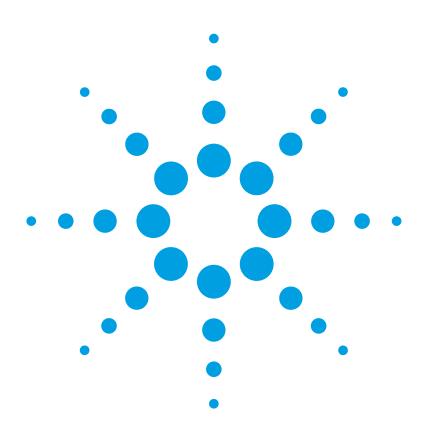
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Introduction

Introduction to Programming

This chapter introduces the basics for remote programming of an analyzer. The programming commands in this manual conform to the IEEE 488.2 Standard Digital Interface for Programmable Instrumentation. The programming commands provide the means of remote control.

Basic operations that you can do with a computer (GPIB controller) and an analyzer include:

- Set up the analyzer.
- Make measurements.
- Get data (waveform, measurements, configuration) from the analyzer.
- Send information, such as waveforms and configurations, to the analyzer.
 Other tasks are accomplished by combining these functions.

Example Programs are Written in HP BASIC and C

The programming examples for individual commands in this manual are written in HP BASIC and C.

Communicating with the Analyzer

Computers communicate with the analyzer by sending and receiving messages over a remote interface, usually with GPIB programming. Commands for programming normally appear as ASCII character strings embedded in the output statements of a "host" language available on your computer. The input commands of the host language are used to read in responses from the analyzer.

For example, HP BASIC uses the OUTPUT statement for sending commands and queries. After a query is sent, the response is usually read using the HP BASIC ENTER statement. The ENTER statement passes the value across the bus to the computer and places it in the designated variable.

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

This HP BASIC OUTPUT statement sends a command that sets the channel 1 scale value to 500 mV:

OUTPUT <device address>;":CHANNEL1:SCALE 500E-3"<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.

Use the Suffix Multiplier Instead

Using "mV" or "V" following the numeric voltage value in some commands will cause Error 138–Suffix not allowed. Instead, use the convention for the suffix multiplier as described in Chapter 4, "Message Communication and System Functions".

Output Command

The output command depends entirely on the programming language. Throughout this book, HP BASIC and ANSI C are 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, to convert the examples.

Device Address

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

Instructions

Instructions, both commands and queries, normally appear as strings embedded in a statement of your host language, such as HP 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 HP BASIC's "learnstring" command. There are only a few instructions that use block data. Instructions are composed of two main parts:

- The header, which specifies the command or query to be sent.
- The program data, which provides additional information to clarify the meaning
 of the instruction.

Instruction Header

The instruction header is one or more command mnemonics separated by colons (:) that represent the operation to be performed by the analyzer. See Chapter 5, "Programming Conventions" for more information.

Queries are formed 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 include the question mark. The command and query forms of an instruction usually have different program data. Many queries do not use any program data.

White Space (Separator)

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.

Program Data

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, and the values they accept. See "Numeric Program Data" on page 1-9 for more information about general syntax rules and acceptable values.

When there is more than one data parameter, they are separated by commas (,). You can add spaces around the commas to improve readability.

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 analyzer. The syntax is:

or

OUTPUT 707:":AUTOSCALE"

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:

or

OUTPUT 707:":DIGITIZE CHANNEL1.FUNCTION2"

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:

OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:BANDWIDTH HIGH"

Combining Commands in the Same Subsystem

To execute more than one command within the same subsystem, use a semicolon (;) to separate the commands:

:<subsystem>:<command><separator><data>;<command><separator><data><terminator>

For example:

:CHANNEL1:DISPLAY ON;BWLIMIT ON

Common Command Header

Common command headers, such as clear status, control the IEEE 488.2 functions within the analyzer. The syntax is:

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

^{*&}lt;command header><terminator>

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:

:CHANNEL1:RANGE .4

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

:TIMEBASE:RANGE 1

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

Query Headers

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

:TIMEBASE:RANGE?

places the current time base setting in the output queue.

In HP BASIC, the computer input statement:

ENTER < device address >; Range

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

You can use query commands to find out how the analyzer is currently configured. They are also used to get results of measurements made by the analyzer. For example, the command:

:MEASURE:RISETIME?

tells the analyzer to measure the rise time of your waveform and place the result in the output queue.

Program Header Options

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 it 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.

Handling Queries Properly

If you send another command or query before reading the result of a query, the output buffer is cleared and the current response is lost. This also generates a query-interrupted error in the error queue. If you execute an input statement before you send a query, it will cause the computer to wait indefinitely.

Program Header Options

You can send program headers using any combination of uppercase or lower-case ASCII characters. Analyzer responses, however, are always returned in uppercase.

You may send program command and query headers in either long form (complete spelling), short form (abbreviated spelling), or any combination of long form and short form. For example:

:TIMEBASE:DELAY 1E-6 is the long form.

:TIM:DEL 1E-6 is the short form.

Using Long Form or Short Form

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

The rules for the short form syntax are described in Chapter 5, "Programming Conventions".

Character Program Data

Character program data is used to convey parameter information as alpha or alphanumeric strings. For example, the :TIMEBASE:REFERENCE command can be set to left, center, or right. The character program data in this case may be LEFT, CENTER, or RIGHT. The command :TIMEBASE:REFERENCE RIGHT sets the time base reference to right.

The available mnemonics for character program data are always included with the instruction's syntax definition. Either the long form of commands, or the short form (if one exists), may be sent. Uppercase and lowercase letters may be mixed freely. When receiving responses, uppercase letters are used exclusively.

Numeric Program Data

Some command headers require program data to be expressed numerically. For example, :TIMEBASE:RANGE requires the desired full scale range to be expressed numerically.

For numeric program data, you can use exponential notation or suffix multipliers to indicate the numeric value. The following numbers are all equal:

$$28 = 0.28E2 = 280E-1 = 28000m = 0.028K = 28E-3K$$

When a syntax definition specifies that a number is an integer, it means that the number should be whole. Any fractional part is ignored and truncated. Numeric data parameters that accept fractional values are called real numbers. For more information see Chapter 2, "Interface Functions".

All numbers are expected to be strings of ASCII characters.

- 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). The number of bytes is figured automatically when you include the entire instruction in a string.

Embedded Strings

Embedded strings contain groups of alphanumeric characters which are treated as a unit of data by the analyzer. An example of this is the line of text written to the advisory line of the analyzer with the :SYSTEM:DSP command: :SYSTEM:DSP ""This is a message.""

You may delimit embedded strings with either single (') or double (") quotation marks. These strings are case-sensitive, and spaces act as legal characters just like any other character.

Program Message Terminator

The program instructions within a data message are executed after the program message terminator is received. The terminator may be either a NL (New Line) character, an EOI (End-Or-Identify) asserted in the GPIB 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 line-feed (decimal 10).

New Line Terminator Functions Like EOS and EOT

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

Common Commands within a Subsystem

Common commands can be received and processed by the analyzer whether they are sent over the bus as separate program messages or within other program messages. If you have selected a subsystem, and a common command is received by the analyzer, the analyzer remains in the selected subsystem. For example, if the program message

":ACQUIRE:AVERAGE ON;*CLS;COUNT 1024"

is received by the analyzer, the analyzer turns averaging on, then clears the status information without leaving the selected subsystem.

If some other type of command is received within a program message, you must re-enter the original subsystem after the command. For example, the program message

":ACQUIRE:AVERAGE ON::AUTOSCALE::ACQUIRE:AVERAGE:COUNT 1024"

turns averaging on, completes the autoscale operation, then sets the acquire average count. In this example, :ACQUIRE must be sent again after the AUTOSCALE command to re-enter the ACQUIRE subsystem and set count.

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 lets you enter a new subsystem. For example:

:CHANNEL1:RANGE 0.4::TIMEBASE:RANGE 1

You Can Combine Compound and Simple Commands

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

File Names and Types

When specifying a file name in a remote command, enclose the name in double quotation marks, such as "filename". If you specify a path, the path should be included in the quotation marks.

You can use the full path name, a relative path name, or no path. For example, you can specify:

- a full path name: "C:\User Files\waveforms\channel2.wfm"
- a relative path name: "..\myfile.set" or ".\screen1.jpg"
- a simple file name: "Memory1.txt"

All files stored using remote commands have file name extensions. The following table shows the file name extension used for each file type.

File Names and Types

Table 1-1. File Name Extensions

File Type	File Name Extension
Waveform - internal format	.wfm
Waveform - text format (Verbose or Y values)	.txt
Setup	.set
Color grade - Gray Scale	.cgs
Screen image	.bmp, .eps, .gif, .pcx, .ps, .jpg, .tif
Mask	.msk, .pcm
TDR/TDT	.tdr

If you do not specify an extension when storing a file, or specify an incorrect extension, it will be corrected automatically according to the following rules:

- No extension specified: add the extension for the file type.
- Extension does not match file type: retain the filename, (including the current extension) and add the appropriate extension.

You do not need to use an extension when loading a file if you use the optional destination parameter. For example, :DISK:LOAD "STM1_OC3",SMASK will automatically add .msk to the file name.

Note

For .gif and .tif file formats, this instrument uses LZW compression/decompression licensed under U.S. patent No 4,558,302 and foreign counterparts. End user should not modify, copy, or distribute LZW compression/decompression capability.

For .jpg file format, this instrument uses the .jpg software written by the Independent JPEG Group.

The following table shows the rules used when loading a specified file.

Table 1-2. Rules for Loading Files

File Name Extension	Destination	Rule
No extension	Not specified	Default to internal waveform format; add .wfm extension

Table 1-2. Rules for Loading Files (Continued)

File Name Extension	Destination	Rule
Extension does not match file type	Not specified	Default to internal waveform format; add .wfm extension
Extension matches file type	Not specified	Use file name with no alterations; destination is based on extension file type
No extension	Specified	Add extension for destination type; default for waveforms is internal format (.wfm)
Extension does not match destination file type	Specified	Retain file name; add extension for destination type. Default for waveforms is internal format (.wfm)
Extension matches destination file type	Specified	Retain file name; destination is as specified

Note

ASCII waveform files can be loaded only if the file name explicitly includes the .txt extension.

File Locations

If you don't specify a directory when storing a file, the location of the file will be based on the file type. The following table shows the default locations for storing files.

Table 1-3. Default File Locations (Storing Files)

File Type	Default Location
Waveform - internal format	C:\User Files\waveforms
Waveform - text format (Verbose or Y values)	C:\User Files\waveforms
Setup	C:\User Files\setups
Color Grade - Gray Scale	C:\User Files\colorgrade-grayscale
Screen Image	C:\User Files\screen images
Mask	C:\Scope\masks (standard masks) C:\User Files\masks (user-defined masks)
TDR/TDT calibration data	C:\User Files\TDR normalization

File Locations

When loading a file, you can specify the full path name, a relative path name, or no path name. The following table shows the rules for locating files, based on the path specified.

Table 1-4. File Locations (Loading Files)

File Name	Rule
Full path name	Use file name and path specified
Relative path name	Full path name is formed relative to the present working directory, set with the command :DISK:CDIR. The present working directory can be read with the query :DISK:PWD?
File name with no preceding path	Add the file name to the default path (C:\User Files) based on the file type.

Files may be stored to or loaded from an internal hard drive under the root path C:\User Files only. The only exceptions are the standard masks loaded from C:\Scope\masks. Attempting to access files outside the root path will generate an error message.

Files may be stored to or loaded from any path on the A:\ drive or on any mapped network drive.

Getting Started Programming

The remainder of this chapter discusses how to set up the analyzer, how to retrieve setup information and measurement results, how to digitize a waveform, and how to pass data to the computer. Chapter 23, "Measure Commands" describes sending measurement data to the analyzer.

Initialization

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

CLEAR 707! initializes the interface of the analyzer

When you are using GPIB, CLEAR also resets the analyzer's parser. The parser is the program that reads in the instructions you send.

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

OUTPUT 707;"*RST"! initializes the analyzer to a preset state

Initializing the analyzer

The commands and syntax for initializing the analyzer are discussed in Chapter 8, "Common Commands". Refer to your GPIB manual and programming language reference manual for information on initializing the interface.

Autoscale

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

The syntax for the autoscale function is:

:AUTOSCALE<terminator>

Setting Up the Analyzer

A typical analyzer setup configures 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:RANGE 16;OFFSET 1.00<terminator>
- :SYSTEM:HEADER OFF<terminator>
- :TIMEBASE:RANGE 1E-3:DELAY 100E-6<terminator>

This example sets the time base at 1 ms full-scale (100 μ s/div), with delay of 100 μ s. Vertical is set to 16 V full-scale (2 V/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 analyzer interface
- OUTPUT 707;"*RST" !Initialize analyzer to preset state
 OUTPUT 707;"*TIMEBASE:RANGE 5E-4"! Time base to 500 us full scale
- 40 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:DELAY 25E-9"! Delay to 25 ns
- 50 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:REFERENCE CENTER"! Display reference at center
- 60 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:RANGE .16"! Vertical range to 160 mV full scale
- 70 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:OFFSET -.04"! Offset to -40 mV
- 80 OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:LEVEL,-.4"! Trigger level to -0.4
- 90 OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:SLOPE POSITIVE"! Trigger on positive slope
- 100 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"<terminator>
- 110 OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:GRATICULE FRAME"! Grid off
- 120 END

Overview of the Program

- Line 10 initializes the analyzer interface to a known state.
- Line 20 initializes the analyzer to a preset state.
- Lines 30 through 50 set the time base, the horizontal time at 500 μs full scale, and 25 ns of delay referenced at the center of the graticule.
- Lines 60 through 70 set the vertical range to 160 millivolts full scale and the center screen at -40 millivolts.
- Lines 80 through 90 configure the analyzer to trigger at -0.4 volts with normal triggering.
- Line 100 turns system headers off.
- Line 110 turns the grid off.

Using the DIGITIZE Command

The DIGITIZE command is a macro that captures data using the acquisition (ACQUIRE) subsystem. When the digitize process is complete, the acquisition is stopped. The captured data can then be measured by the analyzer or transferred to the computer for further analysis. The captured data consists of two parts: the preamble and the waveform data record.

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.

You can send the DIGITIZE command with no parameters for a higher throughput. Refer to the DIGITIZE command in Chapter 9, "Root Level Commands" for details.

When the DIGITIZE command is sent to an analyzer, the specified channel's waveform is digitized with the current ACQUIRE parameters. Before sending the :WAVEFORM:DATA? query to get waveform data, specify the WAVEFORM parameters.

