETE 85"

Query Syntax:	:ACQuire:COMPLete?
Returned Format:	<comp><NL>
Where:	<comp> ::= 0 to 100 [integer-NR1 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:COMPLETE?" ENTER 707;Cmp PRINT Cmp

:ACQuire:COUNT

In the average mode, the :ACQuire:COUNT command specifies the number of values to be averaged for each time bucket before the acquisition is considered complete for that time bucket.

When the acquisition type is set to AVERAGE, the count can be 8, 64, or 256. Any value can be sent in this mode; however, the value will be rounded to the nearest value of 8, 64, or 256.

The :COUNT query returns the currently selected count value for the averaging mode.

Command Syntax:	:ACQuire:COUNT <count>
Where:	<count> ::= 8, 64, or 256
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:TYPE AVERAGE" !select acquisition type OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:COUNT 256"

Query Syntax:	:ACQuire:COUNT?
Returned Format:	<count><NL>
Where:	<count> ::= 8, 64, 256 [integer-NR1 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":ACQ:COUNT?" ENTER 707;Cnt PRINT Cnt

:ACquire:POINts

The :ACquire:POINts query returns the number of points that the hardware will acquire from the input signal. To set the number of points to be transferred from the analyzer, use the command :WAVEform:POINts.

The :WAVEform:POINts query will return the number of points to be transferred from the analyzer. For the relationship between these two commands, see Chapter 6, “Waveform Commands”.

Query Syntax:	:ACquire:POINts?
Returned Format:	<points_argument><NL>
Where:	<points_argument> ::= 1 to 4000
Example:	DIM Pnts\${50} OUTPUT 707;“.ACQUIRE:POINTS?” ENTER 707;Pnts\$ PRINT Pnts\$

:ACquire:SETup

The :ACquire:SETup query returns the current setup conditions for all commands in the ACQUIRE subsystem.

Query Syntax:	:ACquire:SETup?
Returned Format:	ACQ:TYPE{NORM AVER PEAK};COUNT{1 to 1024}; POINTS{1 to 4000};COMP{0 to 100}<NL>
Example:	DIM Setup\${300} OUTPUT 707;“.ACQUIRE:SETUP?” ENTER 707;Setup\$ PRINT Setup\$

Instrument Specific Commands**:ACquire:TYPE**

The **:ACquire:TYPE** command selects the type of acquisition that is to take place. There are three acquisition types: **NORMAL**, **AVERAGE**, and **PEAK DETECT**. For more information on these types, see Chapter 6.

The **:TYPE** query returns the current acquisition type.

Command Syntax: **:ACquire:TYPE** {**NORMal** | **AVERage** | **PEAK** }

Example: **OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:TYPE AVER"**

Query Syntax: **:ACquire:TYPE?**

Returned Format: {**NORM** | **AVER** | **PEAK**} <NL>

Example: **DIM Tpe\$[50]**
OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:TYPE?"
ENTER 707;Tpe\$
PRINT Tpe\$

:ASTore

The **:ASTore** command acquires data for the active waveform display. The data is acquired as defined by the trigger mode. If the trigger mode is in **SINGLE**, the **:ASTore** command enables the trigger once and displays the acquired data on the screen. This also occurs when the front panel **RUN** key is pressed while the instrument is **STOPPED**. If the trigger mode is set to **AUTO**, **AUTLEVEL**, or **NORMAL**, the **:ASTore** command enables the trigger repeatedly and displays the data it acquires continuously on the screen. This is the same thing that happens when the front panel **ASTore** key is pressed. To turn off the **ASTORE** display mode, send the **:RUN** command.

Command Syntax: **:ASTore**

Example: **OUTPUT 707;":ASTORE"**

:AUToscale

The :AUToscale command evaluates all input signals and sets the correct conditions to display the signals. When the :AUToscale command is sent, the following conditions are set:

- The main timebase mode.
- The vertical sensitivity.
- The vertical offset.
- The trigger to autolevel mode.
- The display mode to normal.
- The trigger level, holdoff, and slope.
- The sweep speed of the displayed channel.

In addition, the :AUToscale command turns off the following items:

- Markers.
- All measurements.
- Trace memories.

If input signals are present on more than one vertical input, the timebase is triggered on the highest number channel. If no signals are found on any vertical input, the oscilloscope is returned to its former state.

Command Syntax: :AUToscale
 Example: OUTPUT 707;":AUTOSCALE"

:BLANK

The :BLANK command turns off (stops displaying) the specified channel or pixel memory. To turn off a channel display, use the command :BLANK CHANNEL{1|2}. To turn off a pixel memory display, use the command :BLANK PMEMORY{1|2}. Use the command :BLANK EXTERNAL to turn off the external trigger view.

Use the :VIEW command to turn on (start displaying) an active channel or pixel memory. Use the :VIEW command to turn on an active channel, pixel memory, or the external trigger view.

Command Syntax: :BLANK <display>
 Where: <display> ::= {CHANnel{1 | 2} PMEMory{1 | 2} EXTernal}
 Example: OUTPUT 707;":BLANK CHANNEL1"

Instrument Specific Commands`:CHANnel:BWLimit`

The `:CHANnel <N>:BWLimit` command controls an internal low-pass filter. When the filter is ON, the bandwidth of the specified channel is limited to approximately 20 MHz. The bandwidth limit filter can be used on channels 1 and 2.

The `:BWLIMIT` query returns the current setting.

Command Syntax: `:CHANnel <N>:BWLimit {ON | OFF}`

Where: `<N> ::= 1 or 2`

Example: `OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL2:BWL ON"`

Query Syntax: `:CHANnel& <N>:BWLimit?`

Where: `<N> ::= 1 or 2`

Returned Format: `{ON | OFF}<NL>`

Example: `DIM Hf$[50]
OUTPUT 707;":CHAN1:BWL?"
ENTER 707;Hf$
PRINT Hf$`

:CHANnel:COUPling

The :CHANnel<N>:COUPling command selects the input coupling for the specified channel. The coupling for the electrical channels can be set to AC, DC, or GND. The optical channel can be set to DC or GND.

The :COUPling query returns the current coupling for the specified channel.

Command Syntax: :CHANnel<N>:COUPling {AC | DC | GND}

Where: <N> ::= 1 or 2

Example: OUTPUT 707;":CHAN2:COUP DC"

Query Syntax: :CHANnel<N>:COUPling?

Where: <N> ::= 1 or 2

Returned Format: {AC | DC | GND}<NL> for electrical channels 1 and 2
 {DC | GND}<NL> for optical channel 2

Example: DIM Ch\${50}
 OUTPUT 707;":CHAN2:COUPLING?"
 ENTER 707;Ch\${
 PRINT Ch\${

Instrument Specific Commands`:CHANnel:INPut`

The `:CHANnel<N>:INPut` command selects the impedance of the input source. `FIFTY` selects a 50Ω input impedance. `ONEMEG` selects a $1\text{ M}\Omega$ input impedance.

When optical channel 2 is activated, the input cannot be set to $1\text{ M}\Omega$.

The `:INPut` query identifies the currently selected input source impedance.

Command Syntax: `:CHANnel<N>:INPut {FIFTY | ONEMEG}`

Where: `<N>` ::= 1 or 2

Example: `OUTPUT 707;":CHAN2:INP FIFTY"`

Query Syntax: `:CHANnel<N>:INPut?`

Where: `<N>` ::= 1 or 2

Returned Format: `{FIFTY | ONEMEG}<NL>`

Example: `DIM Input${50}`
`OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:INPUT?"`
`ENTER 707;Input$`
`PRINT Input$`

:CHANnel:INVert

The :CHANnel<N>:INVert command selects the input inversion for the specified channel. The inversion may be on or off. Inversion can be set for electrical channels 1 and 2.

Inversion is not allowed on channel 2 when the optical channel is active.

Command Syntax: :CHANnel<N>:INVert {ON|OFF}

Where: <N> ::= 1 or 2

Example: OUTPUT 707;":CHAN1:INVERT ON"

Query Syntax: :CHANnel<N>:INVert?

Where: <N> = 1 or 2

Returned Format: {ON | OFF}<NL>

Example: DIM Ch\$[50]
 OUTPUT 707;":CHAN2:INVERT?"
 ENTER 707;Ch\$
 PRINT Ch\$

:CHANnel:IOPTical

The :CHANnel 2:IOPTical command activates the calibrated watts vertical scale for channel 2. This command should be sent prior to the execution of automatic power measurements such as Pmax or Pbase.

The :IOPTical query returns the current state of the optical channel, ON or OFF.

Command Syntax: :CHANnel2:IOPTical {ON | OFF}

Example: OUTPUT 707;":CHAN2:IOPT ON"

Query Syntax: :CHANnel2:IOPTical?

Returned Format: {ON | OFF}<NL>

Example: DIM Opt\$[20]
 OUTPUT 707;":CHAN2:IOPT?"
 ENTER 707;Opt\$
 PRINT Opt\$

Instrument Specific Commands`:CHANnel:OFFSet`

The `:CHANnel<N>:OFFSet` command sets the value represented at center screen for the selected channel. The range of legal values vary with the value set with the `:RANGE` command. If you select an offset value outside the legal range, the offset is automatically set to the nearest legal value.

When optical channel 2 is selected, the offset value can be set to a microwatt value.

The `:OFFSet` query returns the current offset value for the selected channel.

Command Syntax: `:CHANnel<N>:OFFSet <value> [W, mW, uW or V, mW, uW]`

Where: `<N>` ::= 1 or 2
`<value>` ::= offset value

Examples: `OUTPUT 707,":CHAN1:OFFS 200MV"`
`OUTPUT 707,":CHAN2:OFFSET 20E-3V"`

Query Syntax: `:CHANnel<N>:OFFSet?`

Returned Format: `<value><NL>`
`<value>` ::= offset value in volts or watts [exponential-NR1-NR3 format]

Example: `OUTPUT 707,":CHANNEL2:OFFSET?"`
`ENTER 707;Offset`
`PRINT Offset`

:CHANnel:PROBe

The :CHANnel<N>:PROBe command specifies the probe attenuation factor for the selected channel. The probe attenuation factor may be 1, 10, or 100. This command does not change the actual input sensitivity of the analyzer. It changes the reference constants for scaling the display factors, for making automatic measurements, for setting trigger levels, etc.

When optical channel 2 is selected, the :CHANnel<N>:PROBE command cannot be used. For information on optical attenuation correction, refer to the :CHANnel2:XOATn command.

The :PROBe query returns the current probe attenuation factor for the selected channel.

Command Syntax: :CHANnel<N>:PROBe <attenuation>

Where: <N> ::= 1 or 2
 <attenuation> ::= X1, X10, X100

Example: OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL2:PROBE X10"

Query Syntax: :CHANnel<N>:PROBE?

Where: <N> ::= 1 or 2
 Returned Format: <attenuation><NL>
 Where: <attenuation> ::= X1, X10, or X100

Example: DIM Prb\$(50)
 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:PROBE?"
 ENTER 707;Prb\$
 PRINT Prb\$

Instrument Specific Commands

:CHANnel:PROTeCt

The :CHANnel<N>:PROTeCt command turns on or off 50Ω overvoltage protection.

The :PROTeCt query returns the current status of the overvoltage protection.

Command Syntax: :CHANnel<N>:PROTeCt {OFF | ON}

Where: <N> ::= 1 or 2

Example: OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:PROTECT ON"

Query Syntax: :CHANnel<N>:PROTeCt?

Where: <N> ::= 1 or 2

Returned Format: {OFF | ON}

Example: DIM Prot\${30}
OUTPUT 707;":CHAN2:PROT?"
ENTER 707;Prot\$
PRINT Prot\$

:CHANnel:RANGe

The :CHANnel<N>:RANGe command defines the full-scale vertical axis of the selected channel. The voltage RANGE for electrical channels 1 and 2 can be set to any value from 16 mV to 40 V when using 1:1 probe attenuation. If the probe attenuation is changed, the range value is multiplied by the probe attenuation factor.

When optical channel 2 is active, the power RANGE units are specified in microwatts. The minimum and maximum values depend on the currently selected optical λ calibration.

Optical Calibration	Min	Max
780 nm	20 μW	500 μW
1300 nm	2 μW	50 μW
1550 nm	2 μW	50 μW

The :RANGe query returns the current full-scale range setting for the specified channel.

<p>Command Syntax: :CHANnel<N>:RANGe <range> [W, mW, uW or V, mV, uV]</p> <p>Where: <N> ::= 1 or 2 <range> ::= full-scale range value [CHANNEL1 or CHANNEL2]</p> <p>Examples: :OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:RANGE 0.64V" :OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL2:RANGE 100 uW"</p>
<p>Query Syntax: :CHANnel<N>:RANGe?</p> <p>Returned Format: <range><NL> <range> Channels 1 and 2 ::= full-scale range value [exponential-NR3 format]</p> <p>Examples: OUTPUT 707;":CHAN2:RANGE?" ENTER 707;Rng PRINT Rng</p> <p> DIM RNG\${50} OUTPUT 707;":CHAN 1:RANGE?" ENTER 707;RNG\$ PRINT RNG\$</p>

Instrument Specific Commands

:CHANnel:SETup

The :CHANnel<N>:SETup query returns the current settings for all the Channel subsystem commands, except for the selected MATH.

Query Syntax:	:CHANnel:SETup?
Returned Format:	
For Channel1 or Channel2:	CHAN<n>:RANGE<range>;OFFSET<offset>; COUP{AC DC GND};BWLIMIT{ON OFF};INVERT{ON OFF}; VERNIER {ON OFF};PROBE{X1 X10 X100}<NL>
Where:	<N>::= 1 or 2 <range>::= full-scale range in volts or watts exponential-NR3 format <offset>::= offset value in volts or watts exponential-NR3 format
For Channel1:	CHAN<1>:RANGE<range>;OFFSET<offset>;COUP{AC DC GND}; BWLIMIT{ON OFF};INVERT{ON OFF};VERNIER {ON OFF}; PROBE{X1 X10 X100}; INPUT{FIFTY ONEMEG}; PROTECT{OFF ON}<NL>
Where:	<range>::= full-scale range in volts exponential-NR3 format <offset>::= offset value in volts exponential-NR3 format
For Channel2:	CHAN<2>:RANGE<range>;OFFSET<offset>;COUP{AC DC GND}; BWLIMIT{ON OFF};INVERT{ON OFF};VERNIER {ON OFF}; PROBE{X1 X10 X100}; INPUT{FIFTY ONEMEG}; PROTECT{OFF ON}; SKEW <skew_value><NL>
Where:	<range>::= full-scale range in volts or watts exponential-NR3 format <offset>::= offset value in volts or watts exponential-NR3 format <skew_value>::= skew value in NR3 format
Example:	DIM Stp\$(300) OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL:SETUP?" ENTER 707; Stp\$ PRINT Stp\$

:CHANnel:SKEW

The :CHANnel2:SKEW command sets the skew between channels 1 and 2.
 The :SKEW query identifies the current skew between channels 1 and 2.

Command Syntax: :CHANnel2:SKEW <skew_value>	
Where:	<skew_value> ::= is the value for the skew in NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":CHAN2:SKEW 2.5E-008"
Query Syntax: :CHANnel2:SKEW?	
Returned Format:	<skew_value>
Example:	DIM Skew\${30} OUTPUT 707;":CHAN2:SKEW?" ENTER 707;Skew\$ PRINT Skew\$

:CHANnel:VERNier

The :CHANnel<N>:VERNier command selects the vernier mode of the Volts/Div or Watts/Div control. The command affects only the user control Volts/Div or Watts/Div knob and not the :CHAN <N>:RANGE command. :VERNier may be selected for channels 1 and 2.

Command Syntax: :CHANnel<N>:VERNier {ON OFF}	
Where:	<N> ::= 1 or 2
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":CHAN1:VERN ON"
Query Syntax: :CHANnel<N>:VERNier?	
Returned Format:	{ON OFF}<NL>
Example:	DIM Ver\${50} OUTPUT 707;":CHAN2:VERNIER?" ENTER 707;Ver\$ PRINT Ver\$

Instrument Specific Commands

:CHANnel2:XOATn

The :CHANnel2:XOATn command sets the attenuation factor for the optical channel. The external attenuation factor can be a floating point value (in dB) between 0 and 20 dB. This command changes the reference constants for scaling the display factors, for making automatic measurements, for setting trigger levels and so forth. This command does *not* change the actual input sensitivity of the analyzer.

Command Syntax: :CHANnel2:XOATn<attenuation>

Where: <attenuation> ::= floating point value of attenuation in dB, NR3 format.

Example: OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL2:XOATn:3.1E00"

Query Syntax: :CHANnel2:XOATn?

Returned Format: <attenuation><NL>

Where: <attenuation> ::= floating point value of attenuation in dB, NR3 format.

Example: DIM Att\$[50]
OUTPUT 707;":CHANnel2:XOATn?"
ENTER 707;Att\$
PRINT Att\$

:DIGitize

The :DIGitize command is used to acquire waveform data for transfer over the interface. Sending the command causes an acquisition to take place on the specified channels with the resulting data being placed in the channel buffer. Sending the :DIGitize command also turns off any unused channels.

The sources for the :DIGitize command are channels 1 and 2. The external trigger is not a measurement channel and cannot be digitized. The :DIGitize command will acquire data for all channels that are turned on when the :DIGitize is started. The parameters of the DIGitize are the channels that will acquire to the specified criteria.

Throughput can be improved by turning off (BLANK) any undesired channels. Be sure any desired channels are turned on (VIEW). Digitize works fastest for non-vernier 1-2-5 timebase settings. The 2 ns/div timebase setting also slows down the digitizing rate.

When the digitize operation is complete, the instrument is placed in the stopped mode. When the instrument is restarted, with a :RUN command or the front panel RUN key, the digitized data stored in the channel buffers is overwritten. Therefore, ensure all operations that require the digitized data are completed before restarting the oscilloscope.

The ACQUIRE subsystem commands are used to set up conditions such as TYPE, and COUNT for the next :DIGitize command. See the ACQUIRE subsystem for a description of these commands. To determine the actual number of points that are acquired and how the data is transferred, refer to the WAVEFORM subsystem commands.

Command Syntax: :DIGitize CHANnel<N>[,CHANnel<N>]

Where: <N> ::= 1 or 2.

Example: OUTPUT 707;":DIGITIZE CHANNEL1, CHANNEL2"

Instrument Specific Commands

:DISPlay:COLumn

The :DISPlay:COLumn command specifies the starting column for subsequent :LINE command.

The :COLumn query returns the column where the next LINE will start.

Command Syntax:	:DISPlay:COLumn <number>
Where:	<number> ::= 0 through 63
Example:	OUTPUT 707,":DISPLAY:COLUMN 50"

Query Syntax:	:DISPlay:COLumn?
Returned Format:	<number><NL>
Where:	<number> ::= 0 through 63 [integer-NR1 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707,":DISPLAY:COLUMN?" ENTER 707;Clmn PRINT Clmn

:DISPlay:GRID

The :DISPlay:GRID command selects the grid as on or off.

The :GRID query returns the status of the grid.

Command Syntax:	:DISPlay:GRID {ON OFF}
Example:	OUTPUT 707,":DISPLAY:GRID ON"

Query Syntax:	:DISPlay:GRID?
Returned Format:	{ON OFF}<NL>
Example:	DIM Grd\${30} OUTPUT 707,":DISPLAY:GRID?" ENTER 707;Grd\$ PRINT Grd\$

:DISPlay:INVerse

The :DISPlay:INVerse command determines whether text sent with the :LINE command in the DISPlay subsystem is to be written with the INVerse attribute. If the inverse attribute is ON, the text will be written in inverse video.

The :INVerse query returns the current state of this command.

Command Syntax:	:DISPlay:INVerse {ON OFF}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:INVERSE OFF"
Query Syntax:	:DISPlay:INVerse?
Returned Format:	{ON OFF}<NL>
Example:	DIM lv\${30} OUTPUT 707;":DISP:INVERSE?" ENTER 707;lv\$ PRINT lv\$

:DISPlay:LINE

The :DISPlay:LINE command writes a text string to the screen. The text is displayed starting at the location of the current row and column. The row and column can be set by the :DISPlay:ROW and :DISPlay:COLUmN commands prior to sending the :DISPlay:LINE command. Text can be written over the entire screen with the :LINE command.

If the text string is longer than the available space on the current line, the text wraps around to the start of the same line. In any case, the ROW value is incremented by one and the COLUMN value remains the same. The next :DISPlay:LINE command will write on the next line of the display starting at the same column as the previous text. After writing line 20, the last line in the display area, ROW is reset to 1.

Command Syntax:	:DISPlay:LINE <quoted string>
Where:	<quoted string> ::= any series of ASCII characters enclosed in quotes.
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:LINE ""ENTER PROBE ATTENUATION""

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:DISPlay:PIXel

The :DISPlay:PIXel command sets the intensity of a pixel on the screen. The position of the pixel is determined by the x, y coordinates specified in the parameter.

The :PIXel query returns the current intensity of the specified pixel. Cycling the power on the analyzer will clear all the pixels.

A portion of the full-bright screen is part of the active waveform area and cannot be modified by the :PIXel command. This portion of the display is pixels with y-coordinates 12 to 303. Any pixel on the half-bright screen can be modified with the :PIXel command.

Command Syntax: :DISPlay:PIXel <x>, <y>, <intensity>

Where: <x> ::= the x coordinate of the pixel to be set, 0 to 511
 <y> ::= the y coordinate of the pixel to be set, 0 to 303
 <intensity> ::=
 0 to clear pixel
 1 for half bright
 2 for full bright
 other value to clear pixel

Example: OUTPUT 707,":DISPLAY:PIXEL 100,100,1"

Query Syntax: :DISPlay:PIXel?<x>,<y>

Where: <x> ::= the x-coordinate of the pixel
 <y> ::= the y-coordinate of the pixel

Returned Format: <intensity><NL>

Where: <intensity> ::=
 " 0 for pixel off
 " "1 for pixel with half-bright on
 " "2 for pixel with full-bright on
 " "3 for pixel with both half-bright and full-bright on

Example: OUTPUT 707,":DISP:PIX?100,100"
 ENTER 707;Intensity
 PRINT Intensity

:DISPlay:ROW

The :DISPlay:ROW command specifies the starting row on the screen for subsequent :LINE commands. The ROW number remains constant until another :ROW command is received, or until it is incremented by the :LINE command. The ROW value can be set to 1 through 20.

The :ROW query returns the current ROW number.

Command Syntax: :DISPlay:ROW <row number>

Where: <row number> ::= 1 through 20

Example: OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:ROW 10"

Query Syntax: :DISPLAY:ROW?

Returned Format: <row number><NL>

Where: <row number> ::= 1 through 20 (integer-NR1 format)

Example: OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:ROW?"
 ENTER 707;Rw
 PRINT Rw

Instrument Specific Commands

:DISPlay:SEtup

The :DISPlay:SEtup query returns the current settings for all commands in the DISPLAY subsystem.

Query Syntax:	:DISPlay:SEtup?
Returned Format:	DISP:ROW {1 to 20};COL {0 TO 63};INVERSE {ON OFF};GRID {ON OFF};SOURCE PMEM{1 2}<NL>
Example:	DIM Stp\$(300) OUTPUT 707,":DISPLAY:SETUP?" ENTER 707;Stp\$ PRINT Stp\$

NOTE

Source setting is not valid.

:DISPlay:TEXT

The :DISPlay:TEXT command blanks the user text area on the screen. When this command is sent, all text on the entire screen is blanked. This command has only one parameter, :BLANK.

There is no query form of this command.

Command Syntax:	:DISPlay:TEXT BLANK
Example:	OUTPUT 707,":DISPLAY:TEXT BLANK"

:DITHer

The :DITHer command selects an anti-aliasing function for slow sweep speeds. A small random time offset is added to the sampling clock. By default, after power up, the oscilloscope is not sampling at exact regular time intervals. Aliasing is much less likely to happen. The small time offset is not noticeable on the display of the oscilloscope.

Some data analysis tools that are sensitive to the regularity of sampling time may have problems. One example is the Fast Fourier Transform. The :DITHer:OFF command should be used to turn off the dithering when waveform data will be used by these data analysis tools.

Command Syntax: :DITHer {ON | OFF}

Example: OUTPUT 707;":DITHER ON"

Query Syntax: :DITHer?

Returned Format: {ON |OFF} <NL>

Example: DIM Dither\${5}
 OUTPUT 707;":DITHER?"
 ENTER 707;Dither\$
 PRINT Dither\$

:ERASe

The :ERASe command erases the screen. :ERASe is the same as pressing the front-panel ERASE key.

Command Syntax: :ERASe

Example: OUTPUT 707;"ERASE"

Instrument Specific Commands`:EXternal:COUPling`

The `:EXternal:COUPling` command selects the input coupling for the selected external trigger source. The coupling can be set to DC, AC, or GND. You can use the AC setting only if the input is set to ONEMEG.

The `:COUPling` query returns the current selection.

Command Syntax: <code>:EXternal:COUPling {DC AC GND}</code>
Example: <code>OUTPUT 707;":EXTERNAL:COUPLING DC"</code>
Query Syntax: <code>:EXternal:COUPling?</code>
Returned Format: <code>{DC AC GND} <NL></code>
Example: <code>DIM Coup\${50}</code> <code>OUTPUT 707;":EXT:COUP?"</code> <code>ENTER 707;Coup\$</code> <code>PRINT Coup\$</code>

:EXternal:INPut

The :EXternal:INPut command sets the input impedance for the external trigger. The input can be either fifty ohm or one megohm.