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;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"<terminator>
OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:SOURCE CHANNEL1"<terminator>
OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:FORMAT BYTE"<terminator>
OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:COUNT 8"<terminator>
OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:POINTS 500"<terminator>
OUTPUT 707;":DIGITIZE CHANNEL1"<terminator>
OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:DATA?"<terminator>
```

This setup places the analyzer to acquire eight averages. This means that when the DIGITIZE command is received, the command will execute until the waveform has been averaged at least eight times.

After receiving the :WAVEFORM:DATA? query, the analyzer will start passing the waveform information when queried.

Digitized waveforms are passed from the analyzer to the computer 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, available formatting, and I/O capabilities. You must scale the integers to determine the voltage value of each point. These integers are passed starting with the leftmost point on the analyzer's display. For more information, refer to Chapter 27, "Waveform Commands".

When using GPIB, a digitize operation may be aborted by sending a Device Clear over the bus (for example, CLEAR 707).

Note

The execution of the DIGITIZE command is subordinate to the status of ongoing limit tests. (See commands ACQuire:RUNTil on page 11-5, MTEST:RUNTil on page 22-11, and LTEST:RUNTil on page 20-6.) The DIGITIZE command will not capture data if the stop condition for a limit test has been met.

Receiving Information from the Analyzer

After receiving a query (command header followed by a question mark), the analyzer places the answer in its output queue. The answer remains in the output queue until it is read or until another command is issued. When read, the answer is transmitted across the interface to the computer. The input statement for receiving a response message from an analyzer'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:RANGE? you would execute the HP BASIC statement:

ENTER <device address>;Setting\$

The device address parameter represents the address of the analyzer. This would enter the current setting for the range 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 :MEA-SURE:RISETIME?, you must follow that query with an input statement. In HP BASIC, this is usually done with an ENTER statement.

String Variable Example

Handling Queries Properly

If you send another command or query before reading the result of a query, the output buffer will be cleared and the current response will be lost. This will also generate a query-interrupted error in the error queue. If you execute an input statement before you send a query, it will cause the computer to wait indefinitely.

The format specification for handling response messages depends on both the computer and the programming language.

String Variable Example

The output of the analyzer 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.

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

In HP BASIC 5.0, string variables are case-sensitive, and must be expressed exactly the same way each time they are used. This 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 computer displays:

+8.00000F-01

Numeric Variable Example

This 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 computer displays:

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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: #44000 <4000 bytes of data> <terminator>

The leftmost "4" represents the number of digits in the number of bytes, and "4000" represents the number of bytes to be transmitted.

Multiple Queries

You can send multiple queries to the analyzer 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 :TIME-BASE:RANGE?;DELAY? into multiple numeric variables:

ENTER 707; Result1, Result2

Analyzer Status

Status registers track the current status of the analyzer. By checking the analyzer status, you can find out whether an operation has completed, is receiving triggers, and more. Chapter 3, "Status Reporting" explains how to check the status of the analyzer.

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Interface Functions

Interface Functions

The interface functions deal with general bus management issues, as well as messages that can be sent over the bus as bus commands. In general, these functions are defined by IEEE 488.1.

GPIB Interface Connector

The analyzer is equipped with a GPIB interface connector on the rear panel. This allows direct connection to a GPIB equipped computer. You can connect an external GPIB compatible device to the analyzer by installing a GPIB cable between the two units. Finger tighten the captive screws on both ends of the GPIB cable to avoid accidentally disconnecting the cable during operation.

A maximum of fifteen GPIB compatible instruments (including a computer) can be interconnected in a system by stacking connectors. This allows the analyzers to be connected in virtually any configuration, as long as there is a path from the computer to every device operating on the bus.

CAUTION

Avoid stacking more than three or four cables on any one connector. Multiple connectors produce leverage that can damage a connector mounting.

GPIB Default Startup Conditions

The following default GPIB conditions are established during power-up.

- The Request Service (RQS) bit in the status byte register is set to zero.
- All of the event registers, the Standard Event Status Enable Register, Service Request Enable Register, and the Status Byte Register are cleared.

Interface Capabilities

The interface capabilities of this analyzer, as defined by IEEE 488.1, are listed in the following table.

Table 2-1. Interface Capabilities

Code	Interface Function	Capability
SH1	Source Handshake	Full Capability
AH1	Acceptor Handshake	Full Capability
T5	Talker	Basic Talker/Serial Poll/Talk Only Mode/ Unaddress if Listen Address (MLA)
L4	Listener	Basic Listener/ Unaddresses if Talk Address (MTA)
SR1	Service Request	Full Capability
RL1	Remote Local	Complete Capability
PP1	Parallel Poll	Remote Configuration
DC1	Device Clear	Full Capability
DT1	Device Trigger	Full Capability
CO	Computer	No Capability
E2	Driver Electronics	Tri State (1 MB/SEC MAX)

Command and Data Concepts

The GPIB has two modes of operation, command mode and data mode. The bus is in the command mode when the Attention (ATN) control line is true. The command mode is used to send talk and listen addresses and various bus commands such as group execute trigger (GET).

Communicating Over the Bus

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. The device-dependent messages include all of the analyzer specific commands, queries, and responses found in this manual, including analyzer status information.

Communicating Over the Bus

Device addresses are sent by the computer in the command mode to specify who talks and who listens. Because GPIB can address multiple devices through the same interface card, the device address passed with the program message must include the correct interface select code and the correct analyzer address.

Device Address = (Interface Select Code * 100) + (Analyzer Address)

The Analyzer is at Address 707 in Examples

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

Interface Select Code

Each interface card has a unique interface select code. This code is used by the computer to direct commands and communications to the proper interface. The default is typically "7" for GPIB interface cards.

Analyzer Address

Each analyzer on the GPIB must have a unique analyzer address between decimal 0 and 30. This analyzer address is used by the computer to direct commands and communications to the proper analyzer on an interface. The default is typically "7" for this analyzer. You can change the analyzer address in the Utilities, Remote Interface dialog box.

Do Not Use Address 21 for an Analyzer Address

Address 21 is usually reserved for the Computer interface Talk/Listen address and should not be used as an analyzer address.

Bus Commands

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

Device Clear

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

Group Execute Trigger

The group execute trigger (GET) command arms the trigger. This is the same action produced by sending the RUN command.

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 computer.

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Status Reporting

Status Reporting

An overview of the analyzer's status reporting structure is shown in the following figure. The status reporting structure shows you how to monitor specific events in the analyzer. Monitoring these events allows determination of the status of an operation, the availability and reliability of the measured data, and more.

- To monitor an event, first clear the event, then enable the event. All of the events are cleared when you initialize the analyzer.
- To generate a service request (SRQ) interrupt to an external computer, enable at least one bit in the Status Byte Register.

The Status Byte Register, the Standard Event Status Register group, and the Output Queue are defined as the Standard Status Data Structure Model in IEEE 488.2-1987. IEEE 488.2 defines data structures, commands, and common bit definitions for status reporting. There are also analyzer-defined structures and bits.

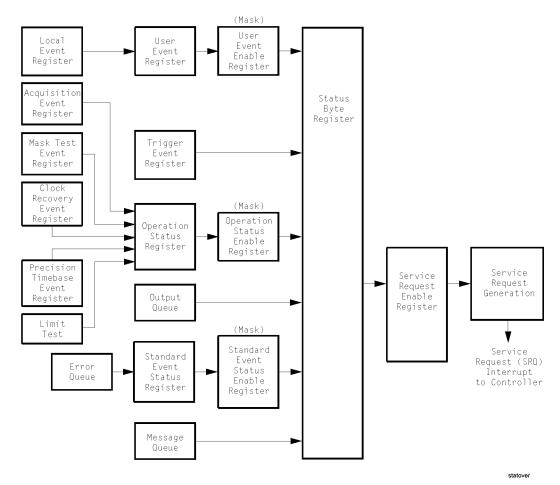


Figure 3-1. Status Reporting Overview Block Diagram

The status reporting structure consists of the registers shown in this figure.

The following table lists the bit definitions for each bit in the status reporting data structure.

Table 3-1. Status Reporting Bit Definition

Bit	Description	Definition
PON	Power On	Indicates power is turned on.
URQ		Not used. Permanently set to zero.
CME	Command Error	Indicates if the parser detected an error.
EXE	Execution Error	Indicates if a parameter was out of range or was inconsistent with the current settings.
DDE	Device Dependent Error	Indicates if the device was unable to complete an operation for device dependent reasons.
QYE	Query Error	Indicates if the protocol for queries has been violated.
RQL	Request Control	Indicates if the device is requesting control.
OPC	Operation Complete	Indicates if the device has completed all pending operations.
OPER	Operation Status Register	Indicates if any of the enabled conditions in the Operation Status Register have occurred.
RQS	Request Service	Indicates that the device is requesting service.
MSS	Master Summary Status	Indicates if a device has a reason for requesting service.
ESB	Event Status Bit	Indicates if any of the enabled conditions in the Standard Event Status Register have occurred.
MAV	Message Available	Indicates if there is a response in the output queue.
MSG	Message	Indicates if an advisory has been displayed.
USR	User Event Register	Indicates if any of the enabled conditions have occurred in the User Event Register.
TRG	Trigger	Indicates if a trigger has been received.
LCL	Local	Indicates if a remote-to-local transition occurs.
FAIL	Fail	Indicates the specified test has failed.

Table 3-1. Status Reporting Bit Definition (Continued)

Bit	Description	Definition
COMP	Complete	Indicates the specified test has completed.
LTEST	Limit Test	Indicates that one of the enabled conditions in the Limit Test Register has occurred.
MTEST	Mask Test	Indicates that one of the enabled conditions in the Mask Test Register has occurred.
ACQ	Acquisition	Indicates that acquisition test has completed in the Acquisition Register.
CLCK	CloCk	Indicates that one of the enabled conditions in the Clock Recovery Register has occurred.
UNLK	UNLoCKed	Indicates that an unlocked or trigger loss condition has occurred in the Clock Recovery Module.
LOCK	LOCKed	Indicates that a locked or trigger capture condition has occurred in the Clock Recovery Module.
NSPR1	No Signal Present Receiver 1	Indicates that the Clock Recovery Module has detected the loss of an optical signal on receiver one.
SPR1	Signal Present Receiver 1	Indicates that the Clock Recovery Module has detected an optical signal on receiver one.
NSPR2	No Signal Present Receiver 2	Indicates that the Clock Recovery Module has detected the loss of an optical signal on receiver two.
SPR2	Signal Present Receiver 2	Indicates that the Clock Recovery Module has detected an optical signal on receiver two.
LOSS	Time Reference Loss	Indicates the Precision Timebase (provided by the Agilent 86107A module) has detected a time reference loss due to a change in the reference clock signal.
PTIME	Precision Timebase	Indicates that one of the enabled conditions in the Precision Timebase Register has occurred.

Status Reporting Data Structures

The different status reporting data structures, descriptions, and interactions are shown in the following figure. To make it possible for any of the Standard Event Status Register bits to generate a summary bit, the corresponding bits must be enabled. These bits are enabled by using the *ESE common command to set the corresponding bit in the Standard Event Status Enable Register.

To generate a service request (SRQ) interrupt to the computer, at least one bit in the Status Byte Register must be enabled. These bits are enabled by using the *SRE common command to set the corresponding bit in the Service Request Enable Register. These enabled bits can then set RQS and MSS (bit 6) in the Status Byte Register.

For more information about common commands, see Chapter 8, "Common Commands".

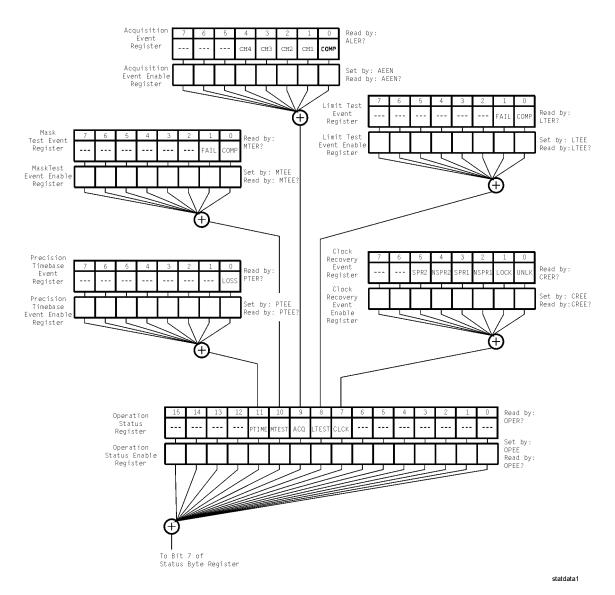
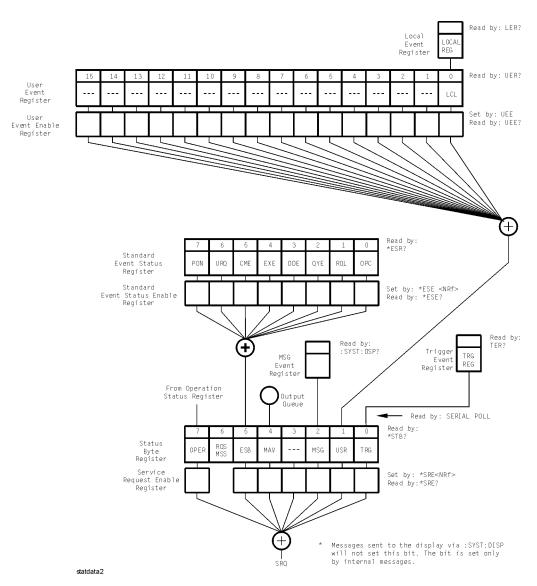


Figure 3-2. Status Reporting Data Structures

Status Reporting Data Structures



Status Reporting Data Structures (continued)

Status Byte Register

The Status Byte Register is the summary-level register in the status reporting structure. It contains summary bits that monitor activity in the other status registers and queues. The Status Byte Register is a live register. That is, its summary bits are set and cleared by the presence and absence of a summary bit from other event registers or queues.

If the Status Byte Register is to be used with the Service Request Enable Register to set bit 6 (RQS/MSS) and to generate an SRQ, at least one of the summary bits must be enabled, then set. Also, event bits in all other status registers must be specifically enabled to generate the summary bit that sets the associated summary bit in the Status Byte Register.

The Status Byte Register can be read using either the *STB? common command query or the GPIB serial poll command. Both commands return the decimal-weighted sum of all set bits in the register. The difference between the two methods is that the serial poll command reads bit 6 as the Request Service (RQS) bit and clears the bit which clears the SRQ interrupt. The *STB? query reads bit 6 as the Master Summary Status (MSS) and does not clear the bit or have any affect on the SRQ interrupt. The value returned is the total bit weights of all of the bits that are set at the present time.

The use of bit 6 can be confusing. This bit was defined to cover all possible computer interfaces, including a computer that could not do a serial poll. The important point to remember is that, if you are using an SRQ interrupt to an external computer, the serial poll command clears bit 6. Clearing bit 6 allows the analyzer to generate another SRQ interrupt when another enabled event occurs.

The only other bit in the Status Byte Register affected by the *STB? query is the Message Available bit (bit 4). If there are no other messages in the Output Queue, bit 4 (MAV) can be cleared as a result of reading the response to the *STB? query.

If bit 4 (weight = 16) and bit 5 (weight = 32) are set, a program would print the sum of the two weights. Since these bits were not enabled to generate an SRQ, bit 6 (weight = 64) is not set.

Status Byte Register

Example 1

This HP BASIC example uses the *STB? query to read the contents of the analyzer's Status Byte Register when none of the register's summary bits are enabled to generate an SRQ interrupt.

- 10 OUTPUT 707:":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF:*STB?"!Turn headers off
- 20 ENTER 707; Result! Place result in a numeric variable
- 30 PRINT Result!Print the result
- 40 Fnd

The next program prints 132 and clears bit 6 (RQS) of the Status Byte Register. The difference in the decimal value between this example and the previous one is the value of bit 6 (weight = 64). Bit 6 is set when the first enabled summary bit is set, and is cleared when the Status Byte Register is read by the serial poll command.

Example 2

This example uses the HP BASIC serial poll (SPOLL) command to read the contents of the analyzer's Status Byte Register.

- 10 Result = SPOLL(707)
- 20 PRINT Result
- 30 END

Use Serial Polling to Read the Status Byte Register

Serial polling is the preferred method to read the contents of the Status Byte Register because it resets bit 6 and allows the next enabled event that occurs to generate a new SRQ interrupt.

Service Request Enable Register

Setting the Service Request Enable Register bits enables corresponding bits in the Status Byte Register. These enabled bits can then set RQS and MSS (bit 6) in the Status Byte Register.

Bits are set in the Service Request Enable Register using the *SRE command, and the bits that are set are read with the *SRE? query. Bit 6 always returns 0. Refer to the Status Reporting Data Structures shown in Figure 3-2.

Example

This example sets bit 4 (MAV) and bit 5 (ESB) in the Service Request Enable Register.

OUTPUT 707;"*SRE 48"

This example uses the parameter "48" to allow the analyzer to generate an SRQ interrupt under the following conditions:

- When one or more bytes in the Output Queue set bit 4 (MAV).
- When an enabled event in the Standard Event Status Register generates a summary bit that sets bit 5 (ESB).

Trigger Event Register (TRG)

This register sets the TRG bit in the status byte when a trigger event occurs.

The TRG event register stays set until it is cleared by reading the register or using the *CLS (clear status) command. If your application needs to detect multiple triggers, the TRG event register must be cleared after each one.

If you are using the Service Request to interrupt a computer operation when the trigger bit is set, you must clear the event register after each time it is set.

Standard Event Status Register

The Standard Event Status Register (SESR) monitors the following analyzer status events:

- PON Power On
- CME Command Error
- EXE Execution Error
- DDE Device Dependent Error
- QYE Query Error
- RQC Request Control
- OPC Operation Complete

When one of these events occurs, the corresponding bit is set in the register. If the corresponding bit is also enabled in the Standard Event Status Enable Register, a summary bit (ESB) in the Status Byte Register is set.

The contents of the Standard Event Status Register can be read and the register cleared by sending the *ESR? query. The value returned is the total bit weights of all of the bits set at the present time.

Example

This example uses the *ESR? query to read the contents of the Standard Event Status Register.

- 10 OUTPUT 707:":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"!Turn headers off
- 20 OUTPUT 707;"*ESR?"
- 30 ENTER 707; Result! Place result in a numeric variable
- 40 PRINT Result!Print the result
- 50 End

If bit 4 (weight = 16) and bit 5 (weight = 32) are set, the program prints the sum of the two weights.

Standard Event Status Enable Register

For any of the Standard Event Status Register (SESR) bits to generate a summary bit, you must first enable the bit. Use the *ESE (Event Status Enable) common command to set the corresponding bit in the Standard Event Status Enable Register. Set bits are read with the *ESE? query.

Example

Suppose your application requires an interrupt whenever any type of error occurs. The error status bits in the Standard Event Status Register are bits 2 through 5. The sum of the decimal weights of these bits is 60. Therefore, you can enable any of these bits to generate the summary bit by sending:

OUTPUT 707;"*ESE 60"

Whenever an error occurs, the analyzer sets one of these bits in the Standard Event Status Register. Because the bits are all enabled, a summary bit is generated to set bit 5 (ESB) in the Status Byte Register.

If bit 5 (ESB) in the Status Byte Register is enabled (via the *SRE command), a service request interrupt (SRQ) is sent to the external computer.

Disabled SESR Bits Respond, but Do Not Generate a Summary Bit

Standard Event Status Register bits that are not enabled still respond to their corresponding conditions (that is, they are set if the corresponding event occurs). However, because they are not enabled, they do not generate a summary bit in the Status Byte Register.

User Event Register (UER)

This register hosts the LCL bit (bit 0) from the Local Events Register. The other 15 bits are reserved. You can read and clear this register using the UER? query. This register is enabled with the UEE command. For example, if you want to enable the LCL bit, you send a mask value of 1 with the UEE command; otherwise, send a mask value of 0.

Local Event Register (LCL)

This register sets the LCL bit in the User Event Register and the USR bit (bit 1) in the Status byte. It indicates a remote-to-local transition has occurred. The LER? query is used to read and to clear this register.

Operation Status Register (OPR)

This register hosts the CLCK bit (bit 7), the LTEST bit (bit 8), the ACQ bit (bit 9) and the MTEST bit (bit 10).

The CLCK bit is set when any of the enabled conditions in the Clock Recovery Event Register have occurred.

The LTEST bit is set when a limit test fails or is completed and sets the corresponding FAIL or COMP bit in the Limit Test Events Register.

The ACQ bit is set when the COMP bit is set in the Acquisition Event Register, indicating that the data acquisition has satisfied the specified completion criteria.

The MTEST bit is set when the Mask Test either fails specified conditions or satisfies its completion criteria, setting the corresponding FAII or COMP bits in the Mask Test Events Register.

If any of these bits are set, the OPER bit (bit 7) of the Status Byte register is set. The Operation Status Register is read and cleared with the OPER? query. The register output is enabled or disabled using the mask value supplied with the OPEE command.

Clock Recovery Event Register (CRER)

This register hosts the UNLK bit (bit 0), LOCK bit (bit 1), NSPR1 bit (bit 2), SPR1 bit (bit 3), NSPR2 bit (bit 4) and SPR2 (bit 5).

Bit 0 (UNLK) of the Clock Recovery Event Register is set when Clock Recovery module becomes unlocked or trigger loss has occurred for the 83494A family of modules.

Bit 1 (LOCK) of the Clock Recovery Event Register is set when Clock Recovery module becomes locked or a trigger capture has occurred for the 83494A family of modules.

Bit 2 (NSPR1) of the Clock Recovery Event Register is set when Clock Recovery module transitions to no longer detecting an optical signal on receiver one. Bit 3 (SPR1) of the Clock Recovery Event Register is set when Clock Recovery module transitions to detecting an optical signal on receiver one.

Bit 4 (NSPR2) of the Clock Recovery Event Register is set when Clock Recovery module transitions to no longer detecting an optical signal on receiver two.

Bit 5 (SPR2) of the Clock Recovery Event Register is set when Clock Recovery module transitions to detecting an optical signal on receiver two.

The Clock Recovery Event Register is read and cleared with the CRER? query.

When either of the UNLK, LOCK, NSPR1, SPR1, NSPR2 or SPR2 bits are set, they in turn set CLCK bit (bit 7) of the Operation Status Register. Results from the Clock Recovery Event Register can be masked by using the CREE command to set the Clock Recovery Event Enable Register. Refer to the CREE command in Chapter 9, "Root Level Commands" for enable and mask value definitions.

Limit Test Event Register (LTER)

Bit 0 (COMP) of the Limit Test Event Register is set when the Limit Test completes. The Limit Test completion criteria are set by the LTESt:RUN command.

Bit 1 (FAIL) of the Limit Test Event Register is set when the Limit Test fails. Failure criteria for the Limit Test are defined by the LTESt:FAIL command.

The Limit Test Event Register is read and cleared with the LTER? query.

When either the COMP or FAIL bits are set, they in turn set the LTEST bit (bit 8) of the Operation Status Register. You can mask the COMP and FAIL bits, thus preventing them from setting the LTEST bit, by defining a mask using the LTEE command.

Enable	Mask Value
Block COMP and FAIL	0
Enable COMP, block FAIL	1
Enable FAIL, block COMP	2
Enable COMP and FAIL	3

Acquisition Event Register (AER)

Bit 0 (COMP) of the Acquisition Event Register is set when the acquisition limits complete. The Acquisition completion criteria are set by the ACQuire:RUNtil command. The Acquisition Event Register is read and cleared with the ALER? query.

When the COMP bit is set, it in turn sets the ACQ bit (bit 9) of the Operation Status Register. Results from the Acquisition Register can be masked by using the AEEN command to set the Acquisition Event Enable Register to the value 0. You enable the COMP bit by setting the mask value to 1.

Mask Test Event Register (MTER)

Bit 0 (COMP) of the Mask Test Event Register is set when the Mask Test completes. The Mask Test completion criteria are set by the MTESt:RUMode command.

Bit 1 (FAIL) of the Mask Test Event Register is set when the Mask Test fails. This will occur whenever any sample is recorded within any region defined in the mask.

The Mask Test Event Register is read and cleared with the MTER? query.

When either the COMP or FAIL bits are set, they in turn set the MTEST bit (bit 10) of the Operation Status Register. You can mask the COMP and FAIL bits, thus preventing them from setting the MTEST bit, by setting corresponding bits to zero using the MTEE command.

Enable	Mask Value
Block COMP and FAIL	0
Enable COMP, block FAIL	1
Enable FAIL, block COMP	2
Enable COMP and FAIL	3

Precision Timebase Event Register (PTER)

Bit 0 (LOSS) of the Precision Timebase Event Register is set when loss of the time reference occurs. Time reference is lost when a change in the amplitude or frequency of the reference clock signal is detected. The Precision Timebase Event Register is read and cleared with the PTER? query.

When the LOSS bit is set, it in turn sets the PTIME bit (bit 11) of the Operation Status Register. Results from the Precision Timebase Register can be masked by using the PTEE command to set the Precision Timebase Event Enable Register to the value 0. You enable the LOSS bit by setting the mask value to 1.

Install the Precision Timebase Module

The Precision Timebase feature requires the installation of the Agilent 86107A Precision Timebase Module.

Error Queue

As errors are detected, they are placed in an error queue. This queue is first in, first out. If the error queue overflows, the last error in the queue is replaced with error –350, "Queue overflow". Any time the queue overflows, the oldest errors remain in the queue, and the most recent error is discarded. The length of the analyzer's error queue is 30 (29 positions for the error messages, and 1 position for the "Queue overflow" message).

The error queue is read with the SYSTEM:ERROR? query. Executing this query reads and removes the oldest error from the head of the queue, which opens a position at the tail of the queue for a new error. When all the errors have been read from the queue, subsequent error queries return 0, "No error."

The error queue is cleared when any of the following occurs:

- When the analyzer is powered up.
- $\bullet\,$ When the analyzer receives the *CLS common command.
- When the last item is read from the error queue.

For more information on reading the error queue, refer to the SYS-TEM:ERROR? query in Chapter 10, "System Commands". For a complete list of error messages, refer to Chapter 30, "Error Messages".

Output Queue

The output queue stores the analyzer-to-computer responses that are generated by certain analyzer commands and queries. The output queue generates the Message Available summary bit when the output queue contains one or more bytes. This summary bit sets the MAV bit (bit 4) in the Status Byte Register. The output queue may be read with the HP BASIC ENTER statement.

Message Queue

The message queue contains the text of the last message written to the advisory line on the screen of the analyzer. The queue is read with the SYS-TEM:DSP? query. Note that messages sent with the SYSTem:DSP command do not set the MSG status bit in the Status Byte Register.

Clearing Registers and Queues

The *CLS common command clears all event registers and all queues except the output queue. If *CLS is sent immediately following a program message terminator, the output queue is also cleared.

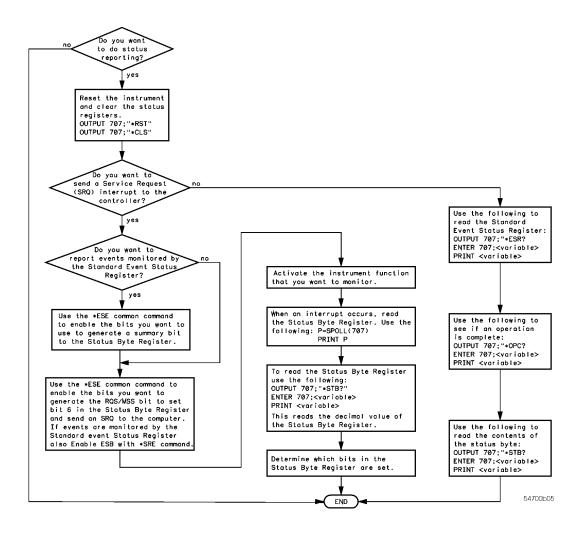


Figure 3-3. Status Reporting Decision Chart

Status Reporting

Clearing Registers and Queues

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Message Communication and System Functions

Message Communication and System Functions

This chapter describes the operation of analyzers that operate in compliance with the IEEE 488.2 (syntax) standard. It is intended to give you enough basic information about the IEEE 488.2 standard to successfully program the analyzer. You can find additional detailed information about the IEEE 488.2 standard in ANSI/IEEE Std 488.2-1987, "IEEE Standard Codes, Formats, Protocols, and Common Commands."

This analyzer series is designed to be compatible with other Agilent Technologies IEEE 488.2 compatible instruments. Analyzers that are compatible with IEEE 488.2 must also be compatible with IEEE 488.1 (GPIB bus standard); however, IEEE 488.1 compatible analyzers may or may not conform to the IEEE 488.2 standard. The IEEE 488.2 standard defines the message exchange protocols by which the analyzer and the computer will communicate. It also defines some common capabilities that are found in all IEEE 488.2 analyzers.

This chapter also contains some information about the message communication and system functions not specifically defined by IEEE 488.2.

Protocols

The message exchange protocols of IEEE 488.2 define the overall scheme used by the computer and the analyzer to communicate. This includes defining when it is appropriate for devices to talk or listen, and what happens when the protocol is not followed.

Functional Elements

Before proceeding with the description of the protocol, you should understand a few system components.

Input Buffer

The input buffer of the analyzer is the memory area where commands and queries are stored prior to being parsed and executed. It allows a computer to send a string of commands, which could take some time to execute, to the analyzer, then proceed to talk to another analyzer while the first analyzer is parsing and executing commands.

Output Queue

The output queue of the analyzer is the memory area where all output data, or response messages, are stored until read by the computer.

Parser

The analyzer's parser is the component that interprets the commands sent to the analyzer and decides what actions should be taken. "Parsing" refers to the action taken by the parser to achieve this goal. Parsing and execution of commands begins when either the analyzer recognizes a program message terminator, or the input buffer becomes full. If you want to send a long sequence of commands to be executed, then talk to another analyzer while they are executing, you should send all of the commands before sending the program message terminator.

Protocol Overview The analyzer and computer communicate using program messages and response messages. These messages serve as the containers into which sets of program commands or analyzer responses are placed.

> A program message is sent by the computer to the analyzer, and a response message is sent from the analyzer to the computer in response to a query message. A query message is defined as being a program message that contains one or more queries. The analyzer will only talk when it has received a valid query message and, therefore, has something to say. The computer should only attempt to read a response after sending a complete query message, but before sending another program message.

Remember This Rule of Analyzer Communication

The basic rule to remember is that the analyzer will only talk when prompted to, and it then expects to talk before being told to do something else.

Protocol **Operation**

When the analyzer is turned on, the input buffer and output queue are cleared, and the parser is reset to the root level of the command tree.

Protocols

The analyzer and the computer communicate by exchanging complete program messages and response messages. This means that the computer should always terminate a program message before attempting to read a response. The analyzer will terminate response messages except during a hardcopy output.

After a query message is sent, the next message should be the response message. The computer should always read the complete response message associated with a query message before sending another program message to the same analyzer.

The analyzer allows the computer to send multiple queries in one query message. This is referred to as sending a "compound query". Multiple queries in a query message are separated by semicolons. The responses to each of the queries in a compound query will also be separated by semicolons.

Commands are executed in the order they are received.

Protocol Exceptions

If an error occurs during the information exchange, the exchange may not be completed in a normal manner.

Suffix Multiplier

The suffix multipliers that the analyzer will accept are shown in Table 4-1.

Table 4-1. <suffix mult>

Value	Mnemonic	Value	Mnemonic
1E18	EX	1E-3	m
1E15	PE	1E-6	u
1E12	T	1E-9	n
1E9	G	1E-12	р
1E6	MA	1E-15	f
1E3	K	1E-18	a

Suffix Unit

The suffix units that the analyzer will accept are shown in Table 4-2.

Table 4-2. <suffix unit>

Suffix	Referenced Unit
V	Volt
S	Second
W	Watt
BIT	Bits
dB	Decibel
%	Percent
Hz	Hertz

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Programming Conventions

Programming Conventions

This chapter describes conventions used to program the Agilent 86100A/B, and conventions used throughout this manual. A block diagram and description of data flow is included for understanding analyzer operations. A description of the command tree and command tree traversal is also included. See the Quick Reference for more information about command syntax.

Data Flow

The data flow gives you an idea of where the measurements are made on the acquired data and when the post-signal processing is applied to the data.

The following figure is a block diagram of the analyzer. The diagram is laid out serially for a visual perception of how the data is affected by the analyzer.

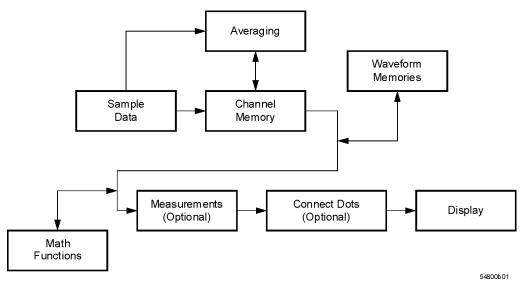


Figure 5-1. Sample Data Processing

The sample data is stored in the channel memory for further processing before being displayed. The time it takes for the sample data to be displayed depends on the number of post processes you have selected.

Averaging your sampled data helps remove any unwanted noise from your waveform.

You can store your sample data in the analyzer's waveform memories for use as one of the sources in Math functions, or to visually compare against a waveform that is captured at a future time. The Math functions allow you to apply mathematical operations on your sampled data. You can use these functions to duplicate many of the mathematical operations that your circuit may be performing to verify that your circuit is operating correctly.

The measurements section performs any of the automated measurements that are available in the analyzer. The measurements that you have selected appear at the bottom of the display.

The Connect Dots section draws a straight line between sample data points, giving an analog look to the waveform. This is sometimes called linear interpolation.

Truncation Rule

The following truncation rule is used to produce the short form (abbreviated spelling) for the mnemonics used in the programming headers and alpha arguments.

Command Truncation Rule

The mnemonic is the first four characters of the keyword, unless the fourth character is a vowel. Then the mnemonic is the first three characters of the keyword. If the length of the keyword is four characters or less, this rule does not apply, and the short form is the same as the long form.

The Command Tree

The following table shows how the truncation rule is applied to commands.

Table 5-1. Mnemonic Truncation

Long Form	Short Form	How the Rule is Applied
RANGE	RANG	Short form is the first four characters of the keyword.
PATTERN	PATT	Short form is the first four characters of the keyword.
DISK	DISK	Short form is the same as the long form.
DELAY	DEL	Fourth character is a vowel, short form is the first three characters.

The Command Tree

The command tree in Figure 5-2 on page 5-6 shows all of the commands in the Agilent 86100A/B and the relationship of the commands to each other. The IEEE 488.2 common commands are not listed as part of the command tree because 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 analyzer, the parser is set to the "root" of the command tree.

Command Types

The commands in this analyzer can be placed into three types: common commands, root level commands, and subsystem commands.

- Common commands are commands defined by IEEE 488.2 and control some functions that are common to all IEEE 488.2 instruments. These commands are independent of the tree and do not affect the position of the parser within the tree. *RST is an example of a common command.
- Root level commands control many of the basic functions of the analyzer. These
 commands reside at the root of the command tree. They can always be parsed
 if they occur at the beginning of a program message or are preceded by a colon.
 Unlike common commands, root level commands place the parser back at the
 root of the command tree. AUTOSCALE is an example of a root level command.

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 a given time. When the analyzer is initially turned on, the command parser is set to the root of the command tree and no subsystem is selected.

See Also

The Quick Reference for information about command syntax and command syntax diagrams.

Tree Traversal Rules

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

Tree Traversal Rules

A leading colon or a program message terminator (<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 command tree, use the last mnemonic in the compound header as a reference point (for example, RANGE). Then find the last colon above that mnemonic (TIMEBASE:). That is the point where the parser resides. Any command below this point can be sent within the current program message without sending the mnemonics which appear above them (for example, REF-ERENCE).

The Command Tree

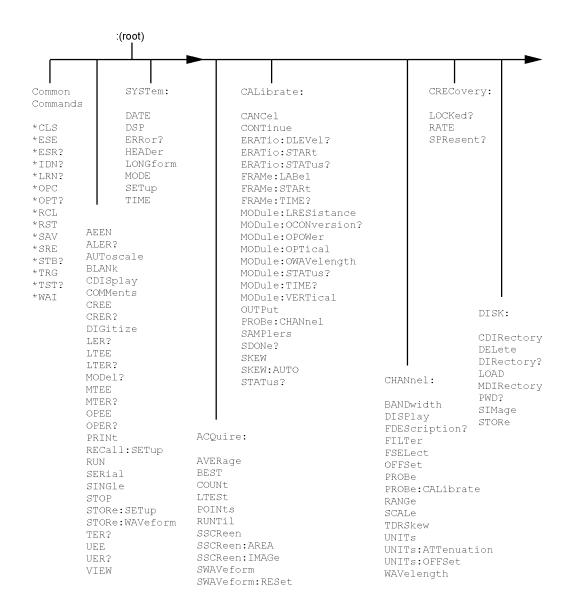
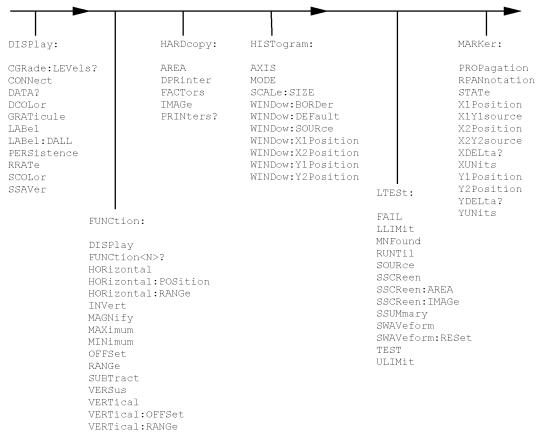
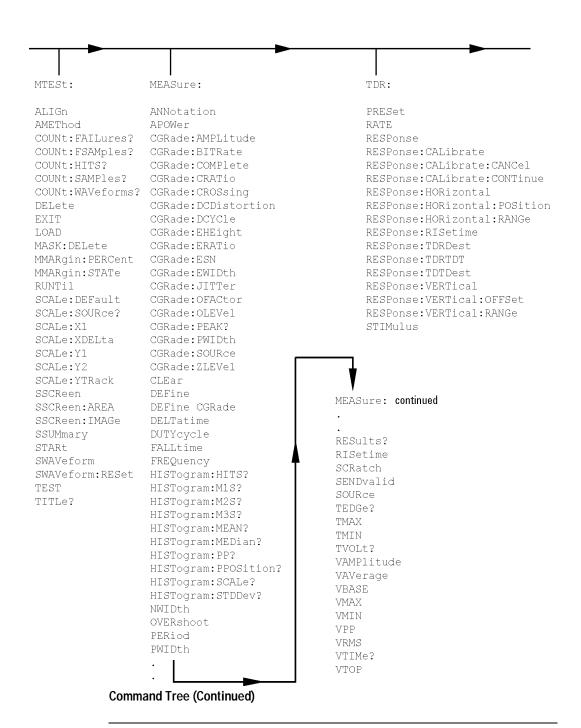


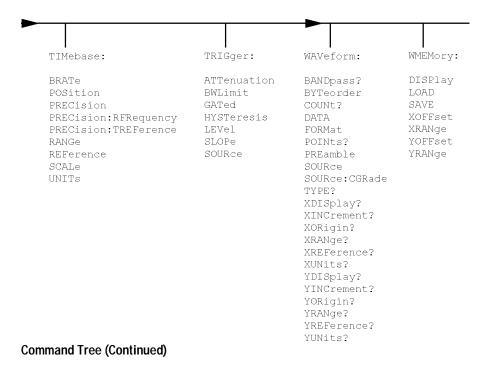
Figure 5-2. Command Tree



Command Tree (Continued)

The Command Tree





Tree Traversal Examples

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

Example 1

Consider the following command:

OUTPUT 707:":CHANNEL1:RANGE 0.5:OFFSET 0"

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 required to separate the two commands or operations. The OFFSET command does not need CHANNEL1 preceding it because the CHANNEL1:RANGE command sets the parser to the CHANNEL1 node in the tree.

Example 2

Consider the following commands:

OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:REFERENCE CENTER;POSITION 0.00001"

or

OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:REFERENCE CENTER" OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:POSITION 0.00001"

In the first line of example 2, the "subsystem selector" is implied for the POSITION command in the compound command.

A second way to send these commands is shown in the second part of the example. Since the program message terminator places the parser back at the root of the command tree, TIMEBASE must be reselected to re-enter the TIMEBASE node before sending the POSITION command.

Example 3

Consider the following command:

OUTPUT 707:":TIMEBASE:REFERENCE CENTER::CHANNEL1:OFFSET 0"

In example 3, the leading colon before CHANNEL1 tells the parser to go back to the root of the command tree. The parser can then recognize the CHANNEL1:OFFSET command and enter the correct node.

Infinity Representation

The representation for infinity for this analyzer is 9.99999E+37. This is also the value returned when a measurement cannot be made.

Sequential and Overlapped Commands

IEEE 488.2 makes a 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. The common commands *WAI and *OPC may be used to ensure that commands are completely processed before subsequent commands are executed.

Response Generation

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

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

This analyzer buffers responses to a query when the query is parsed.

EOI

The EOI bus control line follows the IEEE 488.2 standard without exception.

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Using Multiple Databases

Multiple Databases

Eye/Mask measurements in the Agilent 86100A are based on statistical data that is acquired and stored in the color grade/gray scale database. The color grade/gray scale database consists of all data samples displayed on the display graticule. The measurement algorithms are dependent upon histograms derived from the database. This database is internal to the instrument's applications. The color grade/gray scale database *cannot* be imported into an external database application.

Eye/Mask Measurements

If you want to perform an eye measurement, it is necessary that you first produce an eye diagram by triggering the instrument with a synchronous clock signal. Measurements made on a pulse waveform while in Eye/Mask mode will fail.

Firmware revision A.03.00 and later allows for multiple color grade/gray scale databases to be acquired and displayed simultaneously. his includes

- all four instrument channels
- all four math functions
- one saved color grade/gray scale file
 The ability to use multiple databases allows for the comparison of
- channels to each other
- channels to a saved color grade/gray scale file
- functions to the channel data on which it is based

The advantage of acquiring and displaying channels and functions simultaneously is test times are greatly reduced. For example, the time taken to acquire two channels in parallel is approximately the same time taken to acquire a single channel.

Using Multiple Databases in Remote Programs

You will notice that throughout this manual, most commands that control histograms, mask tests, or color grade data have additional optional parameters that were not available in firmware revisions prior to A.03.00. You can use the commands to control a single channel or add the argument APPend to enable more than one channel. The following example illustrates two uses of the CHANnel<n>:DISPlay command.

SYSTem:MODE EYE CHANnel1:DISPlay ON CHANnel2:DISPlay ON

The result using the above set of commands, is Channel 1 cleared and disabled while Channel 2 is enabled and displayed.

However, by adding the argument APPend to the last command of the set, both Channels 1 and 2 will be enabled and displayed .

SYSTem:MODE EYE CHANnel1:DISPlay ON CHANnel2:DISPlay ON,APPend

For a example of using multiple databases, refer to "multidatabase.c Sample Program" on page 7-44.

Downloading a Database

The general process for downloading a color grade/gray scale database is as follows:

- **1** Send the command :WAVEFORM:SOURCE CGRADE This will select the color grade/gray scale database as the waveform source.
- **2** Issue :WAVeform:FORMat WORD.

 Database downloads only support word formatted data (16-bit integers).
- 3 Send the query :WAVeform:DATA?

 The data will be sent by means of a block data transfer as a two-dimensional array, 450 words wide by 320 words high (refer to "Definite-Length Block Response Data" on page 1-21). The data is transferred starting with the upper left pixel of the display graticule, column by column, until the lower right pixel is transferred.
- **4** Send the command :WAVeform:XORigin to obtain the time of the left column.

Auto Skew

- **5** Send the command :WAVeform:XINC to obtain the time increment of each column.
- **6** Send the command :WAVeform:YORigin to obtain the voltage or power of the vertical center of the database.
- **7** Send the command :WAVeform:YORigin to obtain the voltage or power of the incremental row.

The information from steps 4 through 7 can also be obtained with the command :WAVeform:PREamble.

Auto Skew

Another multiple database feature is the auto skew . You can use the auto skew feature to lset the horizontal skew of multiple, active channels with the same bit rate, so that the waveform crossings align with each other. This can be very convient when viewing multiple eye diagrams simultaneously. Slight differences between channels and test devices may cause a phase difference between channels. Auto skew ensures that each eye is properly aligned, so that measurements and mask tests can be properly executed.

In addition, auto skew optimizes the instrument trigger level. Prior to auto skew, at least one channel must display a complete eye diagram in order to make the initial bit rate measurement.

Acquisition Time

Auto skew requires more data to be sampled; therefore, acquisition time during auto skew is slightly longer than acquisition time during measurements.

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Sample Programs

Sample Programs

Sample programs for the Agilent 86100 analyzers are shipped on a disk with the instrument. Each program demonstrates specific sets of instructions. This chapter shows you some of those functions, and describes the commands being executed. Both C and HP BASIC examples are included.

The header file is:

hpibdecl.h

The C examples include:

- init.c
- gen_srq.c
- srq.c
- learnstr.c
- sicl IO.c
- natl_I0.c
- multidatabase.c

The HP BASIC examples include:

- · init.bas
- srq.bas
- Irn_str.bas

The sample program listings are included at the end of this chapter.

Sample Program Structure

This chapter includes segments of both the C and HP BASIC sample programs. Each program includes the basic functions of initializing the interface and analyzer, capturing the data, and analyzing the data.

In general, both the C and HP BASIC sample programs typically contain the following fundamental segments:

Segment	Description
main program	Defines global variables and constants, specifies include files, and calls various functions.
initialize	Initializes the GPIB and analyzer, and sets up the analyzer and the ACQuire subsystem.
acquire_data	Digitizes the waveform to capture data.
auto_measurements	Performs simple parametric measurements.
transfer_data	Brings waveform data and voltage/timing information (the preamble) into the computer.

Sample C Programs

Segments of the sample programs "init.c" and "gen_srq.c" are shown and described in this chapter.

init.c - Initialization

init. c */ Command Order Example. This program demonstrates the order of commands suggested for operation of the analyzer via GPIB. This program initializes the scope, acquires data, performs automatic measurements, and transfers and stores the data on the PC as time/voltage pairs in a comma-separated file format useful for spreadsheet applications. It assumes a SICL INTERFACE exists as 'hpib7' and an Agilent 86100 analyzer at address 7. It also requires the cal signal attached to Channel 1. See the README file on the demo disk for development and linking information. # include <stdio.h> /* location of: printf () */ # include <stdlib.h> /* location of: atof(), atoi () */ # include "hpibdecl.h" /* prototypes, global declarations, constants */ void initialize (): /* initialize the scope */ /* digitize signal */ void acquire_data(); /* perform built-in automatic measurements */ void auto_measurements (); void transfer_data (); /* transfers waveform data from scope to PC */ /* converts data to time/voltage values */ void convert_data (); /* stores time/voltage pairs to comma-separated void store_csv();

/* variable file format */

The include statements start the program. The file "hpibdecl.h" includes prototypes and declarations that are necessary for the analyzer sample programs.

This segment of the sample program defines the functions, in order, that are used to initialize the scope, digitize the data, perform measurements, transfer data from the scope to the PC, convert the digitized data to time and voltage pairs, and store the converted data in comma-separated variable file format.

See the following descriptions of the program segments.

init.c - Global Definitions and Main Program

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/* GLOBALS */
int count:
double xorg,xref,xinc;
                                                 /* values necessary for conversion of data */
double yorg, yref, yinc;
int Acquired_length;
char data[MAX_LENGTH];
                                                 /* data buffer */
double time_value[MAX_LENGTH];
                                                 /* time value of data */
double volts[MAX_LENGTH];
                                                 /* voltage value of data */
void main(void)
/* initialize interface and device sessions */
/* note: routine found in sicl_IO.c or natl_IO.c */
     init_IO ();
     initialize ();
                                                 /* initialize the scope and interface and set up SRQ */
                                                 /* capture the data */
     acquire_data();
     auto_measurements ();
                                                 /* perform automated measurements on acquired data */
                                                 /* transfer waveform data to the PC from scope */
     transfer_data();
     convert_data();
                                                 /* convert data to time/voltage pairs */
     store_csv();
                                                 /* store the time/voltage pairs as csv file */
     close_IO();
                                                 /* close interface and device sessions */
                                                 /* note: routine found in sicl_IO.c or natl_IO.c */
} /* end main () */
```

The init_IO routine initializes the analyzer and interface so that the scope can capture data and perform measurements on the data. At the start of the program, global symbols are defined which will be used to store and convert the digitized data to time and voltage values.

init.c - Initializing the Analyzer

```
Function name: initialize
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine initializes the analyzer for proper

    acquisition of data. The instrument is reset to a known state and the

* interface is cleared. System headers are turned off to allow faster
* throughput and immediate access to the data values requested by gueries.
* The analyzer time base, channel, and trigger subsystems are then
* configured. Finally, the acquisition subsystem is initialized.
void initialize ( )
       write_IO ("*RST");
write_IO ("*CLS");
                                                          /* reset scope - initialize to known state */
                                                          /* clear status registers and output queue */
       write_IO (":SYSTem:HEADer OFF");
                                                          /* turn off system headers */
       /* initialize time base parameters to center reference, */
        /* 2 ms full-scale (200 us/div), and 20 us delay */
       write_IO (":TIMebase:REFerence CENTer;RANGe 2e-3;POSition 20e-6");
        /* initialize Channel1 1.6V full-scale (200 mv/div); offset -400mv */
       write_IO (":CHANnel1:RANGe 1.6;OFFSet -400e-3");
        /* initialize trigger info: channel1 signal on positive slope at 300mv */
        write_IO (":TRĬĞger:SOURce FPANeĬ;SLOPe POSitive");
        write_IO (":TRIGger:LEVel-0.40");
        /* initialize acquisition subsystem */
       /* Real time acquisition - no averaging; record length 4096 */
       write_IO (":ACQuire:AVERage OFF; POINts 4096");
} /* end initialize () */
```

init.c - Acquiring Data

```
/*
    * Function name: acquire_data
    * Parameters: none
    * Return value: none
    * Description: This routine acquires data according to the current
    * instrument settings.
    */
void acquire_data ()
{
/*
    * The root level :DIGitize command is recommended for acquisition of new
    * data when averaging is used. It will initialize data buffers, acquire new data, and ensure that
    * acquisition criteria are met before acquisition of data is stopped. The
    * captured data is then available for measurements, storage, or transfer
    * to a PC. Note that the display is automatically turned off by the
    * :DIGitize command and must be turned on to view the captured data.
    */
        write_IO (":DIGitize CHANnel1");
        write_IO (":CHANnel1:DISPlay ON");
        /* turn on channel 1 display which is */
        /* turned off by the :DIGitize command */
}/* end acquire_data () */
```

init.c - Making Automatic Measurements

```
Function name: auto measurements
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine performs automatic measurements of volts
  peak-to-peak and period on the acquired data. It also demonstrates
  two methods of error detection when using automatic measurements.
void auto_measurements ()
float period, vpp:
unsigned char vpp_str[16];
unsigned char period_str[16];
int bytes_read;
* Error checking on automatic measurements can be done using one of two methods.
  The first method requires that you turn on results in the Measurements
  subsystem using the command: MEASure: SEND ON. When this is on, the analyzer
  will return the measurement and a result indicator. The result flag is zero
* if the measurement was successfully completed, otherwise a non-zero value is
* returned which indicates why the measurement failed. See the Programmer's Manual
* for descriptions of result indicators.
* The second method simply requires that you check the return value of the
  measurement. Any measurement not made successfully will return with the value
* +9.999E37. This could indicate that either the measurement was unable to be
  performed, or that insufficient waveform data was available to make the
  measurement.
* METHOD ONE - turn on results to indicate whether the measurement completed
* successfully. Note that this requires transmission of extra data from the scope.
write IO (":MEASure:SEND ON"):
                                                               /* turn results on */
write_IO (":MEASure:VPP? CHANnel1");
                                                               /* query -- volts peak-to-peak channel 1*/
bytes_read = read_IO(vpp_str,16L);
                                                               /* read in value and result flag */
if (vpp_str[bytes_read-2] != '0')
  printf ("Automated vpp measurement error with result %c\n",
         vpp_str [bytes_read-2]);
  printf ("VPP is %f\n", (float) atof (vpp_str));
write_IO (":MEASure:PERiod? CHANnel1");
                                                               /* period channel 1 */
bytes_read = read_IO (period_str,16L);
                                                               /* read in value and result flag */
if period str[bytes read-2] != '0')
  printf ("Automated period measurement error with result %c\n",
```