The :INPut query returns the value of the input impedance for the external trigger.

Command Syntax: :EXternal:INPut { FIFTY | ONEMEG }

Where: FIFTY is used for an external trigger with fifty ohm impedance.
 ONEMEG is used for an external triggers with one megohm impedance.

Example: OUTPUT 707;":EXTERNAL:INPUT FIFTY"

Query Syntax: :EXternal:INPut?

Returned Format: { FIFTY | ONEMEG }

Where: FIFTY indicates the input impedance is fifty ohms.
 ONEMEG indicates the input impedance is one megohm.

Example: DIM EXTINP\$(50)
 OUTPUT 707;":EXTERNAL:INPUT?"
 ENTER 707;EXTINP\$
 PRINT EXTINP\$

Instrument Specific Commands`:EXternal:OFFSet`

The `:EXternal:OFFSet` command sets the offset for the external trigger view.

The `:OFFSet` query returns the offset for the external trigger.

Command Syntax: `:EXternal:OFFSet <offset_value>`

Where: `<offset_value> ::= offset value in volts |exponential-NR3 format|`

Example: `OUTPUT 707,":EXTERNAL:OFFSET 50"`

Query Syntax: `:EXternal:OFFSet?`

Returned Format: `<offset_value><NL>`

Where: `<offset_value> ::= offset value in volts |exponential-NR3 format|`

Example: `DIM OFFS${50}
OUTPUT 707,":EXTERNAL:OFFSET?"
ENTER 707;OFFS$
PRINT OFFS$`

:EXternal:PROBe

The :EXternal:PROBe command specifies the probe attenuation factor for the external trigger. The probe attenuation factor may be 1, 10, or 100. This command does not change the actual input sensitivity of the oscilloscope. It changes the reference constants for scaling the display factors, for making automatic measurements, for setting trigger levels, etc. This command also turns off the probe sense on the external trigger.

The :PROBe query returns the current probe attenuation factor for the external trigger.

Command Syntax: :EXternal:PROBe <attenuation>

Where: <attenuation> ::= X1, X10, X100

Example: OUTPUT 707;":EXTERNAL:PROBE X10"

Query Syntax: :EXternal:PROBe?

Returned Format: <attenuation><NL>

Where: <attenuation> ::= X1, X10, or X100

Example: DIM Prb\${50}
 OUTPUT 707;":EXTERNAL:PROBE?"
 ENTER 707;Prb\$
 PRINT Prb\$

Instrument Specific Commands

:EXternal:PROTECT

The :EXternal:PROTECT command turns on or off fifty-ohm overvoltage protection.

The :PROTECT query returns the overvoltage protection status.

Command Syntax: :EXternal:PROTECT {OFF | ON}

Example: OUTPUT 707;“:EXTERNAL:PROT ON”

Query Syntax: :EXternal:PROTECT?

Returned Format: {OFF | ON}<NL>

Example: DIM PROT\$[30]
OUTPUT 707;“:EXT:PROT?”
ENTER 707; PROT\$
PRINT PROT\$

:EXternal:SETUP

The :EXternal:SETUP query returns all current settings of the commands in the External subsystem.

Query Syntax: :EXternal:SETUP?

Returned Format: EXT:OFFSET <offset_value>; COUP {DC | AC | GND}; PROBE <attenuation>; INP {FIFTY | ONEMEG}; PROTECT {OFF | ON}; SKEW <skew_value>

Where: <offset_value> ::= external trigger offset value |exponential-NR3 format|
<attenuation> ::= X1, X10, or X100
<skew_value> ::= external trigger skew value |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: DIM Set\$[200]
OUTPUT 707;“:EXT:SET?”
ENTER 707;Set\$
PRINT Set\$

:EXternal:SKEW

The :EXternal:SKEW command sets the skew between the external trigger view and Channel1.

The :SKEW query returns the current skew value.

Command Syntax: :EXternal:SKEW <skew_value>

Where: <skew_value> ::= the external trigger skew [exponential-NR1-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":EXTERNAL:SKEW +2.50000000E+002"

Query Syntax: :EXternal:SKEW?

Returned Format: <skew_value><NL>

Example: DIM SKEW\$[30]
 OUTPUT 707;":EXT:SKEW?"
 ENTER 707;SKEW\$
 PRINT SKEW\$

Instrument Specific Commands

:FUNCTION:CENTer

This command is only used when an FFT operation is selected. Refer to “FFT measurement menu” in Chapter 2 for additional information on FFT.

The :FUNCTION:CENTer command sets the center frequency when FFT is selected. If you set the center frequency to a value outside of the legal range, it is automatically set to the nearest legal value.

The operation of the :FUNCTION:CENTer command is identical to the **Cent Freq** softkey. Refer to “Math Functions” in Chapter 2 for additional information.

Step size is calculated as follows:

$$\textit{Step size} = \left(\frac{1000}{1024} \right) \textit{Timebase Range}$$

Command Syntax: :FUNCTION2:CENTer <frequency>

Where: <frequency> ::= current center
frequency in Hertz |0 Hz to 10.00 GHz|

Example: OUTPUT 707;:FUNC2:CENT 976.6"

Query Syntax: :FUNCTION2:CENTer?

Returned Format: <frequency><NL>

Where: <frequency> ::= current center
frequency in Hertz |0 Hz to 10.00 GHz| |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707;:FUNCTION2:CENTer?"
ENTER 707;Frq
PRINT Frq

:FUNction:MOVE

This command is only used when an FFT operation is selected. Refer to “FFT measurement menu” in Chapter 2 for additional information on FFT.

:FUNction:MOVE LEFT changes the left most graticule (or beginning of the sweep) to 0 Hz. Center frequency is adjusted to one-half of the current span setting. If FFT is not active, a message is displayed on the screen.

The operation of the :FUNction:MOVE LEFT command is identical to the **Move 0 Hz To Left** softkey. Refer to “Math Functions” in Chapter 2 for additional information.

Command Syntax:	:FUNction2:MOVE {LEFT}
Where:	<frequency> ::= current center frequency in Hertz [0 Hz to 10.00 GHz]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":FUNc2:MOVE LEFT"
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":FUNction2:MOVE LEFT"

Instrument Specific Commands

:FUNCTION:OFFSet

The :FUNCTION:OFFSet command sets the value that is represented at center screen for the selected function.

The :OFFSet query outputs the current value offset value for the selected function.

If you set the offset to a value outside the legal range, the offset value is automatically set to the nearest legal value.

The operation of the :FUNCTION:OFFSet command is identical to the **Offset** softkey. Refer to “Math Functions” in Chapter 2 for additional information.

Command Syntax: :FUNCTION<1 | 2>:OFFSet
<offset>

Where: <offset> ::= value at center of screen
Range = ± 10 times the current sensitivity of the selected function

Example: OUTPUT 707;“:FUNC1:OFFS 1.2”

Query Syntax: :FUNCTION<1 | 2>:OFFSet?

Returned Format: <offset><NL>

Where: <offset> ::= value at the center of the screen |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707;“:FUNCTION2:CENTer?”
ENTER 707;Frq
PRINT Frq

:FUNction:OPERation

The :FUNction:OPERation command sets the desired operation for a function.
 The :OPERation query outputs the current operation for the selected function.

<p>Command Syntax: :FUNction1:OPERation {ADD SUBTract MULtIply} :FUNction2:OPERation {INtegrate DIFFerentiate FFT}</p> <p>Example: OUTPUT 707;":FUNC1:OPER ADD"</p>
<p>Query Syntax: :FUNction<N>:OPERation?</p> <p>Returned Format: {ADD SUBTract MULtIply INtegrate DIFFerentiate FFT}</p>

Instrument Specific Commands

:FUNCTION:PEAKs

This query is only used when an FFT operation is selected. Refer to “FFT measurement menu” in Chapter 2 for additional information on FFT.

The :PEAKs? query causes a peak search to be performed and the queried value to be returned. A peak search sets FREQ1 and DB1 to the peak with the highest amplitude and sets FREQ2 and DB2 to the peak with the next highest amplitude.

When the active cursor is “V” (V1, V2, or both), the marker values in dBV are automatically displayed at the bottom of the analyzer screen. The difference in dBV (ΔV) between the two peaks is also displayed.

When the active cursor is “f” (f1, f2, or both), the marker values in frequency are automatically displayed at the bottom of the analyzer screen. The difference in frequency (Δf) between the two peaks is also displayed.

If FREQ1 is used, the frequency in hertz is returned for the peak with the highest amplitude. If DB1 is used, the amplitude in dBV is returned for the peak with the highest amplitude. If FREQ2 is used, the frequency in hertz is returned for the peak with the second highest amplitude. If DB2 is used, the amplitude in dBV is returned for the peak with the second highest amplitude. If a peak is not found, an invalid measurement (9.9E37) is returned.

Query Syntax: :FUNCTION:PEAKs? {FREQ1|DB1|FREQ2|DB2}

Returned Format: <measurement> <NL>

Where: <measurement> ::= value of the peak specified |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707; :FUNC2:PEAK? FREQ1"

:FUNction:RANGe

The :FUNction:RANGe command defines the full scale vertical axis for the selected function.

The :RANGe query outputs the current full scale range value for the selected function.

Command Syntax:	:FUNction<N>:RANGe <range>
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":FUNC1:RANG 20E-3"
Query Syntax:	:FUNction<N>:RANGe?
Returned Format:	<range> <NL>
Where:	<range> ::= full scale vertical axis value Range for function 1 is 8E-6 to 8E+6 Range for integrate function is 8E-9 to 400E+3 Range for differentiate function is 8E-6 to 1.6E11 Range for FFT function is 8 to 400 dB/div

Instrument Specific Commands

:FUNction:REfERENCE

This command is only used when an FFT operation is selected. Refer to “FFT measurement menu” in Chapter 2 for additional information on FFT.

The :FUNction:REfERENCE command sets the reference level represented by the top graticule line when FFT is selected. If you set the reference level to a value outside of the legal range, it is automatically set to the nearest legal value. The operation of the :FUNction:REfERENCE command is identical to the **Ref Level** softkey. Refer to “Math Functions” in Chapter 2 for additional information.

The :REfERENCE query outputs the current reference level in dBV.

Command Syntax: :FUNction2:REfERENCE <level>

Example: OUTPUT 707;:FUNc2:REF 10"

Query Syntax: :FUNction2:REfERENCE?

Returned Format: <level> <NL>

Where: <level> ::= current reference level in dBV [exponential-NR3 format]
Range is -160.0 to 240 dBV in increments of 2.5 dBV

:FUNCTION:SOURce

The :FUNCTION2:SOURce command selects the source for function 2 operations.

The :SOURce query outputs the current source for function2 operations.

Choose between CHANnel1, CHANnel2 and FUNCTION 1 to specify the desired source for function 2 DIFFerentiate, INTegrate, and FFT operations.

CHANnel1 uses the signal connected to the input 1 connector. CHANnel2 uses the signal connected to the input 2 connector. FUNCTION1 uses the result of function 1 as the source for FUNCTION2. This is either input 1 and 2 added, subtracted, or multiplied.

The operation of the :FUNCTION2:SOURce command is identical to the **Operand** softkey. Refer to “Math Functions” in Chapter 2 for additional information.

Command Syntax:	:FUNCTION2:SOURce {CHANnel1 CHANnel2 FUNCTION1}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":FUNC2:SOURce CHAN1"
Query Syntax:	:FUNCTION2:SOURce?
Returned Format:	{CHANnel1 CHANnel2 FUNCTION1} <NL>

Instrument Specific Commands**:FUNCTION:SPAN**

This command is only used when an FFT operation is selected. Refer to “FFT measurement menu” in Chapter 2 for additional information on FFT.

The :SPAN query returns the current frequency span in Hertz.

The :FUNCTION:SPAN command sets the frequency span of the display (left graticule to right graticule) when FFT is selected. If you set the frequency span to a value outside of the legal value, it is automatically set to the nearest legal value.

The operation of the :FUNCTION:SPAN command is identical to the **Freq Span** softkey. Refer to “Math Functions” in Chapter 2 for additional information.

Command Syntax:	:FUNCTION2:SPAN
Example:	OUTPUT 707;“:FUNC2:SPAN 61.04 E3”
Query Syntax:	:FUNCTION2:SPAN?
Returned Format:	 <NL>
Where:	 ::= 1.221 Hz to 9.766 GHz current frequency span in Hertz [exponential-NR3 format]

:FUNCTION:VIEW

The :FUNCTION:VIEW command is used to turn the selected function on or off.

The :VIEW query outputs the current state of the selected function.

The operation of the :FUNCTION:VIEW command is identical to the **Function 1 Off On** and **Function 2 Off On** softkeys. Refer to “Math Functions” in Chapter 2 for additional information.

Command Syntax:	:FUNCTION<N>:VIEW {ON OFF}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;“:FUNC2:VIEW ON”
Query Syntax:	:FUNCTION<N>:VIEW?
Returned Format:	{ON OFF} <NL>

:FUNction:WINDow

This command is only used when an FFT operation is selected. Refer to “FFT measurement menu” in Chapter 2 for additional information on FFT.

The :FUNction:WINDow command allows selection of four windows for the FFT function. The operation of the :FUNction:WINDow command is identical to the **Window** softkey. Refer to “Math Functions” in Chapter 2 for additional information.

FFT operation assumes the time record repeats. Unless there is an integer number of cycles of the sampled waveform in the record, a discontinuity is created at the end of the record. This introduces additional frequency components into the spectrum about the actual peaks. This is referred to as leakage. In order to minimize leakage, windows that approach zero smoothly at the beginning and end of the record are employed as filters to the FFTs. The different windows are useful for various types of input signals.

The selection of the window is dependent on the type of input signal:

- | | |
|--------------------|---|
| RECTangular window | Useful for transient signals and signals where there are an integral number of cycles in the time record. |
| HANNing window | Useful for frequency resolution and general purpose use. It is good for resolving two frequencies that are close together or for making frequency measurements. |
| FLATtop window | Best for making accurate amplitude measurements of frequency peaks. |
| EXPonent window | Best for transient analysis. |

Command Syntax: :FUNction2:WINDow {RECTangular|HANNing|FLATtop|EXPonent}

Example: OUTPUT 707;:FUNC2:WIND RECT

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:ALL

The :MEASure:ALL query makes a set of measurements on the displayed signal and buffers the measurement results for output over the interface. To make a measurement, the portion of the waveform required for the measurement must be displayed. Time measurements are made on the first (left-most) displayed edges of the waveforms. To obtain the most accurate measurement possible, use proper horizontal scaling. Refer to the individual commands for information on how the measurements are made and how the measurement results are returned.

The currently selected measurement type, either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform, determines which measurements are executed. Unsupported measurements will return the value +9.9E+37. Refer to “Measure Commands” in Chapter 6 for a list of the measurements supported by each measurement type.

All amplitude results are returned as either voltage or wattage values, depending on the vertical scale setting of channel 2.

Query Syntax:	:MEASure:ALL?
Returned Format:	<FREQ result>, <PERIOD result>, <PWIDTH result>, <NWIDTH result>, <RISE result>, <FALL result>, <PK-PK result>, <DUTY CYCLE result>, <RMS result>, <MAX result>, <MIN result>, <TOP result>, <BASE result>, <AVG result>, <AMPLIT result>, <OVERSHOOT result>, <PRESHOOT result>, <EXTINCTION RATIO result>, <ONE LEVEL result>, <ZERO LEVEL result>, <BIT RATE result>, <BIT PERIOD result>, <EYE HEIGHT result>, <JITTER RMS result>, <JITTER PK-PK result>, <NOISE RMS result>, <NOISE PK-PK result>, <EYE CROSSING % result>, <DCD result>, <POWER METER result>, <NL>
Where:	<result> ::= individual measurement results exponential-NR3 format
Example:	DIM Measure 1:14 OUTPUT 707;“:MEASURE:ALL?” ENTER 707;Measure *

:MEASure:ASAMples

The :MEASure:ASAMples command is used to set the number of amplitude samples taken by the instrument when making an eye diagram voltage or power measurement.

The :ASAMples query returns the number of samples the instrument takes when making an eye diagram voltage or power measurement.

The number of samples can range from 200 to 10000. The number of samples presents a tradeoff between accuracy and speed of measurements, the lower the number, the faster the measurement. The defined number of amplitude samples is also used in the histogram algorithms when a mask or template is scaled to a waveform.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:ASAMples <value><NL>

Where: <value> :: = number of samples for the instrument to take when making an eye diagram amplitude measurement.

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:ASAMples 1000"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:ASAMples?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> :: = Number of samples the instrument takes when making an eye diagram amplitude measurement [exponential-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:ASAMples?"
 ENTER 707;Rsp
 PRINT Rsp

Instrument Specific Commands`:MEASure:BPERiod`

The `:MEASure:BPERiod` command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the bit period of the input signal. This measurement is available when the instrument is in `Eye:NRZ` Waveform measurement mode.

The `:BPERiod` query returns the bit period of the input signal.

Command Syntax:	<code>:MEASure:BPERiod</code>
Query Syntax:	<code>:MEASure:BPERiod?</code>
Returned Format:	<code><value><NL></code>
Where:	<code><value> :: = bit period of the input signal [exponential-NR3 format]</code>
Example:	<pre>OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:BPER?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp</pre>

`:MEASure:BRATe`

The `:MEASure:BRATe` command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the bit rate for the signal. This measurement is available when the instrument is in `Eye:NRZ` Waveform measurement mode.

The `:BRATe` query returns the bit rate of the input signal.

Command Syntax:	<code>:MEASure:BRATe</code>
Query Syntax:	<code>:MEASure:BRATe?</code>
Returned Format:	<code><value><NL></code>
Where:	<code><value> :: = bit rate of the input signal [exponential-NR3 format]</code>
Example:	<pre>OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:BRAT?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp</pre>

:MEASure:DCD

The :MEASure:DCD command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the duty cycle distortion of the input signal. This measurement is available when the instrument is in Eye:NRZ Waveform measurement mode.

The :DCD query returns the duty cycle distortion of the input signal.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:DCD
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:DCD?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> :: = the duty cycle distortion of the input signal [exponential-NR3 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:DCD?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

Instrument Specific Commands`:MEASure:DEFine:DELay`

The `:MEASure:DEFine:DELay` command is used to define the starting and stopping delay measurement parameters.

The `:DELay` query outputs the delay measurement start slope and edge (channel 1) and stop slope and edge (channel 2).

The sign of `<edgeN>` indicates a rising (+ or blank) or falling (–) edge. N is the selected edge number (1 to 5). The measurement is made with respect to the 50% amplitude level.

The operation of the `:MEASure:DEFine:DELay` command is identical to the **Define Delay** softkey. To make delay measurements automatically, refer to Chapter 2 of the *HP 83475A Lightwave Communications Analyzer User's Guide*.

Command Syntax: `:MEASure:DEFine:DELay,<edge1>,<edge2>`

Example: `OUTPUT 707;:MEAS:DEF:DEL,+1,-3"`

Query Syntax: `:MEASure:DEFine:DELay?`

Returned Format: `<edge1>,<edge2> <NL>`

Where: `<edgeN>` ::= Selected edge number 1 to 5, for channel 1 and 2.
The sign of `<edgeN>` indicates a rising |+ or blank|
or falling |–| edge.

:MEASure:DElay

The :MEASure:DElay command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode and starts a delay measurement. The delay measurement parameters are selected by using the :MEASURE:DEFine command. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The :DElay query returns the time delay between channels 1 and 2.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:DElay
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:DElay?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> :: = time delay between channels 1 and 2.
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:DEL?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:DUTYcycle

The :MEASure:DUTYcycle command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts the duty cycle measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The :DUTYcycle query measures and outputs the duty cycle of the signal specified by the :SOURce command. The signal must be displayed for the measurement to be made. The value returned for duty cycle is the ratio of the positive pulse width to the period.

The positive pulse width and the period of the specified signal are measured, then the duty cycle is calculated with the following formula:

$$duty\ cycle = +pulse\ width/period$$

Command Syntax: :MEASure:DUTYcycle

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:DUTYCYCLE"

Query Syntax: MEASure:DUTYcycle?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> :: = ratio of positive pulse width to period |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:DUTYCYCLE?"
ENTER 707;Dc
PRINT Dc

:MEASure:ECrossing

The :MEASure:ECrossing command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode, and measures the eye crossing amplitude as a percentage of the “1” and “0” level amplitude difference of the eye diagram. This measurement is available when the instrument is in Eye:NRZ Waveform measurement mode.

The :ECrossing query returns the eye crossing amplitude percentage of the input signal.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:ECrossing
Query Syntax:	MEASure:ECrossing?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> :: = the eye crossing amplitude percentage of the input signal exponential-NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;“.MEAS:ECR?” ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

Instrument Specific Commands**:MEASure:EHEIght**

The **:MEASure:EHEIght** command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the eye height of the input signal as a percentage of the “1” and “0” level eye diagram amplitude difference. This measurement is available when the instrument is in Eye:NRZ Waveform measurement mode.

The **:EHEIght** query returns the eye height of the input signal.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:EHEIght
Query Syntax:	MEASure:EHEIght?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> :: = the eye height of the input signal exponential-NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;“:MEAS:EHEI?” ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

:MEASure:ERATIo

The **:MEASure:ERATIo** command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the extinction ratio of the input signal. This measurement is available when the instrument is in Eye:NRZ Waveform measurement mode.

The **:ERATIo** query returns the extinction ratio of the input signal.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:ERATIo
Query Syntax:	MEASure:ERATIo?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> :: = the extinction ratio of the input signal exponential-NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;“:MEAS:ERAT?” ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

:MEASure:ERUNits

The :MEASure:ERUNits command is used to set the display units for the Extinction Ratio measurement.

The :ERUNits query returns the units being used to display the Extinction Ratio measurement.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:ERUNits { LINEAR dB PERCENT }
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:ERUNits dB"
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:ERUNits?
Returned Format:	{ LINEAR dB PERCENT }<NL>
Example:	DIM Rsp \${50} OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:ERUNits?" ENTER 707;Rsp\$ PRINT Rsp\$

Instrument Specific Commands`:MEASure:EWMax`

The `:MEASure:EWMax` command sets the upper limit of the vertical histogram window for the percentage of the eye bit period in which amplitude measurements are to be taken.

The `:EWMax` query returns the percentage for the stop point of the window which will be used for `Eye:NRZ` amplitude measurements.

The 0% point for the eye diagram is the first complete left-most crossing. The 100% point for the eye is the next crossing to the right. Valid eye window settings are between 0% and 100%. The minimum setting cannot be set below the minimum window limit.

Command Syntax: `:MEASure:EWMax <value>`

Where: `<value> :: =`
Percentage of stop location of the window used for amplitude eye diagram measurements.

Example: `OUTPUT 707; ":MEASure:EWMax 40"`

Query Syntax: `:MEASure:EWMax?`

Returned Format: `<value> <NL>`

Where: `<value> :: =`
Percentage of stop location of the window used for amplitude eye diagram measurements |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: `OUTPUT 707; ":MEASure:EWMax?"`
`ENTER 707;Lfpt`
`PRINT Lfpt`

:MEASure:EWMin

The :MEASure:EWMin command sets the lower limit of the vertical histogram window for the percentage of the eye bit period in which amplitude measurements are to be taken.

The :EWMin query returns the percentage for the start point of the window which will be used for Eye:NRZ amplitude measurements.

The 0% point for the eye diagram is the first complete left-most crossing. The 100% point for the eye is the next crossing to the right. Valid eye window settings are between 0% and 100%. The minimum setting cannot be set above the maximum window limit.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:EWMin <value>

Where: <value> :: =
 Percentage of start location of the window used for amplitude eye diagram measurements.

Example: OUTPUT 707; ":MEASure:EWMin 40"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:EWMin?

Returned Format: <value> <NL>

Where: <value> :: =
 Percentage of start location of the window used for amplitude eye diagram measurements [exponential-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707; ":MEASure:EWMin?"
 ENTER 707;Lfpt
 PRINT Lfpt

Instrument Specific Commands**:MEASure:FALLtime**

The **:MEASURE:FALLTIME** command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a fall time measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either General Waveform or Eye:NRZ Waveform measurement mode.

When the instrument is in the General Waveform measurement mode, the **:FALLtime** query measures and outputs the fall time of the first displayed falling (negative-going) edge. For highest measurement accuracy, set the sweep speed as fast as possible while leaving the falling edge of the waveform on the display. The fall time is determined by measuring the time at the upper threshold of the falling edge, then measuring the time at the lower threshold of the falling edge and calculating the fall time using the following formula (assuming 90% and 10% thresholds):

$$\text{fall time} = \text{time at 10\% level} - \text{time at 90\% level}$$

When the instrument is in Eye:NRZ measurement mode, the **:FALLtime** query measures and outputs the fall time of the first displayed eye diagram falling edge. At least one complete eye diagram must be displayed to make this measurement.

Command Syntax: **:MEASure:FALLtime**

Example: **OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:FALL"**

Query Syntax: **:MEASure:FALLtime?**

Returned Format: **<value><NL>**

Where: **<value> ::=**

Time in seconds between lower and upper amplitude levels
[exponential-NR3 format]

Example: **OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:FALLTIME?"**
ENTER 707;Fall
PRINT Fall

:MEASure:FREQuency

The :MEASure:FREQuency command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a frequency measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The :FREQuency query measures and outputs the frequency of the first complete cycle on the screen. This command uses the 50% levels between defined thresholds.