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```
period_str [bytes_read-2]);
else
  printf ("Period is %f\n",(float)atof (period_str));
* METHOD TWO - perform automated measurements and error checking with
* :MEAS:RESULTS OFF
period = (float) 0;
vpp = (float) 0;
/* turn off results */
write_IO (":MEASure:SEND OFF");
write_IO (":MEASure:PERiod? CHANnel1");
                                                                 /*period 1 */
                                                                 /* read in value and result flag */
bytes_read = read_IO (period_str,16L);
period = (float) atof (period_str);
if (period > 9.99e37)
 printf ("\nPeriod could not be measured.\n");
else
 printf ("\nThe period of channel 1 is %f seconds.\n", period );
write_IO (":MEASure:VPP? CHANnel1");
bytes_read = read_IO (vpp_str,16L);
vpp = (float) atof (vpp_str);
if (vpp > 9.99e37)
 printf ("Peak-to-peak voltage could not be measured.\n");
else
 printf ("The voltage peak-to-peak is %f volts.\n", vpp );
} /* end auto_measurements () */
```

init.c - Error Checking

```
/* Error checking on automatic measurements can be done using one of two methods.
  The first method requires that you turn on results in the Measurements
* subsystem using the command :MEASure:SEND ON. When this is on, the analyzer
* will return the measurement and a result indicator. The result flag is zero
* if the measurement was successfully completed, otherwise a non-zero value is
* returned which indicates why the measurement failed. See the Programmer's Manual
* for descriptions of result indicators.
* The second method simply requires that you check the return value of the
* measurement. Any measurement not made successfully will return with the value
* +9.999E37. This could indicate that either the measurement was unable to be
* performed, or that insufficient waveform data was available to make the
* measurement.
* METHOD ONE - turn on results to indicate whether the measurement completed
* successfully. Note that this requires transmission of extra data from the scope.
                                                                       /* turn results on */
       write_IO (":MEASure:SEND ON");
       /* guery -- volts peak-to-peak channel 1*/
       write_IO (":MEASure:VPP? CHANnel1");
       bytes_read = read_IO(vpp_str,16L);
                                                                       /* read in value and result flag */
       if (vpp str[bytes_read-2] != '0')
         printf ("Automated vpp measurement error with result %c\n",
         vpp_str[bytes_read-2]);
       else
         printf ("VPP is %f\n",(float)atof(vpp_str));
       write IO (":MEASure:PERiod? CHANnel1"):
                                                                      /* period channel 1 */
       bytes_read = read_IO(period_str,16L);
                                                                      /* read in value and result flag */
       if period_str[bytes_read-2] != '0')
         printf ("Automated period measurement error with result %c\n",
         period_str[bytes_read-2]);
       else
         printf ("Period is %f\n".(float)atof (period str)):
  METHOD TWO - perform automated measurements and error checking with
* :MEAS:RESULTS OFF.
period = (float) 0:
vpp = (float) 0:
       /* turn off results */
       write_IO (":MEASure:SEND OFF");
       write IO (":MEASure:PERiod? CHANnel1"):
                                                                      /* period channel 1 */
                                                                      /* read in value and result flag */
       bytes_read = read_IO (period_str,16L);
```

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init.c - Error Checking

```
period = (float) atof (period_str);

if ( period > 9.99e37 )
    printf ("\nPeriod could not be measured.\n");
else
    printf ("\nThe period of channel 1 is %f seconds.\n", period );

write_IO (":MEASure:VPP? CHANnel1");
bytes_read = read_IO ( vpp_str,16L );

vpp = (float) atof (vpp_str);

if ( vpp > 9.99e37 )
    printf ("Peak-to-peak voltage could not be measured.\n");
else
    printf ("The voltage peak-to-peak is %f volts.\n", vpp );

} /* end auto_measurements() */
```

init.c - Transferring Data to the PC

```
Function name: transfer data
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine transfers the waveform conversion factors and
* waveform data to the PC.
void transfer_data()
       int header_length;
       char header_str[8];
       char term:
       char xinc_str[32],xorg_str[32],xref_str[32];
       char yinc_str[32],yref_str[32],yorg_str[32];
       int bytes_read;
       /* waveform data source channel 1 */
       write_IO (":WAVeform:SOURce CHANnel1");
       /* setup transfer format */
       write_IO (":WAVeform:FORMat BYTE");
       /* request values to allow interpretation of raw data */
       write_IO (":WAVeform:XINCrement?");
       bytes_read = read_IO (xinc_str,32L);
       xinc = atof (xinc_str);
       write_IO (":WAVeform:XORigin?");
       bytes_read = read_IO (xorg_str,32L);
       xorg = atof (xorg_str);
       write IO (":WAVeform:XREFerence?");
       bytes_read = read_IO (xref_str,32L);
       xref = atof (xref_str);
       write_IO (":WAVeform:YINCrement?");
       bytes_read = read_IO (yinc_str,32L);
       yinc = atof (yinc_str);
       write_IO (":WAVeform:YORigin?");
       bytes_read = read_IO (yorg_str,32L);
       yorg = atof (yorg_str);
       write IO (":WAVeform:YREFerence?"):
       bytes_read = read_IO (yref_str,32L);
       yref = atof (yref_str);
       write_IO (":WAVeform:DATA?");
                                                         /* request waveform data */
       while (data[0] != '#')
         bytes_read = read_IO (data,1L);
                                                         /* find the # character */
         bytes_read = read_IO (header_str,1L);
                                                         /* input byte counter */
```

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```
header_length = atoi (header_str);

/* read number of points - value in bytes */
bytes_read = read_IO (header_str,(long)header_length);

Acquired_length = atoi (header_str);

/* number of bytes */
bytes_read = read_IO (data,Acquired_length);
/* input waveform data */
bytes_read = read_IO (&term,1L);

/* end transfer_data () */
```

An example header resembles the following when the information is stripped off:

#510225

The left-most "5" defines the number of digits that follow (10225). The number "10225" is the number of points in the waveform. The information is stripped off of the header to get the number of data bytes that need to be read from the analyzer.

init.c - Converting Waveform Data

```
/*
* Function name: convert_data
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine converts the waveform data to time/voltage
* information using the values that describe the waveform. These values are
* stored in global arrays for use by other routines.
*/

void convert_data ()
{
    int i;
    for (i = 0; i < Acquired_length; i++)
    {
        time_value[i] = ((i - xref) * xinc) + xorg;/* calculate time info */
        volts[i] = ((data[i] - yref) * yinc) + yorg;/* calculate volt info */
    }
}/* end convert_data () */
```

The data values are returned as digitized samples (sometimes called quantization levels or q-levels). These data values must be converted into voltage and time values.

init.c - Storing Waveform Time and Voltage Information

```
Function name: store_csv
  Parameters: none
  Return value: none
  Description: This routine stores the time and voltage information about
  the waveform as time/voltage pairs in a comma-separated variable file
*/
void store_csv()
       FILE *fp;
       int i;
                                                          /* open file in binary mode - clear file */
       fp = fopen ("pairs.csv","wb");
                                                          /* if already exists */
       if (fp != NULL)
         for (i = 0; i < Acquired_length; i++)
           /* write time,volt pairs to file */
             fprintf (fp,"%e,%lf\n",time_value[i],volts[i]);
         fclose (fp);
                                                          /* close file */
       else
         printf ("Unable to open file 'pairs.csv'\n");
} /* end store_csv() */
```

The time and voltage information of the waveform is stored in integer format, with the time stored first, followed by a comma, and the voltage stored second.

gen_srq.c - Generating a Service Request

Segments of the sample C program "gen_srq.c" show how to initialize the interface and analyzer, and generate a service request.

Two include statements start the "gen_srq.c" program. The file "stdio.h" defines the standard location of the printf routine, and is needed whenever input or output functions are used. The file "hpibdecl.h" includes necessary prototypes and declarations for the analyzers sample programs. The path of these files must specify the disk drive and directory where the "include" files reside.

```
/* gen_srq.c */
* This example program initializes the Agilent 86100 scope, runs an autoscale,
* then generates and responds to a Service Request from the scope. The program
* assumes an Agilent 86100 at address 7, an interface card at interface select code 7,
* and a signal source attached to channel 1.
#include <stdio.h>
                                           /* location of: printf () */
#include "hpibdecl.h"
void initialize ();
void setup SRQ ():
void create_SRQ();
void main (void)
       init_IO();
                                           /* initialize interface and device sessions */
                                           /* initialize the scope and interface */
       initialize ();
       setup_SRQ()
                                           /* enable SRQs on scope and set up SRQ handler */
       create_SRQ();
                                           /* generate SRQ */
                                           /* close interface and device sessions */
       close_IO();
} /* end main () */
```

The routine "init_IO" contains three subroutines that initialize the analyzer and interface, and sets up and generate a service request.

The following segment describes the initialize subroutine.

Initializing the Analyzer

The following function is demonstrated in the "gen_srq.c" sample program.

The *RST command is a common command that resets the analyzer to a known default configuration. Using this command ensures that the analyzer is in a known state before you configure it. *RST ensures very consistent and repeatable results. Without *RST, a program may run one time, but it may give different results in following runs if the analyzer is configured differently.

For example, if the trigger mode is normally set to edge, the program may function properly. But, if someone puts the analyzer in the advanced TV trigger mode from the front panel, the program may read measurement results that are totally incorrect. So, *RST defaults the scope to a set configuration so that the program can proceed from the same state each time.

The *CLS command clears the status registers and the output queue.

AUToscale finds and displays all signals that are attached to the analyzer. You should program the analyzer's time base, channel, and trigger for the specific measurement to be made, as you would do from the front panel, and use whatever other commands are needed to configure the analyzer for the desired measurement.

Setting Up a Service Request

The following code segment shows how to generate a service request. The following function is demonstrated in the "gen_srq.c" sample program.

```
/*
* Function name: setup_SRQ
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine initializes the device to generate Service Requests. It
* sets the Service Request Enable Register Event Status Bit and the Standard
* Event Status Enable Register to allow SRQs on Command, Execution, Device
* Dependent, or Query errors.
*/
void setup_SRQ ( )
{
    /* Enable Service Request Enable Register - Event Status Bit */
    write_IO ("*SRE 32");    /* Enable Standard Event Status Enable Register */
    /* enable Command Error - bit 5 - value 32 */
    write_IO ("*ESE 36");
}/* end setup_SRQ ( ) */
```

Generating a Service Request

The following function is demonstrated in the "gen_srq.c" sample program.

```
Function name: create_SRQ
  Parameters: none
  Return value: none
  Description: This routine sends two illegal commands to the scope which will
  generate an SRQ and will place two error strings in the error queue. The scope
  ID is requested to allow time for the SRQ to be generated. The ID string
  will contain a leading character which is the response placed in the output
  queue by the interrupted query.
void create_SRQ()
       char buf [256] = { 0 }; //read buffer for id string
       int bytes read = 0;
       int srg asserted;
       /* Generate query error (interrupted query)*/
       /* send legal query followed by another command other than a read query response */
       write_IO (":CHANnel2:DISPlay?");
       write_IO (":CHANnel2:DISPlay OFF");
       /* Generate command error - send illegal header */
       write_IO (":CHANnel:DISPlay OFF");
       /* get instrument ID - allow time for SRQ to set */
       write_IO ("*IDN?");
bytes_read = read_IO (buf,256L);
       /* add NULL to end of string */
       buf [bytes_read] = '\0';
       printf ( "%s\n", buf);
       srq_asserted = check_SRQ ();
       if (srq_asserted)
         srq_handler ();
} /* end create SRQ()*/
```

Listings of the Sample Programs

Listings of the C sample programs in this section include:

- hpibdecl.h
- init.c
- gen_srq.c
- srq.c
- learnstr.c
- sicl_IO.c
- natl_IO.c

Listings of the HP BASIC sample programs in this section include:

- init.bas
- srq.bas
- lrn_str.bas

hpib_decl.h Sample Program

```
/* hpibdecl.h */
 This file includes necessary prototypes and declarations for
  the example programs for the Agilent 86100*/
* User must indicate which GPIB card (HP or National) is being used.
 Also, if using a National card, indicate which version of windows
* (WIN31 or WIN95) is being used.
#define HP
                                 /* Uncomment if using HP interface card */
/* #define NATL */
/* #define WIN31 */
                                 /* For National card ONLY - select windows version */
#define WIN95
#ifdef HP
#include <sicl.h>
#else
       #ifdef WIN95
       #include <windows.h>
                                 /* include file for Windows 95 */
       #include <decl-32.h>
       #else
       #include <windecl.h>
                                 /* include file for Windows 3.1 */
       #endif
#endif
#define CME 32
#define EXE 16
#define DDE 8
#define QYE 4
#define SRQ_BIT 64
#define MAX_LRNSTR 14000
#define MAX_LENGTH 4096
#define MAX_INT 4192
#ifdef HP
#define DEVICE ADDR "hpib7.7"
#define INTERFACE "hpib7"
#define INTERFACE "hpib0"
#define board_index 0
#define prim addr 7
#define second_addr 0
```

```
#define timeout 13
 #define eoi_mode 1
 #define eos_mode 0
 #endif
 #define TRUE 1
 #define FALSE 0
 /* GLOBALS */
 #ifdef HP
             INST bus;
             INST scope;
 #else
             int bus;
             int scope;
 #endif
/* GPIB prototypes */
void init_IO ();
void write_IO (void*);
void write_Irnstr (void*, long);
int read_IO (void*, unsigned long);
int check_SRQ ();
unsigned char read_status ();
void close_IO ();
void higher ();
 void hpiberr ();
 void srq_handler ();
```

```
/* init. c */
  Command Order Example. This program demonstrates the order of commands
  suggested for operation of the Agilent 86100 analyzer via GPIB.
  This program initializes the scope, acquires data, performs
  automatic measurements, and transfers and stores the data on the
  PC as time/voltage pairs in a comma-separated file format useful
  for spreadsheet applications. It assumes a SICL INTERFACE exists
  as 'gpib7' and an Agilent 86100 analyzer at address 7.
  It also requires the cal signal attached to Channel 1.
  See the README file on the demo disk for development and linking information.
#include <stdio.h>
                                  /* location of: printf () */
#include <stdlib.h>
                                  /* location of: atof(), atoi () */
#include "hpibdecl.h"
                                  /* prototypes, global declarations, constants */
void initialize ():
                                  /* initialize the scope */
void acquire_data ();
                                  /* digitize signal */
void auto_measurements ( );
                                  /* perform built-in automatic measurements */
void transfer_data ();
                                  /* transfers waveform data from scope to PC */
void convert_data ();
                                  /* converts data to time/voltage values */
void store_csv();
                                  /* stores time/voltage pairs to comma-separated variable file format */
/* GLOBALS */
int count;
double xorg,xref,xinc;
                                  /* values necessary for conversion of data */
double yorg, yref, yinc;
int Acquired_length;
char data [MAX_LENGTH];
                                  /* data buffer */
double time_value [MAX_LENGTH]:/* time value of data */
double volts [MAX_LENGTH];
                                  /* voltage value of data */
void main(void)
       /* initialize interface and device sessions */
       /* note: routine found in sicl_IO.c or natl_IO.c */
       init_IO();
       initialize ():
                                  /* initialize the scope and interface and set up SRQ */
       acquire_data();
                                  /* capture the data */
       auto_measurements();
                                  /* perform automated measurements on acquired data */
       transfer_data();
                                  /* transfer waveform data to the PC from scope */
                                  /* convert data to time/voltage pairs */
       convert_data();
       store_csv();
                                  /* store the time/voltage pairs as csv file */
                                  /* close interface and device sessions */
       close_IO();
                                  /* note: routine found in sicl_IO.c or natl_IO.c */
} /* end main () */
```

```
* Function name: initialize
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine initializes the analyzer for proper
* acquisition of data. The instrument is reset to a known state and the
* interface is cleared. System headers are turned off to allow faster
* throughput and immediate access to the data values requested by gueries.
* The analyzer time base, channel, and trigger subsystems are then
* configured. Finally, the acquisition subsystem is initialized.
void initialize ( )
       write IO ("*RST"):
                                          /* reset scope - initialize to known state */
       write_IO ("*CLS");
                                          /* clear status registers and output queue */
       write_IO (":SYSTem:HEADer OFF"); /* turn off system headers */
       /* initialize time base parameters to center reference, 2 ms full-scale (200 us/div), and 20 us delay */
       write_IO (":TIMebase:REFerence CENTer;RANGe 2e-3;POSition 20e-6");
       /* initialize Channel1 1.6V full-scale (200 mv/div); offset -400mv */
       write_IO (":CHANnel1:RANGe 1.6;OFFSet -400e-3");
       /* initialize trigger info: channel1 signal on positive slope at 300mv */
       write_IO (":TRIĞger:SOURce FPANel;SLOPe POSitive");
       write_IO (":TRIGger:LEVel-0.40");
       /* initialize acquisition subsystem */
       /* Real time acquisition - no averaging; record length 4096 */
       write_IO (":ACQuire:AVERage OFF;POINts 4096");
} /* end initialize () */
* Function name: acquire_data
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine acquires data according to the current instrument settings.
void acquire_data()
* The root level :DIGitize command is recommended for acquisition of new
* data. It will initialize data buffers, acquire new data, and ensure that
* acquisition criteria are met before acquisition of data is stopped.
```

```
* The captured data is then available for measurements, storage, or transfer
* to a PC. Note that the display is automatically turned off by the
  :DIGitize command and must be turned on to view the captured data.
       write IO (":DIGitize CHANnel1"):
      write_IO (":CHANnel1:DISPlay ON");
                                                /* turn on channel 1 display which is turned off by the :DIGitize command */
} /* end acquire_data() */
  Function name: auto measurements
  Parameters: none
  Return value: none
  Description: This routine performs automatic measurements of volts
  peak-to-peak and period on the acquired data. It also demonstrates
* two methods of error detection when using automatic measurements.
void auto_measurements ()
       float period, vpp:
       unsigned char vpp_str[16];
       unsigned char period_str[16];
       int bytes_read;
  Error checking on automatic measurements can be done using one of two methods.
  The first method requires that you turn on results in the Measurements
  subsystem using the command :MEASure:SEND ON. When this is on, the analyzer
  will return the measurement and a result indicator. The result flag is zero
* if the measurement was successfully completed, otherwise a non-zero value is
* returned which indicates why the measurement failed. See the Programmer's Manual
* for descriptions of result indicators.
* The second method simply requires that you check the return value of the
  measurement. Any measurement not made successfully will return with the value
  +9.999E37. This could indicate that either the measurement was unable to be
  performed, or that insufficient waveform data was available to make the
  measurement.
* METHOD ONE - turn on results to indicate whether the measurement completed
* successfully. Note that this requires transmission of extra data from the scope.
       write IO (":MEASure:SEND ON"):
                                                       /* turn results on */
       /* guery -- volts peak-to-peak channel 1*/
       write IO (":MEASure:VPP? CHANnel1"):
       bytes_read = read_IO (vpp_str,16L);
                                                       /* read in value and result flag */
       if (vpp_str[bytes_read-2] != '0')
        printf ("Automated vpp measurement error with result %c\n", vpp_str[bytes_read-2]);
       else
        printf ("VPP is %f\n", (float)atof (vpp_str));
```

```
write_IO (":MEASure:PERiod? CHANnel1");
                                                         /* period channel 1 */
       bytes_read = read_IO (period_str,16L);
                                                         /* read in value and result flag */
       if (period_str[bytes_read-2] != '0')
         printf ("Automated period measurement error with result %c\n", period_str [bytes_read-2]);
       else
         printf ("Period is %f\n", (float) atof (period_str));
/* METHOD TWO - perform automated measurements and error checking with :MEAS:SEND OFF */
       period = (float) 0;
       vpp = (float) 0;
       /* turn off results */
       write_IO (":MEASure:SEND OFF");
       write IO (":MEASure:PERiod? CHANnel1"):
                                                         /* period channel 1 */
       bytes_read = read_IO (period_str,16L);
                                                         /* read in value and result flag */
       period = (float) atof (period str):
       if (period > 9.99e37)
         printf ("\nPeriod could not be measured.\n");
       else
         printf ("\nThe period of channel 1 is %f seconds.\n", period );
       write IO (":MEASure:VPP? CHANnel1");
       bytes_read = read_IO (vpp_str,16L);
       vpp = (float) atof (vpp_str);
       if (vpp > 9.99e37)
         printf ("Peak-to-peak voltage could not be measured.\n");
       else
         printf ("The voltage peak-to-peak is %f volts.\n", vpp );
} /* end auto_measurements () */
* Function name: transfer_data
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine transfers the waveform conversion factors and waveform data to the PC.
void transfer_data()
       int header_length;
       char header_str[8];
       char term:
       char xinc_str[32],xorq_str[32],xref_str[32];
       char yinc_str[32],yref_str[32],yorg_str[32];
```

```
int bytes_read;
       /* waveform data source channel 1 */
       write IO (":WAVeform:SOURce CHANnel1"):
       /* setup transfer format */
       write_iO (":WAVeform:FORMat BYTE");
     /* request values to allow interpretation of raw data */
       write_IO (":WAVeform:XINCrement?");
       bytes_read = read_IO (xinc_str,32L);
       xinc = atof (xinc_str);
       write_IO (":WAVeform:XORigin?");
       bytes_read = read_IO (xorg_str,32L);
       xorg = atof (xorg_str);
       write IO (":WAVeform:XREFerence?"):
       bytes_read = read_IO (xref_str,32L);
       xref = atof (xref_str);
       write_IO (":WAVeform:YINCrement?");
       bytes_read = read_IO (yinc_str,32L);
       yinc = atof (yinc_str);
       write_IO (":WAVeform:YORigin?");
       bytes_read = read_IO (yorg_str,32L);
       yorg = atof (yorg_str);
       write IO (":WAVeform:YREFerence?"):
       bytes_read = read_IO (yref_str,32L);
       yref = atof (yref_str);
       write_IO (":WAVeform:DATA?");
                                                /* request waveform data */
       bytes_read = read_IO (data,1L);
                                                /* ignore leading # */
       bytes_read = read_IO (header_str,1L);
                                                /* input byte counter */
       header_length = atoi (header_str);
       /* read number of points - value in bytes */
       bytes_read = read_IO (header_str,(long)header_length);
       Acquired_length = atoi (header_str);
                                                /* number of bytes */
       bytes_read = read_IO (data,Acquired_length); /* input waveform data */
       bytes_read = read_IO (&term,1L);
                                                /* input termination character */
} /* end transfer_data () */
  Function name: convert data
  Parameters: none
  Return value: none
  Description: This routine converts the waveform data to time/voltage
  information using the values that describe the waveform. These values are
  stored in global arrays for use by other routines.
void convert_data()
```

```
{
       int i;
       for (i = 0; i < Acquired_length; i++)
         time_value[i] = ((i - xref) * xinc) + xorg; /* calculate time info */
         volts[i] = ((data[i] - yref) * yinc) + yorg; /* calculate volt info */
} /* end convert_data () */
* Function name: store_csv
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine stores the time and voltage information about
* the waveform as time/voltage pairs in a comma-separated variable file
* format.
*/
void store_csv()
       FILE *fp:
       int i:
       fp = fopen ("pairs.csv", "wb"); /* open file in binary mode - clear file if already exists */
       if (fp!= NULL)
         for (i = 0; i < Acquired_length; i++)
           /* write time, volt pairs to file */
           fprintf ( fp,"%e,%lf\n",time_value[i],volts[i]);
         fclose (fp);
                               /* close file */
       else
         printf ("Unable to open file 'pairs.csv'\n");
} /* end store_csv() */
```

gen_srq.c Sample Program

```
/* gen_srq.c */
  This example programs initializes the Agilent 86100 scope, runs an
  autoscale, then generates and responds to a Service Request from the
  scope. The program assumes an Agilent 86100 at address 7, an interface card
  at interface select code 7, and a signal source attached to channel 1.
#include <stdio.h>
                                     /* location of: printf () */
#include "hpibdecl.h"
void initialize ();
void setup_SRQ ():
void create_SRQ();
void main (void)
       init_IO();
                                     /* initialize interface and device sessions */
                                     /* initialize the scope and interface */
       initialize ():
                                    /* enable SRQs on scope and set up SRQ handler */
       setup_SRQ();
       create_SRQ();
                                    /* generate SRQ */
                                    /* close interface and device sessions */
       close_IO();
} /* end main () */
  Function name: initialize
  Parameters: none
  Return value: none
* Description: This routine initializes the analyzer for proper acquisition of data.
* The instrument is reset to a known state and the interface is cleared.
* System headers are turned off to allow faster throughput and immediate access
* to the data values requested by queries. The analyzer performs an autoscale to acquire waveform data.
void initialize ( )
       write_IO ("*RST"); /* reset scope - initialize to kn
write_IO ("*CLS"); /* clear status registers and o
write_IO (":SYSTem:HEADer OFF"); /* turn off system headers */
                                             /* reset scope - initialize to known state */
                                            /* clear status registers and output queue */
       write_IO (":AUToscale");
                                            /* perform autoscale */
} /* end initialize () */
  Function name: setup_SRQ
  Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine initializes the device to generate Service
  Requests. It sets the Service Request Enable Register Event Status Bit
  and the Standard Event Status Enable Register to allow SRQs on Command
  or Query errors.
```

```
*/
void setup_SRQ()
       /* Enable Service Request Enable Register - Event Status Bit */
       write_IO ("*SRE 32");
       /* Enable Standard Event Status Enable Register enable Command Error - bit 4 - value 32 Query Error - bit 1 - value 4 */
       write_IO ("*ESE 36");
} /* end setup_SRQ () */
* Function name: create_SRQ
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine sends two illegal commands to the scope which will generate an
* SRQ and will place two error strings in the error queue. The scope ID is requested to allow
* time for the SRQ to be generated. The ID string will contain a leading character which
* is the response placed in the output queue by the interrupted query.
void create_SRQ()
       char buf [256] = { 0 }; //read buffer for id string
       int bytes_read = 0;
       int srq_asserted;
       /* Generate guery error (interrupted guery)*/
       /* send legal query followed by another command other than a read query response */
       write_IO (":CHANnel2:DISPlay?");
       write_IO (":CHANnel2:DISPlay OFF");
       /* Generate command error - send illegal header */
       write_IO (":CHANnel:DISPlay OFF");
       /* get instrument ID - allow time for SRQ to set */
       write_IO ("*IDN?");
       bytes_read = read_IO (buf,256L);
       /* add NULL to end of string */
       buf [bytes_read] = '\0';
       printf ( "%s\n", buf);
       srq_asserted = check_SRQ();
       if (srq_asserted)
         srq_handler ();
} /* end create_SRQ () */
```

srq.c Sample Program

```
/* file: srq.c */
/* This file contains the code to handle Service Requests from an GPIB device */
#include <stdio.h>
                            /* location of printf (), fopen (), and fclose () */
#include "hpibdecl.h"
* Function name: srq_handler
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine services the scope when an SRQ is generated.
* An error file is opened to receive error data from the scope.
void srq_handler()
       FILE *fp;
       unsigned char statusbyte = 0;
       int i = 0:
       int more_errors = 0;
       char error_str[64] = \{0\};
       int bytes_read;
       int srg_asserted = TRUE;
       srq_asserted = check_SRQ ();
       while (srq_asserted)
       statusbyte = read_status();
       if (statusbyte & SRQ_BIT)
         fp = fopen ( "error_list", "wb" );
                                                          /* open error file */
         if (fp = NULL)
           printf ("Error file could not be opened.\n");
     /* read error queue until no more errors */
         more_errors = TRUE;
         while (more_errors)
           write_IO (":SYSTEM:ERROR? STRING");
           bytes_read = read_IO (error_str, 64L);
           error_str[bytes_read] = '\0';
           /* write error msg to std IO */
           printf ("Error string:%s\n", error_str);
         if (fp != NULL)
           /* write error msg to file*/
           fprintf (fp,"Error string:%s\n", error_str );
```

```
if ( error_str[0] == '0' )
{
    /* Clear event registers and queues, except output */
    write_lO("*CLS");

    more_errors = FALSE;

    if ( fp != NULL)
        fclose ( fp );
    }
    for (i=0;i<64:i++)
        error_str[i] = "\0';

    }/* end while (more_errors) */
}
else
{
    printf (" SRQ not generated by scope.\n ");    /* scope did not cause SRQ */
}
srq_asserted = check_SRQ ( );    /* check for SRQ line status */
}/* end while ( srq_asserted ) */
}/* end srq_handler */</pre>
```

learnstr.c Sample Program

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```
/* learnstr.c */
  This example program initializes the Agilent 86100 scope, runs autoscale to
  acquire a signal, queries for the learnstring, and stores the learnstring
  to disk. It then allows the user to change the setup, then restores the
  original learnstring. It assumes that a signal is attached to the scope.
#include <stdio.h>
                                           /* location of: printf (), fopen (), fclose (), fwrite (), getchar */
#include "hpibdecl.h"
void initialize ():
void store_learnstring ( );
void change_setup ();
void get_learnstring ();
void main (void)
                                           /* initialize device and interface */
       init_IO();
                                           /* Note: routine found in sicl_IO.c or natl_IO.c */
                                           /* initialize the scope and interface, and set up SRQ */
       initialize ();
       store_learnstring();
                                           /* request learnstring and store */
       change_setup();
                                           /* request user to change setup */
                                           /* restore learnstring */
       get_learnstring();
       close IO():
                                           /* close device and interface sessions */
                                           /* Note: routine found in sicl_IO.c or natl_IO.c */
    end main */
  Function name: initialize
  Parameters: none
  Return value: none
  Description: This routine initializes the analyzer for proper acquisition of data.
* The instrument is reset to a known state and the interface is cleared.
  System headers are turned off to allow faster throughput and immediate access to the data values requested by queries.
  Autoscale is performed to acquire a waveform. The signal is then
  digitized, and the channel display is turned on following the acquisition.
void initialize ()
       write_IO ("*RST");
write_IO ("*CLS");
                                           /* reset scope - initialize to known state */
                                           /* clear status registers and output queue */
       write_IO (":SYSTem:HEADer ON");/* turn on system headers */
       /* initialize Timebase parameters to center reference, 2 ms full-scale (200 us/div), and 20 us delay */
       write_IO (":TIMebase:REFerence CENTer;RANGe 5e-3;POSition 20e-6");
```

```
/* initialize Channel1 1.6v full-scale (200 mv/div); offset -400mv */
       write_IO (":CHANnel1:RANGe 1.6;OFFSet -400e-3");
       /* initialize trigger info: channel1 signal on positive slope at 300mv */
       write_IO (":TRIGger:SOURce FPANel;SLOPe POSitive");
       write_IO (":TRIGger:LEVel-0.40");
       /* initialize acquisition subsystem */
       /* Real time acquisition - no averaging: record length 4096 */
       write_IO (":ACQuire:AVERage OFF;POINts 4096");
} /* end initialize () */
* Function name: store_learnstring
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine requests the system setup known as a learnstring.
* The learnstring is read from the scope and stored in a file called Learn2.
void store_learnstring()
       FILE *fp;
       unsigned char setup[MAX_LRNSTR] ={0};
       int actualcnt = 0:
       write_IO (":SYSTem:SETup?");
                                                         /* request learnstring */
       actualcnt = read_IO (setup, MAX_LRNSTR);
       fp = fopen ( "learn2","wb");
       if (fp!= NULL)
         fwrite (setup, size of (unsigned char), (int) actual cnt, fp);
         printf ("Learn string stored in file Learn2\n");
         fclose (fp);
       else
         printf ("Error in file open\n");
}/* end store_learnstring */
* Function name: change_setup
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine places the scope into local mode to allow the customer to change the system setup.
void change_setup ()
```

learnstr.c Sample Program

```
printf ("Please adjust setup and press ENTER to continue.\n");
         getchar();
} /* end change_setup */
* Function name: get_learnstring
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine retrieves the system setup known as a * learnstring from a disk file called Learn2. It then restores the system setup to the scope.
void get_learnstring()
         FILE *fp;
         unsigned char setup[MAX_LRNSTR]; unsigned long count = 0;
         fp = fopen ( "learn2", "rb");
         if (fp != NULL)
           count = fread ( setup,sizeof(unsigned char),MAX_LRNSTR,fp);
           fclose (fp);
         write_Irnstr (setup,count);
write_IO (":RUN");
                                                 /* send learnstring */
}/* end get_learnstring */
```

sicl_IO.c Sample Program

```
/* sicl_I0.c */
                                                  /* location of: printf () */
#include <stdio.h>
                                                  /* location of: strlen () */
#include <string.h>
#include "hpibdecl.h"
/* This file contains IO and initialization routines for the SICL libraries. */
* Function name: init_IO
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine initializes the SICL environment. It sets up
* error handling, opens both an interface and device session, sets timeout
* values, clears the interface by pulsing IFC, and clears the instrument
* by performing a Selected Device Clear.
void init_IO()
       ionerror (I_ERROR_EXIT);
                                                  /* set-up interface error handling */
       /* open interface session for verifying SRQ line */
       bus = iopen (INTERFACE);
       if (bus == 0)
         printf ("Bus session invalid\n");
       itimeout (bus, 20000):
                                                  /* set bus timeout to 20 sec */
       iclear (bus);
                                                  /* clear the interface - pulse IFC */
       scope = iopen ( DEVICE_ADDR );
                                                  /* open the scope device session */
       if (scope == 0)
         printf ( "Scope session invalid\n");
       itimeout (scope, 20000);
                                                  /* set device timeout to 20 sec */
       iclear (scope);
                                                  /* perform Selected Device Clear on scope */
} /* end init_IO */
* Function name: write IO
* Parameters: char *buffer which is a pointer to the character string to be
* output; unsigned long length which is the length of the string to be output
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine outputs strings to the scope device session
* using the unformatted I/O SICL commands.
```

sicl_IO.c Sample Program

```
void write_IO (void *buffer)
       unsigned long actualcnt;
       unsigned long length;
       int send_end = 1;
       length = strlen ( buffer );
       iwrite ( scope, buffer, length, send_end, &actualcnt );
} /* end write_IO */
  Function name: write_Irnstr
  Parameters: char *buffer which is a pointer to the character string to be
  output; long length which is the length of the string to be output
  Return value: none
  Description: This routine outputs a learnstring to the scope device
* session using the unformatted I/O SICL commands.
void write_Irnstr ( void *buffer, long length )
       unsigned long actualcnt;
       int send_end = 1;
       iwrite (scope, buffer, (unsigned long) length,
         send_end, &actualcnt );
} /* end write Irnstr()*/
* Function name: read_IO
  Parameters: char *buffer which is a pointer to the character string to be
  input; unsigned long length which indicates the max length of the string to be input
* Return value: integer which indicates the actual number of bytes read
* Description: This routine inputs strings from the scope device session using SICL commands.
int read_IO (void *buffer,unsigned long length)
       int reason:
       unsigned long actualcnt;
       iread (scope,buffer,length,&reason,&actualcnt);
       return( (int) actualcnt );
  Function name: check SRQ
  Parameters: none
  Return value: integer indicating if bus SRQ line was asserted
  Description: This routine checks for the status of SRQ on the bus and returns a value to indicate the status.
```

```
int check_SRQ()
       int srq_asserted;
         /* check for SRQ line status */
         ihpibbusstatus(bus, I_HPIB_BUS_SRQ, &srq_asserted);
       return ( srg_asserted );
} /* end check_SRQ ( ) */
* Function name: read status
* Parameters: none
* Return value: unsigned char indicating the value of status byte
* Description: This routine reads the scope status byte and returns the status.
unsigned char read_status ()
       unsigned char statusbyte;
       /* Always read the status byte from instrument */
       /* NOTE: ireadstb uses serial poll to read status byte - this should clear bit 6 to allow another SRQ. */
         ireadstb (scope, &statusbyte);
       return (statusbyte);
} /* end read_status () */
* Function name: close_IO
* Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine closes device and interface sessions for the
* SICL environment and calls the routine _siclcleanup which de-allocates
* resources used by the SICL environment.
void close_IO()
       iclose ( scope ); /* close device session */
       iclose (bus): /* close interface session */
       _siclcleanup (); /* required for 16-bit applications */
} /* end close_SICL()*/
```

natl_IO.c Sample Program

```
/* natl_IO.c */
#include <stdio.h> /* location of: printf () */
#include <string.h> /* location of: strlen () */
#include "hpibdecl.h"
/* This file contains IO and initialization routines for the NI488.2 commands. */
* Function name: hpiberr
* Parameters: char* - string describing error
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine outputs error descriptions to an error file.
void hpiberr( char *buffer )
       printf ("Error string: %s\n",buffer );
} /* end hpiberr () */
  Function name: init_IO
  Parameters: none
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine initializes the NI environment. It sets up error
  handling, opens both an interface and device session, sets timeout values
* clears the interface by pulsing IFC, and clears the instrument by performing
  a Selected Device Clear.
void init_IO()
       bus = ibfind (INTERFACE):
                                                  /* open and initialize GPIB board */
       if (ibsta & ERR)
         hpiberr ("ibfind error");
       ibconfig (bus, IbcAUTOPOLL, 0);
                                                  /* turn off autopolling */
       ibsic (bus):
                                                  /* clear interface - pulse IFC */
       if (ibsta & ERR)
         hpiberr ("ibsic error");
       /* open device session */
       scope = ibdev (board_index, prim_addr, second_addr, timeout,
                eoi_mode, eos_mode);
       if (ibsta & ERR)
         hpiberr ("ibdev error");
```

```
ibclr (scope);
                                           /* clear the device( scope ) */
       if (ibsta & ERR)
         hpiberr ("ibclr error" );
} /* end init_IO */
* Function name: write_IO
* Parameters: void *buffer which is a pointer to the character string to be output
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine outputs strings to the scope device session.
void write IO (void *buffer)
       long length;
       length = strlen ( buffer );
       ibwrt (scope, buffer, (long) length):
       if (ibsta & ERR)
         hpiberr ("ibwrt error");
} /* end write IO() */
* Function name: write_Irnstr
* Parameters: void *buffer which is a pointer to the character string to
* be output; length which is the length of the string to be output
* Return value: none
* Description: This routine outputs a learnstring to the scope device session.
void write_Irnstr ( void *buffer, long length )
       ibwrt (scope, buffer, (long) length);
       if (ibsta & ERR)
         hpiberr ("ibwrt error");
} /* end write_Irnstr () */
* Function name: read_IO
* Parameters: char *buffer which is a pointer to the character string to be input;
* unsigned long length which indicates the max length of the string to be input
* Return value: integer which indicates the actual number of bytes read
* Description: This routine inputs strings from the scope device session.
*/
```

natl_IO.c Sample Program

```
int read_IO (void *buffer,unsigned long length)
 ibrd (scope, buffer, (long) length);
 return (ibcntl);
} /* end read_IO()*/
  Function name: check_SRQ
  Parameters: none
* Return value: integer indicating if bus SRQ line was asserted
* Description: This routine checks for the status of SRQ on the bus and
* returns a value to indicate the status.
int check_SRQ()
       int srq_asserted;
       short control_lines = 0;
       iblines ( bus, &control_lines);
       if ( control_lines & BusSRQ )
         srq_asserted = TRUE;
       else
         srq_asserted = FALSE;
       return ( srq_asserted );
} /* end check_SRQ () */
  Function name: read_status
* Parameters: none
* Return value: unsigned char indicating the value of status byte
* Description: This routine reads the scope status byte and returns the status.
unsigned char read_status ()
       unsigned char statusbyte;
       /* Always read the status byte from instrument */
       ibrsp (scope, &statusbyte);
       return (statusbyte);
} /* end read_status () */
```

```
/*

* Function name: close_IO

* Parameters: none

* Return value: none

* Description: This routine closes device session.

*/

void close_IO ()
{

ibonI (scope,0); /* close device session */
} /* end close_IO () */
```

multidatabase.c Sample Program

```
/*multidatabase.c*/
* This example program demonstrates the use of the Multidatabase functionality of the
* Agilent 86100 DCA. The program sets up an acquitision of 200 waveforms on two
* channels, first serially, then in parallel. A mask test and simple
* measurements are made on each channel. NOTE: the timeout value must
* be set to a higher value (~30s) so that there is enough time to acquire the
*/
#include <stdio.h>//standard c++ io funcitons
#include <time.h>//time funcitons
//GPIB prototypes (from IO file)
void init_IO ();
void write_IO (char*);
int read_IO (char*, unsigned long);
void close_IO();
//prototypes
void initialize();
int acquire_serial();
int acquire_parallel();
void main()
     int serialTime, parallelTime; //declarations
     init_IO();
                           //initial the interface and open GPIB communications
     initialize():
                                                  //set up the instrument
     serialTime = acquire_serial();//acquire the data in serial
     parallelTime = acquire_parallel();//acquire the data in parallel
                                                         //close GPIB communications
     close IO():
     printf("\nSerial Acquisition Time: %d ms\nParallel Acquisition Time: %d ms\n",
             serialTime, parallelTime);//display acquisition times
     printf("Time Savings: %d ms\n", serialTime-parallelTime);
                                                                        //display the time savings
}//main()
* Function Name: initialize
* Paramters: none
* Returned value: none
* Description: This method sets up the channels and acquisition limits of the
* DCA
*/
void initialize()
     write_IO("*RST");//reset the DCA
```

```
write_IO("*CLS");//clear the status registers
     write_IO("SYSTem:MODE EYE");//switch to Eye/mask mode
     write IO("STOP")://stop acquistion
     write_IO("CDISplay");//clear the display
     write IO("ACQuire:RUNTil WAVeforms,200"):
                           //set the acquistion limit to 200 waveforms
     write IO("CHANnel1:FSELect 1")://choose filter #1 on channel 1
     write_IO("CHANnel1:FILTer ON");//turn on the filter
     write_IO("CHANnel3:FSELect 1");//choose filter #1 on channel 3
     write_IO("CHANnel3:FILTer ON");//turn on the filter
}//initialize()
* Funciton Name: acquireSerial
* Parameters: none
* Returned value: int - the time to acquire the data
* Description: This routine turns on channel 1, performs an autoscale, acquires
* 200 waveforms, performs a mask test, and then performs the measurements. The
* process is then repeated for channel 2.
int acquire_serial()
     printf("Serial Acquisition in progress\n");//status report
//decalrations
     int start=clock(),stop;
     char Msk_hits1[16],Crss_pct1[16],Ext_rat1[16],buff[32];
     char Msk_hits2[16],Crss_pct2[16],Ext_rat2[16];
     write_IO("CHANnel1:DISPlay ON");//turn on channel one
     write_IO("RUN");
                                         //start acquistion
     write_IO("AUToscale");
                                  //Autoscale
     write_IO("*OPC?");
                                         //query for completion
     read TO(buff.5):
                                         //read completion response
     write IO("MTESt:LOAD \"STM016 OC48.msk\"")://load OC-48 mask
     write IO("MTESt:START"): //start mask test
     write_IO("MTESt:COUNt:FSAMples?");//query the number of failed samples
     Msk_hits1[read_IO(Msk_hits1, 15)]=0;//get the number of mask hits
     write_IO("MTESt:TEST OFF"); //trun off the maks test
     write_IO("MEASure:CGRade:CROSsing?");//query the crossing percentage
     Crss_pct1[read_IO(Crss_pct1,15)]=0;//get the crossing percentage
     write_IO("MEASure:CGRade:ERATio? DECibel");//query the extinction ratio
     Ext_rat1[read_IO(Ext_rat1,15)]=0;//get the extinction ratio
     write IO("CHANnel3:DISPlay ON")://turn on channel three
     write IO("RUN"):
                                         //start acquistion
     write_IO("AUToscale");
                                  //Autoscale
```

multidatabase.c Sample Program

```
write_IO("*OPC?");
                                          //query for completion
     read_IO(buff,5);
                                          //read completion response
     write IO("MTESt:TEST ON"): //start mask test
     write_IO("MTESt:COUNt:FSAMples?");//query the number of failed samples
     Msk_hits2[read_IO(Msk_hits2, 15)]=0;//get the number of mask hits
     write_IO("MEASure:CGRade:CROSsing?");//query the crossing percentage
     Crss_pct2[read_IO(Crss_pct2,15)]=0;//get the crossing percentage
     write_IO("MEASure:CGRade:ERATio? DECibel");//query the extinction ratio
     Ext_rat2[read_IO(Ext_rat2,15)]=0;//get the extinction ratio
     stop = clock();
     //display the results
     printf("Channel 1:\n Mask hits:%s Crossing %%:%s Extinction Ratio:%s\n",
                                                                                     Msk_hits1,Crss_pct1,Ext_rat1);
     printf("Channel 3:\n Mask hits:%s Crossing %%:%s Extinction Ratio:%s\n",
                                                                                     Msk_hits2,Crss_pct2,Ext_rat2);
     return (stop-start):
}//acquireSerial()
* Funciton Name: acquireParallel
* Parameters: none
* Returned value: int - the time to acquire the data
* Description: This routine is identical to acquireSerial, except that the data
* is aguired at the same time.
int acquire_parallel()
     printf("Parallel Acquisition In progress\n");//status report
//decalrations
     int start=clock(),stop;
     char Msk_hits1[16],Crss_pct1[16],Ext_rat1[16],buff[32];
     char Msk_hits2[16],Crss_pct2[16],Ext_rat2[16];
     write_IO("CHANnel1:DISPlay ON");//turn on channel one
     write_IO("CHANnel3:DISPlay ON, APPEnd");//turn on channel three
     write_IO("RUN");
                                                        //start acquistion
     write_IO("AUToscale");
                                                 //Autoscale
     write_IO("CALibrate:SKEW:AUTO");//auto deskew the two channels write_IO("*OPC?"); //query for comp
                                                        //query for completion
     read IO(buff.5):
                                                        //read completion response
     write_IO("MTESt:LOAD \"STM016_OC48.msk\\"");//load OC-48 mask
     write_IO("MTESt:SOURce CHANnel1");//set mask test channel1
     write IO("MTESt:START"): //start mask test
     write_IO("MTESt:COUNt:FSAMples?");//query the number of failed samples
     Msk_hits1[read_IO(Msk_hits1, 15)]=0;//get the number of mask hits
     write_IO("MTESt:SOURce CHANnel3");//mask test channel3
```

```
write_IO("MTESt:TEST ON"); //start mask test write_IO("MTESt:COUNt:FSAMples?");//query the number of failed samples Msk_hits2[read_IO(Msk_hits2, 15)]=0;//get the number of mask hits
```

write_IO("MEASure:CGRade:SOURce CHANnel1"); //measure Channel 1 write_IO("MEASure:CGRade:CROSsing?");//query the crossing percentage Crss_pct1[read_IO(Crss_pct1,15)]=0;//get the crossing percentage

write_IO("MEASure:CGRade:ERATio? DECibel");//query the extinction ratio Ext_rat1[read_IO(Ext_rat1,15)]=0;//qet the extinction ratio

write_IO("MEASure:CGRade:SOURce CHANnel3"); //measure Channel 1 write_IO("MEASure:CGRade:CROSsing?");//query the crossing percentage Crss_pct2[read_IO(Crss_pct2,15)]=0;//get the crossing percentage

write_IO("MEASure:CGRade:ERATio? DECibel");//query the extinction ratio Ext_rat2[read_IO(Ext_rat2,15)]=0;//get the extinction ratio

stop = clock();

//display the results printf("Channel 1:\n Mask hits:%s Crossing %%:%s Extinction Ratio:%s\n",

printf("Channel 3:\n Mask hits:%s Crossing %%:%s Extinction Ratio:%s\n",

return (stop-start); //return the total run time

return 1;
}//acquireParallel()

 $Msk_hits1, Crss_pct1, Ext_rat1);$

Msk_hits2,Crss_pct2,Ext_rat2);

```
10
    !file: init
20
30
40
    ! This program demonstrates the order of commands suggested for operation of
    ! the Agilent 86100 analyzer via GPIB. This program initializes the scope, acquires
    ! data, performs automatic measurements, and transfers and stores the data on the
    ! PC as time/voltage pairs in a comma-separated file format useful for spreadsheet
    ! applications. It assumes an interface card at interface select code 7, an
    ! Agilent 86100 scope at address 7, and the Agilent 86100 cal signal connected to Channel 1.
100
110
120 !
130 COM /lo/@Scope.@Path.Interface
140 COM /Raw data/ INTEGER Data(4095)
150 COM /Converted_data/ REAL Time(4095), Volts(4095)
160 COM /Variables/ REAL Xinc, Xref, Xorg, Yinc, Yref, Yorg
170 COM /Variables/ INTEGER Record_length
180 !
190 I
200 CALL Initialize
210 CALL Acquire_data
220 CALL Auto_msmts
230 CALL Transfer data
240 CALL Convert_data
250 CALL Store csv
260 CALL Close
270 END
280 !
300 !
310 !
320 !
                   BEGIN SUBPROGRAMS
330 I
350 !
360 !
370 !
        Subprogram name: Initialize
380 !
        Parameters: none
390 I
        Return value: none
400 !
        Description: This routine initializes the interface and the scope. The instrument
410 !
        is reset to a known state and the interface is cleared. System headers
        are turned off to allow faster throughput and immediate access to the
420 !
       data values requested by the gueries. The analyzer time base,
430 I
      channel, and trigger subsystems are then configured. Finally, the
440!
      acquisition subsystem is initialized.
450!
460!
470!
480 SUB Initialize
490 COM /lo/@Scope,@Path,Interface
500 COM /Variables/ REAL Xinc, Xref, Xorg, Yinc, Yref, Yorg
510 COM /Variables/ INTEGER Record_length
```

```
520
       Interface=7
530
       ASSIGN @Scope TO 707
540
       RESET Interface
550
       CLEAR @Scope
560
       OUTPUT @Scope: "*RST"
       OUTPUT @Scope: "*CLS"
570
580
       OUTPUT @Scope: ":SYSTem: HEADer OFF"
590
       !Initialize Timebase: center reference, 2 ms full-scale (200 us/div),
             20 us delay
       OUTPUT @Scope: ":TIMebase: REFerence CENTer: RANGe 2e-3: POSition 20e-6"
600
        ! Initialize Channel1: 1.6V full-scale (200mv/div), -415mv offset
610
       OUTPUT @Scope; ": CHANnel1: RANGe 1.6; OFFSet -415e-3"
620
630
       !Initialize Trigger: Edge trigger, channel1 source at -415mv
OUTPUT @Scope;":TRIGger:SOURce FPANel;SLOPe POSitive"
640
       OUTPUT @Scope;":TRIGger:LEVel-0.415"
650
660
        ! Initialize acquisition subsystem
665
        ! Real time acquisition, Averaging off, memory depth 4096
       OUTPUT @Scope;":ACQuire:AVERage OFF;POINts 4096"
670
680
       Record length=4096
690
      SUBEND
700
710
720
     730
740
750
         Subprogram name: Acquire_data
760
     Ţ
         Parameters: none
770
     - [
         Return value: none
780 !
         Description: This routine acquires data according to the current instrument
790
     Ţ
                 setting. It uses the root level :DIGitize command. This command
800
     - [
                 is recommended for acquisition of new data because it will initialize
810
     - 1
                 the data buffers, acquire new data, and ensure that acquisition
820
     Ţ
                 criteria are met before acquisition of data is stopped. The captured
830
                 data is then available for measurements, storage, or transfer to a
840
                 PC. Note that the display is automatically turned off by the :DIGitize
850
                 command and must be turned on to view the captured data.
860
870
880
     SUB Acquire data
890
     COM /lo/@Scope.@Path.Interface
     OUTPUT @Scope:":DIGitize CHANnel1"
900
910
     OUTPUT @Scope;":CHANnel1:DISPlay ON"
920
     SUBEND
930
940
950
     960
970
980
         Subprogram name: Auto msmts
990
     - 1
         Parameters: none
1000 ! Return value: none
1010 !
          Description: This routine performs automatic measurements of volts peak-to-peak
1020 !
                 and frequency on the acquired data. It also demonstrates two methods
1030 !
                 of error detection when using automatic measurements.
1040 !
```

```
1050
1060 SUB Auto_msmts
1070 COM /lo/@Scope,@Path,Interface
1080 REAL Period. Vpp
1090 DIM Vpp_str$[64]
1100 DIM Period_str$[64]
1110 Bytes_read=0
1120
1130
          Error checking on automatic measurements can be done using one of two methods.
1140
          The first method requires that you turn on results in the Measurement subsystem
          using the command ":MEASure:SEND ON". When this is on, the scope will return the
1150
          measurement and a result indicator. The result flag is zero if the measurement
1160
1170
          was successfully completed, otherwise a non-zero value is returned which indicates
          why the measurement failed. See the Programmer's Manual for descriptions of result
1180
1190
          indicators. The second method simply requires that you check the return value of
1200
          the measurement. Any measurement not made successfully will return with the value
1210
          +9.999e37. This could indicate that either the measurement was unable to be
1220
          performed or that insufficient waveform data was available to make the measurement.
1230
1240 !
          METHOD ONE
1250 !
1260
          OUTPUT @Scope:":MEASure:SEND ON"
                                                     !turn on results
          OUTPUT @Scope;":MEASure:VPP? CHANnel1"
1270
                                                        !Query volts peak-to-peak
1280
          ENTER @Scope; Vpp_str$
1290
          Bytes_read=LEN(Vpp_str$)
                                              !Find length of string
          CLEAR SCREEN
1300
1310
          IF Vpp_str$[Bytes_read;1]="0" THEN
                                                 !Check result value
1320
           PŘÍNT
           PRINT "VPP is "; VAL(Vpp_str$[1,Bytes_read-1])
1330
1340
           PRINT
1350
          FLSE
1360
            PRINT
1370
           PRINT "Automated vpp measurement error with result ";Vpp_str$[Bytes_read;1]
1380
           PRINT
1390
          END IF
1400
1410
1420
          OUTPUT @Scope;":MEASure:PERiod? CHANnel1" !Query frequency
          ENTER @Scope; Period_str$
1430
1440
          Bytes read=LEN(Period str$)
                                                 !Find string length
          IF Period_str$[Bytes_read;1]="0" THEN
1450
                                                   !Determine result value
1460
1470
            PRINT "Period is "; VAL (Period_str$[1, Bytes_read-1])
1480
           PRINT
1490
          ELSE
1500
            PRINT
1510
           PRINT "Automated period measurement error with result ";Period_str$[Bytes_read;1]
1520
           PRINT
1530
          END IF
1540 !
1550
1560 !
          METHOD TWO
1570 !
1580
          OUTPUT @Scope:":MEASure:SEND OFF"
                                                     !turn off results
1590
          OUTPUT @Scope:":MEASure:VPP? CHANnel1"
                                                     !Query volts peak-to-peak
1600
          ENTER @Scope; Vpp
```

```
1610
         IF Vpp<9.99E+37 THEN
1620
           PŔĬŊŢ
1630
           PRINT "VPP is "; Vpp
1640
           PRINT
1650
         ELSE
           PRINT
1660
1670
           PRINT "Automated vpp measurement error ";Vpp
1680
           PRINT
1690
         END IF
1700
         OUTPUT @Scope:":MEASure:PERiod? CHANnel1"
1710
         ENTER @Scope; Period
         IF Freq<9.99E+37 THEN
1720
1730
           PRINT
1740
           PRINT "Period is "; Period
1750
           PRINT
1760
         ELSE
1770
           PRINT
1780
           PRINT "Automated period measurement error"; Period
1790
1800
         END IF
1810 SUBEND
1820 !
1830 !
1850 !
1860 !
1870 !
         Subprogram name: Transfer_data
1880 !
         Parameters: none
1890 !
         Return value: none
1900!
         Description: This routine transfers the waveform data and conversion factors to
1910 !
1920 !
1930 !
1940 SUB Transfer data
1950 COM /lo/@Scope,@Path,Interface
1960 COM /Raw_data/ INTEGER Data(4095)
1970 COM /Converted_data/ REAL Time(4095), Volts(4095)
1980 COM /Variables/ REAL Xinc, Xref, Xorg, Yinc, Yref, Yorg
1990 COM /Variables/ INTEGER Record_length
2000 !
                          define waveform data source and format
2010 OUTPUT @Scope;":WAVeform:SOURce CHANnel1"
2020 OUTPUT @Scope: ": WAVeform: FORMat WORD"
2030 !
                           request values needed to convert raw data to real
2040 OUTPUT @Scope;":WAVeform:XINCrement?"
2050 ENTER @Scope; Xinc
2060 OUTPUT @Scope;":WAVeform:XORigin?"
2070 ENTER @Scope;Xorg
2080 OUTPUT @Scope;":WAVeform:XREFerence?"
2090 ENTER @Scope; Xref
2100 OUTPUT @Scope;":WAVeform:YINCrement?"
2110 ENTER @Scope; Yinc
2120 OUTPUT @Scope:":WAVeform:YORigin?"
2130 ENTER @Scope; Yora
2140 OUTPUT @Scope: ": WAVeform: YREFerence?"
2150 ENTER @Scope; Yref
2160 !
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```
2170 !
                         request data
2180 OUTPUT @Scope;":WAVeform:DATA?"
2190 ENTER @Scope USING "#,1A";First_chr$
                                         !ignore leading #
2200 ENTER @Scope USING "#,1D"; Header_length Input number of bytes in header value
!Record length in words
2220 Record_length=Record_length/2
2230 ENTER @Scope USING "#,W";Data(*)
2240 ENTER @Scope USING "#,A";Term$
                                         !Enter terminating character
2250
2260 SUBEND
2270 !
2280 !
2300 !
2310 !
2320 !
        Subprogram name: Convert data
2330 !
        Parameters: none
2340 !
        Return value: none
2350 !
        Description: This routine converts the waveform data to time/voltage information
2360 !
               using the values Xinc, Xref, Xorg, Yinc, Yref, and Yorg used to describe
2370 !
               the raw waveform data.
2380 !
2390 !
2400 SUB Convert data
2410 COM /lo/@Scope,@Path,Interface
2420 COM /Raw_data/ INTEGER Data(4095)
2430 COM /Converted_data/ REAL Time(4095), Volts(4095)
2440 COM /Variables/ REAL Xinc, Xref, Xorg, Yinc, Yref, Yorg
2450 COM /Variables/ INTEGER Record_length
2460 !
2470 FOR I=0 TO Record_length-1
       Time(I)=(((I)-Xref)*Xinc)+Xorg
Volts(I)=((Data(I)-Yref)*Yinc)+Yorg
2480
2490
2500 NEXT I
2510 SUBEND
2520 !
2530 !
2550 !
2560
2570
        Subprogram name: Store_csv
2580 !
        Parameters: none
2590 1
        Return value: none
2600 !
        Description: This routine stores the time and voltage information about the waveform
2610 !
          as time/voltage pairs in a comma-separated variable file format.
2620 !
2630
2640 SUB Store csv
2650 COM /lo/@Scope,@Path,Interface
2660 COM /Converted_data/ REAL Time(4095), Volts(4095)
2670 COM /Variables/ REAL Xinc, Xref, Xorg, Yinc, Yref, Yorg
2680 COM /Variables/ INTEGER Record length
2690
        !Create a file to store pairs in
2700 ON ERROR GOTO Cont
2710 PURGE "Pairs.csv"
2720 Cont: OFF ERROR
```

```
2730 CREATE "Pairs.csv", Max_length 2740 ASSIGN @Path TO "Pairs.csv"; FORMAT ON
2750
                    !Output data to file
2760 FOR I=0 TO Record_length-1
2770 OUTPUT @Path;Time(I),Volts(I)
2780 NEXT I
2790 SUBEND
2800 !
2810 !
2830 !
2840 !
2850 !
        Subprogram name: Close
        Parameters: none
2860 !
2870 !
        Return value: none
        Description: This routine closes the IO paths.
2880 !
2890 !
2900 !
2910 SUB Close
2920 COM /lo/@Scope,@Path,Interface
2930
2940 RESET Interface
2950 ASSIGN @Path TO *
2960 SUBEND
```

srq.bas Sample Program

srq.bas Sample Program

```
!File: srg.bas
20
30
   ! This program demonstrates how to set up and check Service Requests from
40
     the scope. It assumes an interface select code of 7 with a scope at
50
   ! address 7. It also assumes a signal is connected to the scope.
60
70
80 COM /lo/@Scope,Interface
90 COM /Variables/Temp
100 CALL Initialize
110 CALL Setup_srq
120
    ON INTR Interface CALL Srg_handler !Set up routine to handle interrupt
130
     ENABLE INTR Interface:2
                                !Enable SRQ Interrupt for Interface
140 CALL Create_srq
150 CALL Close
160 END
170 I
190 I
200 !
              BEGIN SUBPROGRAMS
210 !
230 !
240 !
250 !
       Subprogram name: Initialize
260 !
       Parameters: none
270 !
       Return value: none
280 !
       Description: This routine initializes the interface and the scope.
290 !
           The instrument is reset to a known state and the interface is
300 !
              cleared. System headers are turned off to allow faster throughput
310 !
             and immediate access to the data values requested by the queries.
320 !
330 I
340 SUB Initialize
350 COM /lo/@Scope,Interface
360
      ASSIGN @Scope TO 707
370
      Interface=7
      RESET Interface
380
390
      CLEAR @Scope
      OUTPUT @Scope;"*RST"
400
410
      OUTPUT @Scope: "*CLS"
      OUTPUT @Scope: ":SYSTem: HEADer OFF"
420
430
      OUTPUT @Scope: ": AUToscale"
440 SUBEND
450 I
460 I
470 !
490 !
500!
       Subprogram name: Setup_srg
510 ! Parameters: none
```

```
520! Return value: none
530 ! Description: This routine sets up the scope to generate Service Requests.
540 !
               It sets the Service Request Enable Register Event Status Bit
550 !
               and the Standard Event Status Enable Register to allow SRQs on
560 !
             Command or Query errors.
570 !
580 !
590 SUB Setup_srq
600 COM /lo/@Scope,Interface
610
       OUTPUT @Scope:"*SRE 32" !Enable Service Request Enable Registers - Event Status bit
620 !
630 !
       Enable Standard Event Status Enable Register:
640! enable bit 4 - Command Error - value 32
       bit 1 - Query Error - value 4
OUTPUT @Scope;"*ESE 36"
650 !
660
670 SUBEND
680 !
690 !
700 I
720 !
730 !
740 !
        Subprogram name: Create_srq
750 !
        Parameters: none
760!
        Return value: none
770 !
        Description: This routine will send an illegal command to the scope to
780 !
               show how to detect and handle an SRQ. A guery is sent to
790!
               the scope which is then followed by another command causing
800 !
               a query interrupt error. An illegal command header is then
810 !
               sent to demonstrate how to handle multiple errors in the error queue.
820 !
830 !
840
850 SUB Create_srq
860 COM /lo/@Scope,Interface
870
       DIM Buf$[256]
880
       OUTPUT @Scope;":CHANnel2:DISPlay?"
890
       OUTPUT @Scope; ": CHANnel2: DISPlay OFF"
                                              !send query interrupt
900
       OUTPUT @Scope;":CHANnel:DISPlay OFF"
                                              !send illegal header
910
                    Do some stuff to allow time for SRQ to be recognized
920
930
       OUTPUT @Scope:"*IDN?" !Request IDN to verify communication
940
        ENTER @Scope:Buf$
                             !NOTE: There is a leading zero to this guery response
950
       PRINT
                      !which represents the response to the interrupted guery above
960
       PRINT Buf$
970
       PRINT
980 SUBEND
990!
1000 I
1010!
1030 !
1040 !
1050 !
        Subprogram name: Srg_handler
1060! Parameters: none
1070! Return value: none
```