The algorithm is:

If first edge on screen is rising, then:

$$frequency = \frac{1}{(time\ at\ second\ rising\ edge - time\ at\ first\ rising\ edge)}$$

Else:

$$frequency = \frac{1}{(time\ at\ second\ falling\ edge - time\ at\ first\ falling\ edge)}$$

Command Syntax: :MEASure:FREQuency

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:FREQ"

Query Syntax: :MEASURE:FREQuency?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= frequency in Hertz [exponential-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:FREQUENCY?"
 ENTER 707;Frq
 PRINT Frq

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:JPP

The :MEASure:JPP command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode, and measures the peak-to-peak jitter at the eye diagram crossing point. This measurement is available when the instrument is in Eye:NRZ Waveform measurement mode.

The :JPP query returns the peak-to-peak jitter of the input signal.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:JPP
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:JPP?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= The peak-to-peak jitter of the input signal.
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:JPP?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

:MEASure:JRMS

The :MEASure:JRMS command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the rms jitter at the eye diagram crossing point. This measurement is available when the instrument is in Eye:NRZ Waveform measurement mode.

The :JRMS query returns the rms jitter of the input signal.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:JRMS
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:JRMS?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= the rms jitter of the input signal
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:JRMS?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

:MEASure:LOWer

The :MEASure:LOWer command sets the lower measurement threshold percentage. This measurement function is available when the instrument is in either General Waveform or Eye:NRZ measurement mode. This value and the UPPER value are used when THResholds are set to PERCent and are used for measurements such as rise time and fall time. Refer to the :MEASure:MTYPe command and Chapter 2 of the *HP 83475A Lightwave Communications Analyzer User's Guide* for more information on setting measurement thresholds.

The :MEASure:LOWer query outputs the current lower threshold percentage.

The operation of the :MEASure:LOWer command is identical to the **Lower** softkey. Refer to Chapter 2 of the *HP 83475A Lightwave Communications Analyzer User's Guide* for additional information.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:LOWer <percent>

Example: OUTPUT 707;*:MEAS:LOW 20"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:LOWer?

Returned Format: <percent> <NL>

Where: <percent> ::= user defined threshold in volts |exponential-NR3 format|

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:MASK
:DEFine:MARGin

The MEASure:MASK:DEFine:MARGin command sets the amount of margin to apply to a mask. The margin will be applied on the next placement of the mask. If the instrument is in continuous update mode, the margin will be added (or subtracted) on the next placement.

The :MARGin query returns the current mask margin setting.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:MARGin <value>

Where: <value> ::=
an integer from -100 to +100, representing the percentage of margin to apply to the mask.

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:MASK:DEFine:MARG 20"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:MARGin?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= the current mask margin setting [exponential-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:MASK:DEF:MARG?"
ENTER 707;Rsp
PRINT Rsp

:MEASure:MASK
:DEFine:MHTS

The :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:MHTS command sets the maximum number of hits allowed to pass the mask conformance test. A failure will register if the total number of hits is greater than this value. A pass will occur if the total number of hits is less than or equal to this value.

The :MHTS query returns the current maximum number of hits used for the conformance test.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:MHTS <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= the maximum number of hits allowed, for the conformance test to pass.

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:MASK:DEFine:MHTS 0"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:MHTS?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= the current setting of the maximum number of hits allowed for the conformance test to pass
lexponential-NR3 format

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:MASK:DEF:MHTS?"
ENTER 707;Rsp
PRINT Rsp

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:MASK
:DEFine:OFAil

The :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:OFAil command sets the action to be performed when the instrument has determined that a conformance test has been failed.

The :OFAil query returns the current action that will be performed when a conformance test is failed.

The instrument can perform three possible actions based on a failed conformance test.

- It can STOP and hold the data on the screen.
- It can CONTinue collecting and displaying data.
- It can PRINT the results to a printer connected to the instrument.

In the print mode, the instrument is stopped until the printout is complete, then allowed to continue.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:OFAil { STOP | CONTinue | PRINT }

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:MASK:DEFine:OFA PRIN"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:OFAil?

Returned Format: { STOP | CONTinue | PRINT } <NL>

Example: DIM Rsp\$[50]
OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:MASK:DEF:OFA?"
ENTER 707;Rsp\$
PRINT Rsp\$

:MEASure:MASK
:DEFine:OPASs

The :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:OPASs command sets the action to be performed when the instrument has determined that a conformance test has been passed.

The :OPASs query returns the current action that will be performed when a conformance test is passed.

The instrument can perform three possible actions based on a passed conformance test.

- It can STOP and hold the data on the screen.
- It can CONTInue collecting and displaying data.
- It can PRINt the results to a printer connected to the instrument.

In the print mode, the instrument is stopped until the printout is complete, then allowed to continue.

<p>Command Syntax: :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:OPASs { STOP CONTInue PRINt }</p> <p>Example: OUTPUT 707;“.MEAS:MASK:DEFINE:OPAS CONT”</p>
<p>Query Syntax: :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:OPAS?</p> <p>Returned Format: { STOP CONTInue PRINt }<NL></p> <p>Example: DIM Rsp\${50} OUTPUT 707;“.MEAS:MASK:DEFine:OPAS?” ENTER 707;Rsp\$ PRINT Rsp\$</p>

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:MASK
:DEFine:TIME

The :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:TIME command sets the time in seconds for the conformance test to run.

The :TIME query returns the time in seconds that the conformance test is set to run.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:TIME <conf_time>

Where: <conf_time> ::= time in seconds for the conformance test to run.
The minimum is 1 second, the maximum is 32 seconds.

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:MASK:DEFine:TIME 2S"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:MASK:DEFine:TIME?

Returned Format: <conf_time><NL>

Where: <conf_time> ::= the time in seconds that the conformance test is set to run.

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:MASK:DEFine:TIME?"
ENTER 707;Rsp
PRINT Rsp

:MEASure:MASK:SHOW

The :MEASure:MASK:SHOW sets the run mode operation of the mask measurements to Off, Only Once, or Continuous display and placement. The Only Once mode scales and places the mask based on a single data acquisition. The Continuous mode rescales the mask whenever a change in the waveform is detected.

The :SHOW query returns the current setting.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:MASK:SHOW { OFF ONLYonce CONTinuous }
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:MASK:SHOW?
Returned Format:	<state><NL>
Where:	<state> ::= { OFF ONLY CONT }
Example:	DIM Rsp\$(50) OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:MASK:SHOW?" ENTER 707;Rsp\$ PRINT Rsp\$

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:MASK:STESt

The :MEASure:MASK:STESt command is used to select a preprogrammed standard mask test in the instrument. If an eye diagram mask is selected, the measurement type is automatically set to Eye:NRZ. If a pulse mask is selected, the measurement type is automatically set to General Waveform.

The :STESt query returns the currently selected preprogrammed standard mask test.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:MASK:STESt { OC1 | STM0 | OC3 | STM1 | STS1 | STS3 | FC133 | FC266
| DS1 | DS1C | DS2 | DS3 | E1 | E2 | E3 | E4ONE | E4ZERO }

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:MASK:STES STS1"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:MASK:STESt?

Returned Format: { OC1 | STM0 | OC3 | STM1 | STS1 | STS3 | FC133 | FC266
| DS1 | DS1C | DS2 | DS3 | E1 | E2 | E3 | E4ONE |
E4ZERO }

Example: DIM Rsp\$[50]
OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:MASK:STES?"
ENTER 707;Rsp\$
PRINT Rsp\$

:MEASure:MASK:TEST

The :MEASure:MASK:TEST query performs the conformance test, and responds with the results.

Query Syntax: :MEASure:MASK:TEST?

Returned Format: { PASSED | FAILED }, <TOTHits result>, <STDHits result>, <MARHits result><NL>

Where: <result> ::= individual integral measurement results

Example: DIM Rsp\$[50]
OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:MASK:TEST?"
ENTER 707;Rsp\$
PRINT Rsp\$

:MEASure:MTYPe

The :MEASure:MTYPe command is used to set the measurement type which selects algorithms for the automatic measurements. The waveform type is checked during all continuous, and single shot measurement cycles, and only certain measurements are allowed while in General Waveform, or Eye:NRZ measurement modes. Check each command to determine if the measurement is made for the measurement type selected. Refer to “Measure Commands” in Chapter 6 for more information. If you select a measurement that is not supported for a waveform type, the measurement will return +9.9e+37.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:MTYPe { GENERAL EYENRZ }
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Query Syntax:	:MEASure:MTYPe?
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Returned Format:	{ GENERAL EYENRZ } <NL>
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Example:	DIM Rsp\$[50] OUTPUT 707;“.MEAS:MTYP?” ENTER 707;Rsp\$ PRINT Rsp\$
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:MEASure:NPP

The :MEASure:NPP command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the peak-to-peak noise of the input signal. This measurement is available when the instrument is in Eye:NRZ Waveform measurement mode.

The :NPP query returns the peak-to-peak noise of the eye diagram.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:NPP
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Query Syntax:	:MEASure:NPP?
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Returned Format:	<value><NL>
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Where:	<value> ::= the peak-to-peak noise of the input signal.
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Example:	OUTPUT 707;“.MEAS:NPP?” ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp
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Instrument Specific Commands`:MEASure:NRMS`

The `:MEASure:NRMS` command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the rms noise of the eye diagram. This measurement is available when the instrument is in `Eye:NRZ` measurement mode.

The `:NRMS` query returns the rms noise of the input signal.

Command Syntax: <code>:MEASure:NRMS</code>
Query Syntax: <code>:MEASure:NRMS?</code>
Returned Format: <code><value><NL></code>
Where: <code><value> ::=</code> the rms noise of the input signal.
Example: <code>OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:NRMS?"</code> <code>ENTER 707;Rsp</code> <code>PRINT Rsp</code>

:MEASure:NWIDth

The :MEASure:NWIDth command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts an NWIDTH measurement.

The :NWIDth query measures and outputs the width of the first negative pulse on the screen using the 50% levels. The algorithm is:

If the first edge on screen is rising, then:

$$width = (time\ at\ second\ rising\ edge - time\ at\ first\ falling\ edge)$$

Else:

$$width = (time\ at\ first\ rising\ edge - time\ at\ first\ falling\ edge)$$

Command Syntax: :MEASure:NWIDth

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:NWIDTH"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:NWIDth?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= negative pulse width in seconds |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:NWIDTH?"
 ENTER 707;Nwd
 PRINT Nwd

Instrument Specific Commands**:MEASure:OLEVel**

The **:MEASure:OLEVel** command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the one level of the eye diagram. This measurement is available when the instrument is in Eye:NRZ measurement mode.

The **:OLEVel** query returns the one level of the eye diagram.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:OLEVel
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:OLEVel?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= the one level of the eye diagram exponential-NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:OLEV?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

:MEASure:OPMeter

The **:MEASure:OPMeter** command turns the optical power meter on and off. When the power meter is on, the instrument is placed in continuous measurement mode.

The **:OPMeter** query returns the current state of the power meter, ON or OFF. The power meter should be activated prior to sending the **:OPMeter** query.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:OPMeter {ON OFF}
Example:	OUTPUT707;":MEASure:OPMeter, ON"
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:OPMeter?
Returned Format:	{ ON OFF } <NL>
Where:	<value> ::= the current state of the power meter.
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:OPMeter?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

:MEASure:OVERshoot

The :MEASure:OVERshoot command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the overshoot of the eye diagram. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode.

The :OVERshoot query returns the overshoot of the input signal.

Three different amplitude measurements are made and then overshoot, for a general voltage waveform, is calculated using the following formula:

$$overshoot = 100 \left(\frac{V_{max} - V_{top}}{V_{top} - V_{base}} \right)$$

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:OVERshoot
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:OVER"
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:OVERshoot?
Returned Format:	<value> <NL>
Where:	<value> ::= overshoot of the input signal in percent [exponential-NR3 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:OVER?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:PAMPlitude

The :MEASure:PAMPlitude command places the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the amplitude of the input signal. This measurement can be made when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode.

The :PAMPlitude query measures and outputs the power amplitude of the first waveform on the screen. The method used to determine amplitude is to measure two levels and then calculate amplitude as follows:

$$amplitude = P_{top} - P_{base} \text{ (or } P_{one} - P_{zero} \text{)}$$

Command Syntax: :MEASure:PAMPlitude

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PAMP"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:PAMPlitude?

Returned Format: <value> <NL>

Where: <value> :: = amplitude of selected waveform in watts [exponential-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PAMP?"
ENTER 707;Rsp
PRINT Rsp

:MEASure:PAverage

The :MEASure:PAverage command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a Paverage measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The :PAverage query measures the average amplitude of the first cycle of the displayed power signal. If a complete cycle is not present, the analyzer averages all data points.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:PAverage

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PAV"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:PAverage?

Returned Format: <average_power><NL>

Where: <average_power> ::= calculated average power level [exponential-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PAV?"
 ENTER 707;Pavg
 PRINT Pavg

Instrument Specific Commands`:MEASure:PBASe`

The `:MEASure:PBASe` command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a Pbase measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The `:PBASe` query measures and outputs the power value at the base of the waveform. The base level of a pulse is normally not the same as the minimum value.

Command Syntax: `:MEASure:PBASe`Example: `OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PBASe"`**Query Syntax:** `:MEASure:PBASe?`Returned Format: `<base_power><NL>`Where: `<base_power> ::= power at base of selected waveform |exponential-NR3 format|`Example: `OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:PBASe?"
ENTER 707;Pbase
PRINT Pbase`

:MEASure:PERiod

The :MEASure:PERiod command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and selects the period measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The :PERiod query measures and outputs the period of the first complete cycle on the screen. The period is measured at the 50% amplitude level.

The algorithm for this measurement is:

If the first edge on screen is rising, then:

$$period = time\ at\ second\ rising\ edge - time\ at\ first\ rising\ edge$$

Else:

$$period = time\ at\ second\ falling\ edge - time\ at\ first\ falling\ edge$$

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:PERiod
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PERIOD"
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:PERiod?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= waveform period in seconds [exponential-NR3 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:PERIOD?" ENTER 707;Prd PRINT Prd

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:PHASe

The :MEASure:PHASe command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the phase between channel 1 and 2. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The :PHASe query measures and outputs the phase between channels 1 and 2. The phase measurement is made from the first rising edge of the signal connected to input 1, to the first rising edge of the signal connected to input 2. The operation of the :MEASure:PHASe command is identical to the **Phase** softkey.

Phase is determined by measuring the delay and the period, then calculating phase using the following formula:

$$Phase = \left(\frac{delay}{period\ of\ input\ 1} \right) 360$$

Command Syntax: :MEASure:PHASe

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PHAS"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:PHASe?

Returned Format: <value> <NL>

Where: <value> ::= phase difference between channel 1 and channel 2
[exponential-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PHAS?"
ENTER 707;Rsp
PRINT Rsp

:MEASure:PMAX

The :MEASure:PMAX command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a Pmax measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode.

The :PMAX query measures and outputs the absolute maximum power present on the selected waveform.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:PMAX
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PMAX"
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:PMAX?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= maximum power of selected waveform exponential-NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:PMAX?" ENTER 707;Pmax PRINT Pmax

:MEASure:PMET

The :PMET query returns the current optical power meter measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode. To ensure a valid reading, adequate time must be allowed for the power meter to settle. Sending the :MEASure:OPMeter ON command prior to sending the :PMET query will ensure a valid reading. If the query is sent prior to the :MEASure:OPMeter ON command, an error value of 9.9e37 will be returned.

Query Syntax:	:MEASure:PMET?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= current optical power meter measurement in watts exponential-NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PMET?" ENTER 707;Pmet PRINT Pmet

Instrument Specific Commands**:MEASure:PMIN**

The **:MEASure:PMIN** command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a PMIN measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode.

The **:PMIN** query measures and outputs the absolute minimum power present on the selected waveform.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:PMIN

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PMIN"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:PMIN?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= minimum power value of the selected waveform [exponential-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:PMIN?"
ENTER 707;Pmin
PRINT Pmin

:MEASure:PPP

The :MEASure:PPP command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a peak-to-peak power measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The :PPP query measures the maximum and minimum power levels for the selected source, then calculates the peak-to-peak power and outputs that value. The peak-to-peak power (P_{pp}) is calculated with the following formula:

$$P_{pp} = P_{max} - P_{min}$$

P_{max} and P_{min} are the maximum and minimum power levels present on the selected source.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:PPP

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PPP"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:PPP?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= peak-to-peak power [exponential-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PPP?"
 ENTER 707;Ppp
 PRINT Ppp

Instrument Specific Commands`:MEASure:PREShoot`

The `:MEASure:PREShoot` command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a preshoot measurement. The operation of the `:MEASure:PREShoot` command is identical to the **Preshoot** softkey. This measurement is available when the instrument is in the General Waveform measurement mode.

The `:PREShoot` query measures and outputs the preshoot of the first edge displayed on the screen.

Three different amplitude measurements are made and then preshoot is calculated using the following formula:

$$preshoot = 100 \left(\frac{Base - Min}{Top - Base} \right)$$

Command Syntax: `:MEASure:PREShoot`

Example: `OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PRES"`

Query Syntax: `:MEASure:PREShoot?`

Returned Format: `<value> <NL>`

Where: `<value> ::= preshoot of the selected waveform in percent
[exponential-NR3 format]`

:MEASure:PRMS

The :MEASure:PRMS command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a dc rms power measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The :PRMS query measures and outputs the dc rms power of the selected waveform. The dc rms power is measured on the first cycle of the displayed signal. If a complete cycle is not present, the analyzer computes the rms value on all displayed data points.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:PRMS

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PRMS"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:PRMS?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= calculated dc rms power level |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:PRMS?"
 ENTER 707;Prms
 PRINT Prms

:MEASure:PTIME

The :PTIME query returns the power at a specified time. The specified time must be on screen and is referenced to the trigger event.

Query Syntax: :MEASure:PTIME? <time>

Where: <time> ::= displayed time from trigger in seconds

Returned Format: <power><NL>

Where: <power> ::= power at specified time |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:PTIME? .001"
 ENTER 707;Ptm
 PRINT Ptm

Instrument Specific Commands**:MEASure:PTOP**

The **:MEASure:PTOP** command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a Ptop measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The **:PTOP** query returns the power at the top level of a waveform. The top level is the most prevalent high level of the waveform.

Command Syntax: **:MEASure:PTOP**

Example: **OUTPUT 707; ":MEASURE:PTOP"**

Query Syntax: **:MEASure:PTOP?**

Returned Format: **<value><NL>**

Where: **<value> ::= power at the top of the waveform |exponential-NR3 format|**

Example: **OUTPUT 707; ":MEASURE:PTOP?"**
ENTER 707;Ptp
PRINT Ptp

:MEASure:PUNIts

The **:MEASure:PUNIts** command set the internal power measurements display units.

The **:PUNIts** query returns the current power measurements display units.

Command Syntax: **:MEASure:PUNIts { WATTS | dBm }**

Example: **OUTPUT 707; ":MEASURE:PUNIts WATTS"**

Query Syntax: **:MEASure:PUNIts?**

Returned Format: **{ WATTS | dBm }<NL>**

Example: **OUTPUT 707; ":MEASURE:PUNIts?"**
ENTER 707;Rsp
PRINT Rsp

:MEASure:PWDELta

The :PWDELTA query outputs the power difference between PMarker 1 and PMarker 2. No measurement is made when the :PWDELTA query is received by the analyzer. The delta power value that is output is the current value. This is the same value as the front panel delta P value. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode.

$$PWDELTA = \text{Power at PMarker 2} - \text{Power at PMarker 1}$$

Query Syntax: :MEASure:PWDELta?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= delta P value in watts (exponential-NR3 format)

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PWDELTA?"
 ENTER 707;Pwdelta
 PRINT Pwdelta

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:PWIDth

The :MEASure:PWIDth command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts the Pwidth measurement.

The :PWIDth query measures and outputs the width of the first displayed positive pulse. Pulse width is measured at the 50% amplitude level.

The algorithm for this measurement is:

If the first edge on screen is falling, then:

$$\text{width} = \text{time at second falling edge} - \text{time at first rising edge}$$

Else:

$$\text{width} = \text{time at first falling edge} - \text{time at first rising edge}$$

Command Syntax: :MEASure:PWIDth

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PWIDTH"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:PWIDth?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= width of positive pulse in seconds [exponential-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:PWIDTH?"
ENTER 707;PwD
PRINT PwD

:MEASure:PWSTArt

The :MEASure:PWSTArt command moves PMarker 1 to the specified power corresponding to the current source. The source can be selected by the :MEASure:SOURce command.

The :PWSTArt query returns the current power level of PMarker 1.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:PWSTArt <power> [W, mW, uW or V, mW, uW]

Where: <power> ::= power value for Pmarker 1

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PWSTA 10uW"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:PWSTArt?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= power at PMarker 1 |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:PWSTART?"
 ENTER 707;Pwst
 PRINT Pwst

:MEASure:PWSTop

The :MEASure:PWSTop command moves PMarker 2 to the specified power corresponding to the current source. The source can be selected by the :MEASure:SOURce command.

The :PWSTop query returns the current power level of PMarker 2.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:PWSTop <power> [W, mW, uW or V, mW, uW]

Where: <voltage> ::= power value for Pmarker 2

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:PWST -100uW"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:PWSTop?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= power at PMarker 2 |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:PWSTOP?"
 ENTER 707;Pwst
 PRINT Pwst

Instrument Specific Commands**:MEASure:RISetime**

The **:MEASure:RISetime** command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a rise time measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either **Eye:NRZ** or **General Waveform** measurement mode.

When the instrument is in **General Waveform** measurement mode, the **:RISetime** query measures and outputs the rise time of the first displayed rising (positive-going) edge. For maximum measurement accuracy set the sweep speed as fast as possible while leaving the leading edge of the waveform on the display. The rise time is determined by measuring the time at the lower threshold level of the rising edge and the time at the upper threshold level of the rising edge, and then calculating the rise time with the following formula:

$$\text{rise time} = \text{time at upper level} - \text{time at lower level}$$

When the instrument is in **Eye:NRZ** measurement mode, the **:RISetime** query measures and outputs the risetime of the first displayed eye diagram. For the measurements to be made, at least one complete eye diagram must be shown in the display.

Command Syntax: **:MEASure:RISetime**

Example: **OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:RIS"**

Query Syntax: **:MEASure:RISetime?**

Returned Format: **<value><NL>**

Where: **<value> ::= rise time in seconds [exponential-NR3 format]**

Example: **OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:RIS?"**
ENTER 707;Rs
PRINT Rs

:MEASure:SCRatch

The **:MEASure:SCRatch** command clears selected measurements and selected markers from the screen.

Command Syntax: **:MEASure:SCRatch**

Example: **OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:SCRATCH"**

:MEASure:SHOW

The :MEASure:SHOW command enables markers for tracking measurements. The :SHOW query returns the status of the markers.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:SHOW {ON OFF}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;"MEASURE:SHOW ON"
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:SHOW?
Returned Format:	{ON OFF} <NL>
Example:	DIM Sh\$[50] OUTPUT 707;"MEASURE:SHOW?" ENTER 707; Sh\$ PRINT Sh\$

:MEASure:SOURce

The :MEASure:SOURce command selects the sources for the measurements. The specified source becomes the source for the MEASURE subsystem commands.

The :SOURce query returns the current source selection.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:SOURce <source>
Where:	<source> ::= CHANNEL{1 2}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;"MEASURE:SOURCE CHANNEL1"
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:SOURce?
Returned Format:	<source><NL>
Where:	<source> ::= CHAN {1 2}
Example:	DIM Src\$[50] OUTPUT 707;"MEAS:SOUR?" ENTER 707;Src\$ PRINT Src\$

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:TDELta

The :TDELta query returns the time difference between the start and stop time markers:

$$T_{delta} = T_{stop} - T_{start}$$

Tstart is the time at the start marker and Tstop is the time at the stop marker. No measurement is made when the :TDELta query is received by the analyzer. The delta time value that is output is the current value. This is the same value as the front panel delta t value.

Query Syntax:	MEASure:TDELta?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= difference between stop and start markers exponential-NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:TDELTA?" ENTER 707;Td1 PRINT Td1

:MEASure:THResholds

The :MEASure:THResholds command selects the thresholds used when making time measurements. This measurement function is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode. The operation of the :MEASure:THResholds command is identical to the **Thresholds** softkey. Refer to the :MEASure:MTYPe command and Chapter 2 of the *HP 83475A Lightwave Communications Analyzer User's Guide* for more information on setting thresholds.

The :THResholds query outputs the current thresholds selected when making time measurements.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:THResholds {T1090 T2080 PERCent}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:THR PERC"
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:THResholds?
Returned Format:	{T1090 T2080 PERCent} <NL>
Where:	T1090 uses the 10 and 90% levels of the selected waveform. T2080 uses the 20 and 80% levels of the selected waveform. PERCent uses the upper and lower percentage thresholds set with the :UPPer and :LOWer commands on the selected waveform.

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:TPOWer

When the :TPOWer query is sent, the displayed signal is searched for the defined amplitude level and transition. The time interval between the trigger event and this defined occurrence is returned as the response to this query. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode.

The power must be specified as a positive value. The sign of the slope selects a rising (+) or falling (-) edge. If no sign is specified for the slope, it is assumed to be the rising edge.

The magnitude of occurrence defines the occurrence to be reported. For example, +3 returns the time for the third time the waveform crosses the specified amplitude level in the positive direction. Once this amplitude crossing is found, the analyzer outputs the time at that crossing in seconds, with the trigger point (time zero) as the reference.