```
1080 !
        Description: This routine verifies the status of the SRQ line. It then checks
1090 !
                the status byte of the scope to determine if the scope caused the
1100 !
                SRQ. Note that using a SPOLL to read the status byte of the scope
                clears the SRQ and allows another to be generated. The error queue
1110 !
                is read until all errors have been cleared. All event registers and
1120 !
                queues, except the output queue, are cleared before control is returned
1130 !
1140 !
                to the main program.
1150 !
1160 !
1170 !
1180 SUB Srq_handler
1190 COM /lo/@Scope,Interface
       DIM Error_str$[64]
INTEGER Srq_asserted,More_errors
Status_byte=SPOLL(@Scope)
1200
1210
1220
      IF BIT(Status_byte,6) THEN
1230
1240
          More errors=1
1250
          WHILE More errors
1260
             OUTPUT @Scope;":SYSTem:ERROR? STRING"
1270
             ENTER @Scope; Error_str$
1280
             PRINT
1290
             PRINT Error_str$
             IF Error_str$[1,1]="0" THEN
1300
               OUTPUT @Scope; "*CLS"
1310
1320
               More errors=0
1330
             FND IF
          END WHILF
1340
1350
        ELSE
          PRINT
1360
1370
          PRINT "Scope did not cause SRQ"
1380
          PRINT
1390
        FND IF
1400
        ENABLE INTR Interface: 2 !re-enable SRO
1410 SUBEND
1420 !
1430 !
1450 I
1460 !
         Subprogram name: Close
        Parameters: none
1470 !
1480 !
        Return value: none
1490 !
        Description: This routine resets the interface.
1500 !
1510 I
1520 !
1530 SUB Close
1540 COM /Io/@Scope,Interface
1560 RESET Interface
1570 SUBEND
1580 !
1590 !
```

lrn_str.bas Sample Program

```
10 !FILE: Irn str.bas
20
30 !THIS PROGRAM WILL INITIALIZE THE SCOPE, AUTOSCALE, AND DIGITIZE THE WAVEFORM
40 !INFORMATION. IT WILL THEN QUERY THE INSTRUMENT FOR THE LEARNSTRING AND WILL
50 !SAVE THE INFORMATION TO A FILE. THE PROGRAM WILL THEN PROMPT YOU TO CHANGE
60 !THE SETUP THEN RESTORE THE ORIGINAL LEARNSTRING CONFIGURATION. IT ASSUMES
70 !AN Agilent 86100 at ADDRESS 7, GPIB INTERFACE at 7, AND THE CAL SIGNAL ATTACHED TO
80 !CHANNEL 1.
90 1
100 I
110 COM /lo/@Scope,@Path,Interface
120 COM /Variables/Max_length
130 CALL Initialize
140 CALL Store Irnstr
150 CALL Change_setup
160 CALL Get Irnstr
170 CALL Close
180 END
190 I
200 !
220 I
230 !
             BEGIN SUBROUTINES
240 !
260 ! Subprogram name: Initialize
      Parameters: none
270 !
280 I
      Return value: none
290 !
      Description: This routine initializes the path descriptions and resets the
             interface and the scope. It performs an autoscale on the signal,
300 !
             acquires the data on channel 1, and turns on the display.
310 !
320 !
             NOTE: This routine also turns on system headers. This allows the
             string ":SYSTEM:SETUP" to be returned with the learnstring so the
330 !
340 1
             return string is in the proper format.
350 !
360 SUB Initialize
      COM /lo/@Scope,@Path,Interface
370
      COM /Variables/Max_length
380
390
      Max_length=14000
      ASSIGN @Scope TO 707
400
410
      Interface=7
420
      RESET Interface
430
      CLEAR @Scope
440
      OUTPUT @Scope;"*RST"
      OUTPUT @Scope: "*CLS"
450
      OUTPUT @Scope; ": SYSTem: HEADer ON"
460
470
      OUTPUT @Scope:":AUToscale"
480 SUBEND
490 !
500 !
```

Irn_str.bas Sample Program

```
520 !
530 !
540 !
       Subprogram name: Store_Irnstr
550 !
       Parameters: none
560 !
       Return value: none
570 !
       Description: This routine creates a file in which to store the learnstring
580 !
               configuration (Filename:Lrn_strg). It requests the learnstring
590!
              and inputs the configuration to the PC. Finally, it stores the
600 !
             configuration to the file.
610 !
620 SUB Store_Irnstr
       COM /Io/@Scope,@Path,Interface
630
640
       COM /Variables/Max_length
650
       ON ERROR GOTO Cont
       PURGE "Lrn_strg"
660
670 Cont: OFF ERROR
       CREATE BDAT "Lrn_strg",1,14000
680
       DIM Setup$[14000]
690
700
       ASSIGN @Path TO "Lrn_strg"
       OUTPUT @Scope;":SYSTem:SETup?"
ENTER @Scope USING "-K";Setup$
710
720
730
       OUTPUT @Path.1:Setup$
740
       CLEAR SCREEN
750
       PRINT "Learn string stored in file: Lrn_strg"
760 SUBEND
770 !
780 !
800 !
810 !
       Subprogram name: Change_setup
820 !
       Parameters: none
830 !
       Return value: none
840 !
       Description: This subprogram requests that the user change the
850 !
               scope setup, then press a key to continue.
860 !
870 !
880 SUB Change_setup
890
       COM /lo/@Scope,@Path,Interface
900
910
       PRINT
920
       PRINT "Please adjust setup and press Continue to resume."
930
       PAUSE
940 SUBEND
950 I
960 !
980 !
990!
       Subprogram name: Get Irnstr
1000!
        Parameters: none
1010!
        Return value: none
1020 !
        Description: This subprogram loads a learnstring from the
1030 !
               file "Lrn_strg" to the scope.
1040 !
1050!
1060 SUB Get Irnstr
1070
       COM /lo/@Scope,@Path,Interface
```

Irn_str.bas Sample Program

```
COM /Variables/Max_length
DIM Setup$[14000]
ENTER @Path,1;Setup$
1080
1090
1100
      OUTPUT @Scope USING "#,-K";Setup$
1110
1120
      OUTPUT @Scope;":RUN"
1130 SUBEND
1140 !
1150 !
1170 !
1180 !
       Subprogram name: Close Parameters: none
1190 !
1200 !
1210 !
       Return value: none
1220 !
       Description: This routine resets the interface, and closes all I/O paths.
1230 !
1240 !
1250 !
1260 SUB Close
1270 COM /Io/@Scope,@Path,Interface
1280
1290 RESET Interface
1300 ASSIGN @Path TO *
1310 SUBEND
1320 !
```

Sample Programs

Irn_str.bas Sample Program

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Common commands are defined by the IEEE 488.2 standard. They control generic device functions that are common to many different types of instruments. Common commands can be received and processed by the analyzer, whether they are sent over the GPIB as separate program messages or within other program messages.

Receiving Common Commands

Common commands can be received and processed by the analyzer, whether they are sent over the GPIB as separate program messages or within other program messages. If a subsystem is currently selected and a common command is received by the analyzer, the analyzer remains in the selected subsystem. For example, if the program message

"ACQUIRE:AVERAGE ON:*CLS:COUNT 1024"

is received by the analyzer, the analyzer enables averaging, clears the status information, then sets the number of averages without leaving the selected subsystem.

Status Registers

The following two status registers used by common commands have an enable (mask) register. By setting bits in the enable register, the status information can be selected for use. Refer to Chapter 3, "Status Reporting" for a complete discussion of status.

Table 8-1. Status Registers

Status Register	Enable Register
Event Status Register	Event Status Enable Register
Status Byte Register	Service Request Enable Register

Common Commands

*CLS (Clear Status)

Command *CLS

The *CLS command clears all status and error registers.

Example This example clears the status data structures of the analyzer.

10 OUTPUT 707;"*CLS"

20 END

See Also Refer to Chapter 3, "Status Reporting" for a complete discussion of status.

*ESE (Event Status Enable)

Command *ESE <mask>

The *ESE command sets the Standard Event Status Enable Register bits.

<mask> An integer, 0 to 255, representing a mask value for the bits to be enabled in

the Standard Event Status Register as shown in Table 8-2 on page 8-4.

Example This example enables the User Request (URQ) bit of the Standard Event Sta-

tus Enable Register. When this bit is enabled and a front-panel key is pressed,

the Event Summary bit (ESB) in the Status Byte Register is also set.

10 OUTPUT 707:"*ESE 64"

20 END

Query *ESE?

The *ESE? query returns the current contents of the Standard Event Status

Enable Register.

Returned Format <mask><NL>

<mask>

An integer, +0 to +255 (the plus sign is also returned), representing a mask value for the bits enabled in the Standard Event Status Register as shown in Table 8-2 on page 8-4.

Example

This example places the current contents of the Standard Event Status Enable Register in the numeric variable, Event. The value of the variable is printed on the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;"*ESE?" 20 ENTER 707;Event 30 PRINT Event 40 END

The Standard Event Status Enable Register contains a mask value for the bits to be enabled in the Standard Event Status Register. A "1" in the Standard Event Status Enable Register enables the corresponding bit in the Standard Event Status Register. A "0" in the enable register disables the corresponding bit.

Table 8-2. Standard Event Status Enable Register Bits

Bit	Weight	Enables	Definition
7	128	PON - Power On	Indicates power is turned on.
6	64	URQ - User Request	Not used. Permanently set to zero.
5	32	CME - Command Error	Indicates whether the parser detected an error.
4	16	EXE - Execution Error	Indicates whether a parameter was out-of- range, or was inconsistent with the current settings.
3	8	DDE - Device Dependent Error	Indicates whether the device was unable to complete an operation for device-dependent reasons.
2	4	QYE - Query Error	Indicates if the protocol for queries has been violated.
1	2	RQC - Request Control	Indicates whether the device is requesting control.
0	1	OPC - Operation Complete	Indicates whether the device has completed all pending operations.

See Also

Refer to Chapter 3, "Status Reporting" for a complete discussion of status.

*ESR? (Event Status Register)

Query *ESR?

The *ESR? query returns the contents of the Standard Event Status Register. Reading this register clears the Standard Event Status Register, as does *CLS.

Returned Format

<status><NL>

<status>

An integer, 0 to 255, representing the total bit weights of all bits that are high at the time you read the register.

Example

This example places the current contents of the Standard Event Status Register in the numeric variable, Event, then prints the value of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;"*ESR?" 20 ENTER 707;Event 30 PRINT Event 40 END

Table 8-3 lists each bit in the Event Status Register and the corresponding bit weights.

Table 8-3. Standard Event Status Register Bits

Bit	Bit Weight	Bit Name	Condition
7	128	PON	1 = OFF to ON transition has occurred.
6	64		Not Used. Permanently set to zero.
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	RQC	0 = request control - NOT used - always 0.
0	1	OPC	0 = operation is not complete.1 = operation is complete.
	0 = False = Low	1	1 = True = High

*IDN? (Identification Number)

Query *IDN?

The *IDN? query returns the company name, analyzer model number, serial

number, and software version by returning the following string:

AGILENT TECHNOLOGIES,86100A,<USXXXXXXXX>,<Rev #>

<USXXXXXXX> Specifies the serial number of the analyzer. The first two letters and digits of

the serial prefix are the country of manufacture for the analyzer. The last five digits are the serial suffix, which is assigned sequentially, and is different for

each analyzer.

<Rev #> Specifies the software version of the analyzer, and is the revision number.

Returned Format AGILENT TECHNOLOGIES,86100A,USXXXXXXXX,A.XX.XX<NL>

Example This example places the analyzer's identification information in the string vari-

able, Identify\$, then prints the identification information to the computer

screen.

10 DIM Identify\$[50] 20 OUTPUT 707;"*IDN?" 30 ENTER 707;Identify\$

40 PRINT Identify\$

50 END

!Dimension variable

*LRN? (Learn)

Query *LRN?

The *LRN? query returns a string that contains the analyzer's current setup. The analyzer's setup can be stored and sent back to the analyzer at a later time. This setup string should be sent to the analyzer just as it is. It works

because of its embedded ":SYStem:SETup" header.

Returned Format :SYSTem:SETup <setup><NL>

<setup> This is a definite length arbitrary block response specifying the current ana-

lyzer setup. The block size is subject to change with different firmware revi-

sions.

Example

This example sets the scope's address and asks for the learn string, then determines the string length according to the IEEE 488.2 block specification. It then reads the string and the last EOF character.