If the specified crossing cannot be found, the analyzer outputs +9.9E+37. This value is returned if:

- the waveform does not cross the specified power
- the waveform does not cross the specified power level the specified number of times in the specified direction.

Query Syntax:	:MEASure:TPOWer? <amplitude> [W,mW, uW], <slope><occurrence>
Where:	<amplitude> ::= positive power level the waveform must cross.
	<slope> ::= direction of the waveform when <amplitude> is crossed— rising space or + or falling — .
	<occurrence> ::= number of crossings to be reported if one—the first crossing is reported, if two—the second crossing is reported, and so forth.
Returned Format:	<time><NL>
Where:	<time> ::= time in seconds of specified amplitude crossing exponential-NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:TPOW? 10uW,+3" ENTER 707;Tpow PRINT Tpow

:MEASure:TSAMples

The :MEASure:TSAMples command sets the number of samples the scope will take to when making a time measurement on an eye diagram. The defined number of time samples is also used in the histogram algorithms when a mask or template is scaled to a waveform.

The :TSAMples query returns the number of samples used to make a time measurement on an eye diagram.

This number presents a trade off between speed and accuracy of the measurement.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:TSAMples <value><NL>

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:TSAMples 500"

Where: <value> :: =
 Number of samples the instrument will take to make a time measurement on an eye diagram.

Query Syntax: :MEASure:TSAMples?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> :: =
 Number of samples the instrument will take to make a time measurement on an eye diagram
 [exponential-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:TSAMples?"
 ENTER 707;Rsp
 PRINT Rsp

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:TSTArt

The MEASure:TSTArt command moves the start marker to the specified time with respect to the trigger time. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode.

The :TSTArt query returns the time at the start marker.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:TSTArt <start marker time>

Where: <start marker time> ::= time at start marker in seconds

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:TSTART 30 NS"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:TSTArt?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= time at start marker in seconds |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:TSTART?"
ENTER 707;Tst
PRINT Tst

:MEASure:TSTOp

The :MEASure:TSTOp command moves the stop marker to the specified time with respect to the trigger time. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode.

The :TSTOp query returns the time at the stop marker.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:TSTOp <stop marker time>

Where: <stop marker time> ::= time at stop marker in seconds

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:TSTOP 40 NS"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:TSTOp?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= time at stop marker in seconds |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:TSTOP?"
ENTER 707;Tst
PRINT Tst

:MEASure:TVOLt

When the :TVOLt query is sent, the displayed signal is searched for the defined amplitude level and transition. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode. The time interval between the trigger event and this defined occurrence is returned as the response to this query.

The voltage can be specified as a negative or positive voltage. To specify a negative voltage, use a minus (-) sign. The sign of the slope selects a rising (+) or falling (-) edge. If no sign is specified for the slope, it is assumed to be the rising edge.

The magnitude of occurrence defines the occurrence to be reported. For example, +3 returns the time for the third time the waveform crosses the specified amplitude level in the positive direction. Once this amplitude crossing is found, the analyzer outputs the time at that crossing in seconds, with the trigger point (time zero) as the reference.

If the specified crossing cannot be found, the analyzer outputs +9.9E+37. This value is returned if:

- the waveform does not cross the specified voltage
- the waveform does not cross the specified voltage the specified number of times in the specified direction.

Query Syntax:	:MEASure:TVOLt? <amplitude> [V, mV, uV] <slope><occurrence>
Where:	<amplitude> ::= positive or negative voltage level the waveform must cross.
	<slope> ::= direction of the waveform when <amplitude> is crossed— rising space or + or falling — .
	<occurrence> ::= number of crossings to be reported if one—the first crossing is reported, if two—the second crossing is reported, and so forth.
Returned Format:	<time><NL>
Where:	<time> ::= time in seconds of specified amplitude crossing exponential-NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;".MEASURE:TVOL? -.250V,+ 3" ENTER 707;Tvol PRINT Tvol

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:UPPer

The :MEASure:UPPer command sets the upper measurement threshold percentage. This measurement function is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode. This value and the LOWer value are used when THResholds are set to PERCentage. The operation of the :MEASure:UPPer command is identical to the **Upper** softkey. Refer to the :MEASure:MTYPe command and Chapter 2 of the *HP 83475A Lightwave Communications Analyzer User's Guide* for more information on setting thresholds.

The :UPPer query outputs the current upper threshold level.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:UPPer <percent>

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:UPP 85"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:UPPer?

Returned Format: <percent> <NL>

Where: <percent> :: = user-defined upper threshold in percent (exponential-NR3 format)

:MEASure:VAMPlitude

The MEASure:VAMPlitude command places the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the amplitude of the input signal. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode.

The :VAMPlitude query measures and outputs the voltage amplitude of the first waveform on the screen. The method used to determine voltage amplitude is to measure VTOP (or VONE) level and VBASE (or VZERO) level, then calculate voltage amplitude as follows:

$$\text{voltage amplitude} = V_{top} - V_{base} \text{ (or } V_{one} - V_{zero})$$

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:VAMPlitude
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:VAMP"
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:VAMPlitude?
Returned Format:	<value> <NL>
Where:	<value> :: = amplitude of selected waveform in volts [exponential-NR3 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:VAMP?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

Instrument Specific Commands`:MEASure:VAVerage`

The `:MEASure:VAVerage` command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a Vaverage measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The `:VAVerage` query measures the average voltage of the first cycle of the displayed signal. If a complete cycle is not present, the analyzer averages all data points.

Command Syntax: `:MEASure:VAVerage`

Example: `OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:VAV"`

Query Syntax: `:MEASure:VAVerage?`

Returned Format: `<average_voltage><NL>`

Where: `<average_voltage> ::= calculated average voltage |exponential-NR3 format|`

Example: `OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:VAV?"`
`ENTER 707;Vavg`
`PRINT Vavg`

:MEASure:VBASe

The :MEASure:VBASe command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a Vbase measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The :VBASe query measures and outputs the voltage value at the base of the waveform. The base voltage of a pulse is normally not the same as the minimum value.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:VBASe
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:VBASE"
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:VBASe?
Returned Format:	<base_voltage><NL>
Where:	<base_voltage> ::= voltage at base of selected waveform [exponential-NR3 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VBASE?" ENTER 707;Vbase PRINT Vbase

:MEASure:VDELta

The :VDELta query outputs the voltage difference between VMarker 1 and VMarker 2. No measurement is made when the :VDELta query is received by the analyzer. The delta voltage value that is output is the current value. This is the same value as the front panel delta V value.

$$VDELTA = \text{Voltage at VMarker 2} - \text{Voltage at VMarker 1}$$

Query Syntax:	:MEASure:VDELta?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= delta V value in volts [exponential-NR3 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:VDELTA?" ENTER 707;Vdelta PRINT Vdelta

Instrument Specific Commands`:MEASure:VMAX`

The `:MEASure:VMAX` command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a Vmax measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode.

The `:VMAX` query measures and outputs the absolute maximum voltage present on the selected waveform.

Command Syntax: `:MEASure:VMAX`

Example: `OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:VMAX"`

Query Syntax: `:MEASure:VMAX?`

Returned Format: `<value><NL>`

Where: `<value>` ::= maximum voltage of selected waveform [exponential-NR3 format]

Example: `OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VMAX?"`
`ENTER 707;Vmax`
`PRINT Vmax`

:MEASure:VMIN

The :MEASure:VMIN command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a VMIN measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in either Eye:NRZ or General Waveform measurement mode.

The :VMIN query measures and outputs the absolute minimum voltage present on the selected waveform.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:VMIN
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:VMIN"
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:VMIN?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= minimum voltage value of the selected waveform [exponential-NR3 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VMIN?" ENTER 707;Vmin PRINT Vmin

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:VPP

The :MEASure:VPP command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a VPP measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The :VPP query measures the maximum and minimum voltages for the selected source, then calculates the peak-to-peak voltage and outputs that value. The peak-to-peak voltage (V_{pp}) is calculated with the following formula:

$$V_{pp} = V_{max} - V_{min}$$

V_{max} and V_{min} are the maximum and minimum voltages present on the selected source.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:VPP

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:VPP"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:VPP?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= voltage peak to peak [exponential-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:VPP?"
ENTER 707;Vpp
PRINT Vpp

:MEASure:VRMS

The :MEASure:VRMS command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a dc rms voltage measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The :VRMS query measures and outputs the dc rms voltage of the selected waveform. The dc rms voltage is measured on the first cycle of the displayed signal. If a complete cycle is not present, the analyzer computes the rms value on all displayed data points.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:VRMS

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:VRMS"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:VRMS?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= calculated dc rms voltage [exponential-NR3 format]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VRMS?"
 ENTER 707;Vrms
 PRINT Vrms

Instrument Specific Commands

:MEASure:VSTArt

The :MEASure:VSTArt command moves VMarker 1 to the specified voltage corresponding to the current source. The source can be selected by the :MEASure:SOURce command.

The :VSTArt query returns the current voltage level of VMarker 1.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:VSTArt <voltage> [V, mV, uV]

Where: <voltage> ::= voltage value for Vmarker 1

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:VSTA -10MV"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:VSTArt?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= voltage at VMarker 1 |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VSTART?"
ENTER 707;Vst
PRINT Vst

:MEASure:VSTOp

The :MEASure:VSTOp command moves VMarker 2 to the specified voltage corresponding to the current source. The source can be selected by the :MEASure:SOURce command.

The :VSTOp query returns the current voltage level of VMarker 2.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:VSTOp <voltage> [V, mV, uV]

Where: <voltage> ::= voltage value for Vmarker 2

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:VSTO -100MV"

Query Syntax: :MEASure:VSTOp?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= voltage at VMarker 2 |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VSTOP?"
ENTER 707;Vst
PRINT Vst

:MEASure:VTIME

The :VTIME query returns the voltage at a specified time.

The specified time must be on screen and is referenced to the trigger event.

Query Syntax:	:MEASure:VTIME? <time>
Where:	<time> ::= displayed time from trigger in seconds
Returned Format:	<voltage><NL>
Where:	<voltage> ::= voltage at specified time exponential-NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VTIME? .001" ENTER 707;Vtm PRINT Vtm

:MEASure:VTOP

The :MEASure:VTOP command places the instrument in the continuous measurement mode and starts a Vtop measurement. This measurement is available when the instrument is in General Waveform measurement mode.

The :VTOP query returns the voltage at the top level of a waveform. The top level is the most prevalent high level of the signal.

Command Syntax:	:MEASure:VTOP
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VTOP"
Query Syntax:	:MEASure:VTOP?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= voltage at the top of the waveform exponential-NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VTOP?" ENTER 707;Vtp PRINT Vtp

Instrument Specific Commands**:MEASure:ZLEVel**

The MEASure:ZLEVel command puts the instrument into continuous measurement mode and measures the zero level of the eye diagram signal. This measurement is available when the instrument is in Eye:NRZ Waveform measurement mode.

The :ZLEVel query returns the zero level of the input signal. The zero level is the most prevalent or the mean low level of the signal.

Command Syntax: :MEASure:ZLEVel

Query Syntax: :MEASure:ZLEVel?

Returned Format: <value><NL>

Where: <value> ::= the zero level of the input signal.

Example: OUTPUT 707;":MEAS:ZLEV?"
ENTER 707;Rsp
PRINT Rsp

:OCALibrate:CALibrate

The :CALibrate query begins the calibration sequence for the selected calibration. Either standard or user-defined calibrations may be selected and changed.

WARNING

The instrument *will accept* other remote commands during the execution of the calibration sequence. If operation of the analyzer is suspect, it may be necessary to cycle the line power off, then on, to ensure the analyzer is in a known operational state.

Query Syntax: :OCALibrate:CALibrate?

Returned Format: {CONT | ERR} <NL>

Where: CONT indicates the last step of the calibration was successful and the calibration procedure can continue.

ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.

:OCALibrate:ECALibrate
:CHAN1 (or CHAN2)

The :ECALibrate:CHAN1 (CHAN2) query performs an electrical calibration of channel 1 (or 2).

WARNING

Before executing this query, make sure the rear panel DC OUTPUT is connected to the front panel CHANNEL 1 (or 2) INPUT.

Query Syntax: :OCALibrate:ECALibrate:CHAN1?

Returned format: {CONT | ERR} <NL>

Where: CONT indicates the last step of the calibration was successful and the calibration procedure can continue.

ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.

:OCALibrate:ECALibrate
:SKIP

The :ECALibrate:SKIP query allows the controller to omit (skip) the electrical calibration steps. When selected, the next step performed should be OCAL:OCAL:PDAR.

Query Syntax: :OCALibrate:ECALibrate:SKIP?

Returned format: {CONT | ERR} <NL>

Where: CONT indicates the last step of the calibration was successful and the calibration procedure can continue.

ERR indicates this query was executed in the wrong sequence. It must be executed in the sequence described in Appendix A. This is the only place in the remote optical calibration sequence the calibration sequence can continue after ERR is returned.

:OCALibrate:ECALibrate
:XTRigger

The :ECALibrate:XTRigger query performs an electrical calibration of the external trigger circuits.

WARNING

Before executing this query, make sure the rear panel DC OUTPUT is connected to the front panel EXTERNAL TRIGGER INPUT.

Instrument Specific Commands

Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:ECALibrate:XTRigger?
Returned format:	{CONT ERR} <NL>
Where:	CONT indicates the last step of the calibration was successful and the calibration procedure can continue.
	ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.

:OCALibrate:ERATio
:IOPT

The :OCALibrate:ERATio:IOPT command adjusts the zero level, with no signal input, taking into account the current residual dc offset of the optical channel.

The :ERATio:IOPT query returns either COMPLETE or ERROR.

When this measurement is made there should be no input into the optical channel.

Command Syntax:	:OCALibrate:ERATio:IOPT
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":OCALibrate:ERATio:IOPT"
Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:ERATio:IOPT?
Returned format:	{COMP ERR} <NL>
Where:	COMP indicates the adjustment was successful.
	ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":OCALibrate:ERATio:IOPT?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

:OCALibrate:ERATio
:XE1

The :OCALibrate:ERATio:XE1 command adjusts the zero level, with no signal input, taking into account the current residual dc offset of the Elec 1 channel.

The :ERATio:XE1 query returns either COMPLete or ERRor.

When this measurement is made, there should be no input into the Elec 1 channel.

Command Syntax:	:OCALibrate:ERATio:XE1
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":OCALibrate:ERATio:XE1"
Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:ERATio:XE1?
Returned format:	{COMP ERR} <NL>
Where:	COMP indicates the adjustment was successful.
	ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":OCALibrate:ERATio:XE1?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

Instrument Specific Commands

:OCALibrate:ERATio
:XE2

The :OCALibrate:ERATio:XE2 command adjusts the zero level, with no signal input, taking into account the current residual dc offset of the Elec 2 channel.

The :ERATio:XE2 query returns either COMPLETE or ERROR.

When this measurement is made, there should be no input into the Elec 1 channel.

Command Syntax:	:OCALibrate:ERATio:XE2
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":OCALibrate:ERATio:XE2"
Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:ERATio:XE2?
Returned format:	{COMP ERR} <NL>
Where:	COMP indicates the adjustment was successful.
	ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":OCALibrate:ERATio:XE2?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

:OCALibrate:KILL

The :KILL query aborts the calibration sequence and resets the instrument to the state it was in before the calibration sequence was initiated.

Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:KILL?
Returned Format:	{ERR} <NL>
Where:	ERR indicates the calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration sequence was initiated.
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":OCALibrate:KILL?" ENTER 707;Rsp PRINT Rsp

:OCALibrate:LABel

The :OCALibrate:LABel command labels the currently selected calibration and displays the label on the softkey. The calibration to be labeled can be selected using the :SCALibrate command.

Command Syntax: :OCALibrate:LABel <string>

Example: OUTPUT 707;"OCALibrate:LABel User Cal 1"

:OCALibrate:LDEFault

The :OCALibrate:LDEFault command loads the standard factory startup values as the calibration factors. It is important this is done *before* executing the complete optical channel calibration sequence because a complete sequence includes an electrical system vertical calibration.

Command Syntax: :OCALibrate:LDEFault

Example: OUTPUT 707;"OCALibrate:LDEFault"

:OCALibrate:OCALibrate
:OCGain

The :OCALibrate:OCGain query performs the optical channel gain calibration. To perform a calibration, a known input power, close to 160 μW , must be fed into the optical input.

WARNING

Before executing this query:

- Connect the laser source to the COOPTICAL INPUT.
 - For 1300 nm or 1550 nm calibrations, set the laser power as close to 160 μW as possible. For best calibration results, do not exceed 160 μW (-7.9 dBm).
 - For 780 nm calibrations, set the laser power as close to 1000 μW as possible. For best calibration results, do not exceed 1000 μW (0 dBm).
 - The optical input damage level is 2.5 mW (= 4 dBm).
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Instrument Specific Commands

Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:OCALibrate:OCGain <power> [W, mW, uW]?
Returned format:	{CONT ERR} <NL>
Where:	<power> ::= known power level input into the optical channel.
	CONT indicates the last step of the calibration was successful and the calibration procedure can continue.
	ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.

:OCALibrate:OCALibrate
:PDARK

The :OCALibrate:PDARK query performs, as part of a calibration, a measurement of the dark noise on the optical channel.

WARNING

Before executing this query make sure:

- The DEMOD OUTPUT OR EXT 0/E converter is connected to the CHANNEL 2 INPUT
- There is no signal applied to the optical input
- The source is de-activated or a dark cap is placed on the optical input connector

Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:OCALibrate:PDARK?
Returned format:	{CONT ERR} <NL>
Where:	CONT indicates the last step of the calibration was successful and the calibration procedure can continue.
	ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.

:OCALibrate:OCALibrate
:PMET:HHRange

The :OCALibrate:PMET:HHRange query measures and saves the optical power high value for the high range calibration.

Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:PMET:HHRange <power> [W, mW, uW]?
Returned format:	{OFFS ERR CONT} <NL>
Where:	<power> ::= known power level input into the optical channel.
	CONT indicates the last step of the calibration was successful and the calibration procedure can continue.
	ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.
	OFFS indicates the last calibration phase was indeterminate. The last step must be tried again, varying the input criteria until the analyzer senses the power level and can return CONT.

:OCALibrate:OCALibrate
:PMET:HLRange

The :OCALibrate:PMET:HLRange query measures and saves the optical power high value for the low range calibration.

Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:PMET:HLRange <power> [W, mW, uW]?
Returned format:	{OFFS ERR CONT} <NL>
Where:	<power> ::= known power level input into the optical channel.
	CONT indicates the last step of the calibration was successful and the calibration procedure can continue.
	ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.
	OFFS indicates the last calibration phase was indeterminate. The last step must be tried again, varying the input criteria until the analyzer senses the power level and can return CONT.

Instrument Specific Commands

:OCALibrate:OCALibrate
:PMET:HMRRange

The :OCALibrate:PMET:HMRRange query measures and saves the optical power high value for the midrange calibration.

Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:PMET:HMRRange <power> [W, mW, uW]?
Returned format:	{OFFS ERR CONT} <NL>
Where:	<power> ::= known power level input into the optical channel.
	CONT indicates the last step of the calibration was successful and the calibration procedure can continue.
	ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.
	OFFS indicates the last calibration phase was indeterminate. The last step must be tried again, varying the input criteria until the analyzer senses the power level and can return CONT.

:OCALibrate:OCALibrate
:PMET:LHRRange

The :OCALibrate:PMET:LHRRange measures and saves the optical power low value for the high range calibration.

Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:PMET:LHRRange <power> [W, mW, uW]?
Returned format:	{OFFS ERR CONT} <NL>
Where:	<power> ::= known power level input into the optical channel.
	CONT indicates the last step of the calibration was successful and the calibration procedure can continue.
	ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.
	OFFS indicates the last calibration phase was indeterminate. The last step must be tried again, varying the input criteria until the analyzer senses the power level and can return CONT.

:OCALibrate:OCALibrate
:PMET:LLRange

The :OCALibrate:PMET:LLRange query measures and saves the optical power low value for the low range calibration.

Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:PMET:LLRange <power> [W, mW, uW]?
Returned format:	{OFFS ERR CONT} <NL>
Where:	<power> ::= known power level input into the optical channel.
	CONT indicates the last step of the calibration was successful and the calibration procedure can continue.
	ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.
	OFFS indicates the last calibration phase was indeterminate. The last step must be tried again, varying the input criteria until the analyzer senses the power level and can return CONT.

:OCALibrate:OCALibrate
:PMET:LMRange

The :OCALibrate:PMET:LMRange query measures and saves the optical power low value for the midrange calibration.

Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:PMET:LMRange <power> [W, mW, uW]?
Returned format:	{OFFS ERR CONT} <NL>
Where:	<power> ::= known power level input into the optical channel.
	CONT indicates the last step of the calibration was successful and the calibration procedure can continue.
	ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.
	OFFS indicates the last calibration phase was indeterminate. The last step must be tried again, varying the input criteria until the analyzer senses the power level and can return CONT.

Instrument Specific Commands

:OCALibrate:SAVE

The :SAVE query saves the calibration after the required measurement sequence has been correctly performed.

Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:SAVE?
Returned format:	{COMP ERR} <NL>
Where:	COMP indicates the calibration was successful and the data successfully stored.
	ERR indicates an unrecoverable error has occurred at the last step in the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the instrument is reset to the state it was in before the calibration was performed.

:OCALibrate:SCALibrate

The :OCALibrate:SCALibrate command selects the wavelength calibration inside the instrument for average optical power meter and watts vertical scale measurements.

The :OCALibrate:SCALibrate query returns the currently selected wavelength calibration.

Command Syntax:	:OCALibrate:SCALibrate {D780 D1310 D1550 U780 U1310 U1550}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":OCALibrate:SCALibrate D780"

Query Syntax:	:OCALibrate:SCALibrate?
Returned Format:	{ D780 D1310 D1550 U780 U1310 U1550 }<NL>
Example:	DIM Rsp\$[50] OUTPUT 707;":OCALibrate:SCALibrate?" ENTER 707;Rsp\$ PRINT Rsp\$

:OCALibrate:SDISplay

The :OCALibrate:SDISplay command display either the user or default calibration choices on the screen.

Command Syntax: :OCALibrate:SDISplay {USER | DEFAULT}

Example: OUTPUT 707;":OCALibrate:SDISplay, USER"

:PRINt

The :PRINT query outputs a copy of the display as soon as the analyzer is addressed to talk. The portion of the waveform to be copied must be placed on the display before sending the :PRINT query. The printer output includes the displayed waveforms, the graticule, time and voltage markers, and measurement results.

There is an optional parameter for high resolution mode. When :PRINT? HIRES is sent to the analyzer, the analyzer will return the print data at high resolution mode as soon as it is addressed to talk. The high resolution mode contains both half-bright and full-bright display information.

The high resolution print data will work with printers that are compatible with HP-PCL and have a resolution of 300 dpi or higher, such as the HP LaserJet series.

Query Syntax: :PRINT? [HIRes]

Example: OUTPUT 707;":PRINT?"
 SEND 7;UNT UNL
 SEND 7;LISTEN 1 !Assumes the printer is at address 1
 SEND 7;TALK 7
 SEND 7;DATA

:RUN

The :RUN command starts the acquisition of data for the active waveform display. It has the same effect as pressing the front-panel RUN key.

The :RUN command also turns off the Autostore function.

Command Syntax: :RUN

Example: OUPUT 707;":RUN"

Instrument Specific Commands

:STATus

The :STATus query indicates if a channel is ON or OFF. STATUS also indicates if the external trigger view is ON or OFF.

Query Syntax:	:STATus? <display>
Where:	<display> ::= {CHANnel{1 2} PMEMory{1 2} EXTernal}
Returned Format:	{ON OFF}<NL>
Example:	DIM Status\$[5] OUTPUT 707,":STATUS? CHANNEL1" ENTER 707;Status\$ PRINT Status\$

:STOP

The :STOP command stops the data acquisition. This command also turns AUTOSTORE off.

The :RUN command must be executed to restart the acquisition.

Command Syntax:	:STOP
Example:	OUTPUT 707,":STOP"

:SYSTem:DSP

The :SYSTem:DSP command writes a quoted string, excluding quotes, to the message and measurement line of the screen.

Command Syntax:	:SYSTem:DSP <quoted ASCII string>
Example:	OUTPUT 707,":SYSTEM:DSP ""This is a message""

:SYSTem:ERRor

The :ERRor query outputs the next error number in the error queue over the interface. This instrument has an error queue that is 15 errors deep and operates on a first-in, first-out basis. Repeatedly sending the query :SYSTem:ERRor? returns the error numbers in the order that they occurred until the queue is empty. Any further queries then return zeros until another error occurs. See Table 7-6 for the error numbers and descriptions.

Query Syntax:	:SYSTem:ERRor?
Returned Format:	<error><NL>
Where:	<error> ::= an integer error code.
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:ERROR?" ENTER 707;Emsg PRINT Emsg

Instrument Specific Commands**Table 7-6. Error Messages**

Error Number	Description
-100	Command error (unknown command)
-101	Invalid character
-102	Syntax error
-103	Invalid separator
-104	Data type error
-105	GET not allowed
-108	Parameter not allowed
-109	Missing parameter
-112	Program mnemonic too long
-113	Undefined header
-121	Invalid character in number
-123	Numeric overflow
-124	Too many digits
-128	Numeric data not allowed
-130	Suffix error
-131	Invalid suffix
-138	Suffix not allowed
-140	Character data error
-141	Invalid character data
-144	Character data too long
-148	Character data not allowed

Table 7-6. Error Messages (continued)

Error Number	Description
-150	String data error
-151	Invalid string data
-158	String data not allowed
-160	Block data error
-161	Invalid block data
-168	Block data not allowed
-170	Expression error
-171	Invalid expression
-178	Expression data not allowed
-200	Execution error
-211	Trigger ignored
-221	Settings conflict
-222	Data out of range
-223	Too much data
-310	System error
-350	Too many errors
-400	Query error
-410	Query INTERRUPTED
-420	Query UNTERMINATED
-430	Query DEADLOCKED
-440	Query UNTERMINATED after indefinite response

Instrument Specific Commands`:SYSTem:KEY`

The `:SYSTem:KEY` command simulates the pressing of a specified front-panel key. Key commands may be sent over the interface in any order that are legal key presses from the front panel. Make sure the instrument is in the desired state before executing the `:KEY` command.

The `:KEY` query returns the key code for the last key pressed from the front panel. Key codes range from `-1` to `50`.

Refer to Table 7-7 for key codes.

The keycode `-1` is returned if no new key has been pressed.

Command Syntax: `:SYSTem:KEY <keycode>`

Where: `<keycode> ::= 0 to 16 or 19 to 50`

Example: `OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:KEY 2"`

Query Syntax: `:SYSTem:KEY?`

Returned Format: `<keycode><NL>`

Where: `<keycode> ::= integer, -1 to 16 or 19 to 50`

Example: `OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:KEY?"`
`ENTER 707;Input`
`PRINT Input`

Table 7-7. Front-Panel Key Codes

Key	Key Code	Key¹	Key Code
AUTOSCALE	0	SOFTKEY_4	26
ELEC1	1	SOFTKEY_5	27
OPTICAL/ELEC2	2	SOFTKEY_6	28
NA	3	CH1_VOLT_CW	29
OPTICAL CAL	4	CH1_VOLT_CCW	30
+/-	5	CH1_POS_CW	31
TRG_SRC	6	CH1_POS_CCW	32
TRG_MODE	7	CH2_AMP_CW	33
TRG_SLOPE	8	CH2_AMP_CCW	34
MAIN/DELAYED	9	CH2_POS_CW	35
TIME	10	CH2_POS_CCW	36
POWER/VOLTAGE	11	N/A	37
CURSORS/MASKS	12	N/A	38
SAVE_TRACE	13	N/A	39
SAVE_SETUP	14	N/A	40
DISPLAY	15	S/DIV_CW	41
PRINT/UTILITY	16	S/DIV_CCW	42
NA	17	DELAY_CW	43
NA	18	DELAY_CCW	44
RUN	19	TRG_LEVEL_CW	45
AUTOSTORE	20	TRG_LEVEL_CCW	46
STOP	21	TRG_HOLD_CW	47
ERASE	22	TRG_HOLD_CCW	48
SOFTKEY_1	23	GENERAL_PURPOSE_KNOB_CW	49
SOFTKEY_2	24	GENERAL_PURPOSE_KNOB_CCW	50
SOFTKEY_3	25	NO KEY	-1

¹ CW denotes clockwise rotation of the knob. CCW denotes counterclockwise rotation of the knob.

Instrument Specific Commands`:SYSTem:LOCK`

The `:SYSTem:LOCK` command disables the front-panel. `LOCK ON` is the equivalent of sending a local lockout message over HP-IB.

The `:LOCK` query returns the lock status of the front panel.

Command Syntax: <code>:SYSTem:LOCK {ON OFF}</code>
Example: <code>OUTPUT 707;":SYST:LOCK ON"</code>
Query Syntax: <code>:SYSTem:LOCK?</code>
Returned Format: <code>{ON OFF}<NL></code>
Example: <code>DIM Lock\$(5)</code> <code>OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:LOCK?"</code> <code>ENTER 707;Lock\$</code> <code>PRINT Lock\$</code>

:SYSTem:SETup

The :SYSTem:SETup command sets the analyzer as defined by the data in the setup (learn) string sent from the controller. The setup string contains 144 bytes of setup data. The 144 bytes do not include the header “#800000121”.

The setup string does not change the interface mode, interface address, waveform format, or waveform source.

The :SETup query operates the same as the *LRN query. It outputs the current analyzer setup in the form of a learn string to the controller.

The setup (learn) string is sent and received as a binary block of data. The format for the data transmission is the # format defined in the IEEE 488.2 specification.

The logical order for this instruction is to send the query, followed by the command. The query causes the learn string to be sent to the controller and the command causes the learn string to be returned to the analyzer.

Command Syntax: :SYSTem:SETup <setup>	
Where:	<setup> ::= #800000141<setup data string>
Query Syntax: :SYSTem:SETup?	
Returned Format:	<setup><NL>
Where:	<setup> ::= #800000141<setup data string>
Example:	<pre> 10 DIM Set\$(200) 20 !Setup the instrument as desired 30 OUTPUT 707;" :SYSTem:SETUP?" 40 !Transfer the instrument setup to controller 50 ENTER 707 USING "-K";Set\$!Store the setup 60 PAUSE 70 OUTPUT 707 USING "#,K";":SYST:SETUP ";Set\$ 80 !Returns the instrument to the first setup 90 END </pre>

Instrument Specific Commands

:TER
(Trigger Event Register)

The :TER query reads the trigger event bit in the Event Status Register. After the trigger event bit is read, it is cleared. A one indicates a trigger has occurred. A zero indicates a trigger has not occurred.

A Service Request (SRQ) can be generated when TRG bit of the ESR (Event Status Register) transitions and both ESE and SRE bits have been set.

The bit must be cleared each time you would like a new Service Request to be generated.

Query Syntax:	:TER?
Returned Format:	{1 0} <NL>
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":TER?" ENTER 707;Trg_event PRINT Trg_event

:TIMebase:DELaY

The :TIMebase:DELaY command sets the time base delay. This delay is the internal time between the trigger event and the onscreen delay reference point. The delay reference point is one division from the left edge of the display, and is set with the :TIMebase:REFEreNce command. When the delayed timebase is selected, the :DELaY command sets the internal time between the trigger event and the onscreen delay reference point in the delayed timebase.

The :DELaY query returns the current delay value.

Command Syntax: :TIMebase:DELaY <delay>

Where: <delay> ::=
 Time in seconds from trigger to the on screen delay reference point.
 The maximum value depends on the time/division setting.

Example: OUTPUT 707;":TIM:DEL 2MS"

Query Syntax: :TIMebase:DELaY?

Returned Format: <delay><NL>

Where: <delay> ::=
 Time from trigger to display reference in seconds.
 Display reference is left or center (exponential-NR3 format)

Example: OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:DELAY?"
 ENTER 707;Delay
 PRINT Delay

Instrument Specific Commands

:TIMebase:MODE

The :TIMebase:MODE command selects the time base mode. There are four timebase modes:

- **NORMAL** - The Normal timebase mode is the main timebase. It is the default timebase mode after the *RST reset command.
- **DELAyed** - In the Delayed timebase mode, the range and delay commands set the values in the delayed timebase instead of the main (Normal) timebase. No waveform data is available through the interface bus. Measurements will be made in the delayed timebase if possible, otherwise the measurements will be made in the main timebase.
- **XY** - In the XY mode, the :RANGe, :DELay, :REFerence and :VERNier commands are not available. No measurement or waveform data are available.
- **ROLL** - In the Roll mode, data moves continuously across the display from left to right. The analyzer runs continuously and is untriggered. The time reference selection changes from LEFT | CENTer to CENTer | RIGHT.

The :MODE query returns the current time base mode.

NOTE

Delayed and Roll modes are not available when the measurement type is set to Eye:NRZ.

Command Syntax: :TIMebase:MODE {NORMal| DELayed| XY | ROLL}

Example: OUTPUT 707;":TIM:MODE NORMAL"

Query Syntax: :TIMebase:MODE?

Returned Format: {NORM | DEL | XY | ROLL}<esc><NL>|

Example: DIM Mode\${30}
OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:MODE?"
ENTER 707;Mode\$
PRINT Mode\$

:TIMebase:RANGe

The :TIMebase:RANGe command sets the full-scale horizontal time in seconds. The RANGe value is ten times the time per division. When the delayed timebase is selected, the :RANGe command will set the full-scale horizontal time of the delayed timebase.

The :RANGe query returns the current full-scale range value.

Command Syntax: :TIMebase:RANGe <range>

Where: <range> ::= 10 ns to 50 s

Example: OUTPUT 707;":TIM:RANG 100 MS"

Query Syntax: :TIMebase:RANGe?

Returned Format: <range><NL>

Where: <range> ::= 10 ns to 50 s |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:RANGE?"
 ENTER 707;Rng
 PRINT Rng

:TIMebase:REFerence

The :TIMebase:REFerence command sets the display reference to one division from the left side of the screen or to the center of the screen.

The :REFerence query returns the current display reference.

NOTE

When the analyzer timebase is in ROLL mode, the time reference selection changes to CENTER | RIGHT.

Instrument Specific Commands

Command Syntax:	:TIMebase:REFerence {LEFT CENTer}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:REFERENCE LEFT"

Query Syntax:	:TIMebase:REFerence?
Returned Format:	{LEFT CENT}<NL>
Example:	DIM Rf\${30} OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:REFERENCE?" ENTER 707;Rf\$ PRINT Rf\$

:TIMebase:SETup

The :TIMebase:SETup query returns the current setting of all commands in the Timebase subsystem.

Query Syntax:	:TIMebase:SETup?
Returned Format:	TIMEBASE:MODE {NORM DEL XY};RANGE <range> ;DELAY <delay> ; REF {LEFT CENT};VERN {ON OFF}<NL>
Where:	<range>::= 20 ns to 50 s exponential-NR3 format <delay>::= time from trigger to delay reference in seconds exponential-NR3 format
Example:	DIM Stp\${300} OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:SETUP?" ENTER 707;Stp\$ PRINT Stp\$

:TIMebase:VERNIer

The :TIMebase:VERNIer command selects vernier for the timebase. The command affects only the user control and not the :TIMebase:RANGe command.

The :VERNIer query returns the current vernier mode.

<p>Command Syntax: :TIMebase:VERNIer {ON OFF}</p> <p>Example: OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:VERN ON"</p>

<p>Query Syntax: :TIMebase:VERNIer?</p> <p>Returned Format: {ON OFF}<NL></p> <p>Example: DIM Smp\$(30) OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:VERNIER?" ENTER 707;Smp\$ PRINT Smp\$</p>
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:TRACe:CLEAR

The :TRACe:CLEAR command clears the contents of the selected trace memory. The operation of the :TRACe:CLEAR command is identical to the **Clear Trace** softkey. Refer to "To Save or Recall Traces" in Chapter 2 for additional information.

<p>Command Syntax: :TRACe:CLEAR <N></p> <p>Example: OUTPUT 707;":TRAC:CLEAR 2"</p> <p>Where: <N> ::= 1 to 100</p>
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Instrument Specific Commands

:TRACe:DATA

The :TRACe:DATA command downloads trace memory data to the trace memory number specified. Compressed images (5-100) may not be downloaded into one of the non-compressed trace memories (1-4). Trace labels and time-tags are also set.

The :DATA query outputs trace data, trace labels, and time-tags from the specified trace memory.

Command Syntax: :TRACe:DATA <N>

Example: OUTPUT 707;":TRAC:DATA 4"

Query Syntax: :TRACe:DATA? <N>

Returned Format: <header> <trace_data> <NL>

Where:

- <N> :: = The trace memory number [1 to 100]
- <header> :: = The block header [10 bytes] contains the ASCII characters #8000nnnn and is sent prior to the data [nnnn is the number of bytes in the data string].
- <trace_data> :: = A maximum of 16,342 bytes of data, setup, and label information that represents the current trace.

:TRACe:MODE

The :TRACe:MODE command enables or disables displaying the selected trace memory waveform on the analyzer display. The operation of the :TRACe:MODE command is identical to the **Trace On Off** softkey. Refer to “To Save or Recall Traces” in Chapter 2 for additional information.

The :MODE query outputs the selected trace memory state. When on is selected, trace memory is displayed on the analyzer screen.

Command Syntax: :TRACe:MODE <N> {ON | OFF}

Example: OUTPUT 707;:TRAC:MODE 4, ON”

Query Syntax: :TRACe:MODE? <N>

Returned Format: {ON | OFF} <NL>

Where: <N> :: = The trace memory number [1 to 100]

ON | OFF :: = Select ON to enable trace memory display, and OFF to disable trace memory display.

:TRACe:SAVE

The :TRACe:SAVE command saves the current display and front-panel setup in the trace memory specified.

For traces 1 to 3, the trace is saved in the non-compressed state. For traces 4 through 100, the trace is saved in 64 KB of nonvolatile trace memory with data compression. Storage time for compressed data is less than ten seconds.

The operation of the :TRACe:SAVE command is identical to the **Save to Trace** softkey. Refer to “To Save or Recall Traces” in Chapter 2 for additional information.

Command Syntax: :TRACe:SAVE <N>

Where: <N> :: = The trace memory number [1 to 100]

Example: OUTPUT 707;:TRAC:SAVE 2”

Instrument Specific Commands

:TRIGger:COUPling

The :TRIGger:COUPling command selects the input coupling for the selected external trigger source. The coupling can be set to AC or DC.

The :COUPling query returns the current selection.

Command Syntax: :TRIGger:COUPling {AC | DC}

Example: OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:COUPLING DC"

Query Syntax: :TRIGger:COUPling?

Returned Format: {AC | DC}<NL>

Example: DIM Mode\${50}
OUTPUT 707;":TRIG:COUP?"
ENTER 707;Mode\${
PRINT Mode\${

:TRIGger:HOLDoff

The :TRIGger:HOLDoff command allows a holdoff value to be entered in terms of time.

The :HOLDoff query returns the value of the holdoff time for the current mode.

Command Syntax: :TRIGger:HOLDoff <holdoff_time>

Where: <holdoff_time> ::= 200 ns to 13.42 s

Example: OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:HOLDOFF 216 NS"

Query Syntax: :TRIGger:HOLDoff?

Returned Format: <holdoff_time><NL>

Where: <holdoff_time> ::= 200 ns to 13.42 s |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: DIM Ho[50]
OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:HOLD?"
ENTER 707;Ho
PRINT Ho

:TRIGger:LEVel

The :TRIGger:LEVel command sets the trigger level voltage or power of the active trigger. If the optical channel is the active trigger, the trigger level can be specified in watts.

The :LEVel query returns the trigger level of the current trigger mode.

Command Syntax: :TRIGger:LEVel <level> [W, mW, uW or V, mV, uV]

Where: <level> ::= for internal triggers, $\pm 1.5 \times$ full-scale value from center screen.

<level> ::= for external triggers, ± 2 volts with probe attenuation at 1:1.

Examples: OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:LEVEL .30"

OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:LEV 300MV"

OUTPUT 707;":TRIG:LEV 3E-1"

Query Syntax: :TRIGger:LEVel?

Returned Format: <level><NL>

Where: <level> ::= trigger level in volts or watts (exponential-NR3 format)

Example: DIM TLevel[50]
 OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:LEVEL?"
 ENTER 707;TLevel
 PRINT TLevel

Instrument Specific Commands**:TRIGger:MODE**

The **:TRIGger:MODE** command selects the trigger mode.

If trigger is lost or **AUTLEVEL** command is sent, the trigger level is set to either center of the signal (when DC coupled) or to middle of screen (when AC coupled).

If the **AUTO** mode is selected, a baseline is provided on the display in the absence of a signal. If a signal is present but the oscilloscope is not triggered, the unsynchronized signal is displayed instead of a baseline.

If the **NORMAL** mode is selected and no trigger is present, the instrument does not sweep, and the data acquired on the previous trigger remains on the screen.

If the **SINGLE** mode is selected, the screen is cleared and the instrument is stopped. The **:RUN** command arms the trigger, and data is acquired when the trigger is found. The **:RUN** command must be sent to make a single acquisition.

The **:MODE** query returns the current trigger mode.

Command Syntax: **:TRIGger:MODE** {AUTLevel | AUTO | NORMal | SINGle | TV}

Example: OUTPUT 707;":TRIG:MODE AUTO"

Query Syntax: **:TRIGger:MODE?**

Returned Format: { AUTLevel | AUTO | NORMal | SINGle | TV }<NL>

Example: DIM Mode\${30}
OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:MODE?"
ENTER 707;Mode\$
PRINT Mode\$

:TRIGger:NREJect

The :TRIGger:NREJect command allows the noise reject filter to be turned on or off.

The :NREJect query returns the current mode of the noise reject filter.

<p>Command Syntax: :TRIGger:NREJect {OFF ON}</p> <p>Example: OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:NREJ ON"</p>

<p>Query Syntax: :TRIGger:NREJect?</p> <p>Returned Format: {OFF ON}<NL></p> <p>Example: DIM Nrej\$[50] OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:NREJECT?" ENTER 707;Nrej\$ PRINT Nrej\$</p>

:TRIGger:POLarity

The :TRIGger:POLarity command sets the polarity for the TV trigger.

The :POLarity query returns the TV trigger polarity.

<p>Command Syntax: :TRIGger:POLarity {POSitive NEGative}</p> <p>Example: OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:PAL POS"</p>

<p>Query Syntax: :TRIGger:POLarity?</p> <p>Returned Format: {POS NAG}<NL></p> <p>Example: DIM Pal\$[30] OUTPUT 707;":TRIG:PAL?" ENTER 707;Pal\$ PRINT Pal\$</p>

Instrument Specific Commands

:TRIGger:REJect

The :TRIGger:REJect command allows the low frequency or high frequency reject filter to be turned on or off. One of the two filters can be turned on.

The :REJect query returns the current status of the two filters.

Command Syntax: :TRIGger:REJect {OFF | L | HF}

Example: OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:RE HF"

Query Syntax: :TRIGger:REJect?

Returned Format: {OFF | L | HF}<NL>

Example: DIM Re\${50}
OUTPUT 707;":TRIG:RE?"
ENTER 707;Re\$
PRINT Re\$

:TRIGger:SETup

The :TRIGger:SETup query returns all current settings of the commands in the Trigger subsystem.

Query Syntax: :TRIGger:SETup?

Returned Format: TRIG:MODE {AUT | AUTO | NORM | SING | TV};
SOURCE {CHAN{1|2} | EXT | LINE}; LEVEL<level>;
HOLD<time>; SLOPE{POS | NAG}; COUP{AC | DC};
REJ {OFF | L | HF}; NREJ {ON | OFF}; PAL{POS | NAG};
TVMODE {FIELD1 | FIELD2 | LINE | VERT}; TVHF{ON | OFF}<NL>

Where: <level>::= trigger level in volts or watts |exponential-NR3 format|

<time>::= 200 ns to 13.42 s |exponential-NR3 format|

Example: DIM Set\${200}
OUTPUT 707;":TRIG:SET?"
ENTER 707;Set\$
PRINT Set\$

:TRIGger:SLOPe

The :TRIGger:SLOPe command specifies the slope of the edge for the trigger. The :SLOPe query returns the current trigger slope.

Command Syntax:	:TRIGger:SLOPe {NEGative POSitive}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:SLOPE POSITIVE"
Query Syntax:	:TRIGger:SLOPe?
Returned Format:	{NAG POS}<NL>
Example:	DIM Ts\${50} OUTPUT 707;":TRIG:SLOP?" ENTER 707;Ts\$ PRINT Ts\$

:TRIGger:SOURce

The :TRIGger:SOURce command selects the channel that actually produces the trigger. Channels 1, 2, external and line can be selected.

The :SOURce query returns the current source.

Command Syntax:	:TRIGger:SOURce {CHANnel1 CHANnel2 EXTernal LINE}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:SOURCE CHAN2"
Query Syntax:	:TRIGger:SOURce?
Returned Format:	{CHAN1 CHAN2 EXT LINE}<NL>
Example:	DIM Src\${30} OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:SOURCE?" ENTER 707;Src\$ PRINT Src\$

Instrument Specific Commands

:TRIGger:TVHFrej

The :TRIGger:TVHFrej command allows the high frequency filter in the TV trigger mode to be turned on or off.

The :TVHFrej query returns the current mode of the high frequency filter in the TV trigger mode.

Command Syntax: :TRIGger:TVHFrej {OFF | ON}

Example: OUTPUT 707;":TRIG:TVHF ON"

Query Syntax: :TRIGger:TVHFrej?

Returned Format: {OFF | ON}<NL>

Example: DIM TVhf\$[30]
OUTPUT 707;":TRIG:TVHF?"
ENTER 707;TVhf\$
PRINT TVhf\$

:TRIGger:TVMode

The :TRIGger:TVMode command selects the TV trigger mode. There are four TV trigger modes: LINE, FIELD1, FIELD2, and VERTICAL.

The :TVMode query returns the current TV trigger mode.

Command Syntax: :TRIGger:TVMode {LINE | FIELD1 | FIELD2 | VERTICAL}

Example: OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:TVMODE LINE"

Query Syntax: :TRIGger:TVMode?

Returned Format: {LINE | FIELD1 | FIELD2 | VERT}<NL>

Example: DIM TVms\$[3 0]
OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:TVMODE?"
ENTER 707;TVm\$
PRINT TVm\$

:VIEW

The :VIEW command turns on (starts displaying) an active channel. :VIEW also turns on the external trigger view.

To display a channel use the command :VIEW:CHANnel{1 | 2}. To display the external trigger view use the command :VIEW:EXTernal.

Use the :BLANK command to turn off (stop displaying) a specified channel. The :BLANK command also turns off the external trigger view.

Command Syntax:	:VIEW <display>
Where:	<display> ::= {CHANnel{1 2} PMEMory{1 2} EXTernal}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":VIEW CHANNEL1"

:WAVEform:BYTeorder

The :WAVEform:BYTeorder command sets the output sequence of the word data. The parameter MSBFIRST sets the most significant byte to be transmitted first. The parameter LSBFIRST sets the least significant byte to be transmitted first. This command affects the transmitting sequence only when :WAVEform:FORMat WORD is selected.

The :BYTeorder query returns the current output sequence.

Command Syntax:	:WAVEform:BYTeorder {LSBFIRST MSBFIRST}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:BYTEORDER MSBF"

Query Syntax:	:WAVEform:BYTeorder?
Returned Format:	{LSBF MSBF} <NL>
Example:	DIM Byt\$[30] OUTPUT 707;":WAV:BYT?" ENTER 707;Byt\$ PRINT Byt\$

Instrument Specific Commands**:WAVeform:DATA**

The **:DATA** query outputs a waveform record to the controller over the interface that is stored in a channel buffer previously specified with the **:WAVeform:SOURce** command. An example of the **:DATA** query is included in Chapter 8.

Command Syntax:	:WAVeform:DATA <binary block data in # format>
Query Syntax:	:WAVeform:DATA?
Returned Format:	<binary block length bytes><binary block><NL>

:WAVeform:FORMat

The **:WAVeform:FORMat** command sets the data transmission mode for waveform data output. This command controls how the data is formatted when sent from the oscilloscope.

When the ASCII mode is selected, the data consists of ASCII digits with each data value separated by a comma.

WORD formatted data transfers as two bytes, with the upper byte set to 0. The **:BYTeorder** command can be used to specify whether the upper byte or lower byte is transmitted first. The default (no command sent) is the upper byte transmitted first.

BYTE formatted data is transferred as 8-bit bytes.

The **:FORMat** query returns the current output format for the transfer of waveform data.

Command Syntax:	:WAVeform:FORMat { ASCII WORD BYTE}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:FORMAT WORD"
Query Syntax:	:WAVeform:FORMat?
Returned Format:	{ ASC WORD BYTE }<NL>
Example:	DIM Frmt\${30} OUTPUT 707;":WAV:FORMAT?" ENTER 707;Frmt\$ PRINT Frmt\$

:WAVEform:POINts

The :WAVEform:POINts command sets the number of points to be transferred using the :WAVEform:DATA query. The number of time buckets available is returned by the :ACQUIRE:POINts query. The points value is the number of time buckets contained in the waveform selected with the :WAVEform:SOURce command.

The :POINts query returns the number of points to be transferred when using the :WAVEform:DATA query.

Command Syntax: :WAVEform:POINts <value>	
Where:	<value> ::= {100 200 250 400 500 800 1000 2000 4000}
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:POINTS 1000"
Query Syntax: :WAVEform:POINts?	
Returned Format:	{100 200 250 400 500 800 1000 2000 4000} <NL>
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":WAV:POINTS?" ENTER 707;Pts PRINT Pts

Instrument Specific Commands

:WAVEform:PREamble

The :PREamble query sends a waveform preamble to the controller from the waveform source. The preamble data contains information concerning the vertical and horizontal scaling of the data of the corresponding channel.

Query Syntax:	:WAVEform:PREamble?
Returned Format:	<preamble block><NL>
Where:	<preamble block> ::= <format NR1>,<type NR1>,<points NR1>,<count NR1>, <xincrement NR3>,<xorigin NR3>,<xreference NR1>, <yincrement NR3>,<yorigin NR3>,<yreference NR1>
Where:	<format> ::= 0 for ASCII format 1 for BYTE format 2 for WORD format
	<type> ::= 0 for AVERAGE type 1 for NORMAL type 2 for PEAK DETECT type
	<count> ::= 1, always 1 and is present for compatibility only
Example:	DIM Preamble 1:10 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:PREAMBLE?" ENTER 707 ;Preamble * OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:PREAMBLE ";Preamble * END

`:WAVeform:SOURce`

The `:WAVeform:SOURce` command selects the channel and function to be used as the source for the waveform commands.