```
10! Set up the scope's address and
20! ask for the learn string...
30 ASSIGN @Scope TO 707
40 OUTPUT @Scope: "*LRN?"
60! Search for the # sign.
70!
80 Find_pound_sign: !
90 ENTER @Scope USING "#,A";Thischar$
100 IF Thischar$<>"#" THEN Find_pound_sign
110!
120! Determine the string length according
130! to the IEEE 488.2 # block spec.
140! Read the string then the last EOF char.
150!
160 ENTER @Scope USING "#,D";Digit_count
170 ENTER @Scope USING "#,"&VAL$(Digit_count)&"D";Stringlength
180 ALLOCATE Learn_string$[Stringlength+1]
190 ENTER @Scope USING "-K";Learn_string$
200 OUTPUT 707; ":syst:err?"
210 ENTER 707: Errornum
220 PRINT "Error Status=":Errornum
```

*LRN? Returns Prefix to Setup Block

The *LRN query always returns :SYSTem:SETup as a prefix to the setup block. The SYSTem:HEADer command has no effect on this response.

See Also

SYSTem:SETup command and query. When HEADers and LONGform are ON, the SYSTem:SETup command performs the same function as the *LRN query. Otherwise, *LRN and SETup are not interchangeable.

*OPC (Operation Complete)

Command

*OPC

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

Note

Three commands are available for the synchronization between remote command scripts and the instrument:

- The *OPC command: This command sets a bit in the Standard Event Status Register
 when all pending device operations have finished. It is useful to verify the completion
 of commands that could take a variable amount of time or commands executed in parallel with other commands, such as PRINt, and the limit test commands (ACQuire:RUNtil, MTEST:RUNtil, and LTEST). It does not stop the execution of the remote
 script.
- The *OPC query: This query allows synchronization between the computer and the instrument by using the message available (MAV) bit in the Status Byte, or by reading the output queue. Unlike the *OPC command, the *OPC query does not affect the OPC event bit in the Standard Event Status Register. The execution of the remote script is halted and therefore the *OPC query should be used judiciously. For example, the command ":MTEST:RUNtil FSAMPLES,100"; *OPC?" will lock the remote interface until 100 failed samples are detected, which could take a very long time. Under these circumstances, the user must send a device clear or power down to re-start the instrument.
- The *WAI command: This command is similar to the *OPC? query as it will also block
 the execution of the remote script until all pending operations are finished. It is particularly useful if the host computer is connected to two or more instruments. This
 command will not block the GPIB bus, allowing the computer to continue issuing commands to the instrument not executing the *WAI command.

Example

This example sets the operation complete bit in the Standard Event Status Register when the PRINT operation is complete.

10 OUTPUT 707;":PRINT;*OPC"

20 END

Query

*OPC?

The *OPC? query places an ASCII character "1" in the analyzer's output queue when all pending selected device operations have finished.

Returned Format

1<NL>

Example

This example places an ASCII character "1" in the analyzer's output queue when the SINGle operation is complete. Then the value in the output queue is placed in the numeric variable "Complete."

10 OUTPUT 707;":SINGle;*OPC?" 20 ENTER 707;Complete

30 PRINT Complete 40 END

The *OPC query allows synchronization between the computer and the analyzer by using the message available (MAV) bit in the Status Byte, or by reading the output queue. Unlike the *OPC command, the *OPC query does not affect the OPC Event bit in the Standard Event Status Register.

Note

If instrument conditions have been set that can not be met, and the *OPC? is sent out, the instrument will not continue remote execution. Under these circumstances, the user must send a device clear or power down to restart the instrument.

*OPT? (Option)

Query

*OPT?

The OPT? query returns a string with a list of installed options. The query returns a 1 as the first character if option 001 (divided trigger - 12 GHz) is installed. If no options are installed, the string will have a 0 as the first character.

The length of the returned string may increase as options become available in the future. Once implemented, an option name will be appended to the end of the returned string, delimited by a comma.

Example

This example places all options into the string variable, Options\$, then prints the option model and serial numbers to the computer's screen.

10 DIM Options\$[100] 20 OUTPUT 707;"*OPT?" 30 ENTER 707;Options\$ 40 PRINT Options\$ 50 END

*RCL (Recall)

Command

*RCL < register>

The *RCL command restores the state of the analyzer to a setup previously stored in the specified save/recall register. An analyzer setup must have been stored previously in the specified register. Registers 0 through 9 are general-purpose registers and can be used by the *RCL command.

<register> An integer, 0 through 9, specifying the save/recall register that contains the

analyzer setup you want to recall.

Example This example restores the analyzer to the analyzer setup stored in

register 3.

10 OUTPUT 707;"*RCL 3"

20 END

See Also SAVe. An error message appears on the analyzer display if nothing has been

previously saved in the specified register.

*RST (Reset)

Command *RST

The *RST command places the analyzer in a known state. Table 8-4 lists the reset conditions as they relate to the analyzer commands. This is the same as

using the front-panel default setup button.

Example This example resets the analyzer to a known state.

10 OUTPUT 707;"*RST"

20 END

This following table shows the analyzer's default setup.

Table 8-4. Default Setup (1 of 5)

Acquisition

Run/Stop 100 ms

30 Enabled 8 hours

Grid on

Default legend

Off

Off (until the first marker is placed on

the screen)

User selectable if more than one

source is available.

28 ns 0V

Table 8-4. Default Setup (2 of 5)

4. Delault Setup (2 of 5)	
Points/Waveform (Record length)	Automatic - 1350 points
Averaging	Off
# of Averages	16
Trigger	
Source	Front Panel
Bandwidth	2.5 GHz
Hysteresis	Normal
Slope	Positive
Gated Trigger	Off
Level	0 V
Time Base	
Units	Time
Scale	1 ns/div
Position	24 ns
Reference	Left
Display	
Persistence	Variable (oscilloscope mode)
	Gray Scale (Infinite) (Eye/Mask mode)
Persistence Time	100 ms
Graticule	Grid on
Intensity	30
Backlight Saver	Enabled
Turn off backlight after	8 hours
Colors	Default legend
Labels	Off
Markers	
Mode	
Readout	Off (until the first marker is placed on the screen)
X1, Y1 source	User selectable if more than one source is available
X1 position	28 ns
Y1 position	OV
X2, Y2 source	User selectable if more than one source is available
X2 position	24 ns
Y2 position	0V

Table 8-4. Default Setup (3 of 5)

Measure	Oscilloscope mode	Eye/Mask mode	
QuickMeas, Meas.1	V p-p	Extinction ratio	
QuickMeas, Meas. 2	Period	Jitter	
QuickMeas, Meas. 3	Frequency	Average power	
QuickMeas, Meas. 4	Rise time	Crossing %	
Start mask test	_	Off	
Define Measure			
Thresholds - percent	10%, 50%, 90%		
Thresholds - volts	0.0, 1.6, 5.0		
Top-Base Definition	Standard		
Statistics	Off		
Top-Base volts	0.0, 5.0		
Measurements	Off		
Start Edge	Rising, 1 level, middle		
Stop Edge	Falling, 1 level, middle		
Eye Window 1	40%		
Eye Window 2	60%		
Duty cycle distortion format	Time		
Extinction ratio format	Decibel		
Eye width	Time		
Jitter	RMS		
Average power	Watts		
Waveform			
Memory display	Off		
Waveform source	First available channel or memory 1		
Memory type	Waveform		
Math			
Function	Function 1		
Function state	Off		
Operator	Magnify		
Operand 1	First available channel or memory 1		
Operand 2	First available channel or memory 1		
Horizontal scaling	Track source		
Vertical scaling	Track source		

Channel

Table 8-4. Default Setup (4 of 5)

Display On (lowest number installed channel;

others are off)

Scale 50 μ W/div or 10 mV/div

Offset 0.0 V or 0 W
Units Volts (or watts)
Filter Dependent on module

Wavelength 1

Bandwidth Dependent on module

Histogram

Mode Off

Axis Horizontal

Window source First available channel
Size Horizontal - 4.0 divisions

Vertical - 5.0 divisions

X1 position 25 ns

Y1 position 1 division up from bottom, value

depends on module

X2 position 33 ns

Y2 position 1 division down from top, value

depends on module

Utilities

Cal Output 5.0 mv
Calibration Details Off

Self Test Scope Self Tests

Service Extensions Off

Remote Interface Unchanged
Dialog Preferences Opaque Dialogs

Allow Multiple Active Dialogs Off

Sound enabled, volume 48

Limit Test

Test Off
Measurement None
Fail when Outside
Upper limit 10
Lower limit -10
Run until Forever
Run until failures 1 failure

Table 8-4. Default Setup (5 of 5)

Run until waveforms	1,000,000 waveforms
Store summary	Off
Store screen	Off
Store waveforms	Off
Mask Test	
Test	Off
Scale source	Displayed channel
X1 position	2 divisions from left, 26 ns
1 level	2 divisions down
0 level	2 divisions up
Mask margins	Off
Run until	Forever
Failed waveforms	1 failure
Failed samples	1 sample
Waveforms	1,000,000
Samples	1,000,000
Store waveforms	Off
Store summary	Off

*SAV (Save)

Command *SAV <register>

Store screen

The *SAV command stores the current state of the analyzer in a save register.

<register> An integer, 0 through 9, specifying which register to save the current analyzer

setup.

Example This example stores the current analyzer setup to register 3.

Off

10 OUTPUT 707;"*SAV 3"

20 END

See Also *RCL (Recall)

*SRE (Service Request Enable)

Command *SRE <mask>

The *SRE command sets the Service Request Enable Register bits. By setting the *SRE, when the event happens, you have enabled the analyzer's interrupt capability. The scope will then do an SRQ (service request), which is an interrupt.

<mask> An integer, 0 to 255, representing a mask value for the bits to be enabled in

the Service Request Enable Register as shown in Table 8-5 on page 8-15.

Example This example enables a service request to be generated when a message is

available in the output queue. When a message is available, the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MAV}}$ bit is

high.

10 OUTPUT 707;"*SRE 16"

20 END

Query *SRE?

The *SRE? query returns the current contents of the Service Request Enable

Register.

Returned Format <mask><NL>

<mask> An integer, 0 to 255, representing a mask value for the bits enabled in the Ser-

vice Request Enable Register.

Example This example places the current contents of the Service Request Enable Reg-

ister in the numeric variable, Value, then prints the value of the variable to the

computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;"*SRE?" 20 ENTER 707;Value 30 PRINT Value

40 END

The Service Request Enable Register contains a mask value for the bits to be enabled in the Status Byte Register. A "1" in the Service Request Enable Register enables the corresponding bit in the Status Byte Register. A "0" disables the bit.

Table 8-5. Service Request Enable Register Bits

Bit	Weight	Enables	
7	128	OPER - Operation Status Register	
6	64	Not Used	
5	32	ESB - Event Status Bit	
4	16	MAV - Message Available	
3	8	Not Used	
2	4	MSG - Message	

Table 8-5. Service Request Enable Register Bits

1	2	USR - User Event Register	
0	1	TRG - Trigger	

*STB? (Status Byte)

Query

*STB?

The *STB? query returns the current contents of the Status Byte, including the Master Summary Status (MSS) bit. See Table 8-6 on page 8-16 for Status Byte Register bit definitions.

Returned Format

<value><NL>

<value>

An integer, from 0 to 255.

Example

This example reads the contents of the Status Byte into the numeric variable, Value, then prints the value of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;"*STB?" 20 ENTER 707;Value 30 PRINT Value 40 END

In response to a serial poll (SPOLL), Request Service (RQS) is reported on bit 6 of the status byte. Otherwise, the Master Summary Status bit (MSS) is reported on bit 6. MSS is the inclusive OR of the bitwise combination, excluding bit 6, of the Status Byte Register and the Service Request Enable Register. The MSS message indicates that the scope is requesting service (SRQ).

Table 8-6. Status Byte Register Bits

Bit	Bit Weight	Bit Name	Condition
7	128	OPER	0 = no enabled operation status conditions have occurred 1 = an enabled operation status condition has occurred
6	64	RQS/MSS	0 = analyzer has no reason for service 1 = analyzer is requesting service
5	32	ESB	0 = no event status conditions have occurred 1 = an enabled event status condition occurred
4	16	MAV	0 = no output messages are ready 1 = an output message is ready
3	8	_	0 = not used
2	4	MSG	0 = no message has been displayed 1 = message has been displayed

Table 8-6. Status Byte Register Bits

1	2	USR	0 = no enabled user event conditions have occurred 1 = an enabled user event condition has occurred
0	1	TRG	0 = no trigger has occurred 1 = a trigger occurred
	0 = False = L	.0W	1 = True = High

*TRG (Trigger)

Command

*TRG

The *TRG command has the same effect as the Group Execute Trigger message (GET) or RUN command. It acquires data for the active waveform display, if the trigger conditions are met, according to the current settings.

Example

This example starts the data acquisition for the active waveform display according to the current settings.

10 OUTPUT 707;"*TRG"

20 END

*TST? (Test)

Query

*TST?

The *TST? query causes the analyzer to perform a self-test, and places a response in the output queue indicating whether or not the self-test completed without any detected errors. Use the :SYSTem:ERRor command to check for errors. A zero indicates that the test passed and a non-zero indicates the self-test failed.

Disconnect Inputs First

You must disconnect all front-panel inputs before sending the *TST? guery.

Returned Format

<result><NL>

<result>

0 for pass; non-zero for fail.

Example

This example performs a self-test on the analyzer and places the results in the numeric variable, Results. The program then prints the results to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;"*TST?"
20 ENTER 707;Results
30 PRINT Results
40 END

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

The Self-Test takes approximately 3 minutes to complete. When using timeouts in your program, 200 seconds duration is recommended.

*WAI (Wait-to-Continue)

Command

*WAI

The *WAI command prevents the analyzer from executing any further commands or queries until all currently executing commands are completed. See *OPC for alternate methods for synchronization.

Note

Three commands are available for the synchronization between remote command scripts and the instrument:

- The *OPC command: This command sets a bit in the Standard Event Status Register
 when all pending device operations have finished. It is useful to verify the completion
 of commands that could take a variable amount of time or commands executed in parallel with other commands, such as PRINt, and the limit test commands (ACQuire:RUNtil, MTEST:RUNtil, and LTEST). It does not stop the execution of the remote
 script.
- The *OPC query: This query allows synchronization between the computer and the instrument by using the message available (MAV) bit in the Status Byte, or by reading the output queue. Unlike the *OPC command, the *OPC query does not affect the OPC event bit in the Standard Event Status Register. The execution of the remote script is halted and therefore the *OPC query should be used judiciously. For example, the command ":MTEST:RUNtil FSAMPLES,100"; *OPC?" will lock the remote interface until 100 failed samples are detected, which could take a very long time. Under these circumstances, the user must send a device clear or power down to re-start the instrument.

The *WAI command: This command is similar to the *OPC? query as it will also block the execution of the remote script until all pending operations are finished. It is particularly useful if the host computer is connected to two or more instruments. This command will not block the GPIB bus, allowing the computer to continue issuing commands to the instrument not executing the *WAI command.

Example

This example executes a single acquisition, and causes the instrument to wait until acquisition is complete before executing any additional commands.

10 OUTPUT 707; "SINGle; *WAI"

20 FND

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Root Level Commands

Root Level Commands

Root level commands control many of the basic operations of the analyzer that can be selected by pressing the labeled keys on the front panel. These commands are always recognized by the parser if they are prefixed with a colon, regardless of the current tree position. After executing a root level command, the parser is positioned at the root of the command tree.

Status Reporting Data Structures

For any of the Standard Event Status Register bits to generate a summary bit, the bits must be enabled. These bits are enabled by using the *ESE common command to set the corresponding bit in the Standard Event Status Enable Register. URQ in the Event Status Register always returns 0.

To generate a service request (SRQ) interrupt to an external computer, at least one bit in the Status Byte Register must be enabled. These bits are enabled by using the *SRE common command to set the corresponding bit in the Service Request Enable Register. These enabled bits can then set RQS and MSS (bit 6) in the Status Byte Register. In the SRE query, bit 6 always returns 0.

Various root level commands documented in this chapter query and set various registers within the register set.

Root Level Commands

AEEN (Acquisition Limits Event Enable register)

Command :AEEN <mask>

This command sets a mask into the Acquisition Limits Event Enable register. A "1" in a bit position enables the corresponding bit in the Acquisition Limits Event Register to set bit 9 in the Operation Status Register.

<mask> The decimal weight of the enabled bits.

Query :AEEN?

The query returns the current decimal value in the Acquisition Limits Event

Enable register.

Returned Format [:AEEN] <mask><NL>

ALER? (Acquisition Limits Event Register)

Query :ALER?

This query returns the current value of the Acquisition Limits Event Register

as a decimal number and also clears this register.

Root Level Commands

Bit 0 (COMP) of the Acquisition Limits Event Register is set when the acquisition completes. The acquisition completion criteria are set by the :ACQuire:RUNTil command.

Acquistion Limit Tests on Individual Channels

When in independent acquisition mode and a channel finishes the corresponding bit of the acquisition limit event register (ALER) is set. For example, when channel 1 limit is reached bit 1 of the ALER is set; when channel 2 limit is reached bit 2 of the ALER is set. Bit 0 of the ALER is not set until all channels that acquisition limit tests are being performed on have finished. If the acquisition limit of a channel is set to off then the corresponding bit of the ALER for that channel is not set during the acquisition limit test. **ALER?** will return the decimal weight of the enabled bits of the ALER. For example, if channels 1 and 2 have reached their acquisition limit and no other channels have acquisition limits specified, then the value returned by the **ALER?** will be 7 (111 in binary). Bits 0, 1, & 2 of the ALER will then be set.

Returned Format

[:ALER] <value><NL>

AUToscale

Command

:AUToscale

This command causes the analyzer to evaluate the current input signal and find the optimum conditions for displaying the signal. It adjusts the vertical gain and offset for the channel, and sets the time base on the lowest numbered input channel that has a signal.

If signals cannot be found on any vertical input, the analyzer is returned to its former state.

Autoscale sets the following:

- Channel Display, Scale, and Offset
- Trigger and Level
- Time Base Scale and Position

Autoscale turns off the following:

- Measurements on sources that are turned off
- Functions
- Windows
- Memories

No other controls are affected by Autoscale.

Example This example automatically scales the analyzer for the input signal.

10 OUTPUT 707;":AUTOSCALE"

20 END

Query :AUToscale?

Returns a string explaining the results of the last autoscale. The string is empty if the last autoscale completed successfully. The returned string stays

the same until the next autoscale is executed.

The following are examples of strings returned by the AUToscale? query.

No channels turned on

Left module requires calibration for autoscale Right module requires calibration for autoscale

Channel n signal is too small Channel n signal is too high Channel n offset is too low Channel n offset is too high No trigger or trigger too slow

Trigger is in Free Run

Unable to set horizontal scale/delay for channel n

Returned Format [:AUToscale] <string>

BLANk

Command :BLANk {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N> | RESPonse<N> | HISTogram |

CGMemory)

This command turns off an active channel, function, waveform memory, TDR response, histogram, or color grade memory. The VIEW command turns them

on.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

Example This example turns off channel 1.

10 OUTPUT 707;":BLANK CHANNEL1"

20 FND

CDISplay

Command :CDISplay [CHANnel<N>]

This command clears the display and resets all associated measurements. If the analyzer is stopped, all currently displayed data is erased. If the analyzer is running, all of the data in active channels and functions is erased; however, new data is displayed on the next acquisition. Waveform memories are not erased. If a channel is specified as a parameter, only the displayed data from

that channel is cleared.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

Example This example clears the analyzer display.

10 OUTPUT 707:":CDISPLAY"

20 END

COMMents

Command :COMMents {LMODule | RMODule}, "<comments_text>"

This command sets the comments field for the module. This field is used to describe options included in the module, or for user comments about the mod-

ule.

<comments> Represents the ASCII string enclosed in quotation marks.

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":COMMENTS LMODULE"

20 END

Query :COMMents? {LMODule | RMODule}

The query returns a string with the comments field associated with the mod-

ule.

Returned Format [:COMMents] <string>

CREE (Clock Recovery Event Enable Register)

Command :CREE <mask>

This command sets a mask into the Clock Recovery Event Enable Register.

A "1" in a bit position enables the corresponding bit in the Clock Recovery

Event Register to set bit 7 in the Operation Status Register.

<mask>

The decimal weight of the enabled bits. Some of the useful mask values are shown below.

Enable	Mask Value
Block all bits	0
Enable UNLK, block all others	1
Enable LOCK, block all others	2
Enable NSPR1, block all others	4
Enable SPR1, block all others	8
Enable NSPR2, block all others	16
Enable SPR2, block all others	32

Query

:CREE?

The query returns the current decimal value in the Clock Recovery Event Enable Register.

Returned Format

[:CREE] <mask><NL>

CRER? (Clock Recovery Event Register)

Query

:CRER?

This query returns the current value of the Clock Recovery Event Register as a decimal number and also clears this register. Refer to "SPResent?" on page 13-4 for more detailed information on receiver one and receiver two.

Bit 0 (UNLK) of the Clock Recovery Event Register is set when the clock recovery module becomes unlocked or trigger loss has occurred for the 83494A family of modules.

Bit 1 (LOCK) of the Clock Recovery Event Register is set when the clock recovery module becomes locked or a trigger capture has occurred for the 83494A family of modules.

Bit 2 (NSPR1) of the Clock Recovery Event Register is set when the clock recovery module transitions to no longer detecting an optical signal on receiver one.

Bit 3 (SPR1) of the Clock Recovery Event Register is set when the clock recovery module transitions to detecting an optical signal on receiver one.

Bit 4 (NSPR2) of the Clock Recovery Event Register is set when the clock recovery module transitions to no longer detecting an optical signal on receiver two.

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Bit 5 (SPR2) of the Clock Recovery Event Register is set when the clock recovery module transitions to detecting an optical signal on receiver two.

Returned Format

[:CRER] <value><NL>

DIGitize

Command

:DIGitize {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N>}

This command invokes a special mode of data acquisition that is more efficient than using the RUN command when using averaging in the Oscilloscope mode. With the faster computations of the Agilent 86100B, the DIGitize command is no longer significantly faster than the RUN and RUNTil commands.

The DIGitize command initializes the selected channels or functions, then it acquires them according to the current analyzer settings. When the signal is completely acquired (for example, when the specified number of averages have been taken), the analyzer is stopped.

If you use the DIGitize command with channel, function, or response parameters, only the specified channels, functions, or responses are acquired. To speed up acquisition, the waveforms are not displayed and their display state indicates "off." Subsequent to the digitize operation, the display of the acquired waveforms may be turned on for viewing, if desired. Other sources are turned off and their data is invalidated.

Full Range of Measurement and Math Operators are Available

Even though digitized waveforms are not displayed, the full range of measurement and math operators may be performed on them.

If you use the DIGitize command with no parameters, the digitize operation is performed on the channels or functions that were acquired with a previous digitize, run, or single operation. In this case, the display state of the acquired waveforms is not changed. Because the command executes more quickly without parameters, this form of the command is useful for repetitive measurement sequences. You can also use this mode if you want to view the digitize results because the display state of the digitized waveforms is not affected.

Data acquired with the DIGitize command is placed in the normal channel, function, or response.

DIGitize Command Restrictions

The DIGitize command is not intended for use with limit tests. Use the RUN and RUNTil commands instead. The stop condition for the RUN command is specified by commands ACQuire:RUNTil on page 11-6, MTEST:RUNTil on page 22-11, or LTEST on page 20-6.

See Chapter 7, "Sample Programs" for examples of how to use DIGitize and its related commands.

<N>

An integer, 1 through 4.

Example

This example acquires data on channel 1 and function 2.

10 OUTPUT 707;":DIGITIZE CHANNEL1,FUNCTION2"

20 END

The ACQuire subsystem commands set up conditions such as TYPE and COUNT for the next DIGitize command.

The WAVeform subsystem commands determine how the data is transferred out of the analyzer, and how to interpret the data.

LER? (Local Event Register)

Query

:LER?

This query reads the Local (LCL) Event Register. A "1" is returned if a remote-to-local transition has taken place due to the front-panel Local key being pressed. A "0" is returned if a remote-to-local transition has not taken place.

Returned Format

[:LER] {1 | 0}<NL>

Example

The following example checks to see if a remote-to-local transition has taken place and places the result in the string variable, Answer\$, and then prints the result to the controller's screen.

10 Dim Answer\$[50]

!Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":LER?" 30 ENTER 707; Answer\$

40 PRINT Answer\$

50 END

After the LCL Event Register is read, it is cleared.

Once this bit is set, it can only be cleared by reading the Status Byte, reading the register with the LER? query, or sending a *CLS common command.

LTEE (Limit Test Event Enable register)

Command :LTEE <mask>

<mask>

This command sets a mask into the Limit Test Event Enable register.

A "1" in a bit position enables the corresponding bit in the Limit Event Regis-

ter to set bit 8 in the Operation Status Register.

The decimal weight of the enabled bits. Only bits 0 and 1, of the Limit Test

Event Register, are used at this time. The useful mask values are shown in the

following table.

Enable	Mask Value
Block COMP and FAIL	0
Enable COMP, block FAIL	1
Enable FAIL, block COMP	2
Enable COMP and FAIL	3

Query :LTEE?

The query returns the current decimal value in the Limit Test Event Enable

Register.

Returned Format [:LTEE] <mask><NL>

LTER? (Limit Test Event Register)

Query :LTER?

This query returns the current value of the Limit Test Event Register as a decimal number and also clears this register.

Bit 0 (COMP) of the Limit Test Event Register is set when the Limit Test completes. The Limit Test completion criteria are set by the LTESt:RUN command.

Failure criteria for the Limit Test are defined by the LTESt:FAIL command.

Bit 1 (FAIL) of the Limit Test Event Register is set when the Limit Test fails.

Returned Format [:LTER] <value><NL>

MODel?

Query :MODel? {FRAMe | LMODule | RMODule}

This query returns the Agilent model number for the analyzer frame or mod-

ule.

Returned Format

[:MODel] <string>

<string>

A six-character alphanumeric model number in quotation marks. Output is determined by header and longform status as in Table 9-1.

Table 9-1. Model? Returned Format

HEADER		LONGF	ORM	RESPONSE
ON	OFF	ON	OFF	
	Χ		Χ	86100A
	Χ	Χ		86100A
Χ			Χ	:MOD 86100A
Χ		Χ		:MODEL 86100A

Example

This example places the model number of the frame in a string variable, Model\$, then prints the contents of the variable on the computer's screen.

10 Dim Model\$[13]

!Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":Model? FRAME"

30 ENTER 707; Model\$ 40 PRINT Model\$

50 END

MTEE (Mask Test Event Enable Register)

Command

:MTEE <mask>

This command sets a mask into the Mask Event Enable register.

A "1" in a bit position enables the corresponding bit in the Mask Test Event

Register to set bit 10 in the Operation Status Register.

<mask>

The decimal weight of the enabled bits. Only bits 0 and 1, of the Mask Test Event Register, are used at this time. The useful mask values are shown in the following table.

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Enable	Mask Value
Block COMP and FAIL	0
Enable COMP, block FAIL	1
Enable FAIL, block COMP	2
Enable COMP and FAIL	3

Query

The query returns the current decimal value in the Mask Event Enable Regis-

ter.

:MTEE?

Returned Format [:MTEE] <mask><NL>

MTER? (Mask Test Event Register)

Query :MTER?

This query returns the current value of the Mask Test Event Register as a decimal number and also clears this register.

Bit 0 (COMP) of the Mask Test Event Register is set when the Mask Test completes.

Bit 1 (FAIL) of the Mask Test Event Register is set when the Mask Test fails. This will occur whenever any sample is recorded within any region defined in the mask.

Returned Format

[:MTER] <value><NL>

OPEE

Command :OPEE <mask>

This command sets a mask in the Operation Status Enable register. Each bit that is set to a "1" enables that bit to set bit 7 in the Status Byte Register, and potentially causes an SRQ to be generated. Bit 5, Wait for Trig, is used. Other

bits are reserved.

<mask> The decimal weight of the enabled bits.

Query :OPEE?

The query returns the current value contained in the Operation Status Enable

register as a decimal number.

Returned Format [:OPEE] <value><NL>

OPER?

Query :OPER?

This query returns the value contained in the Operation Status Register as a decimal number and also clears this register. This register is the summary of the CLCK bit (bit 7), LTEST bit (bit 8), ACQ bit (bit 9) and MTEST bit

(bit 10).

The CLCK bit is set by the Clock Recovery Event Register and indicates that a clock event has occurred. The LTEST bit is set by the Limit Test Event Register and indicates that a limit test has failed or completed. The ACQ bit is set by the Acquisition Event Register and indicates that an acquisition limit test has completed. The MTEST bit is set by the Mask Test Event Register and

indicates that a mask limit test has failed or completed.

Returned Format [:OPER] <value><NL>

PRINt

Command :PRINt

This command outputs a copy of the screen to a printer or other device destination specified in the HARDcopy subsystem. You can specify the selection of the output and the printer using the HARDcopy subsystem commands.

Example This example outputs a copy of the screen to a printer or a disk file. See *OPC

(Operation Complete) command on page 8-7 for synchronization of PRINT

operations.

10 OUTPUT 707;":PRINT"

20 END

RECall:SETup

Command :RECall:SETup <setup_memory_num>

This command recalls a setup that was saved in one of the analyzer's setup memories. You can save setups using either the STORe:SETup command or

the front panel.

<setup_memory_num> Setup memory number, an integer, 0 through 9.

Example This command recalls a setup from setup memory 2.

10 OUTPUT 707;":RECall:SETup 2"

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RUN

Command

:RUN [CHANnel<N>]

This command starts the analyzer running. When the analyzer is running, it acquires waveform data according to its current settings. Acquisition runs repetitively until the analyzer receives a correspondent STOP command.

Command is Subordinate to Ongoing Limit Tests

The execution of the RUN command is subordinate to the status of ongoing limit tests. (see commands ACQuire:RUNTiI on page 11-5, MTEST:RUNTiI on page 22-10, and LTESt:RUNTiI on page 20-6). The RUN command will not restart a full data acquisiton if the stop condition for a limit test has been met.

<N>

An integer, 1 through 4.

Example

This example causes the analyzer to acquire data repetitively for all active channels.

10 OUTPUT 707;":RUN" 20 FND

SERial (Serial Number)

Command

:SERial {FRAMe | LMODule | RMODule},<string>

This command sets the serial number for the analyzer frame or module. The serial number is entered by Agilent Technologies. Therefore, setting the serial number is not normally required unless the analyzer is serialized for a different application.

<string>

A ten-character alphanumeric serial number enclosed with quotation marks.

The analyzer's serial number is part of the string returned for the *IDN? query, described in Chapter 8. "Common Commands"

described in Chapter 8, "Common Commands".

Example

This example sets the serial number for the analyzer's frame to "1234A56789".

10 OUTPUT 707;":SERIAL FRAME,""1234A56789"""

20 END

Query

:SERial? {FRAMe | LMODule | RMODule}

The query returns the current serial number string for the specified frame or

module.

Returned Format [:SERial] <string><NL>

Example 10 Dim Serial [50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":SERIAL? FRAME"

30 ENTER 707; Serial\$ 40 PRINT SERIAL\$

50 END

SINGle

Command :SINGle [CHANnel<N>]

This command causes the analyzer to make a single acquisition when the next trigger event occurs. It should be followed by *WAI, *OPC, or *OPC? in order

to synchronize data acquisition with remote control.

Example This example sets up the analyzer to make a single acquisition when the next

trigger event occurs.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SINGLE"

20 END

STOP

Command :STOP [CHANnel<N>]

This command causes the analyzer to stop acquiring data for the active display. If no channel is specified, all active channels are affected. To restart the

acquisition, use the RUN or SINGle command.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

Example This example stops the current data acquisition on all active channels.

10 OUTPUT 707;":STOP"

20 END

STORe:SETup

Command :STORe:SETup <setup_memory_num>

This command saves the current analyzer setup in one of the setup memories.

<setup_memory_num> Setup memory number, an integer, 0 through 9.

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STORe:WAVeform

Command :STORe:WAVeform <source>.<destination>

This command copies a channel, function, stored waveform, or TDR response to a waveform memory or to color grade memory. The parameter preceding the comma specifies the source and can be any channel, function, response, color grade memory, or waveform memory. The parameter following the

comma is the destination, and can be any waveform memory.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N> | RESPonse<N>}

Sources for Color Grade Memory

Only channels or functions can be sources for color grade memory.

<destination> {WMEMory<N> | CGMemory}
<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

Example This example copies channel 1 to waveform memory 3.

10 OUTPUT 707;":STORE:WAVEFORM CHANNEL1,WMEMORY3"

20 END

TER? (Trigger Event Register)

Query :TER?

This query reads the Trigger Event Register. A "1" is returned if a trigger has

occurred. A "0" is returned if a trigger has not occurred.

Returned Format [:TER] $\{1 \mid 0\}$ <NL>

Example This example checks the current status of the Trigger Event Register and

places the status in the string variable, Current\$, then prints the contents of

the variable to the computer's screen.

10 DIM Current\$[50] !Dimension variable 20 OUTPUT 707;":TER?"

30 ENTER 707; Current\$ 40 PRINT Current\$

50 END

Once this bit is set, you can clear it only by reading the register with the TER? query, or by sending a *CLS common command. After the Trigger Event Register is read, it is cleared.

UEE (User Event Enable register)

Command :UEE <mask>

This command sets a mask into the User Event Enable register. A "1" in a bit position enables the corresponding bit in the User Event Register to set bit 1 in the Status Byte Register and, thereby, potentially cause an SRQ to be generated. Only bit 0 of the User Event Register is used at this time; all other bits

are reserved.

<mask> The decimal weight of the enabled bits.

Query :UEE?

The query returns the current decimal value in the User Event Enable regis-

ter.

Returned Format [:UEE] <mask><NL>

UER? (User Event Register)

Query :UER?

This query returns the current value of the User Event Register as a decimal number and also clears this register. Bit 0 (LCL - Remote/Local change) is

used. All other bits are reserved.

Returned Format [:UER] <value><NL>

VIEW

Command :VIEW {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N> | RESPonse<N> | HISTogram |

CGMemory)

This command turns on a channel, function, waveform memory, TDR

response, histogram, or color grade memory.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

Example This example turns on channel 1.

10 OUTPUT 707:":VIEW CHANNEL1"

20 FND

See Also The BLANk command turns off a channel, function, waveform memory, TDR

response, histogram, or color grade memory.

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SYSTem subsystem commands control the way in which query responses are formatted, send and receive setup strings, and enable reading and writing to the advisory line of the analyzer. You can also set and read the date and time in the analyzer using the SYSTem subsystem commands.

DATE

Command :SYSTem:DATE <day>,<month>,<year>

This command sets the date in the analyzer, and is not affected by the *RST

common command.

<day> Specifies the day in the format <1....31>.

<month> Specifies the month in the format <1, 2, 12> | <JAN, FEB, MAR>.

year> Specifies the year in the format <yyyy> | <yy>. The values range from

1992 to 2035.

Example The following example sets the date to July 1, 1997.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:DATE 7,1,97"

20 END

Query :SYSTem:DATE?

The query returns the current date in the analyzer.

Returned Format [:SYSTem:DATE] <day> <month> <year>>><NL> **Example** The following example queries the date.

10 DIM Date\$ [50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:DATE?"

30 ENTER 707; Date\$ 40 PRINT Date\$

DSP

Command :SYSTem:DSP <string>

This command writes a quoted string, excluding quotation marks, to the advisory line of the instrument display. If you want to clear a message on the advisory

sory line, send a null (empty) string.

<string> An alphanumeric character array up to 92 bytes long.

Example The following example writes the message, "Test 1" to the advisory line of the

analyzer.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:DSP ""Test 1"""

20 END

Query :SYSTem:DSP?

The query returns the last string written to the advisory line. This may be a string written with a SYSTem:DSP command, or an internally generated advi-

sory.

The string is actually read from the message queue. The message queue is cleared when it is read. Therefore, the displayed message can only be read

once over the bus.

Returned Format [:SYSTem:DSP] <string><NL>

Example The following example places the last string written to the advisory line of the

analyzer in the string variable, Advisory\$. Then, it prints the contents of the

variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Advisory\$[89]

20 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:DSP?"

30 ENTER 707; Advisory\$ 40 PRINT Advisory\$

50 FND

!Dimension variable

ERRor?

Query :SYSTem:ERRor? [{NUMBer | STRing}]

This query outputs the next error number in the error queue over the GPIB. When either NUMBer or no parameter is specified in the query, only the numeric error code is output. When STRing is specified, the error number is output followed by a comma and a quoted string describing the error.

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Table 10-1 on page 10-4 lists the error numbers and their corresponding error messages. The error messages are also listed in Chapter 30, "Error Messages", where possible causes are given for each message.

Returned Format <error_number> [:SYSTem:ERRor] <error_number>[,<quoted_string>]<NL>

<quoted_string>

A numeric error code.

Example

A quoted string describing the error.

The following example reads the oldest error number and message in the error queue into the string variable, Condition\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Condition\$[64]

!Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:ERROR? STRING"

30 ENTER 707; Condition\$

40 PRINT Condition\$

50 END

This analyzer has an error queue that is 30 errors deep and operates on a first-in, first-out (FIFO) basis. Successively sending the SYSTem:ERRor query returns the error numbers in the order that they occurred until the queue is empty. When the queue is empty, this query returns headers of 0, "No error." Any further queries return zeros until another error occurs. Note that front-panel generated errors are also inserted in the error queue and the Event Status Register.

Send *CLS Before Other Commands or Queries

Send the *CLS common command to clear the error queue and Event Status Register before you send any other commands or queries.

See Also

Chapter 30, "Error Messages" for more information on error messages and their possible causes.

Table 10-1. Error Messages

Error Number	Description	Error Number	Description
0	No error	-158	String data not allowed
-100	Command error	-160	Block data error
-101	Invalid character	-161	Invalid block data
-102	Syntax error	-168	Block data not allowed
-103	Invalid separator	-170	Expression error

Table 10-1. Error Messages

Error Number	Description	Error Number	Description
-104	Data type error	-171	Invalid expression
-105	GET not allowed	-178	Expression data not allowed
-108	Parameter not allowed	-200	Execution error
-109	Missing parameter	-222	Data out of range
-112	Program mnemonic too long	-223	Too much data
-113	Undefined header	-224	Illegal parameter value
-121	Invalid character in number	-310	System error
-123	Numeric overflow	-350	Too many errors
-124	Too many digits	-400	Query error
-128	Numeric data not allowed	-410	Query INTERRUPTED
-131	Invalid suffix	-420	Query UNTERMINATED
-138	Suffix not allowed	-430	Query DEADLOCKED
-141	Invalid character data	-440	Query UNTERMINATED after indefinite response
-144	Character data too long		

HEADer

Command :SYSTem:HEADer $\{\{ON \mid 1\} \mid \{OFF \mid 0\}\}$

This command specifies whether the instrument will output a header for query responses. When SYSTem:HEADer is set to ON, the query responses

include the command header.

Example The following example sets up the analyzer to output command headers with

query responses.

10 OUTPUT 707:":SYSTEM:HEADER ON"

20 END

Query :SYSTem:HEADer?

The query returns the state of the SYSTem:HEADer command.

Returned Format [:SYSTem:HEADer] {1 | 0}<NL>

Example This example examines the header to determine the size of the learn string.

Memory is then allocated to hold the learn string before reading it. To output

the learn string, the header is sent, then the learn string and the EOF.

10 DIM Header\$[64]

20 OUTPUT 707; "syst:head on"

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30 OUTPUT 707;":syst:set?"
40 More_chars: !
50 ENTER 707 USING "#,A"; This char$
60 Header$=Header$&This_char$
70 IF This_char$<>"#" THEN More_chars
90 ENTER 707 USING "#,D"; Num_of_digits
110 Header$=Header$&"#"&VAL$(Num of digits)&VAL$(Set size)
120!
130 ALLOCATE INTEGER Setup(1:Set_size)
140 ENTER 707 USING "#,B"; Setup(*)
150 ENTER 707 USING "#,A";Eof$
160!
170 OUTPUT 707 USING "#,-K";Header$
180 OUTPUT 707 USING "#,B";Setup(*)
190 OUTPUT 707 USING "#,A";Eof$
200
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Turn Headers Off when Returning Values to Numeric Variables

Turn headers off when returning values to numeric variables. Headers are always off for all common command queries because headers are not defined in the IEEE 488.2 standard.

LONGform

Command

:SYSTem:LONGform {ON | 1 | OFF | 0}

This command specifies the format for query responses. If the LONGform is set to OFF, command headers and alpha arguments are sent from the instrument in the short form (abbreviated spelling). If LONGform is set to ON, the whole word is output.

This command has no effect on input headers and arguments sent to the instrument. Headers and arguments may be sent to the instrument in either the long form or short form, regardless of the current state of the LONGform command.

Example

The following example sets the format for query response from the instrument to the short form (abbreviated spelling).

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:LONGFORM OFF" 20 FND

Query

:SYSTem:LONGform?

The query returns the current state of the SYSTem:LONGform command.

Returned Format

[:SYSTem:LONGform] {0 | 1}<NL>

Example

The following example checks the current format for query responses from the oscilloscope and places the result in the string variable, Result\$, then

prints the contents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Result\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:LONGFORM?"

30 ENTER 707: Result\$ 40 PRINT Result\$

50 END

!Dimension variable

MODE

Command :SYSTem:MODE {EYE | OSCIlloscope | TDR}

This command sets the system mode.

Example The following example sets the instrument mode to Eye/Mask mode.

10 OUTPUT 707:":SYSTEM:MODE FYF"

20 END

Changing to Eye/Mask Mode

Changing to Eye/Mask mode using the SYSTem:MODE command, will turn off all active channels except the lowest numbered channel.

Query :SYSTem:MODE?

The query returns the current state of the SYSTem:MODE command.

Returned Format

[:SYSTem:MODE] {EYE | OSC | TDR}

Example

The following example checks the current instrument mode of the analyzer, and places the result in the string variable, Result\$. Then, it prints the con-

tents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Result\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:MODE?"

30 FNTFR 707: Result\$ 40 PRINT Result\$

50 END

!Dimension variable

SETup

Command :SYSTem:SETup

binary_block_data>

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This command sets up the instrument as defined by the data in the setup string from the controller.

data>

A string, consisting of bytes of setup data. The number of bytes is a dynamic number that is read and allocated by the analyzer's software.

Example

The following example sets up the instrument as defined by the setup string stored in the variable, SetS.

10 OUTPUT 707 USING "#,-K";":SYSTEM:SETUP ";Set\$ 20 END

HP BASIC Image Specifiers

is an HP BASIC image specifier that suppresses the automatic output of the EOI sequence following the last output item.

K is an HP BASIC image specifier that outputs a number or string in standard form with no leading or trailing blanks.

Query

:SYSTem:SETup?

The query outputs the instrument's current setup to the controller in binary block data format as defined in the IEEE 488.2 standard.

Returned Format

[:SYSTem:SETup] #NX...X<setup data string><NL>

The first character in the setup data string is a number added for disk operations.

Example

The following example stores the current instrument setup in the string variable, Set\$.

10 DIM Set\$[15000] !Dimension variable 20 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off 30 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:SETUP?" 40 ENTER 707 USING "-K";Set\$

50 END

HP BASIC Image Specifiers

—K is an HP BASIC image specifier which places the block data in a string, including carriage returns and line feeds, until EOI is true, or when the dimensioned length of the string is reached.

SYSTem:SETup Can Operate Just Like *LRN

When headers and LONGform are on, the SYSTem:SETup query operates the same as the *LRN query in the common commands. Otherwise, *LRN and SETup are not interchangeable.

TIME

Command :SYSTem:TIME <hour>, <minute>, <second>

This command sets the time in the instrument, and is not affected by the *RST

common command.

 <hour>
 0....23

 <minute>
 0....59

 <second>
 0....59

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:TIME 10,30,45"

20 END

Query :SYSTem:TIME?

The query returns the current time in the instrument.

Returned Format [:SYSTem:TIME] <hour>,<minute>,<second>

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The ACQuire subsystem commands set up conditions for acquiring waveform data, including the DIGitize root level command. The commands in this subsystem select the number of averages and the number of data points. This subsystem also includes commands to set limits on how much data is acquired, and specify actions to execute when acquisition limits are met.

AVERage

Command :ACQuire:AVERage {{ON | 1} | {OFF | 0}}

This command enables or disables averaging. When ON, the analyzer acquires multiple data values for each time bucket, and averages them. When OFF, averaging is disabled. To set the number of averages, use the :ACQuire:COUNt

command described later in this chapter.

Example This example turns averaging on.

10 OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:AVERAGE ON"

20 END

Query :ACQuire:AVERage?

Returned Format [:ACQuire:AVERage] {1 | 0}<NL>

BEST

Command :ACQuire:BEST {THRuput | FLATness}

When averaging is enabled with ACQuire:AVERage, the FLATness option improves the step flatness by using a signal processing algorithm within the instrument. You should use this option when performing TDR measurements or when step flatness is important. The THRuput option improves the instrument's throughput and should be used whenever best flatness is not required.

Example The following example sets the instrument to best step flatness.

10 OUTPUT 707:":ACQUIRE:BEST FLATNESS"

20 END

Query :ACQuire:BEST?

The query returns the current acquisition algorithm setting.

Returned Format

[:ACQuire:BEST] {THRuput | FLATness}<NL>

Example

The following example obtains the current setting of the acquisition algorithm from the instrument, stores it in the variable, Best\$, then prints the contents

of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Best\$[50]

!Define variable

20 OUTPUT 707: ": ACQUIRE: BEST?"

30 ENTER 707;Best\$ 40 PRINT Best\$

50 END

COUNt

Command :ACQuire:COUNt <value>

This command sets the number of averages for the waveforms. In the AVERage mode, the ACQuire:COUNt command specifies the number of data values to be averaged for each time bucket before the acquisition is considered com-

plete for that time bucket.

<value> An integer, 1 to 4096, specifying the number of data values to be averaged.

Example The following example specifies that 16 data values must be averaged for each

time bucket to be considered complete.

10 OUTPUT 707:":ACQUIRE:COUNT 16"

20 END

Query :ACQuire:COUNt?

The guery returns the currently selected count value.

Returned Format [:ACQuire:COUNt] <value><NL>

<value> An integer, 1 to 4096, specifying the number of data values to be averaged.

Example The following example checks the currently selected count value and places

that value in the string variable, Result\$. Then the program prints the con-

tents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Result\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:COUNT?"

30 ENTER 707; Result\$ 40 PRINT Result\$

50 END

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LTESt

Command :ACQuire:LTESt [ALL | INDividual]

This command sets the mode for acquisition limit tests. The default is ALL. When it is set to INDividual, the :ACQuire:RUNtil command can be used with the optional channel parameter to specify runtil conditions for each channel individually. When it is set to ALL, acquisition limit tests are performed on all

channels simultaneously.

Example The following example sets mode for acquisition limit tests to individual.

10 OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:LTEST INDIVIDUAL"

20 END

Query :ACQuire:LTESt?

Returned Format [:ACQuire:LTESt] {ALL | IND} <NL>

Example The following example retrieves the made for acquisition limit tests and places

the value in the string variable, Result.

10 DIM Result\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:LTEST?"

30 ENTER 707; Result\$ 40 PRINT Result\$

50 FND

POINts

Command :ACQuire:POINts {AUTO | <points_value>}

This command sets the requested memory depth for an acquisition. Always query the points value with the WAVeform:POINts query or WAVeform:PRE-

!Dimension variable

amble to determine the actual number of acquired points.

You can set the points value to AUTO, which allows the analyzer to select the

number of points based upon the sample rate and time base scale.

<points_value> An integer representing the memory depth. The points value range is 16 to

4096 points.

Example This example sets the memory depth to 500 points.

10 OUTPUT 707:":ACQUIRE:POINTS 500"

20 END

Query :ACQuire:POINts?

The query returns the requested memory depth.

Returned Format [:ACQuire:POINts] <points_value><NL>

Example This example checks the current setting for memory depth and places the

result in the string variable, Length\$. Then the program prints the contents of

the variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Length\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:POINTS?"

30 ENTER 707;Length\$ 40 PRINT Length\$

50 END

See Also :WAVeform:DATA

RUNTil

Command :ACQuire:RUNTil {OFF | WAVeforms,<number_of_waveforms> | SAMples, <number_of_samples>}[,CHANnel<N>]

This command selects the acquisition run until mode. The acquisition may be set to run until n waveforms or n samples have been acquired, or to run forever (OFF). If more than one run until criteria is set, then the instrument will act upon the completion of whichever run until criteria is achieved first.

Channel Parameter can Specify RUNTil Conditions

The optional channel parameter can be set to specify RUNTil conditions on each channel individually when the :ACQuire:LTESt command is set to INDividual. If the acquisition limit test mode is set to INDividual and the :ACQuire:RUNTil OFF command is sent with no channel specified, all channels will be set to OFF. To turn off acquisition limit tests for an individual channel, you must specify the channel.

<number_of_ waveforms

An integer, 1 through 2³¹–1.

<number_of_samples> An integer, 1 through 2³¹–1.</n><n> An integer, 1 through 4.

Example 1 The following example specifies that the acquisition runs until 200 samples

have been obtained.

10 OUTPUT 707;":ACQuire:RUNTIL SAMPLES,200"

20 END

Example 2 The following example specifies that Channel 1 acquisition runs until

300 waveforms have been obtained.

write_IO (":ACQuire:LTESt IND");

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write_IO (":ACQuire:RUNTil WAVeforms, 300, CHANnel1");

Query :ACQuire:RUNTil? [CHANnel<N>]

The query returns the currently selected run until state. If the channel param-

eter is specified, the run until state of the specified channel is returned.

Returned Format

Example

[:ACQuire:RUNTil] {OFF | WAVeform, <n waveforms> | SAMPles, <n samples>}<NL>

The following example returns the result of the run until query and prints it to

the controller's screen.

10 DIM Runt\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":ACQuire:RUNTIL?"

30 ENTER 707; Runt\$ 40 PRINT Runt\$

50 END

SSCReen

Command :ACQuire:SSCReen {OFF | DISK [,<filename>]}

This command saves a copy of the screen when the acquisition limit is

reached.

OFF Turns off the save action.

DISK A different set of commands is provided to control the print to disk.

An ASCII string enclosed in quotation marks. If no filename is specified, a default filename is assigned. This filename will be *AcqLimitScreenX.bmp*,

where X is an incremental number assigned by the instrument.

Save Screen Options

The save screen options established by the commands ACQuire:SSCReen DISK, ACQuire:SSCReen:AREA, and ACQuire:SSCReen:IMAG are stored in the instrument's memory and will be employed in consecutive save screen operations, until changed by the user. This includes the <filename> parameter for the ACQuire:SSCReen DISK command. If the results of consecutive limit tests must be stored in different files, omit the <filename> parameter and use the default filename instead. Each screen image will be saved in a different file named <code>AcqLimitScreenX.bmp</code>, where X is an incremental number assigned by the instrument.

The *filename* field encodes the network path and the directory in which the file will be saved, as well as the file format that will be used. The following is a list of valid filenames.

Valid Filenames

Filename	File Saved in Directory		
"Test1.gif"	C:\User Files\Screen Images\		
"A:test2.pcx"	A:\		
".\screen2.jpg"	File saved in the present working directory, set with the command :DISK:CDIR.		
"\\computer-ID\d\$\test3.bmp"	File saved in drive D: of computer "computer-ID", provided all permissions are set properly.		
"E:test4.eps"	File saved in the instrument's drive E:, that could be mapped to any disk in the network.		

If a filename is specified without a path, the default path will be C:\User Files\screen images. The default file type is a bitmap (.bmp). The following graphics formats are available by specifying a file extension: PCX files (.pcx), EPS files (.eps), Postscript files (.ps), JPEG files (.jpg), TIFF files (.tif), and GIF files (.gif).

.gif, .tif, and .jpg Formats

For .gif and .tif file formats, this instrument uses LZW compression/decompression licensed under U.S. patent No 4,558,302 and foreign counterparts. End user should not modify, copy, or distribute LZW compression/decompression capability.

For .jpg file format, this instrument uses the .jpg software written by the Independent JPEG Group.

Example

The following example saves a copy of the screen to the disk when acquisition limit is reached. Additional disk-related controls are set using the SSCReen:AREA and SSCReen:IMAGe commands.

10 OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:SSCREEN DISK"

20 END

Query :ACQuire:SSCReen?

The query returns the current state of the SSCReen command.

Returned Format Example [:ACQuire:SSCReen] {OFF | DISK [,<filename>]}<NL>

The following example returns the destination of the save screen when acquisition limit is reached and prints the result to the controller's screen.

10 DIM SSCR\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:SSCREEN?"

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30 ENTER 707;SSCR\$ 40 PRINT SSCR\$ 50 END

SSCReen:AREA

Command :ACQuire:SSCReen:AREA {GRATicule | SCReen}

This command selects which data from the screen is to be saved to disk when the run until condition is met. When you select GRATicule, only the graticule area of the screen is saved (this is the same as choosing Waveforms Only in the Specify Report Action for acquisition limit test dialog box). When you

select SCReen, the entire screen is saved.

Example This example selects the graticule for saving.

10 OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:SSCREEN:AREA GRATICULE"

20 END

Query :ACQuire:SSCReen:AREA?

The query returns the current setting for the area of the screen to be saved.

Returned Format [:ACQuire:SSCReen:AREA] {GRATicule | SCReen}<NL>

Example This example places the current selection for the area to be printed in the

string variable. Selection S. then prints the contents of the variable to the com-

puter's screen.

10 DIM Selection\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:SSCREEN:AREA?"

30 ENTER 707; Selection\$ 40 PRINT Selection\$

50 END

SSCReen:IMAGe

Command :ACQuire:SSCReen:IMAGe {NORMal | INVert | MONochrome}

This command saves the screen image to disk normally, inverted, or in monochrome. IMAGe INVert is the same as choosing Invert Background Waveform $\,$

Color in the Specify Report Action for acquisition limit test dialog box.

Example This example sets the image output to normal.

10 OUTPUT 707:":ACQuire:SSCReen:IMAGE NORMAL"

20 END

Query :ACQuire:SSCReen:IMAGe?

The query returns the current image setting.

Returned Format

[:ACQuire:SSCReen:IMAGe] {NORMal | INVert | MONochrome}<NL>

Example

This example places the current setting for the image in the string variable, Setting\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 DIM Setting\$[50] ![20 OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:SSCREEN:IMAGE?' !Dimension variable

30 ENTER 707; Setting\$ 40 PRINT Setting\$

50 END

SWAVeform

Command :ACQuire:SWAVeform <source>, <destination> [,<filename>[, <format>]]

> This command saves waveforms from a channel, function, TDR response, or waveform memory when the number of waveforms or samples as specified in the limit test is acquired. Each waveform source can be individually specified, allowing multiple channels, responses, or functions to be saved to disk or waveform memories. Setting a particular source to OFF removes any wave-

form save action from that source.

<source>

{CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N> | RESPonse<N>}

<destination>

{OFF | WMEMory<N>| DISK}

<filename>

An ASCII string enclosed in quotes. If no filename is specified, a default filename will be assigned. The default filenames will be *AcqLimitChN X*, AcqLimitFnN X, AcqLimitMemN X or AcqLimitRspN X, where X is an incremental number assigned by the instrument.

If a specified filename contains no path, the default path will be C:\User Files\waveforms.

Storing Consecutive Limit Tests

If the selected waveforms of consecutive limit tests are to be stored in individual files, omit the <filename> parameter. The waveforms will be stored in the default format (INTERNAL) using the default naming scheme.

<format>

{TEXT [,YVALues | VERBose] | INTernal}

Where INTernal is the default format, and VERBose is the default format for TEXT.

Example

The following example turns off the saving of waveforms from channel 1.

10 OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:SWAVEFORM CHAN1,OFF"

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20 END

Query :ACQuire:SWAVeform? <source>

The guery returns the current state of the :ACQuire:SWAVeform command.

Returned Format

[:ACQuire:SWAVeform]<source>, <destination> [,<filename>[,<format>]]<NL>

Example

The following example returns the current parameters for saving waveforms.

10 DIM SWAV\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":ACQUIRE:SWAVEFORM? CHANNEL1"

30 ENTER 707;SWAV\$
40 PRINT SWAV\$

50 END

SWAVeform:RESet

Command :ACQuire:SWAVeform:RESet

This command sets the save destination for all waveforms to OFF. Setting a source to OFF removes any waveform save action from that source. This is a convenient way to turn off all saved waveforms if it is unknown which are

being saved.

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":ACQuire:SWAVeform:RESet"

20 END

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This section briefly explains the calibration of the 86100A/B digital communications analyzer. It is intended to give you and the calibration lab personnel an understanding of the calibration procedure and how the calibration subsystem is intended to be used. Also, this section acquaints you with the terms used in this chapter, help screens, and data sheets.

A calibration procedure is included at the end of this chapter.

Mainframe Calibration

Mainframe calibration establishes calibration factors for the analyzer. These factors are stored in the analyzer's hard disk. You initiate the calibration from the Calibration menu or by sending the :CALibrate:FRAMe:STARt command.

You should calibrate the analyzer mainframe periodically (at least annually), or if the ambient temperature since the last calibration has changed more than ± 5 °C. The temperature change since the last calibration is shown on the calibration status screen which is found under the **Mainframe and Skew** tab on the **All Calibrations** dialog box. It is the line labeled:

Cal ΔT _____ °C

The Service Guide has more details about the mainframe calibration.

Module Calibration

You initiate a module calibration from the **Modules** tab on the **All Calibrations** dialog box or by sending the :CALibrate:MODule:VERTical command.

Module calibration, also known as vertical calibration, is used to enhance the measurement precision of the instrument. It is recommended you routinely perform this calibration for best measurement accuracy.

See Also

When a module calibration is performed, the instrument establishes calibration factors for the module. The calibration factors compensate for imperfections in the measurement system, such as variations due to the ambient temperature. This results in the best instrument precision. The module calibration factors are valid only for the mainframe and slot in which the module was calibrated. You can install the module in the slots provided for Channels 1 and 2, or for Channel 3 and 4.

Let the Module Warm Up First

In order for the calibration to be accurate, the temperature of the module must reach equilibrium prior to performing the calibration.

The module calibration is self-contained so the instrument does not require an external equipment setup. In fact, the instrument will display a message box instructing you to remove or disable all inputs to the module to be calibrated. The duration of the calibration is typically between 60 and 90 seconds.

A module calibration is recommended when:

- · the instrument power has been cycled
- a module has been removed and then reinserted since the last calibration
- a change in the temperature of the module exceeds 5°C compared to the temperature of the last module calibration ($\Delta T > 5$ °C)
- The time since the last calibration has exceeded 10 hours

Affect of Reinserting the Module

Reinserting the module into the mainframe can affect the electrical connections, which in turn can affect the calibration accuracy.

AT Value

A positive value for ΔT indicates how many degrees warmer the current module temperature is compared to the temperature of the module at the time of the last module calibration.

Probe Calibration

CAUTION

The input circuits can be damaged by electrostatic discharge (ESD). Avoid applying static discharges to the front-panel input connectors. Momentarily short the center and outer conductors of coaxial cables *prior* to connecting them to the front-panel inputs. *Before* touching the front-panel input connectors be sure to first touch the frame of the instrument. Be sure the instrument is properly earth-grounded to prevent buildup of static charge. Wear a wrist-strap or heel-strap.

Probe Calibration

The probe calibration is initiated from the Probe tab on the "Calibrate/All Calibrations" dialog or by sending either the :CALibrate:PROBe command or the :CHANnel<N>:PROBe:CALibrate command.

The probe calibration allows the instrument to identify the offset and the gain, or loss, of specific probes that are connected to an electrical channel of the instrument. Those factors are then applied to the calibration of that channel. The instrument calibrates the vertical scale and offset based on the voltage measured at the tip of the probe or the cable input.

The Instrument Adjusts Vertical Scale Factors

For passive or non-identified probes, the instrument adjusts the vertical scale factors only if a probe calibration is performed.

Typically probes have standard attenuation factors, such as divide by 10, divide by 20, or divide by 100. If the probe being calibrated has a non-standard attenuation, the instrument will adjust the vertical scale factors of the input channel to match this attenuation.

CAUTION

The input circuits can be damaged by electrostatic discharge (ESD). Avoid applying static discharges to the front-panel input connectors. Momentarily short the center and outer conductors of coaxial cables *prior* to connecting them to the front-panel inputs. *Before* touching the front-panel input connectors be sure to first touch the frame of the instrument. Be sure the instrument is properly earth-grounded to prevent buildup of static charge. Wear a wrist-strap or heel-strap.

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The commands in the CALibration subsystem initiate the analyzer calibration over GPIB.

Let the Analyzer Warm Up First

Let the analyzer warm up for at least 1 hour before you calibrate it.

CANCel

Command :CALibrate:CANCel

This command cancels normalization when a calibration message box prompt

is displayed.

Example This example cancels the analyzer calibration.

10 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:CANCEL"

20 END

CONTinue

Command :CALibrate:CONTinue

This command continues normalization when a calibration message box

prompt is displayed.

Example This example continues the analyzer calibration.

10 OUTPUT 707:":CALIBRATE:CONTINUE"

20 END

ERATio:DLEVel?

Query :CALibrate:ERATio:DLEVel? CHANnel<N>

<N> An integer, from 1 to 4.

This query returns the dark level value for the specified channel. If an extinction ratio calibration has been performed the returned value is the calibration

result. If no calibration has been performed the default value of 0.0 is

returned.

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Returned Format [:CALibrate:ERATio:DLEVel] <value><NL>

ERATio:STARt

Command :CALibrate:ERATio:STARt CHANnel<N>

This command starts an extinction ratio calibration.

<N> An integer, from 1 to 4.

Ensure Eye Diagram is on Display Screen

Adjust the vertical scale and offset so that the eye diagram uses the full display prior to performing an extinction ratio calibration. Also, the dark level (the signal level when there is no input to the measurement) must be on the screen to be correctly measured.

ERATio:STATus?

Query :CALibrate:ERATio:STATus? CHANnel<N>

This query indicates whether the ratio being used is the result of an extinction ratio calibration or is the factory default value. The query returns CALI-

BRATED or DEFAULTED.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

Returned Format [:CALibrate:ERATio:STATus] {CALIBRATED | DEFAULTED}<NL>

FRAMe:LABel

Command :CALibrate:FRAMe:LABel <label>

This command is intended for user notes, such as name/initials of the calibrator or special notes about the calibration. It accepts a string of up to 80 char-

acters. The information is optional.

A string, enclosed with quotes, with a maximum of 80 characters.

Query :CALibrate:FRAMe:LABel?

The query returns the currently defined label for the frame.

Returned Format [:CALibrate:FRAMe:LABel] <quoted string><NL>

FRAMe:STARt

Command :CALibrate:FRAMe:STARt

This command starts the annual calibration on the instrument mainframe.

FRAMe:TIME?

Query :CALibrate:FRAMe:TIME?

This query returns the date, time and temperature at which the last full frame

calibration process was completed.

Returned Format [:CALibrate:FRAMe:TIME] <time> <NL>

<delta_temp> Is the difference between the current temperature and the temperature when

the last calibration was done. For example, <delta_temp> might be:

-5C

10C

-12C

MODule:LRESistance

Command :CALibrate:MODule:LRESistance <resistance value>

This command sets the load resistance value used during module calibration of a TDR module. The accuracy of the calibration is improved by specifying the exact resistance value of the load that is connected to the TDR module

during the calibration process.

<resistance_value> The resistance of the load from 47 to 53 ohm. The default value is the target

value of 50 ohm.

Example This example sets the load resistance value to 49.9 ohms.

10 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:MODULE:LRESISTANCE 49.9"

20 END

Query :CALibrate:MODule:LRESistance?

The guery returns the resistance value in ohms for the load used during mod-

ule calibration of a TDR module.

Returned Format [:CALibrate:MODule:LRESistance] <resistance_value><NL>

MODule:OCONversion?

:CALibrate:MODule:OCONversion? {LMODule | RMODule | CHANnel<N>},{WAVelength 1 | Query

WAVelength 2 | USER}

This query returns the optical conversion (responsivity) of the specified channel at the specified wavelength. Wavelength 1 and Wavelength 2 are for factory-calibrated wavelengths. USER is the result of a user optical calibration. If LMOD or RMOD is specified for a dual optical module, the optical conversion of channel 1 (for LMOD) or channel 3 (for RMOD) will be returned.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

Returned Format [:CALibrate:MODule:OCONversion] <value><NL>

MODule:OPOWer

Command :CALibrate:MODule:OPOWer < optical power value>

> This command sets the optical power level for an optical channel module calibration. This command should only be used for modules with an optical chan-

nel.

10 OUTPUT 707:":CALIBRATE:MODULE:OPOWER 500E-6" **Example**

20 FND

MODule:OPTical

Command :CALibrate:MODule:OPTical {CHANnel<N>}

This command initiates an O/E calibration on the selected channel. The

selected channel must be an optical channel.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

Example 10 DIM Prompt \$[64]

OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:MODULE:OPTICAL CHAN1" 20

30 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:SDONE?"

40 ENTER 707: Prompt\$ < Disconnect optical source form channel 1>

50 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:CONTINUE" 60 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:SDONE?"

70 ENTER 707; Prompt\$ < Enter wavelength and power of optical source >

80 OUTPUT 707:":CALIBRATE:MODULE:OWAVELENGTH 1340E-9"

90 OUTPUT 707:":CALIBRATE:MODULE:OPOWER 500E-6"

100 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:CONTINUE"

110 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:SDONE?"

120 ENTER 707; Prompt\$ < Connect optical source to channel 1>

130 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:CONTINUE" 140 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:SDONE?"

150 ENTER 707; Prompt\$ < Done>

160 END

MODule:OWAVelength

Command :CALibrate:MODule:OWAVelength <wavelength>

This command sets the optical wavelength for an optical channel calibration. This command should only be used for modules with an optical channel.

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:MODULE:OWAVELENGTH 1340E–9"

20 END

MODule:STATus?

Query :CALibrate:MODule:STATus?{LMODule | RMODule}

This query returns the status of the module calibration (electrical and optical channels) and optical calibration (optical channels) as either CALIBRATED or UNCALIBRATED. It will return UNKNOWN if the module does not have calibration capability. Queries to modules with two electrical channels (including TDR modules) will return the status of module calibration only. Queries to modules with two optical channels will return the status of the module calibration, followed by the status of optical calibration of the first channel, followed by the status of the optical calibration of the second channel.

Returned Format

[:CALibrate:MODule:STATus] {<status vertical calibration>,<status optical calibration> | CALIBRATED | UNCALIBRATED | UNKNOWN} <NL>

MODule:TIME?

Query

:CALibrate:MODule:TIME? {LMODule | RMODule | CHANnel <N>}

The query returns the date and time at the last channel module calibration, and the difference between the current channel temperature and the temperature of the channel when it was last calibrated. If there is not a module in the selected slot, the message "Empty Slot" is returned.

This query is for a module calibration only.

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<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

Returned Format [:CALibrate:MODule:TIME] <value><NL>

the last calibration was done. For example, <delta_temp> might be:

−5C 10C −12C

MODule:VERTical

Command :CALibrate:MODule:VERTical {LMODule | RMODule}

This command initiates a module calibration on a selected slot. The specified

slot should be the first slot of a double-wide module.

Example GPIB sequence for module calibration:

10 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:MODULE:VERTICAL LMODULE" <disconnect all inputs>

20 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:MODULE:CONTINUE"

30 END

OUTPut

Command :CALibrate:OUTPut <dc_value>

This command sets the dc level of the calibrator signal output through the

front-panel CAL connector.

Example This example puts a dc voltage of 2.0 V on the analyzer Cal connector.

10 OUTPUT 707:":CALIBRATE:OUTPUT 2.0"

20 END

<dc_value> dc level value in volts, adjustable from -2.0 V to +2.0 Vdc.

Query :CALibrate:OUTPut?

The guery returns the current dc level of the calibrator output.

Returned Format [:CALibrate:OUTPut] <dc_value><NL>

Example This example places the current selection for the dc calibration to be printed

in the string variable, Selection\$, then prints the contents of the variable to

the controller's screen.

10 DIM Selection\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:OUTPUT?"

30 ENTER 707; Selection\$ 40 PRINT Selection\$

50 END

PROBe

Command :CALibrate:PROBe CHANnel<N>

This command starts the probe calibration for the selected channel. It has the same action as the command :CHANnel<N>:PROBe:CALibrate. For more information about probe calibration, refer to "Probe Calibration" on page 12-4.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

Example The following example starts calibration for Channel 1.

10 OUTPUT 707;":CALibrate:PROBe CHANnel1"

20 END

RECommend?

Query :CALibrate:RECommend? {CHANnel<N>}

The values returned by this query indicate the current calibration recommendations of the analyzer. There are seven comma-separated integers. A "1" indicates that a calibration is recommended, a 0 indicates that the calibration is either not required or not possible. These values match the calibration recommendations found in the **All Calibrations** dialog box.

All Calibrations Dialog Box

Open the **Calibrate** menu on the instrument display screen, then choose **All Calibrations** to open the **All Calibrations** dialog box.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

Returned Format [:CALibrate:RECommend] <values><NL>

<values> <Module/Vertical>,

<Mainframe/Horizontal>, <ChannelN Extinction Ratio>,

<ChannelN Probe>,

<ChannelN Optical Wavelength1>,<ChannelN Optical Wavelength2>,<ChannelN Optical User-defined>

SAMPlers

Command :CALibrate:SAMPlers {DISable | ENABle}

This command enables or disables the samplers in the module.

Example The following example enables sampler calibration for the module.

10 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:SAMPLERS ENABLE"

20 END

Query :CALibrate:SAMPlers?

The query returns the current calibration enable/disable setting.

Returned Format [:CALibrate:SAMPlers]{DISable | ENABle}<NL>

Example The following example gets the current setting for sampler calibration, stores

it in the variable Samplers, and prints the contents of the variable to the con-

troller's screen.

10 DIM Sampler\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:SAMPLERS?"

30 ENTER 707; Sampler \$ 40 PRINT Sampler \$

50 END

SDONe?

Query :CALibrate:SDONe?

The CALibrate:SDONe (Step DONe) query will return when the current cali-

bration step is complete.

The contents of the string returned indicates to the user the next step.

Returned Format [:CALibrate:SDONe] <string><NL>

Example This example places the current selection for the calibration pass/fail status to

be printed in the string variable, Selection\$, then prints the contents of the

variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Selection\$[80]

20 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:SDONE?"

30 ENTER 707; Selection\$

40 PRINT Selection\$

50 END

!Dimension variable

SKEW

Command :CALibrate:SKEW {CHANnel<N>},<skew_value>

This command sets the channel-to-channel skew factor for a channel. The numerical argument is a real number in seconds which is added to the current time base position to shift the position of the channel's data in time. Use this command to compensate for differences in the electrical lengths of input paths due to cabling and probes.

<N> An integer, from 1 to 4.

<skew_value> A real number, 0 s to 100 μs

Example This example sets the analyzer channel 1 skew to 0.0001 s.

10 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:SKEW CHANNEL1,0.1s "

20 END

Query :CALibrate:SKEW? {CHANnel<N>}

The query returns the current skew value.

Returned Format [:CALibrate:SKEW] <skew_value><NL>

SKEW:AUTO

Command CALibrate:SKFW:AUTO

This command sets the horizontal skew of multiple, active channels with the same bit rate, so that the waveform crossings align with each other. In addition, auto skew optimizes the instrument trigger level. Prior to auto skew, at least one channel must display a complete eye diagram in order to make the initial bit rate measurement.

Auto Skew Uses CGRade:COMPlete

Auto skew uses the current color grade measurement completion criterion (refer to "CGRade:COMPlete" on page 23-8). If auto skew fails to make the bit rate measurement or determine the time of the crossing points needed to compute the skew, it may be necessary to increase the color grade completion criterion. Increasing the value will increase the time for auto skew to complete.

Mode NRZ Eye mode only.

Example This example initiates auto skew.

Calibration Procedure

10 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:SKEW:AUTO " 20 END

STATus?

Query

:CALibrate:STATus?

This query returns the calibration status of the analyzer. These are nine comma-separated integers, with 1 or 0. A "1" indicates calibrated; a "0" indicates uncalibrated.

Query for Recommended Calibrations

Use CALibrate: RECommend? to query for recommended calibrations.

Returned Format

<status>

[:CALibrate:STATus] <status><NL>

- <Mainframe Calibration Status>,
- <Channel1 Module Calibration>, 0,
- <Channel2 Module Calibration>, 0,
- <Channel3 Module Calibration>, 0,
- <Channel4 Module Calibration>, 0

The values that always return "0" are used to make the returned format compatible with the Agilent 83480A and 54750A.

Calibration Procedure

This is an example of how to do module module calibration.

- 10 DIM Prompt\$[64]
- 20 OUTPUT 707; ": CALIBRATE: MODULE: VERTICAL LMODULE"
- 30 OUTPUT 707:":CALIBRATE:SDONE?"
- 40 ENTER 707; Prompt\$ < Disconnect everything from left module>
- 50 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:CONTINUE"
- 60 OUTPUT 707;":CALIBRATE:SDONE?"
- 70 ENTER 707; Prompt\$ < Done>

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Clock Recovery Commands

Clock Recovery Commands

The Clock RECovery (CREC) subsystem commands control the clock recovery modules. This includes setting data rates, as well as querying locked status and signal present conditions.

LOCKed?

Query :CRECovery{1 | 3}:LOCKed?

The query returns the locked or triggered status of the clock recovery module.

Locked or triggered status returns 1, unlocked or trigger loss status returns 0. When a clock rate is selected, unlocked status indicates clock recovery cannot be established and trigger output to the mainframe is disabled. In bypass mode (TOD) status is always 0 and trigger output to the mainframe is not dis-

abled.

Returned Format

[:CRECovery{1 | 3}:LOCKed] {1 | 0}<NL>

Example

The following example checks the locked status of module in the left slot and places the result in the string variable, Locked\$. Then the program prints the contents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Locked\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":CRECOVERY1:LOCKED?"

30 ENTER 707;Locked\$ 40 PRINT Locked\$

50 END

RATE

Command

:CRECovery{1 | 3}:RATE {TOData | R155 | R622 | R1062 | R1250 | R2125 | R2488 | R2500 | R2666 | R9953 | R10312 | R10664 | R10709}

This command sets the clock recovery module data rate based on module slot position: left slot (1), right slot (3). The rates are: Trigger On Data (TOData), Rate 155, Rate 622, Rate 1062, Rate 1250, Rate 2125, Rate 2488, Rate 2500, Rate 2666, Rate 9953, Rate 10312, Rate 10664, and Rate 10709 in Mb/s.

Rate parameters are nominal and reflect front panel labels and not actual data rates.

Note

After setting a rate, locked or triggered status should be verified before executing any signal dependent GPIB commands, such as autoscale, or any measurements. This is required to allow the module/instrument enough time to establish a trigger. This can be achieved by querying locked status until locked or generating an event on the module lock.

As noted in the table below, not all modules support the same rates.

Data Rates vs. Model

Rate Parameter	Rate (Mb/s)	Module Model Number						
		83491	83492	83493	83494	83494 Option 103	83494 Option 106	83494 Option 107
TOData	_	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Χ	Х
R155	155.52	Χ	Х	Х	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
R622	622.08	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
R1062	1062.50	Χ	Χ					
R1250	1250.00	Χ	Χ	Χ				
R2125	2125.00	Χ	Χ					
R2488	2488.32	Χ	Х	Х	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
R2500	2500.00	Χ	Χ	Χ				
R2666	2666.06						Χ	Χ
R9953	9953.28				Χ			
R10312	10312.50					Χ		
R10664	10664.23						Χ	
R10709	10709,225							Χ

Example This example sets the module in the right slot to a data rate of 2488 Mb/s.

10 OUTPUT 707;":CRECOVERY3:RATE R2488"

20 END

Query :CRECovery{1 | 3}:RATE?

This query returns the current data rate of the clock recovery module in the specified module position.

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Returned Format

[:CRECovery{1 | 3}:RATE] {TOData | R155 | R622 | R1062 | R1250 | R2125 | R2488 | R2500 |

R2666 | R9953 | R10312 | R10664 | R10709}<NL>

Example

The following example checks the current data rate of the module in the left slot and places the result in the string variable, Rate\$. Then the program prints the contents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Rate\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":CRECOVERY1:RATE?"

30 ENTER 707; Rate\$ 40 PRINT Rate\$

50 END

SPResent?

Query

:CRECovery{1 | 3}:SPResent? {RECeiver1 | RECeiver2}

This query returns the status of whether the specified receiver detects an optical signal (Signal PResent). RECeiver2 is used for long wavelengths and RECeiver1 is used for short wavelengths. For electrical clock recovery modules, 83491A, the signal present flags will always return false.

Signal Present Return Status vs. Receiver Number

Module Model	Receiver 1 Short Wavelength	Receiver 2 Long Wavelength
83491	0	0
83492 ^a	1/0	1/0
83493	0	1/0
83494	0	1/0
83494 Option 103	0	1/0
83494 Option 106	0	1/0
83494 Option 107	0	1/0

a. Only one receiver at a time can have a signal present.

Returned Format Example

[:CRECovery{1 | 3}:SPResent] {RECeiver1 | RECeiver2}, {1 | 0}<NL>

The following example checks if there is a signal present on receiver two of the module in the right slot and places the result in the string variable, Signal2\$. Then the program prints the contents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Signal2\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":CRECOVERY3:SPRESENT? RECEIVER2" 30 ENTER 707;Signal2\$ 40 PRINT Signal2\$ 50 END

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The CHANnel subsystem commands control all vertical (Y axis) functions of the analyzer. You may toggle the channel displays on and off with the root level commands VIEW and BLANk, or with DISPlay.

BANDwidth

Command :CHANnel<N>:BANDwidth {HIGH | MID | LOW}

This command controls the channel bandwidth setting. When HIGH, the bandwidth is set to the upper bandwidth limit. When LOW, a lower bandwidth setting is selected in order to minimize broadband noise. For modules with three bandwidths, MID will select the center bandwidth. See the module section of

the online Help for cutoff frequency specifications.

<N> The channel number which represents an integer, 1 to 4. The integer is the

slot in which the channel resides.

Example The following example sets the channel 1 bandwidth to "HIGH".

10 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:BANDwidth HIGH"

20 FND

Query :CHANnel<N>:BANDwidth?

The query returns the state of the bandwidth for the specified channel.

Returned Format [:CHANnel<N>:BANDwidth] {HIGH | MID | LOW}<NL>

Example The following example places the current setting of the channel bandwidth in

the string variable, Band\$, and then prints the contents of the variable to the

controller's screen.

10 DIM Limit\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:BANDwidth?"

30 ENTER 707; Band\$ 40 PRINT Band\$

50 END

DISPlay

Command :CHANnel<N>:DISPlay {{ON | 1} | {OFF | 0}}[,APPend]

This command turns the display of the specified channel on or off.

<N> The channel number is an integer 1 to 4.

APPend This optional parameter is used to turn on additional channels in Eye/Mask

mode without turning off any other database signals that are currently on. Without the APPend parameter, all other database signals would be turned off

when turning a channel on.

Example This example sets channel 1 display to on.

10 OUTPUT 707; "CHANNEL1: DISPLAY ON"

20 END

Query :CHANnel<N>:DISPlay?

The query returns the current display condition for the specified channel.

Returned Format [:CHANnel<N>:DISPlay] {1 | 0}<NL>

Example This example places the current setting of the channel 1 display in the vari-

able Display, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;"SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" 20 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:DISPLAY?"

30 ENTER 707; Display 40 PRINT Display

50 END

FDEScription?

Query :CHANnel<N>:FDEScription?

This query returns the number of filters and a brief description of each filter

for channels with one or more internal low-pass filters.

The filter description is the same as the softkey label for the control used to

select the active filter.