The `:SOURce` query returns the currently selected source for the waveform commands.

Command Syntax:	<code>:WAVeform:SOURce CHANnel {1 2} FUNCtion {1 2}</code>
Example:	<code>OUTPUT 707;":WAV:SOURCE CHANNEL2"</code>
Query Syntax:	<code>:WAVeform:SOURce?</code>
Returned Format:	<code>CHAN{1 2} FUNCtion {1 2} <NL></code>
Example:	<code>DIM Src\${30} OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:SOURCE?" ENTER 707;Src\$ PRINT Src\$</code>

`:WAVeform:TYPE`

The `:TYPE` query returns the currently selected acquisition mode.

The acquisition mode is set by the `:ACQUIRE:TYPE` command.

Query Syntax:	<code>:WAVeform:TYPE?</code>
Returned Format:	<code>{NORM PEAK AVER}<NL></code>
Example:	<code>DIM Type\${30} OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:TYPE?" ENTER 707;Type\$ PRINT Type\$</code>

Instrument Specific Commands

:WAVeform:XINCrement

The :XINCrement query returns the current x-increment value in the preamble for the current specified source. This value is the time difference between consecutive data points.

Query Syntax:	:WAVeform:XINCrement?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= x-increment in the current preamble exponential-NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":WAV:XINCREMENT?" ENTER 707;Xin PRINT Xin

:WAVeform:XORigin

The :XORigin query returns the current x-origin value in the preamble for the current specified source. :XORigin is always the first data point in the memory.

Query Syntax:	:WAVeform:XORigin?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= x-origin value in the current preamble exponential-NR3 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":WAV:XORIGIN?" ENTER 707;Xor PRINT Xor

:WAVeform:XREFerence

The :XREFerence query returns the current x-reference value in the preamble for the current specified source. This value specifies the data point associated with the x-origin data value.

Query Syntax:	:WAVeform:XREFerence?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= x-reference value in the current preamble integer-NR1 format
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":WAV:XREFERENCE?" ENTER 707;Xrf PRINT Xrf

:WAVeform:YINCrement

The :WAVeform:YINCrement query returns the current y-increment value in the preamble for the current specified source. This value is the voltage or power difference between consecutive data points.

Query Syntax:	:WAVeform:YINCrement?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= y-increment value in the current preamble [exponential-NR3 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":WAV:YINCREMENT?" ENTER 707;Yin PRINT Yin

:WAVeform:YORigin

The :YORigin query returns the current y-origin value in the preamble for the current specified source. This value is the voltage or power at the center of the screen.

Query Syntax:	:WAVeform:YORigin?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= y-origin in the current preamble [exponential — NR3 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":WAV:YORIGIN?" ENTER 707;Yorg PRINT Yorg

:WAVeform:YREFerence

The :YREFerence query returns the current y-reference value in the preamble for the current specified source. This value specifies the data point where the y-origin occurs.

Query Syntax:	:WAVeform:YREFerence?
Returned Format:	<value><NL>
Where:	<value> ::= y-reference value in the current preamble [integer-NR1 format]
Example:	OUTPUT 707;":WAV:YREFERENCE?" ENTER 707;Yrf PRINT Yrf

Command Dictionary

Programming Examples

Programming Examples

What you'll find in this chapter

This chapter contains example programs using the command set for the HP 83475A Lightwave Communications Analyzer. In general, they use the long form of the command with each command having a separate output statement for clarity. To optimize speed, switch to the concatenated short form.

Throughout these examples, for analyzers with an HP-IB interface module, the address of the analyzer is assumed to be 7, and the system bus at 700. For analyzers with a RS-232 interface module, the baud rate of the analyzer is assumed to be 9600, and the communication port in the PC to be COM1 and the communication port for HP 200/300 controller is at address 9.

The input signal used is the AC CAL signal from the front panel of the instrument connected to channel 1 with a 10:1 probe.

Two of the examples demonstrate the general purpose features of the analyzer. The examples, for both HP-IB and RS-232 interfaces, are provided for the following platforms:

- HP BASIC 5.0 running on an HP Series 200/300 controller.
- Microsoft QuickBASIC 4.5 running on IBM PC or compatible.
- Microsoft QuickC 2.5 running on IBM PC or compatible.

Another example demonstrates the communications measurement capabilities of the analyzer. This example is provided in IBASIC for Windows™ A.00 for both HP-IB and RS-232 interfaces.

Introduction

A 3.5 inch, 1.44 Mb floppy disk is included with this manual. The disk contains files of the examples in this chapter. Those example programs for HP BASIC have been converted from LIF format to the DOS format. To retrieve the program, you need to convert the DOS format back to LIF format before the program can be read by the HP Series 200/300 controller. The files are stored in sub-directories as below:

- HP-HPIB contains examples on HPBASIC using HP-IB interface.
- HP-RS232 contains examples on HPBASIC using RS-232 interface.
- IB-HPIB contains communications test examples in IBASIC for Windows, using HP-IB interface.
- IB-RS232 contains communications test examples in IBASIC for Windows, using RS-232 interface.
- QB-HPIB contains examples on QuickBASIC using HP-IB interface.
- QB-RS232 contains examples on QuickBASIC using RS-232 interface.
- QC-HPIB contains examples on QuickC using HP-IB interface.

To use the QuickBASIC and QuickC programs on the HP-IB interface, you must have the HP 82335A HP-IB Command Library installed in your PC. See the manual for 82335A for how to use the library with QuickBASIC and QuickC.

There are more example files contained in the diskette. In each sub-directory, there is a text file called README. It contains the latest information concerning the example files.

HP BASIC with HP-IB

This sample program demonstrates some of the commands used to setup the HP-IB interface and scope, then makes a simple measurement.

```

10  !\HP_HPIB\INIT.BAS      program in HP Basic for HP-IB interface
20  !
30  !MAIN PROGRAM
40  !
50  GOSUB Initialize        !initialize interface and scope
60  GOSUB Get_waveform     !digitize signal
70  GOSUB Measure          !measure and print frequency
80  STOP
90  !
100 !INITIALIZE INTERFACE AND SCOPE
110 !
120 Initialize:            !
130  ASSIGN @Scope TO 707  !scope address
140  ASSIGN @Isc TO 7      !HP-IB address
150  CLEAR @Isc            !clear HPIB interface
160  OUTPUT @Scope;"*RST"  !set scope to default config
170  OUTPUT @Scope;"AUTOSCALE" !AUTOSCALE
180  OUTPUT @Scope;"CHAN1:PROBE X10" !set probe to 10
190  CLEAR SCREEN          !clear screen
200  RETURN
210  !
220  !DIGITIZE waveform to acquire data and stop scope for further
230  !measurement. Measurement is NOT displayed on front panel.
240  !
250  Get_waveform:        !
260  OUTPUT @Scope;"WAVEFORM:SOURCE CHAN1" !set source to channel 1
270  OUTPUT @Scope;"DIGITIZE CHAN1"      !macro to acquire data & stop
280  RETURN
290  !
300  !make frequency measurement and read results into computer
310  !
320  Measure:            !
330  OUTPUT @Scope;"MEASURE:FREQUENCY?'" !FREQUENCY query
340  ENTER @Scope;Value  !read from scope
350  PRINT "FREQUENCY = ";Value;"Hz"
360  RETURN
370  END

```

This program digitizes and transfers waveform data to the computer, saves the data to a file, retrieves it from a file, and display it on the computer's screen. The integrate routine performs an integration math function and display the results.

```

10  !\HP_HPIB\DIGI.BAS      HP Basic program using HPIB interface
20  !
30  !MAIN PROGRAM
40  !
50  REAL Preamble(1:10)    !array for preamble information
60  !
70  GOSUB Initialize       !initialize interface and scope
80  GOSUB Get_waveform    !dig & acquire signal
90  GOSUB Save_waveform   !store to disk
100 !
110 PRINT "The waveform data and preamble information have now been"
120 PRINT "read from the scope and stored in the computer's disk."
130 PRINT "This information will now be retrieved from the disk, and"
140 PRINT "will be used to plot the waveform, calculate and plot the"
150 PRINT "integral, as well as calculate scaling information."
160 PRINT "Press CONTINUE to continue."
170 PAUSE
180 GOSUB Retrieve_wave    !retrieve from disk
190 GOSUB Graph           !draw waveform
200 GOSUB Integrate       !integrate & draw
210 STOP
220 !
230 !INITIALIZE INTERFACE AND SCOPE
240 Initialize:          !
250 ASSIGN @Isc TO 7     !Interface Select Code = 7
260 ASSIGN @Scope TO 707 !scope address
270 ASSIGN @Fast TO 707;FORMAT OFF !turn controller formatting off
280 CLEAR @Isc           !clear HPIB interface
290 OUTPUT @Scope;"*RST" !set scope to default config
300 OUTPUT @Scope;":AUTOSCALE" !AUTOSCALE
310 OUTPUT @Scope;":CHAN1:PROBE X10" !set probe to 10
320 CLEAR SCREEN
330 RETURN
340 !
350 !complete scope configuration; DIGITIZE and acquire waveform data
360 !and preamble (voltage/timing) information into computer.
370 !
380 Get_waveform:      !
390 !
400 !the following 4 commands are the default configuration setting

```

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410     !that the RST sets up; but, they are included here for clarity and
420     !completeness. This ensures scope is configured for DIGITIZE, if
430     !*RST was not done.
440     !
450     OUTPUT @Scope;" :WAVEFORM:SOURCE CHAN1" !set source to channel 1
460     OUTPUT @Scope;" :ACQUIRE:TYPE NORMAL" !set to normal acquisition mode
470     OUTPUT @Scope;" :ACQUIRE:COMPLETE 100" !set complete criteria
480     OUTPUT @Scope;" :WAVEFORM:POINTS 4000" !set # of pts to 4000
490     !
500     OUTPUT @Scope;" :WAVEFORM:FORMAT WORD" !acquired data in word format
510     OUTPUT @Scope;" :DIGITIZE CHAN1" !macro to acquire data & stop
520     OUTPUT @Scope;" :WAVEFORM:DATA?" !query scope for data
530     ENTER @Scope USING "#,2A,8D";Header$,Bytes !strip off header & size
540     PRINT "reading";Bytes;" bytes from scope"
550     !
560     !allocate an array for the waveform data. After the array has been
570     !read in, one extra byte read is done to input the line feed (10)
580     !attached to the end of the scope's output buffer.
590     !
600     ALLOCATE INTEGER Waveform (1:Bytes/2)
610     ENTER @Fast;Waveform(*) !read waveform information
620     ENTER @Scope USING "-K,B";End$ !get last byte (line feed)
630     OUTPUT @Scope;" :WAVEFORM:PREAMBLE?" !query for preamble
640     ENTER @Scope;Preamble(*) !read preamble information
650     RETURN
660     !
670     !plot waveform data to display
680     !
690     Graph: !
700     GCLEAR !initialize graphics
710     CLEAR SCREEN
720     GINIT
730     GRAPHICS ON
740     VIEWPORT 0,130,35,100
750     WINDOW 1,Preamble(3),0,255
760     FRAME
770     PEN 4
780     MOVE 0,0
790     FOR I=1 TO Preamble(3) !plot data points
800     MOVE I,Waveform(I)
810     DRAW I,Waveform(I)
820     NEXT I
830     PRINT TABXY(0,18), "V/Div =";(32*Preamble(8));" V";TAB(50),
      "Offset = ";(128-Preamble(10))*Preamble(8)+Preamble(9);" V"
840     PRINT TABXY(0,19), "S/Div =";Preamble(3)*Preamble(5)/10;" S";TAB(50),
      "Delay = ";(Preamble(3)/2-Preamble(7))*Preamble(5)+Preamble(6);" S"

```



```
850 RETURN
860 !
870 !calculate and plot the integral of the waveform using the preamble
880 !
890 Integrate !
900 REAL Math(0:4000)
910 MOVE 0,0
920 Math(0)=0
930 FOR I=0 TO Preamble(3)-1
940 Math(I+1)=Math(I)+(Waveform(I+1)-Preamble(10))*Preamble(8)+Preamble(9)
950 NEXT I
960 Max=Math(1)
970 Min=Math(1)
980 FOR I=1 TO Preamble(3)
990 IF Math(I)Max THEN Max=Math(I)
1000 IF Math(I) THEN Min=Math(I)
1010 NEXT I
1020 PEN 5
1030 !plot integral
1040 WINDOW 1,Preamble(3),Min,Max
1050 FOR I=1 TO Preamble(3)
1060 MOVE I,Math(I)
1070 DRAW I,Math(I)
1080 NEXT I
1090 RETURN
1100 !
1110 !save waveform data and preamble information to computer disk
1120 !
1130 Save_waveform: !
1140 ON ERROR GOTO 1160
1150 PURGE "WAVESAMPLE"
1160 OFF ERROR
1170 CREATE BDAT "WAVESAMPLE",1,4080
1180 ASSIGN @Path TO "WAVESAMPLE"
1190 OUTPUT @Path;Waveform(*),Preamble(*)
1200 RETURN
1210 !
1220 !retrieve waveform data and preamble information from disk
1230 !
1240 Retrieve_wave: !
1250 ASSIGN @Path TO "WAVESAMPLE"
1260 ENTER @Path;Waveform(*),Preamble(*)
1270 RETURN
1280 END
```

HP BASIC with RS-232

This sample program demonstrates some of the commands used to setup the RS-232 interface and scope, then makes a simple measurement.

```

10      !\HP_RS232\INIT.232          program in HP basic for RS232 interface
20      !
30      !MAIN PROGRAM
40      !
50      GOSUB Initialize              !initialize interface and scope
60      GOSUB Get_waveform           !digitize signal
70      GOSUB Measure                !measure and print frequency
80      STOP
90      !
100     !INITIALIZE INTERFACE AND SCOPE
110     !
120     Initialize:                  !
130     CONTROL 9,3;9600             !set RS232 baud rate to 9600
140     CONTROL 9,4;3                !8 bit;1stop;par disable;odd par
150     ASSIGN @Scope TO 9           !scope address
160     OUTPUT @Scope;"*RST"         !set scope to default config
170     OUTPUT @Scope;"AUTOSCALE"    !AUTOSCALE
180     OUTPUT @Scope;"CHAN1:PROBE X10" !set probe to 10
190     CLEAR SCREEN                 !clear screen
200     RETURN
210     !
220     !DIGITIZE waveform to acquire data and stop scope for further
230     !measurement. Measurement is NOT displayed on front panel.
240     !
250     Get_waveform                 !
260     OUTPUT @Scope;"WAVEFORM:SOURCE CHAN1" !set source to channel 1
270     OUTPUT @Scope;"DIGITIZE CHAN1" !macro to acquire data & stop
280     RETURN
290     !
300     !made a frequency measurement and read results into computer
310     !
320     Measure:                     !
330     OUTPUT @Scope;"MEASURE:FREQUENCY?" !FREQUENCY query
340     ENTER @Scope;Value           !read from scope
350     PRINT "FREQUENCY = ";Value;"Hz"
360     RETURN
370     END

```

This program digitizes and transfers waveform data to the computer, saves the data to a file, retrieves it from a file, and displays it on the computer's screen. The integrate routine performs an integration math function and displays the results.

```

10    !\HP_RS232\DIGI.232      HP Basic program using RS232 interface
20    !RS232 program is very similar to HP-IB example. Need to initilize port
30    !port 9 and set @Scope to 9.
40    !
50    !MAIN PROGRAM
60    !
70    REAL Preamble(1:10)      !array for preamble information
80    !
90    GOSUB Initialize         !initialize interface and scope
100   GOSUB Get_waveform      !dig & acquire signal
110   GOSUB Save_waveform     !store to disk
120   !
130   PRINT "The waveform data and preamble information have now been"
140   PRINT "read from the scope and stored in the computer's disk."
150   PRINT "This information will now be retrieved from the disk, and"
160   PRINT "will be used to plot the waveform, calculate and plot the"
170   PRINT "integral, as well as calculate scaling information."
180   PRINT "Press CONTINUE to continue."
190   PAUSE
200   GOSUB Retrieve_wave     !retrieve from disk
210   GOSUB Graph             !draw waveform
220   GOSUB Integrate        !integrate & draw
230   STOP
240   !
250   !INITIALIZE INTERFACE AND SCOPE
260   Initialize:             !
270   CONTROL 9,3;9600        !set RS232 baud rate to 9600
280   CONTROL 9,4;3           !8 bit;1stop;par disable;odd par
290   ASSIGN @Scope TO 9     !scope address
300   OUTPUT @Scope;"*RST"   !set scope to default config
310   OUTPUT @Scope;"AUTOSCALE" !AUTOSCALE
320   OUTPUT @Scope;"CHAN1:PROBE x10" !set probe to 10
330   CLEAR SCREEN
340   RETURN
350   !
360   !complete scope configuration; DIGITIZE and acquire waveform data
370   !and preamble (voltage/timing) information into computer.
380   !
390   Get_waveform:         !
400   !

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410     !the following 4 commands are the default configuration setting
420     !that the RST sets up; but, they are included here for clarity and
430     !completeness. This ensures scope is configured for DIGITIZE, if
440     !*RST was not done.
450     !
460 OUTPUT @Scope;" :WAVEFORM:SOURCE CHAN1" !set source to channel 1
470 OUTPUT @Scope;" :ACQUIRE:TYPE NORMAL" !set to normal acquisition mode
480 OUTPUT @Scope;" :ACQUIRE:COMPLETE 100" !set complete criteria
490 OUTPUT @Scope;" :WAVEFORM:POINTS 4000" !set # of pts to 4000
500     !
510 OUTPUT @Scope;" :WAVEFORM:FORMAT BYTE" !acquired data in byte format
520 OUTPUT @Scope;" :DIGITIZE CHAN1" !macro to acquire data & stop
530 OUTPUT @Scope;" :WAVEFORM:DATA?" !query scope for data
540 ENTER @Scope USING "#,2A,8D";Header$,Bytes !strip off header & size
550 PRINT "reading ";Bytes;" bytes from scope"
560     !
570 !allocate an array for the waveform data. The array is one byte
580 !more than the number of points to allow for the line feed (10) that
590 !is attached to the end of the output buffer to be read. This
600 !character SHOULD not be used. The value in preamble(3) reports
610 !the correct number of points. Note that all future calculations
620 !utilize preamble(3), the number of points, for loop control.
630     !
640 ALLOCATE INTEGER Waveform(1:Bytes+1)
650 ENTER @Scope USING "#,B";Waveform(*) !read waveform information
660 OUTPUT @Scope;" :WAVEFORM:PREAMBLE?" !query for preamble
670 ENTER @Scope;Preamble(*) !read preamble information
680 RETURN
690     !
700 !plot waveform data to display
710     !
720 Graph: !
730 GCLEAR !initialize graphics
740 CLEAR SCREEN
750 GINIT
760 GRAPHICS ON
770 VIEWPORT 0,130,35,100
780 WINDOW 1,Preamble(3),0,255
790 FRAME
800 PEN 4
810 MOVE 0,0
820 FOR I=1 TO Preamble(3) !plot data points
830     MOVE I,Waveform(I)
840     DRAW I,Waveform(I)
850 NEXT I
860 PRINT TABXY(0,18),"V/Div =";(32*Preamble(8));" V";TAB(50),
      "Offset =";(128-Preamble(10))*Preamble(8)+Preamble(9);" V"

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870 PRINT TABXY(0,19),"S/Div =";Preamble(3)*Preamble(5)/10;" S";TAB(50),
      "Delay =";(Preamble(3)/2-Preamble(7))*Preamble(5)+Preamble(6);" S"
880 RETURN
890 !
900 !calculate and plot the integral of the waveform using the preamble
910 !
920 Integrate: !
930 REAL Math(0:4000)
940 MOVE 0,0
950 Math(0)=0
960 FOR I=0 TO Preamble(3)-1
970   Math(I+1)=Math(I)+(Waveform(I+1)-Preamble(10))*Preamble(8)+Preamble(9)
980 NEXT I
990 Max=Math(1)
1000 Min=Math(1)
1010 FOR I=1 TO Preamble(3)
1020   IF Math(I)Max THEN Max=Math(I)
1030   IF Math(I) THEN Min=Math(I)
1040 NEXT I
1050 PEN 5
1060   !plot integral
1070 WINDOW 1,Preamble(3),Min,Max
1080 FOR I=1 TO Preamble(3)
1090   MOVE I,Math(I)
1100   DRAW I,Math(I)
1110 NEXT I
1120 RETURN
1130 !
1140   !save waveform data and preamble information to computer disk
1150 !
1160 Save_waveform: !
1170 ON ERROR GOTO 1190
1180 PURGE "WAVESAMPLE"
1190 OFF ERROR
1200 CREATE BDAT "WAVESAMPLE",1,4080
1210 ASSIGN @Path TO "WAVESAMPLE"
1220 OUTPUT @Path;Waveform(*),Preamble(*)
1230 RETURN
1240 !
1250   !retrieve waveform data and preamble information from disk
1260 !
1270 Retrieve_wave: !
1280 ASSIGN @Path TO "WAVESAMPLE"
1290 ENTER @Path;Waveform(*),Preamble(*)
1300 RETURN
1310 END

```

HP IBASIC for Windows with HP-IB

This program sets up the instrument and performs a lightwave transmitter conformance test. The test consists of a mask conformance measurement for the SDH/SONET STM-1/OC-3 standard, an extinction ratio measurement, and an average optical power measurement. The measurement results are analyzed and the result reported.

```

10  !\IB_HPIB\CONF.BAS          HP IBasic program using HPIB interface
20  !
30  !MAIN PROGRAM
40  !
50  DIM Res1$(50),Parsed$(1:4)[10]
60  INTEGER Last_match
70  !
80  PRINT "This example program will perform the following tasks:"
90  PRINT "      a. initialize interface and scope"
100 PRINT "      b. set up and perform an STM-1/OC-3 mask test"
110 PRINT "      c. set up and perform an extinction ratio test"
120 PRINT "      d. set up and perform an average power measurement"
130 PRINT "      e. report the conformance test results"
140 PRINT
150 PRINT "The program performs a typical transmitter conformance test for"
160 PRINT "the STM-1/OC-3 SDH/SONET rate of 155.52 Mb/s. It assumes the"
170 PRINT "following conditions:"
180 PRINT
190 PRINT "      1. a 1330 nm signal at the optical input"
200 PRINT "      2. a 155.52 Mb/s random or pseudo-random optical input"
210 PRINT "      3. an external trigger input signal"
220 PRINT
230 PRINT "Click Continue when ready to start"
240 PAUSE
250 GOSUB Initialize          !initialize interface and scope
260 GOSUB Mask_test         !perform a mask test
270 GOSUB Ext_ratio        !perform an extinction ratio test
280 GOSUB Avg_power        !perform an average power measurement
290 GOSUB Report           !report results
300 !
310 STOP
320 !
330 !
340 !INITIALIZE INTERFACE AND SCOPE
350 Initialize:            !
360 ASSIGN @Isc TO 7      !Interface Select Code = 7

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370 ASSIGN @Scope TO 707           !scope address
380 ASSIGN @Fast TO 707;FORMAT ON  !turn controller formatting on
390 CLEAR @Isc                     !clear HPiB interface
400 OUTPUT @Scope;"*RST"           !set scope to default config
410 OUTPUT @Scope;"CHAN2:INPUT FIFTY" !set chan2 to 50 Ohm input
420 DISP "Attach STM-1/OC-3 reference filter, click Cont when ready"
430 PAUSE
440 OUTPUT @Scope;"AUTOSCALE"      !AUTOSCALE
450 OUTPUT @Scope;"BLANK CHAN1"    !de-activate Channel 1
460 OUTPUT @Scope;"BLANK CHAN2"    !de-activate Channel 2
470 OUTPUT @Scope;"VIEW CHAN2"     !activate Channel 2
480 OUTPUT @Scope;"TIMEBASE:RANGE 1E-8"!set time base for one eye diagram
490 DISP "Adjust delay to center waveform on screen, click Cont when ready"
500 PAUSE
510 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:SOURCE CHAN2" !set channel 2 as the meas source
520 OUTPUT @Scope;"CHAN2:IOPTICAL ON" !activate the optical channel
530 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:MTYPE EYENRZ" !set the measurement type for eye diagrams
540 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:TSAMPLES 400" !set the # of time histogram samples to 400
550 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:ASAMPLES 1000" !set the # of voltage histogram samples to 1000
560 OUTPUT @Scope;"OCAL:SCAL D1310" !select 1310 nm default calibration
570 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:PUNITS dBm" !set power measurements to dBm
580 CLEAR SCREEN
590 RETURN
600 !
610 ! PERFORM AN STM-1/OC-3 MASK TEST
620 Mask_test:                      !
630 !
640 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEASURE:MASK:STEST STM1" !selects the STM1/OC3 mask
650 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:MASK:DEF:TIME 5" !sets the test time to 5 sec
660 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:MASK:DEF:MARGIN 20" !sets a 20% margin
670 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:MASK:DEF:MHTS 0" !sets 0 as the max # of hits
680 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:MASK:DEF:OPASS CONT" !continue acquisition if pass
690 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:MASK:DEF:OFail PRINT"!print waveform on fail
700 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEASURE:MASK:TEST?" !test is performed
710 ENTER @Scope;Res1$              !read results from the analyzer
720 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEASURE:MASK:SHOW OFF" !de-activate the mask
730 REPEAT
740     I=I+1
750     Delimeter$=", "
760     CALL Universal_parse(Delimeter$,Res1$,Parsed$(I),Last_match)
770 UNTIL Last_match
780 CLEAR SCREEN
790 !

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800 RETURN
810 !
820 ! PERFORM AN EXTINGUISH RATIO MEASUREMENT
830 Ext_ratio: !
840 !
850 DISP "Disable signal into optical input, click Cont when ready"
860 PAUSE
870 OUTPUT @Scope;"OCAL:ERAT:IOPT?" !calibrate optical chan DC offset
880 ENTER @Scope;String$ !read the results into string
890 !
900 REPEAT !begin a loop to check validity of
910 I=I+1 !calibration results
920 IF UPC$(TRIM$(String$))="ERR" THEN !if an error in calibration, re-measure
930 DISP "Calibration error, disable optical input and re-measure, Click Cont when ready"
940 PAUSE
950 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEASURE:ERAT:IOPT?" !calibrate DC offset
960 ENTER @Scope;String$ !read the results into string
970 Last_match=0 !repeat measurement or abort
980 IF I=3 THEN !three calibrations are allowed before abort
990 DISP "Unable to calibrate DC offset, measurement aborted"
1000 RETURN
1010 END IF
1020 ELSE
1030 DISP "Input signal into the Optical Channel, click Cont when ready"
1040 PAUSE
1050 DISP "Make sure eye diagram is centered on screen, click Cont when ready"
1060 PAUSE
1070 Last_match=1 !calibration is good, loop set for termination
1080 END IF
1090 UNTIL Last_match !loop continues if calibration is invalid
1100 !
1110 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:EWMIN 30" !sets measurement for middle 40%
1120 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:EWMAX 70" !of the eye bit period.
1130 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:ERUNITS dB" !set the measurement units to dB
1140 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:ERATIO?" !measure the extinction ratio
1150 ENTER @Scope;Res2 !get and save the result
1160 !
1170 RETURN
1180 !

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1190 !PERFORM AN AVERAGE POWER MEASUREMENT
1200 Avg_power: !
1210 !
1220 OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:OPMETER ON" !activates the power meter
1230 OUTPUT @Scope;":*OPC?" !operation complete sent to analyzer
1240 ENTER @Scope;String$ !reads result to variable
1250 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:PMET?" !queries for a measurement
1260 ENTER @Scope;Res3 !reads measurement into variable
1270 OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:PMET?" !queries for another measurement
1280 ENTER @Scope;Res4 !reads other measurement
1290 WHILE ABS(Res4-Res3)>.2
1300     OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:PMET?" !The power measurement is
1310     ENTER @Scope;Res3 !iterated until the power
1320     OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:PMET?" !meter has settled
1330     ENTER @Scope;Res4 !
1340 END WHILE
1350 OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:OPMETER OFF" !de-activate power meter
1360 !
1370 RETURN
1380 !
1390 ! REPORT THE CONFORMANCE TEST RESULTS
1400 Report: !
1410 !
1420 IF UPC$(TRIM$(Parsed$(1)))="FAIL" OR Res2<13 OR ABS(Res4)>15 THEN
1430     PRINT "THE TRANSMITTER FAILED THE CONFORMANCE TEST."
1440     PRINT
1450 ELSE
1460     PRINT "THE TRANSMITTER PASSED THE CONFORMACE TEST."
1470     PRINT
1480 END IF
1490 PRINT "THE TEST RESULTS ARE:"
1500 PRINT
1510 PRINT "   FOR THE MASK TEST:  Total hits   =";TRIM$(Parsed$(2))
1520 PRINT "                       Standard hits =";TRIM$(Parsed$(3))
1530 PRINT "                       Margin hits  =";TRIM$(Parsed$(4))
1540 PRINT
1550 PRINT "   EXTINCTION RATIO = ";Res2;" dB"
1560 PRINT "   AVERAGE OPTICAL POWER = ";Res4;" dBm"
1570 !
1580 RETURN
1590 !
1600 END
1610 !
1620 ! SUBROUTINE FOR PARSING DATA STRINGS
1630 SUB Universal_parse(Delimiter$,In_n_out$,String_parsed$,INTEGER Last_match)
1640 !
1650 INTEGER Delim_loc,Len_delim
1660 Len_delim=LEN(Delimiter$) !length of delimiter determined
1670 Delim_loc=POS(In_n_out$,Delimiter$) !position of delimiter determined

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1680 IF Delim_loc=0 THEN                !if no delimiter found, string is
1690   String_parsed$=In_n_out$         !not parsed.
1700   Last_match=1
1710 ELSE                                !if delimiter present, string is parsed
1720   String_parsed$=TRIM$(In_n_out$[1,Delim_loc-1])
1730   In_n_out$=TRIM$(In_n_out$[Delim_loc+Len_delim])
1740   Last_match=0
1750 END IF
1760 SUBEND
```

HP IBASIC for Windows with RS-232

This program sets up the instrument and performs a lightwave transmitter conformance test. The test consists of a mask conformance measurement for the SDH/SONET STM-1/OC-3 standard, an extinction ratio measurement, and an average optical power measurement. The measurement results are analyzed and the result reported.

```

10  !\IB_HPIB\CONF.BAS           HP IBasic program using HPIB interface
20  !
30  !MAIN PROGRAM
40  !
50  DIM Res1$(50),Parsed$(1:4)[10]
60  INTEGER Last_match
70  !
80  PRINT "This example program will perform the following tasks:"
90  PRINT "          a. initialize interface and scope"
100 PRINT "          b. set up and perform an STM-1/OC-3 mask test"
110 PRINT "          c. set up and perform an extinction ratio test"
120 PRINT "          d. set up and perform an average power measurement"
130 PRINT "          e. report the conformance test results"
140 PRINT
150 PRINT "The program performs a typical transmitter conformance test for"
160 PRINT "the STM-1/OC-3 SDH/SONET rate of 155.52 Mb/s. It assumes the"
170 PRINT "following conditions:"
180 PRINT
190 PRINT "          1. a 1330 nm signal at the optical input"
200 PRINT "          2. a 155.52 Mb/s random or pseudo-random optical input"
210 PRINT "          3. an external trigger input signal"
220 PRINT
230 PRINT "Click Continue when ready to start"
240 PAUSE
250 GOSUB Initialize             !initialize interface and scope
260 GOSUB Mask_test             !perform a mask test
270 GOSUB Ext_ratio             !perform an extinction ratio test
280 GOSUB Avg_power             !perform an average power measurement
290 GOSUB Report                !report results
300 !
310 STOP
320 !
330 !
340 !INITIALIZE INTERFACE AND SCOPE
350 Initialize:                 !
360 CONTROL 9,3;9600           !set RS232 baud rate to 9600

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370 CONTROL 9,4;3                !8 bit;1stop;par disable;odd par
380 ASSIGN @Scope TO 9          !set analyzer address
390 OUTPUT @Scope;"*RST"        !set scope to default config
400 OUTPUT @Scope;"CHAN2:INPUT FIFTY" !set chan2 to 50 Ohm input
410 DISP "Attach STM-1/OC-3 reference filter, click Cont when ready"
420 PAUSE
430 OUTPUT @Scope;"AUTOSCALE"   !AUTOSCALE
440 OUTPUT @Scope;"BLANK CHAN1" !de-activate Channel 1
450 OUTPUT @Scope;"BLANK CHAN2" !de-activate Channel 2
460 OUTPUT @Scope;"VIEW CHAN2" !activate Channel 2
470 OUTPUT @Scope;"TIMEBASE:RANGE 1E-8"!set time base for one eye diagram
480 DISP "Adjust delay to center waveform on screen, click Cont when ready"
490 PAUSE
500 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:SOURCE CHAN2" !set channel 2 as the meas source
510 OUTPUT @Scope;"CHAN2:IOPTICAL ON" !activate the optical channel
520 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:MTYPE EYENRZ" !set the measurement type for eye diagrams
530 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:TSAMPLES 400" !set the # of time histogram samples to 400
540 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:ASAMPLES 1000" !set the # of voltage histogram samples to 1000
550 OUTPUT @Scope;"OCAL:SCAL D1310" !select 1310 nm default calibration
560 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:PUNITS dBm" !set power measurements to dBm
570 CLEAR SCREEN
580 RETURN
590 !
600 ! PERFORM AN STM-1/OC-3 MASK TEST
610 Mask_test:                    !
620 !
630 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEASURE:MASK:STEST STM1" !selects the STM1/OC3 mask
640 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:MASK:DEF:TIME 5" !sets the test time to 5 sec
650 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:MASK:DEF:MARGIN 20" !sets a 20% margin
660 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:MASK:DEF:MHTS 0" !sets 0 as the max # of hits
670 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:MASK:DEF:OPASS CONT" !continue acquisition if pass
680 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEAS:MASK:DEF:OFail PRINT"!print waveform on fail
690 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEASURE:MASK:TEST?" !test is performed
700 ENTER @Scope;Res1$           !read results from the analyzer
710 OUTPUT @Scope;"MEASURE:MASK:SHOW OFF" !de-activate the mask
720 REPEAT
730     I=I+1
740     Delimeter$=", "
750     CALL Universal_parse(Delimeter$,Res1$,Parsed$(I),Last_match)
760 UNTIL Last_match
770 CLEAR SCREEN
780 !
790 RETURN
800 !

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```

810 ! PERFORM AN EXTINCTION RATIO MEASUREMENT
820 Ext_ratio: !
830 !
840 DISP "Disable signal into optical input, click Cont when ready"
850 PAUSE
860 OUTPUT @Scope;":OCAL:ERAT:IOPT?" !calibrate optical chan DC offset
870 ENTER @Scope;String$ !read the results into string
880 !
890 REPEAT !begin a loop to check validity of
900 I=I+1 !calibration results
910 IF UPC$(TRIM$(String$))="ERR" THEN !if an error in calibration, re-measure
920 DISP "Calibration error, disable optical input and re-measure, Click Cont when ready"
930 PAUSE
940 OUTPUT @Scope;":MEASURE:ERAT:IOPT?" !calibrate DC offset
950 ENTER @Scope;String$ !read the results into string
960 Last_match=0 !repeat measurement or abort
970 IF I=3 THEN !three calibrations are allowed before abort
980 DISP "Unable to calibrate DC offset, measurement aborted"
990 RETURN
1000 END IF
1010 ELSE
1020 DISP "Input signal into the Optical Channel, click Cont when ready"
1030 PAUSE
1040 DISP "Make sure eye diagram is centered on screen, click Cont when ready"
1050 PAUSE
1060 Last_match=1 !calibration is good, loop set for termination
1070 END IF
1080 UNTIL Last_match !loop continues if calibration is invalid
1090 !
1100 OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:EWMIN 30" !sets measurement for middle 40%
1110 OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:EWMAX 70" !of the eye bit period.
1120 OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:ERUNITS dB" !set the measurement units to dB
1130 OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:ERATIO?" !measure the extinction ratio
1140 ENTER @Scope;Res2 !get and save the result
1150 !
1160 RETURN
1170 !
1180 !PERFORM AN AVERAGE POWER MEASUREMENT
1190 Avg_power: !
1200 !
1210 OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:OPMETER ON" !activates the power meter
1220 OUTPUT @Scope;":*OPC?" !operation complete sent to analyzer
1230 ENTER @Scope;String$ !reads result to variable
1240 OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:PMET?" !queries for a measurement
1250 ENTER @Scope;Res3 !reads measurement into variable
1260 OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:PMET?" !queries for another measurement
1270 ENTER @Scope;Res4 !reads other measurement

```

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```

1280 WHILE ABS(Res4-Res3)>.2
1290   OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:PMET?"           !The power measurement is
1300   ENTER @Scope;Res3                     !iterated until the power
1310   OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:PMET?"           !meter has settled
1320   ENTER @Scope;Res4                     !
1330 END WHILE
1340 OUTPUT @Scope;":MEAS:OPMETER OFF"       !de-activate power meter
1350 !
1360 RETURN
1370 !
1380 ! REPORT THE CONFORMANCE TEST RESULTS
1390 Report:                                  !
1400 !
1410 IF UPC$(TRIM$(Parsed$(1)))="FAIL" OR Res2<13 OR ABS(Res4)>15 THEN
1420   PRINT "THE TRANSMITTER FAILED THE CONFORMANCE TEST."
1430   PRINT
1440 ELSE
1450   PRINT "THE TRANSMITTER PASSED THE CONFORMANCE TEST."
1460   PRINT
1470 END IF
1480 PRINT "THE TEST RESULTS ARE:"
1490 PRINT
1500 PRINT "   FOR THE MASK TEST:  Total hits   =" ;TRIM$(Parsed$(2))
1510 PRINT "                               Standard hits =" ;TRIM$(Parsed$(3))
1520 PRINT "                               Margin hits  =" ;TRIM$(Parsed$(4))
1530 PRINT
1540 PRINT "   EXTINCTION RATIO = " ;Res2;" dB"
1550 PRINT "   AVERAGE OPTICAL POWER = " ;Res4;" dBm"
1560 !
1570 RETURN
1580 !
1590 END
1600 !

```

```
1610 ! SUBROUTINE FOR PARSING DATA STRINGS
1620 SUB Universal_parse(Delimiter$,In_n_out$,String_parsed$,INTEGER Last_match)
1630 !
1640 INTEGER Delim_loc,Len_delim
1650 Len_delim=LEN(Delimiter$)           !length of delimiter determined
1660 Delim_loc=POS(In_n_out$,Delimiter$) !position of delimiter determined
1670 IF Delim_loc=0 THEN                 !if no delimiter found, string is
1680     String_parsed$=In_n_out$        !not parsed.
1690     Last_match=1
1700 ELSE                                 !if delimiter present, string is parsed
1710     String_parsed$=TRIM$(In_n_out$[1,Delim_loc-1])
1720     In_n_out$=TRIM$(In_n_out$[Delim_loc+Len_delim])
1730     Last_match=0
1740 END IF
1750 SUBEND
```

QuickBASIC with HP-IB

This program sets up the HP-IB interface and the analyzer, then makes a simple measurement.

```

DECLARE SUB get.waveform ()
DECLARE SUB measure ()
DECLARE SUB Initialize ()
DECLARE SUB send (cmd$)
'Filename : \QB-HP-IB\INIT.BAS

REM $INCLUDE: 'c:\hpib\qbsetup'
DIM SHARED isc%, scope%
CALL Initialize 'Initialize interface and scope
CALL get.waveform 'Tell scope to acquire data
CALL measure 'Measure the freq. of the input signal
END

SUB get.waveform
    send (":digitize channel1") 'tell scope to acquire data
END SUB

SUB Initialize
SHARED PCIB.ERR, PCIB.BASERR, NOERR
    isc% = 7 'select code of HP-IB interface
    scope% = isc% * 100 + 7 'address of the scope
    CALL ioreset(isc%) 'set interface to start-up state
    IF PCIB.ERR NOERR THEN ERROR PCIB.BASERR 'check for error
    CALL iotimeout(isc%, 10) 'set timeout to 10 seconds
    IF PCIB.ERR <>
        NOERR THEN ERROR PCIB.BASERR 'check for error
    CALL ioclear(isc%) 'clear devices attached to known state
    IF PCIB.ERR <>
        NOERR THEN ERROR PCIB.BASERR 'check for error
    send ("*RST") 'reset the scope
    send (":autoscale") 'autoscale the input signal
    send (":channel1:probe x10") 'set probe factor to 10
    CLS 'clear PC screen
END SUB

```



```
SUB measure
  send (":measure:frequency?")      'Query for result of frequency
                                    measurement
  CALL ioenter(scope&, freq!)      'Get the number from the scope
  IF PCIB.ERR <>
    NOERR THEN ERROR PCIB.BASERR    'Check if any error occur
  PRINT "Frequency = "; freq!; " Hz" 'Print out the result
END SUB
SUB send (cmd$)
  CALL iooutputs(scope&, cmd$,
    LEN(cmd$))                      'send command to scope
  IF PCIB.ERR <>
    NOERR THEN ERROR PCIB.BASERR    'check for any error
END SUB
```

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This program digitizes and transfers waveform data to a PC, saves the waveform data to a file, retrieves it from a file, and displays it on the PC's screen. The integrate waveform routine will perform an integration math function on the waveform data and display the results on the PC's screen. The graphics routines in this program are written for EGA/VGA graphic adaptors. There is an example written for CGA mode on the example disk. Refer to the README file for more detail.

```

DECLARE SUB initialize ()
DECLARE SUB get.waveform ()
DECLARE SUB save.waveform ()
DECLARE SUB retrieve.waveform ()
DECLARE SUB graph.waveform ()
DECLARE SUB integrate.waveform ()
DECLARE SUB send (cmd$)
'
'Filename : \QB-HPiB\DIGI_EGA.BAS
'
REM $INCLUDE: 'c:\hpiB\qbsetup'

DIM SHARED preamble!(10)           'variable holding the preamble data
DIM SHARED waveform%(4000)        'variable holding the waveform data
DIM SHARED scope&, isc&           'variable for scope address

CALL initialize                    'initialization of interface and scope
CALL get.waveform                  'get the waveform from scope
CALL save.waveform                 'save the waveform into a file
CALL retrieve.waveform             'retrieve the waveform from the file
CALL graph.waveform               'display the waveform on the screen
CALL integrate.waveform           'integration of the waveform

END

```

```

SUB get.waveform
SHARED pcib.err, pcib.baserr, noerr
,
' The following four commands is added for clarity. They are the
'default values after the *RST command.
,
send (":waveform:points 4000")      'get 4000 points from scope
send (":acquire:type normal")      'use normal acquisition
send (":acquire:complete 100")     'get the data until 100% completion
send (":waveform:source channel1") 'get the data from channel 1

send (":waveform:format word")     'get the data in 16-bit word format
send (":digitize channel1")        'tell the scope to gather data
send (":waveform:preamble?")       'get the informations about the data
max.len% = 10
actual.len% = 0
CALL ioentera(scope%, SEG preamble!(1), max.len%, actual.len%)
IF pcib.err <> noerr THEN ERROR pcib.baserr

send (":waveform:data?")           'ask for the waveform data
CALL iomatch(isc%, CHR$(10), 0)    'disable matching for transfer of
                                   binary data
max.len% = 8000                     'max. is 8000 bytes
CALL ioenterab(scope%, SEG waveform%(1), max.len%, actual.len%, 2)
IF pcib.err <> noerr THEN ERROR pcib.baserr

max.len% = 1                         'get the newline char
actual.len% = 0
msg$ = SPACE$(max.len%)             'allocate the space
CALL ioenters(scope%, msg$, max.len%, actual.len%)
IF pcib.err <> noerr THEN ERROR pcib.baserr
END SUB

```

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```
SUB graph.waveform
  SCREEN 9
  VIEW (1, 1)-(638, 256), , 15
  WINDOW (0, 0)-(10, 8)
  COLOR 8
  'set screen mode to EGA 64k
  '640 x 350 x 16
  'set viewport and draw the border
  'prepare to draw the grid
  'color dark gray
```

```
FOR i% = 1 TO 9                                'draw the grid
  LINE (i%, 0)-(i%, 8)
NEXT i%
FOR i% = 1 TO 7
  LINE (0, i%)-(10, i%)
NEXT i%

WINDOW (1, 0)-(preamble!(3), 255) 'use window to make the co-ordinates
                                  device independent
COLOR 10                             'bright green color
FOR i% = 1 TO preamble!(3)
  PSET (i%, waveform%(i%))           'draw the pixel
NEXT i%
,
' Use the preamble data to calculate the timebase and vertical settings
,
WIDTH 80, 25
VIEW PRINT 20 TO 24
LOCATE 20, 1
PRINT "V/Div = "; 32 * preamble!(8); "V";
PRINT "Offset = "; (128 - preamble!(10)) * preamble!(8) + preamble!(9); "V";

LOCATE 20, 41
PRINT "S/Div = "; preamble!(3) * preamble!(5) / 10; "S"
LOCATE 21, 41
PRINT "Delay = "; (preamble!(3) / 2 - preamble!(7)) *
  preamble!(5) + preamble!(6); "S";

END SUB
```

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```

SUB initialize
SHARED pcib.err, pcib.baserr, noerr
  isc& = 7                                'assume HP-IB select code
  scope& = isc& * 100 + 7                 'address of scope
  CALL ioreset(isc&)                     'reset the HP-IB interface
  IF pcib.err <> noerr THEN ERROR pcib.baserr

  CALL iotimeout(isc&, 10)                'set timeout to 10 seconds
  IF pcib.err <> noerr THEN ERROR pcib.baserr

  CALL ioclear(isc&)                      'clear devices attached to interface
                                          to known state

  IF pcib.err <> noerr THEN ERROR pcib.baserr

  send ("*RST")                           'reset scope
  send (":autoscale")
  send (":channel1:probe x10")             'change probe factor to 10
  CLS                                       'clear screen of PC
END SUB

SUB integrate.waveform
  DIM math!(preamble!(3))                 'define the array to hold
  the math data
  math!(0) = 0                             'starting from zero
  FOR i% = 1 TO preamble!(3)               'each elt. add the current elt. to
                                          the last total
    math!(i%) = math!(i%-1) + (waveform%(i%) - preamble!(10)) * preamble!(8)
    + preamble!(9)
  NEXT i%
  max! = math!(1)                          'find out the min & max of integrate
  min! = math!(1)                          'in order to have the proper scale
  FOR i% = 1 TO preamble!(3)
    IF math!(i%) > max! THEN max! = math!(i%)
    IF math!(i%) < min! THEN min! = math!(i%)
  NEXT i%
  WINDOW (1, min!)-(preamble!(3), max!)'set up proper scale
  COLOR 12                                  'use red color
  FOR i% = 1 TO preamble!(3)                'draw the integrate
    PSET (i%, math!(i%))
  NEXT i%
  LOCATE 22, 1                              'print out information about integrate
  PRINT "Integration  V*S/Div = "; (max! - min!) / 8 * preamble!(5)
  PRINT "              Offset = "; (max! + min!) / 2 * preamble!(5)
END SUB

```

```
SUB retrieve.waveform
  PRINT "Waveform data has been saved to a file. The program will retrieve"
  PRINT "the data, graph it, and perform integration. All subsequent
  operations"
  PRINT "are based on the saved information. Press <enter> to
  continue."
  OPEN "wave.dat" FOR BINARY AS #2
  FOR count% = 1 TO 10
    GET #2, , preamble!(count%)
  NEXT count%
  FOR count% = 1 TO preamble!(3)
    GET #2, , waveform%(count%)
  NEXT count%
  CLOSE #2
END SUB

SUB save.waveform
  OPEN "wave.dat" FOR BINARY AS #2
  FOR count% = 1 TO 10
    PUT #2, , preamble!(count%)
  NEXT count%
  FOR count% = 1 TO preamble!(3)
    PUT #2, , waveform%(count%)
  NEXT count%
  CLOSE #2
END SUB

SUB send (cmd$)
  SHARED pcib.err, pcib.baserr, noerr
  CALL iooutputs(scope&, cmd$, LEN(cmd$))
  IF pcib.err <> noerr THEN ERROR pcib.baserr
END SUB
```

QuickBASIC with RS-232

This sample program sets up the RS-232 port and the analyzer, then makes a simple measurement.

```

DECLARE SUB get.waveform ()
DECLARE SUB measure ()
DECLARE SUB enter (number!)
DECLARE SUB initialize ()
,
' Filename : \QB-RS232\INIT.BAS
,
DIM SHARED lf$

CALL initialize           'initilaize interface and scope
CALL get.waveform        'tell scope to acquire data
CALL measure             'measure the freq. of input signal
END

SUB enter (number)
'*****'
' This routine will read a real number from the RS-232 port defined as file
'#1. Either comma or LF will be treated as delimiter
'*****'
  quit = 0
  msg$ = ""
  DO                               'skip the leading LF and comma
  DO
    ch$ = INPUT$(1, #1)           'get a byte from RS-232 port
    IF ch$ <> lf$ AND
      ch$ <> "," THEN             'LF and comma are seperators
      msg$ = msg$ + ch$         'append byte to string
    ELSE
      quit = 1
    END IF
  LOOP UNTIL quit = 1             'until comma or LF is found
  LOOP UNTIL LEN(msg$) <> 0      'until valid content is found
  number = VAL(msg$)             'convert the string into number
END SUB

SUB get.waveform
  PRINT #1, ":digitize channel1"
END SUB

```



```
SUB initialize
  lf$ = CHR$(10)                'define LF char
  ' scope is connected to COM1 at 9600 baud
  OPEN "COM1:9600,n,8,1,ASC,CD1000,CS1000,DS1000" FOR RANDOM AS #1 LEN = 2
  PRINT #1, "*RST";lf$;
  PRINT #1, ":autoscale"; lf$;    'autoscale the input signal
  PRINT #1, ":channel1:probe x10";
    lf$;                          'set probe factor to 10
  CLS                              'clear screen
END SUB

SUB measure
  PRINT #1, ":measure:frequency?"; lf$;
  CALL enter(freq!)
  PRINT "Frequency = "; freq!; " Hz";
END SUB
```

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This program digitizes and transfers waveform data to a PC, saves the waveform data to a file, retrieves it from a file, and displays it on the PC's screen. The integrate waveform routine will perform an integration math function on the waveform data and display the results on the PC's screen. The graphics routines in this program are written for EGA/VGA graphic adaptors. There is an example written for CGA mode on the example disk. Refer to the README file for more detail.

```

DECLARE SUB initialize ()
DECLARE SUB get.waveform ()
DECLARE SUB save.waveform ()
DECLARE SUB retrieve.waveform ()
DECLARE SUB graph.waveform ()
DECLARE SUB integrate.waveform ()
DECLARE SUB enter (number!)
,
' Filename : \QB-RS232\DIGI_EGA.BAS
,
DIM SHARED preamble!(10)           'variable holding the preamble data
DIM SHARED waveform%(4000)         'variable holding the waveform data
DIM SHARED lf$                     'will be defined as LF char

CALL initialize                    'initialize interface and scope
CALL get.waveform                  'get waveform from scope
CALL save.waveform                 'save waveform to a file
CALL retrieve.waveform             'retrieve waveform from file
CALL graph.waveform               'display the waveform data
CALL integrate.waveform           'integrate the waveform data
END

SUB enter (number!)
'*****
'This routine will read a real number from the RS-232 port defined as file
' #1. Either comma or LF will be treated as delimiter
'*****
  quit = 0
  msg$ = ""
  DO                                'skip the leading LF and comma
    DO
      ch$ = INPUT$(1, #1)           'get a byte from RS-232 port
      IF ch$ <> lf$ AND
        ch$ <> "," THEN 'LF and comma are seperators
        msg$ = msg$ + ch$         'append byte to string
      ELSE

```

```

        quit = 1
    END IF
    LOOP UNTIL quit = 1          'until comma or LF is found
    LOOP UNTIL LEN(msg$) <> 0   'until valid content is found
    number = VAL(msg$)          'convert the string into number
END SUB

SUB get.waveform
,
' The following four commands are added for clarity only. They are
' the default values after the *RST command
,
PRINT #1, ":waveform:points 4000"; lf$; 'get 4000 points from scope
PRINT #1, ":acquire:type normal"; lf$; 'set acquire to be normal
PRINT #1, ":acquire:complete 100"; lf$; 'get data until 100% completion
PRINT #1, ":waveform:source chan1"; lf$; 'get data from channel 1

PRINT #1, ":waveform:format word"; lf$; 'get data in 16-bit word format
PRINT #1, ":digitize channel1"; lf$; 'tell scope to gather data
,
' Get the preamble data for the waveform
,
PRINT #1, ":waveform:preamble?"; lf$; 'ask for preamble informations
FOR count% = 1 TO 10 'get the preambles
    CALL enter(preamble!(count%))
NEXT count%
,
' Get the waveform from the scope in word format
,
PRINT #1, ":waveform:data?"; lf$; 'ask for the waveform data
msg$ = INPUT$(10, #1) 'the arbitrary block header
length% = VAL(RIGHT$(msg$, 8)) / 2 'length is specified in last 8
                                     bytes of header
                                     'length is measured in bytes
FOR count% = 1 TO length% 'get the waveform
    GET #1, , waveform%(count%)
NEXT count%
msg$ = INPUT$(1, #1) 'get the last NL char.
END SUB

SUB graph.waveform
SCREEN 9 ' set screen mode to EGA 64k
        ' 640 x 350 x 16
VIEW (1, 1)-(638, 256), , 15 ' set viewport and draw the
                                border
WINDOW (0, 0)-(10, 8) ' prepare to draw the grid
COLOR 8 ' color dark gary

```

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```

FOR i% = 1 TO 9                                     ' draw the grid
  LINE (i%, 0)-(i%, 8)
  NEXT i%
  FOR i% = 1 TO 7
    LINE (0, i%)-(10, i%)
  NEXT i%

WINDOW (1, 0)-(preamble!(3), 255)                 ' use window to make the
                                                    co-ordinates to be
                                                    device independent
                                                    ' bright green color
COLOR 10
FOR count% = 1 TO preamble!(3)
  PSET (count%, waveform%(count%))                ' draw the pixel
NEXT count%
,
' Use the preamble data to calculate the timebase and vertical settings
,
COLOR 15
WIDTH 80, 25
VIEW PRINT 20 TO 24
LOCATE 20, 1
PRINT "V/Div = "; 32 * preamble!(8); "V";

PRINT "Offset = "; (128 - preamble!(10)) * preamble!(8) + preamble!(9);
  V";

LOCATE 20, 41
PRINT "S/Div = "; preamble!(3) * preamble!(5) / 10; "S";
LOCATE 21, 41
PRINT "Delay = "; (preamble!(3) / 2 - preamble!(7)) * preamble!(5)
  + preamble!(6); "S";
END SUB

SUB initialize
  lf$ = CHR$(10)                                   ' define the LF char
                                                    ' scope is connected to COM1 at 9600 baud

  OPEN "COM1:9600,n,8,1,ASC,CD1000,CS1000,DS1000" FOR RANDOM AS #1 LEN = 2
  PRINT #1, "*RST"; lf$;                          ' reset the scope
  PRINT #1, ":autoscale"; lf$;                   ' autoscale the input signal
  PRINT #1, ":channel1:probe x10"; lf$;          ' set probe factor to 10
  CLS
END SUB

SUB integrate.waveform
  DIM math!(preamble!(3))                         'define the array to hold the
                                                    math data

```

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```

math!(0) = 0                                'starting from zero
FOR i% = 1 TO preamble!(3)                  'each elt. add the current elt.
                                           to the last total
    math!(i%) = math!(i%-1) + (waveform%(i%) - preamble!(10)) *
        preamble!(8) + preamble!(9)
NEXT i%
max! = math!(1)                             'find out the min & max of integrate
min! = math!(1)                             'in order to have the proper scale
FOR i% = 1 TO preamble!(3)
    IF math!(i%) > max! THEN max! = math!(i%)
    IF math!(i%) < min! THEN min! = math!(i%)
NEXT i%
WINDOW (1, min!)-(preamble!(3), max!)      'set up proper scale
COLOR 12                                    'use red color
FOR i% = 1 TO preamble!(3)                  'draw the integrate
    PSET (i%, math!(i%))
NEXT i%
LOCATE 22, 1                               'print out information about
                                           integrate
PRINT "Integration  V*S/Div = "; (max! - min!) / 8 *
preamble!(5)
PRINT "            Offset = "; (max! + min!) / 2 *
preamble!(5)
END SUB
SUB retrieve.waveform
PRINT "Waveform data has been saved to a file. The program will retrieve"
PRINT "the data, graph it, and perform integration. All subsequent operations"
PRINT "are based on the saved information. Press <enter> to continue."
LINE INPUT dummy$
CLS
OPEN "wave.dat" FOR BINARY AS #2
FOR count% = 1 TO 10
    GET #2, , preamble!(count%)
NEXT count%
FOR count% = 1 TO preamble!(3)
    GET #2, , waveform%(count%)
NEXT count%
CLOSE #2
END SUB

```

```
SUB save.waveform
  OPEN "wave.dat" FOR BINARY AS #2
  FOR count% = 1 TO 10
    PUT #2, , preamble!(count%)
  NEXT count%
  FOR count% = 1 TO preamble!(3)
    PUT #2, , waveform%(count%)
  NEXT count%
  CLOSE #2
END SUB
```

QuickC with HP-IB

This sample program sets up the HP-IB interface and the scope, then makes a simple measurement.

```

#include "c:\qc25\chplib.h"
#include "c:\qc25\cfunc.h"
#include <graph>
#include <stdio.h>
send (char *cmd);
initialize();
measure();
/*
    Filename : \QC-HP-IB\INIT.C
*/
#define ISC      7L                /* select code of HP-IB interface */
#define SCOPE    707L            /* address of scope */
#define TRUE     1
main()
{
    initialize();                /* initialization of interface &
                                scope */
    get_waveform();
    measure();                   /* make measurement and print result */
}
error_handler(int error, char *routine)
char    ch;
if (error != NOERR)
{
    printf("Error in call to %s \n", routine);
    printf("%d %s \n", error, strerror(error));
    printf("Press Enter to continue: ");
    scanf ("%c", &ch);
}
}
initialize()
{
    error_handler(IORESET(ISC), "ioreset");        /* reset interface */
    error_handler(IOTIMEOUT(ISC, 10), "iotimeout"); /* set timeout to 10 sec */
    error_handler(IOCLEAR(ISC), "ioclear");        /* clear scope to known
                                                    state */
}

```



```
    send ("*RST");                /* reset scope to
                                  default */
    send (":autoscale");          /* autoscale input
                                  signal */
    send (":channel1:probe x10"); /* set probe factor to
                                  x10 */
    _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN); /* clear screen of PC */
}

measure()
{
    float      freq;

    send (":measure:frequency?"); /* query frequency of
                                  input signal */
    error_handler(IOENTER(scope, &freq), "ioenter"); /* get the freq. from
                                                        scope */
                                                    /* noted that freq must
                                                        be passed by ref */
    printf ("Frequency = %f Hz \n", freq); /* print it out */
}

send(char *cmd)
{ /* this subroutine send the char string pointed by cmd to scope */
  error_handler(IOOUTPUTS(SCOPE, cmd, strlen(cmd)), cmd);
}

get_waveform()
{
  send (":digitize channel1");
}
```

Introduction

This program digitizes and transfers waveform data to a PC, saves the waveform data to a file, retrieves it from a file, and displays it on the PC's screen. The integrate waveform routine will perform an integration math function on the waveform data and display the results on the PC's screen. The graphics routines in this program are written for EGA/VGA graphic adaptors. There is an example written for CGA mode on the example disk. Refer to the README file for more detail.

```
#include "c:\qc25\chplib.h"
#include "c:\qc25\cfunc.h"
#include <stdio.h>
#include <graph.h>
initialize();
get_waveform();
save_waveform();
retrieve_waveform();
graph_waveform();
integrate_waveform();
send (char *cmd);
/*
   Filename : \QC-HPIB\DIGI_EGA.C
*/
#define ISC      7L                /* select code of HP-IB interface */
#define SCOPE    707L             /* address of scope */
#define TRUE     1
float          preamble[10];      /* array to hold the preamble data */
unsigned char  waveform[4000];    /* array to hold the waveform data */
void main()
{
    initialize();                /* initialize scope and interface */
    get_waveform();              /* get the waveform from scope */
    save_waveform();             /* save the waveform to a file */
    retrieve_waveform();         /* retrieve the waveform from file */
    graph_waveform();           /* display the data */
    integrate_waveform();       /* integrate the waveform and
                                display it */
}
error_handler(int error, char *routine)
{
    char      ch;
    if (error != NOERR) {
        printf("Error in call to %s \n", routine); /* check for errors */
        printf("%d %s \n", error, errstr(error)); /* print error info*/
        printf("Press Enter to continue: ");
    }
}
```

```

        printf ("%c", ch = getchar());           /* wait for enter key */
    }
}
initialize()
{
    error_handler(IORESET(ISC),"ioreset");      /* reset HP-IB interface */
    error_handler(IOTIMEOUT(ISC,10),"iotimeout"); /* set timeout to 10 sec */
    error_handler(IOCLEAR(ISC),"ioclear");      /* clear scope to known
                                                state */

    send ("*RST");                             /* reset scope */
    send (":autoscale");                       /* autoscale input signal */
    send (":channel1:probe x10");              /* set probe factor to 10 */
    _clearscreen (_GCLEARSCREEN);             /* clear PC's screen */
}
send(char *cmd

{ /* this routine is added to make sending the command to scope easier to
   read */
    error_handler(IOOUTPUTS(SCOPE, cmd, strlen(cmd)), cmd);
}
get_waveform()
{
    int element, length, i;
    char endlne;
    char msg[20];

    /* The following four commands are added for clarity. They are the
       default values after the *RST command
    */
    send (":waveform:points 4000");           /* get 4000 points from scope */
    send (":acquire:type normal");           /* set acquisition type to normal */
    send (":acquire:complete 100");         /* get data until 100% completion */
    send (":waveform:source channel1");      /* get data from channel 1 */

    send (":waveform:format byte");          /* use the 8-bit byte format */
    send (":digitize channel1");            /* tell scope to gather data */
    send (":waveform:preamble?");           /* ask for info about data */
    length = 10;                             /* totally 10 parameters */
    error_handler(IOENTERA(SCOPE,
        preamble,&length), "ioentera");
    send (":waveform:data?");               /* ask for the waveform data */
    error_handler(IOMATCH(ISC
        ,endlne,0), "iomatch");             /* disable matching for transfer
                                                of binary data */
}

```

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```

length = 4000;                /* max. is 4000 bytes */
error_handler(IOENTERAB(SCOPE,waveform,&length,1),
"ioenterab");
length = 1;                  /* get the last newline char */
error_handler(IOENTERS(SCOPE,msg,&length), "ioenters");
}
save_waveform()
{
FILE *fp;
fp = fopen("wave.dat", "wb");    /* open a file for storage */
fwrite(preamble,sizeof
(preamble[0]),10,fp);          /* write the preambles to file */
/* write the data, preamble[2] contains the number of data */
fwrite (waveform, sizeof(waveform[0]), (unsigned)preamble[2], fp);
fclose (fp);                  /* close the file */
}
retrieve_waveform()
{
FILE *fp;
printf ("Waveform data has been saved to a file. The program
will retrieve\n");
printf ("the data, graph it, and perform integration. All
subsequent operations\n");
printf ("are based on the saved information. Press <enter>
to continue.\n");
printf ("%c", ch = getchar());
fp = fopen("wave.dat", "rb");    /* open the file */
fread(preamble,sizeof(preamble[0]),10,fp); /* get the preambles */
/* retrieve the waveform data, preamble[2] contains the number of points */
fread (waveform, sizeof(waveform[0]), (unsigned)preamble[2], fp);
fclose(fp);                  /* close the file */
}
graph_waveform()
{
int i;
_setvideomode(_ERESCOLOR);      /* set screen mode to EGA */
_rectangle (_GBORDER, 0,0, 639,257); /* draw border */
_setviewport(1,1,638,256);      /* set viewport */
_setwindow (TRUE, 0,0,10,8);    /* set mapping co-ordinates */
_setcolor (8);                 /* set color to dark gray */
for (i=1;i<11;i++) {
_moveto_w(i,0);
_lineto_w(i,8);
}
}

```

```

for (i=1;i<9;i++) {
    _moveto_w(0,i);
    _lineto_w(10,i);
}
_setwindow(TRUE, 1,0,preamble[2],255); /* set mapping co-ordinates */
_setcolor(10); /* set color to bright green */
for (i=0;i<preamble[2];i++) { /* draw the pixels */
    _setpixel_w (i,waveform[i]);
}
_settextwindow(20,1,24,80); /* set text window */
_settextcolor (15); /* set color to bright white */
_settextposition(1,1); /* position cursor */
printf ("V/Div = %f V \n", 32*preamble[7]);
printf ("Offset= %f V \n", (128-preamble[9])*preamble[7]+preamble[8]);
_settextposition(1,41);
printf ("S/Div = %f S \n", preamble[2]*preamble[4]/10);
_settextposition(2,41);
printf ("Delay = %f S \n", (preamble[2]/2 -preamble[6])*preamble[4]+
    preamble[5]);
}
integrate_waveform ()
{
    float math[4001], min, max; /* define array to hold math data */
    int i;
    math[0] = 0; /* starting from zero */
    for (i=0;i<preamble[2];i++) { /* each elt. = last elt + curr
        wf data */
        math[i+1] = math[i] + (waveform[i]-preamble[9])*preamble[7] +
            preamble[8];
    }
    max = math[1]; /* find out the max & min of integrate */
    min = math[1]; /* in order to have the proper scale */
    for (i=1; i<=preamble[2]; i++) {
        if (math[i] > max) {max = math[i];}
        if (math[i] < min) {min = math[i];}
    }
    _setwindow(TRUE, 1, min,
        preamble[2], max); /* set up proper mapping */
    _setcolor(12); /* use red color */
    for (i=1; i<=preamble[2]; i++) /* draw the integrate */
        _setpixel_w(i, math[i]);
    _settextposition (3,1); /* print out information about
        integrate */
    _settextcolor (12);
    printf ("Integration V*S/Div = %f\n", ((max-min)/8*preamble[4]));
    printf (" Offset = %f", ((max+min)/2*preamble[4]));
}

```

Programming Examples

A

Remote Optical Channel
Calibration

Remote Optical Channel Calibration

The HP 83475A lightwave communication analyzer allows you to perform optical channel calibrations. In addition to the three factory default calibrations, three user calibrations can be performed and saved. To ensure the watts vertical scale functions properly, the user calibrations should be performed *at least ± 20 nanometers* from the standard wavelengths of 780 nm, 1310 nm, and 1550 nm.

Each calibration requires making a sequence of power measurements. The first measurement is for the calculation of the receiver conversion gain. The next measurement measures the system dark noise level. High and low measurements are then performed for each of the three power meter ranges.

Required Equipment

HP 815545M	1310/1550 nm source
HP 81530A	450-1020 nm detector
HP 81532A	800-1700 nm detector
HP 8153A	lightwave multimeter
HP 8158B	Option 001 600-1200 nm attenuator (MM, FC-PC connector)
HP 8158B	Option 002 1200-1650 nm attenuator (MM, FC-PC connector)

A block diagram of a calibration setup is shown in Figure A-1.

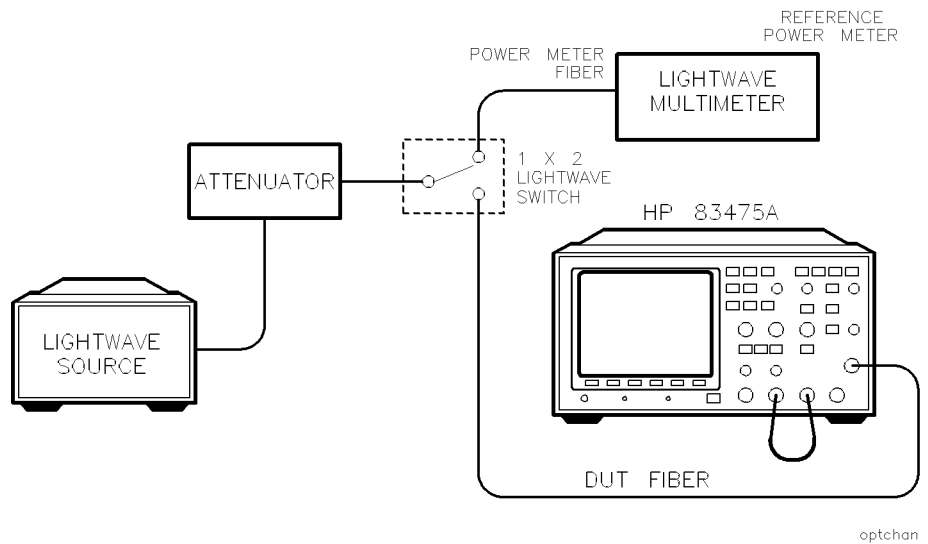


Figure A-1. Block diagram of a calibration setup.

To improve calibration accuracy, lightwave switches are recommended for signal routing. Clean connectors are necessary to assure the best accuracy. Refer to Chapter 1 of the *HP 83475A Lightwave Communications Analyzer User's Guide* for information on lightwave connector care.

To Correct for Insertion Loss

If the setup shown in Figure A-1 is used, the insertion loss of the power meter and device-under-test (DUT) signal paths should be corrected for. This provides a more accurate calibration. The following procedure can be used to correct for the insertion loss of the signal paths.

1. Adjust the attenuator to a set level (0.0 dB is good).
2. Connect the DUT fiber to the reference power meter.
3. Measure and record the power at the DUT fiber signal path output.
_____ μW
4. Connect the DUT fiber to the optical input of the HP 83475A.
5. Connect the power meter fiber to the reference power meter.
6. Measure and record the power at the power meter fiber signal path output.
_____ μW

WARNING

Do not disconnect the power meter fiber from the reference power meter. It is important to maintain the connection so repeatability uncertainty is minimized.

7. Calculate the insertion loss correction, in percent, using the following formula:

$$\text{Correction Factor} = \frac{P \text{ at DUT path} - P \text{ at power meter path}}{P \text{ at DUT path}}$$

where:

P = power, in microwatts, at the specified points

During the calibration procedure, several power levels must be input into the HP 83475A optical channel. The instrument must be “told” what these power levels are. Use the following formula to calculate the actual power levels and enter them into the HP 83475A.

Use the correction factor, as calculated earlier, in the following equation to determine the actual power input, in microwatts, to the HP 83475A optical channel:

$$\text{Input power to HP 83475A} = \frac{\text{Reference power meter reading}}{1 - \text{correction factor}}$$

Remote Calibration Sequence

This calibration must be performed in the sequence shown below. Do not change the order of the commands and do not execute any other remote commands between the commands.

The calibration sequence commands are all queries. When the step is complete one of the following responses will be returned.

ERRor	indicates an unrecoverable error occurred during the last step of the calibration. The calibration is aborted and the analyzer is reset to the state existing before the calibration was called.
CONTinue	indicates the last step of the calibration was successful. Continue with the calibration procedure.
OFFScreen	indicates the last step of the calibration was not successful. Vary the input criteria and retry the last step until the instrument senses the power level and returns CONT or COMP.
COMPLete	indicates the calibration is complete and the calibration table has been saved.

WARNING

The instrument *will accept* other remote commands during the execution of the calibration sequence. If operation of the analyzer is suspect, it may be necessary to cycle the line power off, then on, to ensure the analyzer is in a known operational state.

The :OCAL:KILL command can be used at any point in the sequence to abort the calibration sequence and reset the instrument to the state it was in before the calibration sequence was initiated.

Refer to Chapter 7 for a complete description of the commands used in the remote optical channel calibration.

1. :OCAL:CALibrate?

The :OCALibrate:CALibrate query begins the calibration sequence for the selected calibration. Either standard or user-defined calibrations may be used.

Returns CONT or ERR.

2. :OCAL:ECAL:SKIP?

The :OCALibrate:ECALibrate:SKIP query allows the controller to omit (skip) the electrical calibration steps. When selected, the next step performed is OCAL:OCAL:PDAR.

Returns CONT or ERR. ERR indicates this query was executed in the wrong sequence. This is the only place in the remote optical calibration sequence the calibration sequence can continue after ERR is returned.

3. :OCAL:ECAL:XTRigger?

The :OCALibrate:ECALibrate:XTRigger query performs an electrical calibration of the external trigger circuits.

WARNING

Before executing this query, make sure the rear panel DC OUTPUT is connected to the front panel EXTERNAL TRIGGER INPUT.

Returns ERR or CONT.

4. :OCAL:ECAL:CHAN1?

The :OCALibrate:ECALibrate:CHAN1 query performs an electrical calibration of channel 1.

WARNING

Before executing this query, make sure the rear panel DC OUTPUT is connected to the front panel CHANNEL 1 INPUT.

Returns ERR or CONT.

5. :OCAL:ECAL:CHAN2?

The :OCALibrate:ECALibrate:CHAN2 query performs an electrical calibration of channel 2.

WARNING

Before executing this query, make sure the rear panel DC OUTPUT is connected to the front panel CHANNEL 2 INPUT.

Returns ERR or CONT.

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6. :OCAL:OCAL:PDARK?

The :OCALibrate:OCALibrate:PDARK query initiates a measurement of the optical channel dark noise level.

Returns ERR or CONT.

WARNING

Before executing this query, make sure:

- The DEMOD OUTPUT is connected to the CHANNEL 2 INPUT
- There is no signal applied to the optical input
- The source is de-activated or a dark cap is placed on the optical input connector

NOTE

Input power level can be determined from the reference power meter in Figure A-1. You may choose to apply an insertion loss correction as described in "To Correct for Insertion Loss".

7. :OCAL:OCAL:OCGain <power> [W, mW, uW]?

The :OCALibrate:OCALibrate:OCGain query performs the optical channel gain calibration. The <power> string should indicate the laser output power.

WARNING

Before executing this query:

- Connect the laser source to the OPTICAL INPUT.
- For 1310 nm or 1550 nm calibrations, set the laser power as close to 160 μ W as possible. For best calibration results, do not exceed 160 μ W (−7.9 dBm).
- For 780 nm calibrations, set the laser power as close to 1000 μ W as possible. For best calibration results, do not exceed 1000 μ W (0 dBm).
- The optical input damage level is 2.5 mW (=4 dBm).

Returns ERR or CONT.

8. :OCAL:OCAL:PMET:LLRange <power> [W, mW, uW]?

The :OCALibrate:PMET:LLRange query makes and saves the optical power low value for the low range calibration.

Returns OFFS, ERR or CONT.

9. :OCAL:OCAL:PMET:HLRange <power> [W, mW, uW]?

The :OCALibrate:PMET:HLRange query makes and saves the optical power high value for the low range calibration.

Returns OFFS, ERR or CONT.

10. :OCAL:OCAL:PMET:LMRange <power> [W, mW, uW]?

The :OCALibrate:PMET:LMRange query makes and saves the optical power low value for the midrange calibration.

Returns OFFS, ERR or CONT.

11. :OCAL:OCAL:PMET:HMRRange <power> [W, mW, uW]?

The :OCALibrate:PMET:HMRRange query makes and saves the optical power high value for the midrange calibration.

Returns OFFS, ERR or CONT.

12. :OCAL:OCAL:PMET:LHRRange <power> [W, mW, uW]?

The :OCALibrate:PMET:LHRRange query makes and saves the optical power low value for the high range calibration.

Returns OFFS, ERR or CONT.

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13. :OCAL:OCAL:PMET:HHRange <power> [W, mW, uW]?

The :OCALibrate:PMET:HHRange query makes and saves the optical power high value for the high range calibration.

Returns OFFS, ERR or CONT.

14. :OCAL:SAVE?

The :OCALibrate:SAVE query saves the calibration data and generates a calibration table. This table can be used for both instantaneous and average power measurements.

Returns COMP or ERR. If the calibration sequence has not been performed correctly, ERR will be returned.

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