<N> The channel number is an integer from 1 to 4. The integer is the slot in which

the channel resides.

Returned Format [:CHANnel<N>:FDEScription]<N><filter1_description>,<filter2_description>, ...

<filterN_description><NL>

<N> number of filters

<filter_description> XXX b/s or XXX b/s:N (depending on the module option)

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where: XXX is bit rate of filter; N is filter order

FILTer

Command :CHANnel<N>:FILTer {ON | 1 | OFF | 0}

This command controls an internal low-pass filter, if one is present, in the channel hardware.

Filter State

When you turn the filter on, you can select which channel bandwidth setting you want to use. When you turn the filter off, the instrument sets the channel bandwidth to its default setting.

<N> The channel number is an integer from 1 to 4. The integer is the slot in which

the channel resides.

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:FILTER ON"

20 END

Query :CHANnel<N>:FILTer?

The query returns the filter setting for the specified channel.

Returned Format [:CHANnel<N>:FILTer] {1 | 0}<NL>

Example The following example places the current setting of the filter in the string vari-

able, Filter\$, and then prints the contents of the variable to the controller's

screen.

10 DIM Filter\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:FILTER?"

30 ENTER 707; Filter\$ 40 PRINT Filter\$

50 END

FSELect

Command :CHANnel<N>:FSELect FILTer<filter_number>

This command selects which filter is controlled by on/off for channels with

more than one filter selection.

To query for a description of the filters, see the CHANnel:FDEScription query.

The channel number is an integer from 1 to 4. The integer is the slot in which

the channel resides.

<N>

<filter_number> The filter number is an integer. In the **Channel** dialog box, filter number 1 is

the first filter listed in the **Filter** box.

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:FSELECT FILTER1"

20 END

Query :CHANnel<N>:FSELect?

The query returns the current filter number for the specified channel.

Returned Format [:CHANnel<N>:FSELect]{FILT<filter_number>}<NL>

Example The following example places the current setting of the filter in the string vari-

able, Filter\$, and then prints the contents of the variable to the controller's

screen.

10 DIM Filter\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:FSELECT?"

30 ENTER 707; Filter\$ 40 PRINT Filter\$

50 END

See Also CHANnel:FDEScription?

OFFSet

Command :CHANnel<N>:OFFSet <offset value>

This command sets the voltage that is represented at the center of the display for the selected channel. Offset parameters are probe and vertical scale

dependent.

For TDR and TDT applications, when the TDR stimulus is set to differential or common mode, the instrument will change offset to magnify offset. This com-

mand is used to set the magnify offset as well as the offset.

<**N>** An integer, from 1 through 4.

Offset value
 Offset value at center screen. Usually expressed in volts, but could be in other

measurement units, such as amperes, if you have specified other units using

the CHANnel:UNITs command.

Example This example sets the offset for channel 1 to 0.125 in the current measure-

ment units.

10 OUTPUT 707:":CHANNEL1:OFFSET 125E-3"

20 FND

Query :CHANnel<N>:OFFSet?

The query returns the current offset value for the specified channel.

Returned Format [CHANnel<N>:OFFSet] <offset value><NL>

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Example

This example places the offset value of the specified channel in the string variable, Offset\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's

screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;"SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" 20 OUTPUT 707;"CHANNEL1:OFFSET?"

30 ENTER 707;Offset 40 PRINT Offset 50 END

PROBe

Command :CHANnel<N>:PROBe <attenuation factor>[,{RATio | DECibel}]

This command sets the attenuation factor and units. The default attenuation factor is 1:1 and the default units are ratio. When the TDR stimulus is set to differential or common mode, the instrument will change offset to magnify offset. This command is used to set the magnify offset as well as the offset.

<N> An integer, from 1 to 4.

Query :CHANnel<N>:PROBe?

Returned Format [:CHANnel<N>:PROBe] <attenuation factor>, {RATio | DECibel}<NL>

PROBe:CALibrate

Command :CHANnel<N>:PROBe:CALibrate

This command starts the probe's calibration for the selected channel. It has the same action as the command :CALibrate:PROBe CHANnel<N>. For more information about probe calibration, refer to "Probe Calibration" on page 12-4.

<N> An integer, from 1 to 4.

Example The following example starts calibration for Channel 1.

10 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:PROBE:CALIBRATE"

20 END

RANGe

Command :CHANnel<N>:RANGe <range_value>

This command defines the full-scale vertical axis of the selected channel. It sets up acquisition and display hardware to display the waveform at a given range scale. The values represent the full-scale deflection factor of the vertical axis in volts. These values change as the probe attenuation factor is changed.

For TDR and TDT applications, when the TDR stimulus is set to differential or common mode, or when OHM, REFLect, or GAIN units are selected, the instrument will change scale to magnify scale. This command is used to set the magnify range as well as the range.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

<range_value> Full-scale voltage of the specified channel number.

Example This example sets the full-scale range for channel 1 to 500 mV.

10 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:RANGE 500E-3"

20 END

Query :CHANnel<N>:RANGe?

The query returns the current full-scale vertical axis setting for the selected

channel.

Returned Format

[:CHANnel<N>:RANGe]<range value><NL>

Example

This example places the current range value in the number variable, Setting, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:RANGE?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting 40 PRINT Setting

50 FND

SCALe

Command :CHANnel<N>:SCALe <scale_value>

This command sets the vertical scale, or units per division, of the selected channel. This command is the same as the front-panel channel scale.

For TDR and TDT applications, when the TDR stimulus is set to differential or common mode, the instrument will change scale to magnify scale. This com-

mand is used to set the magnify scale as well as the scale.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

<scale_value> Vertical scale of the channel in units per division.

Example This example sets the scale value for channel 1 to 500 mV.

10 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:SCALE 500E-3"

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Query :CHANnel<N>:SCALe?

The query returns the current scale setting for the specified channel.

Returned Format

[:CHANnel<N>:SCALe] <scale value><NL>

Example

This example places the current scale value in the number variable, Setting,

!Response headers off

then prints the contents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":CHANNEL1:SCALE?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting 40 PRINT Setting

50 END

TDRSkew

Command

:CHANnel<N>:TDRSkew <percent> [%]

This command sets the TDR skew for the given channel. The TDR skew control moves the TDR step relative to the trigger position. The control may be set from -100 to 100 percent of the allowable range. This command is only applicable to TDR channels.

Command Requirements

This command is enabled only if a stimulus is currently active and if the module has differential capability.

<N>

An integer, 1 through 4, indicating the slot in which the channel resides, followed by an optional A or B identifying which of two possible channels in the slot is being referenced.

<percent> Example

A number between –100 and 100, used to set the step position. The following example sets the TDR skew for channel 1 to 20%.

10 OUTPUT 707:":CHANNEL1:TDRSKEW 20"

20 END

Query

:CHANnel<N>:TDRSkew?

The query returns the current TDR skew setting for the specified channel.It returns the TDR skew value in percent of allowable range from -100 to 100 percent. This command is only applicable to TDR channels. The returned

format is a real number.

Returned Format

[:CHANnel<N>:TDRSkew] <value><NL>

UNITs

Command :CHANnel<N>:UNITs {VOLT | OHM | AMPere | REFLect | WATT | UNKNown}

This command sets the transducer units in Oscilloscope and Eye/Mask modes. In TDR/TDT mode this command sets the channel units (VOLT, OHM.

REFLect).

<N> An integer, from 1 to 4.

Query :CHANnel<N>:UNITs?

Returned Format [:CHANnel<N>:UNITs] {VOLT | OHM | REFLect | AMPere | WATT | UNKNown}<NL>

UNITs:ATTenuation

Command :CHANnel<N>:UNITs:ATTenuation <attenuation>

This command sets the transducer attenuation factor. This command is disabled for TDR channels and destinations channels for TDR/TDT measure-

ments.

<N> An integer, from 1 to 4.

Query :CHANnel<N>:UNITs:ATTenuation?

Returned Format [:CHANnel<N>:UNITs:ATTenuation] <attenuation><NL>

UNITs:OFFSet

Command :CHANnel<N>:UNITs:OFFSet <offset>

This command sets the transducer offset. This command is disabled for TDR

channels and destinations channels for TDR/TDT measurements.

<N> An integer, from 1 to 4.

Query :CHANnel<N>:UNITs:OFFSet?

Returned Format [:CHANnel<N>:UNITs:OFFSet] <offset><NL>

WAVelength

Command :CHANnel<N>:WAVelength {WAVelength1 | WAVelength2 | USER}

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This command sets the wavelength selection for optical channels. For modules that only support one factory-defined wavelength, the module will have one factory calibration; all other optical modules will have two. Invoke these calibrations using WAV1 or WAV2. One user-defined wavelength may also be defined via the Channel Calibrate menu. The USER selection is only valid if this user-defined calibration has been performed. The calibration will request the wavelength that the USER choice corresponds to.

This command will also recognize W1310 as an equivalent for WAVelength1 and W1550 for WAVelength2, for compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A.

<N> An integer, from 1 to 4.

Query :CHANnel<N>:WAVelength?

The query returns the currently selected wavelength for the channel.

Returned Format [:CHANnel<N>:WAVelength] {WAV1 | WAV2 | USER}<NL>

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":CHANnel1:WAVELENGTH?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting 40 PRINT Setting 50 END UNITS CDIRectory 15-2 DELete 15-3 DIRectory? 15-3 LOAD 15-4 MDIRectory 15-5 PWD? 15-5 SIMage 15-6 STORe 15-7

Disk Commands

Disk Commands

The DISK subsystem commands perform the disk operations as defined in the Disk menu. This allows storage and retrieval of waveforms and setups, remote screen captures, as well as formatting the disk.

Note

Some commands in this subsystem operate only on files and directories on "A:\", under "C:\User Files", or on any mapped network drive, and are noted in the command section.

Enclose File Name in Quotation Marks

When specifying a file name, you must enclose it in quotation marks.

CDIRectory

This command operates only on files and directories on "A:\", under "C:\User Files", or on any mapped network drive.

Command

:DISK:CDIRectory ["<directory>" | {CGRade | LSUMmaries | ROOT | SETups | SIMages | SMASks | TDRTDT | UMASks | WAVeforms}]

This command changes the present working directory (PWD) to the designated directory name. If an error occurs, the requested directory does not exist. You can view the error with the :SYSTem:ERRor? [{NUMBer | STRing}] query.

The PWD is set to "C:\User Files" when the instrument is powered on. The PWD is combined with relative file specifications to produce absolute path specifications. For example, if the PWD is set to "C:\User Files\My Setup", the command :DISK:STORE SETUP, ".\setup1.set" will cause the current setup to be stored in the file "C:\User Files\My Setup\setup1.set".

A character-quoted ASCII string, which can include the subdirectory designa-<directory>

tion. You must separate the directory name and any subdirectories with a

backslash (\).

ROOT This parameter changes the working directory to "C:\User Files".

10 OUTPUT 707;":DISK:CDIRECTORY ""C:\USER FILES\DATA""" **Example** 20 FND

CDIR "C:\" Is Not Allowed

You can execute the command CDIR "A:\", but the command CDIR "C:\" is not allowed. If you attempt to execute CDIR "C:\", the present working directory (PWD) is not changed. The directory specified *must* be below "C:\User Files\".

DELete

Note

This command operates only on files and directories on "A:\", under "C:\User Files", or on any mapped network drive.

Command :DISK:DELete "<file_name>"

> This command deletes a file from the disk. If no path is specified, it searches for the file using the present working directory. An error is displayed on the analyzer screen if the requested file does not exist. The file

"C:\User Files" cannot be deleted.

<file_name> A character-quoted ASCII string which can include subdirectories with the

name of the file.

10 OUTPUT 707:":DISK:CDIRECTORY SETUPS" Example

20 OUTPUT 707;":DISK:DELETE ""FILE1.SET""

30 END

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:DISK:DIRectory? ["<directory>" | {CGRade | ROOT | LSUMmaries | SETups | SIMages | Query

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This query returns the requested directory listing. The directory may be specified as a string, such as "C:\User Files\waveforms", or as a parameter. If no parameter is used, a listing of the present working directory is returned.

<directory>
Returned Format

The list of file names and directories. [:DISK:DIRectory]<N><NL><directory><NL>

<N>

The specifier that is returned before the directory listing, indicating the num-

ber of lines in the listing.

<directory>
Example

The list of filenames and directories. Each line is separated by a <NL>.

This example displays a number, then displays a list of files and directories in the current directory. The number indicates the number of lines in the listing.

10 DIM A\$[80] 20 INTEGER Num_of_lines 30 OUTPUT 707;":DISK:DIR?" 40 ENTER 707;Num_of_lines 50 PRINT Num_of_lines 60 FOR I=1 TO Num_of_lines 70 ENTER 707;A\$

70 ENTER 707;A 80 PRINT A\$ 90 NEXT I 100 END

LOAD

This command operates only on files and directories on "A:\", under "C:\User Files", or on any mapped network drive.

Command

:DISK:LOAD "<file_name>"[,<destination>[,APPend]

This command restores a setup, waveform, or TDR/TDT calibration from the disk. The type of file is determined by the filename suffix if one is present, or by the destination field if one is not present. If a destination is specified, it takes precedence over the filename suffix. You can load .wfm, .txt, .cgs, .msk, .pcm, .set and .tdr file types. The TDRTDT option is a file type choice used to load TDR/TDT calibration values into the instrument. For more information on loading files, see "File Names and Types" on page 1-11, and "File Locations" on page 1-13.

<file_name>

The filename, with a 3-character extension. You can use either .wfm, .txt, .cgs, .msk, .pcm, .set, or .tdr as a suffix after the filename. If no file suffix is specified, the default is .wfm.

The default directory for the file type is assumed, or you can specify the entire path. For example, you can load the standard setup file "setup0.set" using the command:

:DISK:LOAD "C:\User Files\Setups\setup0.set",setup

The default destination for .txt and .wfm files is WMEMory1.

<destination> {CGMemory | MASK | WMEMory<N> | SETup | TDRTDT}

APPend This optional parameter is used to turn on additional channels in Eye/Mask

mode without turning off any channel(s) that are currently on. Without the APPend parameter, all other database signals would be turned off when load-

ing .cgs file.

<N> An integer from 1 to 4.

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":DISK:LOAD ""FILE1.WFM"",WMEM1"

20 END

MDIRectory

This command operates only on files and directories on "A:\", under "C:\User Files", or on any mapped network drive.

Command :DISK:MDIRectory "<directory>"

This command creates a directory in the present working directory, with the designated directory name. An error is displayed if the requested path does

not exist.

<directory> A character-quoted ASCII string which can include subdirectories. You must

separate the directory name and any subdirectories with a backslash (\).

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":DISK:MDIRECTORY ""CPROGRAMS"""

20 END

PWD?

Query :DISK:PWD?

This guery returns the name of the present working directory (including the

full path).

Example 10 DIM Wdir\$[200]

20 OUTPUT 707;":DISK:PWD?"

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30 ENTER 707; Wdir\$ 40 PRINT Wdir\$ 50 END

SIMage

Note

This command operates only on files and directories on " $A: \$ ", under " $C: \$ Files", or on any mapped network drive.

Command

:DISK:SIMage "<filename>"[,<area> [,<image>]]

This command remotely captures images of the screen.

<filename>

If a filename is specified without a path, the default path will be C:\User Files\screen images. The default file type is a bitmap (.bmp).

The *filename* field encodes the network path of the directory in which the file will be saved, as well as the file format that will be used. The following is a list of valid filenames.

Valid Filenames

Filename	File Saved in Directory
"Test1.gif"	C:\User Files\Screen Images\
"A:test2.pcx"	A:\
".\screen2.jpg"	File saved in the present working directory, set with the command :DISK:CDIR.
"\\computer-ID\d\$\test3.bmp"	File saved in drive D: of computer "computer-ID", provided all permissions are set properly.
"E:test4.eps"	File saved in the instrument's drive E:, that could be mapped to any disk in the network.

The following graphics formats are available by specifying a file extension: PCX files (.pcx), EPS files (.eps), Postscript files (.ps), JPEG files (.jpg), TIFF files (.tif), and GIF files (.gif).

Note

For .gif and .tif file formats, this instrument uses LZW compression/decompression licensed under U.S. patent No 4,558,302 and foreign counterparts. End user should not modify, copy, or distribute LZW compression/decompression capability.

For .jpg file format, this instrument uses the .jpg software written by the Independent JPEG Group.

{SCReen | GRATicule} <area>

> This parameter selects which data from the screen is to be saved to disk. When you select GRATicule, only the graticule area of the display screen is saved; the entire screen is saved if you select SCReen. The default setting is SCReen.

<image> {NORMal | INVert | MONochrome}

> This parameter specifies which color scheme is to be used during the screen save operation. The default value is INVert; this scheme saves the waveforms over a white background.

STORe

Note

This command operates only on files and directories on "A:\", under "C:\User Files", or on any mapped network drive.

Command :DISK:STORe <source>, "<file_name>"[, <format>]

> This command stores a setup, waveform or TDR response to the disk. The filename does not include a suffix. The suffix is supplied by the analyzer depending on the source and file format specified. The TDRTDT option is a file type choice used to store the instrument's TDR/TDT calibration values. For more information on storing files, see "File Names and Types" on page 1-11, and "File Locations" on page 1-13.

{CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N> | SETup | RESPonse<N> | CGRade | TDRTDT}

If a CGRade source has not been selected. CGRade defaults to the lowest valid database available. To set the CGRade source, use the :WAVeform:SOURce:CGRade command.

<source>

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<N> An integer from 1 to 4, representing the channel, function, TDR response or

waveform memory number.

<file_name> Name of the file, with a maximum of 254 characters (including the path name,

if used). The filename assumes the present working directory if a path does

not precede the file name.

<format> {TEXT {,<YVALues> | <VERBose>} | INTernal}

Fields and Default Values

The format field is for waveforms only, and the default is INTernal. In TEXT mode, y values may be specified so that only the y values are stored. VERBose is the default in which y values and the waveform preamble are stored. Only waveforms of 128K or less may be written to disk in the TEXT formats. See Chapter 27, "Waveform Commands" for information on converting data to values.

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":DISK:STORE SET,""FILE1"""

20 END

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The DISPlay subsystem controls the display of data, markers, text, graticules, and the use of color. You select the display mode using the ACQuire:TYPE command. Select the number of averages using ACQuire:COUNt.

CGRade:LEVels?

Query

:DISPlay:CGRade:LEVels? [CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory]

This query returns the range of hits represented by each color for the specified source. If no source is specified, the values for the first database signals turned on is returned. Fourteen values are returned, representing the minimum and maximum count for each of seven colors. The values are returned in the following order:

- Greatest intensity color minimum
- · Greatest intensity color maximum
- Next greatest intensity color minimum
- Next greatest intensity color maximum
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- Least intensity color minimum
- · Least intensity color maximum

Returned Format <color format> Example

[:DISPlay:CGRade:LEVels] <color format><NL>

<intensity color min / max> is an integer value from 0 to 63,488.

The following example gets the range of hits represented by each color and prints it on the controller screen.

10 DIM Setting\$[50] !Dimension variable 20 OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:CGRADE:LEVELS?" 30 ENTER 707;Cgrade\$ 40 PRINT Cgrade\$ 50 END

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CONNect

Command :DISPlay:CONNect {{ON | 1}|{OFF | 0}}

When enabled, :DISPlay:CONNect draws a line between consecutive waveform data points. This is also known as linear interpolation. This command has

no effect on color grade or gray scale displays.

Example This example turns on the connect-the-dots feature.

10 OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:CONNECT ON"

20 END

Query :DISPlay:CONNect?

The query returns the status of the connect-the-dots feature.

Returned Format [:DISPlay:CONNect] {1 | 0}<NL>

DATA?

Query :DISPlay:DATA? [<format>[,<screen_mode> [,<inversion>]]]

The query returns information about the captured data. If no options to the query are specified, the default selections are PCX file type, SCReen mode,

and inversion set to INVert.

<format> The file format: BMP | PCX | EPS | PS | GIF | TIF | JPG.

<screen_mode> The display setting: SCReen | GRATicule.

<inversion> The inversion of the displayed file: NORMal | INVert | MONochrome.

Returned Format [:DISPlay:DATA]

 | Spinary_block_data><NL>

<binary_block_data> Data in the IEEE 488.2 definite block format.

DCOLor (Default COLor)

Command :DISPlay:DCOLor

This command (Default COLor) resets the screen colors to the predefined fac-

tory default colors. It also resets the grid intensity.

Example This example sends the DCOLor command.

10 OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:DCOLOR"

20 END

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GRATicule

Commands :DISPlay:GRATicule {GRID|FRAMe}

:DISPlay:GRATicule:INTensity <intensity_value>

These commands select the type of graticule that is displayed. 86100A analyzers have a 10-by-8 (unit) display graticule grid that you can turn on or off. When the grid is on, a grid line is place on each vertical and horizontal division. When it is off, a frame with tic marks surrounds the graticule edges.

<intensity_value> A number from 0 to 100, indicating the percentage of display intensity.

You can dim the grid's intensity or turn the grid off to better view waveforms that might be obscured by the graticule lines. Otherwise, you can use the grid

to estimate waveform measurements such as amplitude and period.

When printing, the grid intensity control doesn't affect the hardcopy. To remove the grid from a printed hardcopy, you must turn off the grid before

printing.

Example This example sets up the analyzer's display background with a frame that is

separated into major and minor divisions.

10 OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:GRATICULE FRAME"

20 END

Queries :DISPlay:GRATicule?

:DISPlay:GRATicule:INTensity?

The queries return the type of graticule currently displayed, or the intensity,

depending on the query you request.

Returned Format [:DISPlay:GRATicule] {GRID|FRAMe}<NL>

[:DISPlay:GRATicule:INTensity] <value><NL>

Example This example places the current display graticule setting in the string variable,

Setting\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller's screen.

!Dimension variable

10 DIM Setting\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707; ": DÍSPLAY: GRATICULE?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting\$ 40 PRINT Setting\$

50 END

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LABel

Command :DISPlay:LABel "<string_argument>" [,<row>[,<column>[,<text_color>[,<background>]]]]

This command allows you to place a label on the graticule area of the display. The operator should periodically clear the labels using the LABel:DALL com-

mand.

<string_argument> Any series of ASCII characters enclosed in quotation marks.

<row> 0 to 12, where 0 is the top row and the default <column> 0 to 61, where 0 is the left column and the default

<text_color> {CHANnel<N> | WHITe} Default is WHITe

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Example This example places a label on the upper left corner of the graticule.

10 OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:LABEL""This is a label"""

20 END

LABel:DALL

Command :DISPlay:LABel:DALL

This command deletes all labels.

Example This example deletes all labels.

10 OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:LABEL:DALL"

20 END

PERSistence

Command

:DISPlay:PERSistence {MINimum | INFinite | <persistence_value> | CGRade | GSCale}

This command sets the display persistence. It works in both real time and equivalent time modes. The parameter for this command can be either MINimum (zero persistence), INFinite, or a real number from 0.1 to 40, representing the persistence in seconds, with one digit resolution.

Persistence Value in Seconds	Resolution (Step Size)
0.1 - 0.9	0.1s steps
1 - 10	1s steps
10 - 40	10s steps

<persistence_value>

A real number, 0.1 to 40, representing the persistence in seconds.

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Mode Eye mode only for CGRade and GSCale arguments.

Example This example sets the persistence to infinite.

10 OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:PERSISTENCE INFINITE"

20 END

Query :DISPlay:PERSistence?

The query returns the current persistence value.

Returned Format [:DISPlay:PERSistence] {MINimum | INFinite | <value> | CGRade | GSCale}<NL>

Example This example places the current persistence setting in the string variable, Set-

ting\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Setting\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707; ": DISPLAY: PERSISTENCE?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting\$ 40 PRINT Setting\$

50 END

RRATe

Command :DISPlay:RRATe <refresh_rate>

This command sets the display refresh rate.

<refresh_rate> The refresh rate sets the refresh time in seconds. The minimum value is

.01 seconds, and the maximum value is 3600 seconds.

Example This example sets the display refresh rate to 3 seconds.

10 OUTPUT 707;":DISPlay:RRATe 3"

20 END

Query :DISPlay:RRATe?

The query returns the display refresh rate.

Returned Format [:DISPlay:RRATe] <refresh_rate> <NL>

Example This example places the current display refresh rate in the string array set-

ting.

10 DIM RRATE\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707; ": DISPLAY: RRATE? "

30 ENTER 707;RRATE\$
40 PRINT RRATE\$

50 END

write_IO (":DISPlay:RRATe?");
read_IO (Setting, SETTING_SIZE);

SCOLor

Command

:DISPlay:SCOLor <color_name>, <hue>, <saturation>, <luminosity>

The DISPlay:SCOLor command sets the color of the specified display element and restores the colors to their factory settings. The display elements are described in Table 16-1 on page 16-7.

<color_name>

{CGRade1 | CGRADE2 | CGRADE3 | CGRADE4 | CGRADE5 | CGRADE6 | CGRAde7 | CHANnel1 | CHANnel2 | CHANnel3 | CHANnel4 | GRID | MARGin | MARKers | MASK | MEASurements | WBACkgrnd | WOVerlap | WMEMories | WINText | WINBackgrnd}

Table 16-1. Color Names

Color Name	Definition
CGRADE1	First range of pixel counts for the color grade persistence display
CGRADE2	Second range of pixel counts for the color grade persistence display
CGRADE3	Third range of pixel counts for the color grade persistence display
CGRADE4	Fourth range of pixel counts for the color grade persistence display
CGRADE5	Fifth range of pixel counts for the color grade persistence display
CGRADE6	Sixth range of pixel counts for the color grade persistence display
CGRADE7	Seventh range of pixel counts for the color grade persistence display
CHANnel1	Channel 1 waveform display element.
CHANnel2	Channel 2 waveform display element.
CHANnel3	Channel 3 waveform display element.
CHANnel4	Channel 4 waveform display element.
GRID	Display element for the grid inside the waveform viewing area.
MARGin	Display element for the margins.
MARKers	Display element for the markers.
MASK	Display element for the masks.
MEASurements	Display element for the measurements text.
WBACkgrnd	Display element for the waveform viewing area's background.
WOVerlap	Display element for waveforms when they overlap each other.
WMEMories	Display element for waveform memories.
WINText	Display element used in dialog box controls and pull-down menus.
WINBackgrnd	Display element for the background color used in dialog boxes and buttons.

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<hue> The hue control sets the color of the chosen display element. As hue is

increased from 0%, the color changes from red, to yellow, to green, to blue, to purple, then back to red again at 100% hue. For color examples, see the sample color settings table in the 86100A on-line help file. Pure red is 100%, pure

blue is 67%, and pure green is 33%.

<saturation> The saturation control sets the color purity of the chosen display element. The

saturation of a color is the purity of a color or the absence of white. A 100% saturated color has no white component. A 0% saturated color is pure white.

< luminosity> The luminosity control sets the color brightness of the chosen display ele-

ment. A 100% luminosity is the maximum color brightness. A 0% luminosity is

pure black.

Example This example sets the hue to 50, the saturation to 70, and the luminosity to

90 for the markers.

10 OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:SCOLOR MARKERS,50,70,90"

20 END

Query :DISPlay:SCOLor? <color_name>

The query returns the hue, saturation, and luminosity for the specified color.

Returned Format [:DISPlay:SCOLor] <color_name>, <hue>, <saturation>, <luminosity><NL>

Example This example places the current settings for the graticule color in the string

variable, Setting\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller's

screen.

10 DIM Setting\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:SCOLOR? GRID"

30 ENTER 707; Setting\$ 40 PRINT Setting\$

50 END

SSAVer

Commands :DISPlay:SSAVer {DISabled|ENABled}

:DISPlay:SSAVer:AAFTer <time>

These commands let you disable or enable the analyzer screen saver, and

specify a time before the screen saver turns on.

time, in hours, that must pass before the screen saver will turn on.

Example This example enables the analyzer screen saver.

10 OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:SSAVER ENABLED" 20 OUTPUT 707;":DISPLAY:SSAVER:AAFT 4"

30 END

Queries :DISPlay:SSAVer?

:DISPlay:SSAVer:AAFTer?

The queries return the state of the screen saver.

Returned Format [:DISPlay:SSAVer] {DISabled|ENABled}<NL>

[:DISPlay:SSAVer:AAFTer] <time><NL>

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Function Commands

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The FUNCtion subsystem defines functions 1–4. The operands of these functions can be any of the installed channels in the analyzer, waveform memories 1–4, functions 1–4, or a constant.

The vertical scaling and offset functions can be controlled remotely using the RANGe and OFFSet commands in this subsystem. You can obtain the horizontal scaling and position values of the functions using the HORizontal:RANge and HORizontal:POSition queries in this subsystem.

If a channel is not on but is used as an operand, then that channel will acquire waveform data.

If the operand waveforms have different memory depths, the function uses the shorter of the two.

If the two operands have the same time scales, the resulting function has the same time scale. If the operands have different time scales, the resulting function has no valid time scale. This is because operations are performed based on the displayed waveform data position, and the time relationship of the data records cannot be considered. When the time scale is not valid, delta time pulse parameter measurements have no meaning, and the unknown result indicator is displayed on the screen.

Constant operands take on the same time scale as the associated waveform operand.

DISPlay

Command

:FUNCtion<N>:DISPlay {{ON | 1} | {OFF | 0}}[,APPend]

This command either displays the selected function or removes it from the display.

<N>

An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

APPend

This optional parameter is used to turn on additional functions in Eye/Mask mode without turning off any other database signals that are currently on. Without the APPend parameter, all other database signals would be turned off when turning a function on.

Example This example turns function 1 on.

10 OUTPUT 707:":FUNCTION1:DISPLAY ON"

20 END

Query :FUNCtion<N>:DISPlay?

The query returns the displayed status of the specified function.

Returned Format [:FUNCtion<N>:DISPlay] {1 | 0}[,APPend]<NL>

Example This example places the current state of function 1 in the variable, Setting,

then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" 20 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION1:DISPLAY?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting 40 PRINT Setting

50 END

FUNCtion<N>?

Query :FUNCtion<N>?

This query returns the currently defined source(s) for the function.

Returned Format [:FUNCtion<N>:<operator>] {<operand> [,<operand>]}<NL> <**N>** An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

<operator> Active math operation for the selected function: INVert, MAGNify, MAXimum,

MINimum, SUBTract, or VERSus.

<operand> Any allowable source for the selected FUNCtion, including channels 1–4,

waveform memories 1-4, or functions 1-4. If the function is applied to a con-

stant, the source returns the constant.

Example This example returns the currently defined source for function 1.

10 OUTPUT 707:":FUNCTION1?"

20 END

If the headers are off (see :SYSTem:HEADers), the query returns only the

operands, not the operator.

10:SYST:HEAD ON

20 :FUNC1:SUBTRACT CHAN1,CHAN2

30 :FUNC1? !returns :FUNC1:SUBTRACT CHAN1,CHAN2

40:SYST:HEAD OFF

50 :FUNC1? !returns CHAN1,CHAN2

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HORizontal

Command

:FUNCtion<N>:HORizontal {AUTO | MANual}

This command sets the horizontal tracking to either AUTO or MANual.

The HORizontal command also includes a subsystem consisting of the following commands and queries, which are described on the following pages:

- POSition
- RANGe

Note

This command applies only to the Magnify and Versus operators.

<N>

An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

Query

:FUNCtion<N>:HORizontal?

The query returns the current horizontal scaling mode of the specified func-

tion.

Returned Format

[:FUNCtion<N>:HORizontal] {AUTO | MANual}<NL>

Example

This example places the current state of function 1 horizontal tracking in the string variable, Setting\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the com-

puter's screen.

10 DIM Setting\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707; ":FUNCTION1:HORIZONTAL?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting\$ 40 PRINT Setting\$

50 END

HORizontal:POSition

Command

:FUNCtion<N>:HORizontal:POSition <position_value>

This command sets the time value at center screen for the selected function.

Note

This command applies only to the Magnify and Versus operators.

<N>

An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

<position_value> Position value in time, in seconds.

Query :FUNCtion<N>:HORizontal:POSition?

The guery returns the current time value at center screen of the selected

function.

Returned Format [:FUNCtion<N>:HORizontal:POSition] <position><NL>

Example This example places the current horizontal position setting for function 2 in

the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents to the computer's

screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION2:DISPLAY ON"

30 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION2:HORIZONTAL:POSITION?"

40 ENTER 707; Value 50 PRINT Value

60 END

HORizontal:RANGe

Command :FUNCtion<N>:HORizontal:RANGe <range_value>

This command sets the current time range for the specified function. This

automatically selects manual mode.

Note

This command applies only to the Magnify and Versus operators.

<N> An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

<range_value>

Width of screen in current X-axis units (usually seconds).

Query

:FUNCtion<N>:HORizontal:RANGe?

The query returns the current time range setting of the specified function.

Note

This query returns the current time range setting of the specified function only when the respective function display is ON.

Returned Format

[:FUNCtion<N>:HORizontal:RANGe] <range><NL>

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Example

This example places the current horizontal range setting of function 2 in the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" 20 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION2:DISPLAY ON"

!Response headers off

30 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION2:HORIZONTAL:RANGE?"

40 ENTER 707; Value 50 PRINT Value

60 END

INVert

Command :FUNCtion<N>:INVert <operand>

This command defines a function that inverts the defined operand's waveform

by multiplying by -1.

<N> An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

<operand> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N> | <float_value>}

<N> An integer from 1 to 4.

Example This example sets up function 2 to invert the signal on channel 1.

10 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION2:INVERT CHANNEL1"

20 END

Functions Used as Operands

A function may be used as a source for another function, subject to the following constraints:

F4 can have F1, F2, or F3 as a source.

F3 can have F1 or F2 as a source.

F2 can have F1 as a source.

F1 cannot have any other function as a source.

MAGNify

Command :FUNCtion<N>:MAGNify < operand>

This command defines a function that is a copy of the operand. The magnify function is a software magnify. No hardware settings are altered as a result of using this function. It is useful for scaling channels, another function, TDR/TDT responses or memories with the RANGe and OFFSet commands in this subsystem.

<N> An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

<operand> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N> | <float_value>}

<N> An integer from 1 to 4.

Example This example creates a function (function 1) that is a magnified version of

channel 1.

10 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION1:MAGNIFY CHANNEL1"

20 END

Functions Used as Operands

A function may be used as a source for another function, subject to the following constraints:

F4 can have F1, F2, or F3 as a source.

F3 can have F1 or F2 as a source.

F2 can have F1 as a source.

F1 cannot have any other function as a source.

MAXimum

Command :FUNCtion<N>:MAXimum <operand>

This command defines a function that computes the maximum value of the

operand waveform in each time bucket.

<N> An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

<operand> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N> | <float_value>}

<N> An integer from 1 to 4.

MINimum

Command :FUNCtion<N>:MINimum <operand>

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This command defines a function that computes the minimum value of each

time bucket for the defined operand's waveform.

<N> An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

<operand> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N> | <float_value>}

<N> An integer from 1 to 4.

OFFSet

Command :FUNCtion<N>:OFFSet <offset_value>

This command sets the voltage represented at the center of the screen for the selected function. This automatically changes the mode from auto to manual.

<N> An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

The offset value is limited to being within the vertical range that can be repre-

sented by the function data.

Example This example sets the offset voltage for function 1 to 2 mV.

10 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION1:OFFSET 2E-3"

20 END

Query :FUNCtion<N>:OFFSet?

The guery returns the current offset value for the selected function.

Note

This query returns the current offset value of the specified function only when the respective function display is ON.

Returned Format

[:FUNCtion<N>:OFFSet] <offset_value><NL>

Example

This example places the current setting for offset on function 2 in the numeric variable, Value, then prints the result to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION2:DISPLAY ON" 30 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION2:OFFSET?"

40 ENTER 707; Value 50 PRINT Value

60 END

RANGe

Command :FUNCtion<N>:RANGe <full_scale_range>

This command defines the full scale vertical axis of the selected function. This

automatically changes the mode from auto to manual.

<N> An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

<full_scale_range> The full-scale vertical range.

Example This example sets the full scale range for function 1 to 400 mV.

10 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION1:RANGE 400E-3"

20 END

Query :FUNCtion<N>:RANGe?

The query returns the current full scale range setting for the specified func-

tion.

Note

This query returns the current full scale range setting of the specified function only when the respective function display is ON.

Returned Format

[:FUNCtion<N>:RANGe] <full_scale_range><NL>

Example

This example places the current range setting for function 2 in the numeric variable "Value," then prints the contents to the computer screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION2:DISPLAY ON" 30 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION2:RANGE?"

40 ENTER 707; Value 50 PRINT Value

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SUBTract

Command :FUNCtion<N>:SUBTract <operand>,<operand>

This command defines a function that algebraically subtracts the second oper-

and from the first operand.

<N> An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

<operand> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N> | <float_value>}

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 $\langle N \rangle$ An integer from 1 to 4.

Example This example defines a function that subtracts waveform memory 1 from channel 1.

10 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION1:SUBTRACT CHANNEL1,WMEMORY1" 20 FND

Functions Used as Operands

A function may be used as a source for another function, subject to the following constraints:

F4 can have F1, F2, or F3 as a source.

F3 can have F1 or F2 as a source.

F2 can have F1 as a source.

F1 cannot have any other function as a source.

VERSus

Command :FUNCtion<N>:VERSus

This command defines a function for an X-versus-Y display. The first operand defines the Y axis and the second defines the X axis. The Y-axis range and offset are initially equal to that of the first operand and can be adjusted with the

RANGe and OFFSet commands in this subsystem.

<N> An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

<operand> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N> | <float_value>}

<N> An integer from 1 to 4.

Example This example defines function 1 as an X-versus-Y display. Channel 1 is the

X axis and waveform memory 2 is the Y axis.

10 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION1:VERSUS WMEMORY2,CHANNEL1"

20 END

Functions Used as Operands

A function may be used as a source for another function, subject to the following constraints:

F4 can have F1, F2, or F3 as a source.

F3 can have F1 or F2 as a source.

F2 can have F1 as a source.

F1 cannot have any other function as a source.

VERTical

Command

:FUNCtion<N>:VERTical {AUTO | MANual}

This command sets the vertical scaling mode of the specified function to either AUTO or MANual.

The VERTical command also contains a subsystem consisting of the following commands and queries:

OFFset

RANge

<N>

An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

Query

:FUNCtion<N>:VERTical?

The query returns the current vertical scaling mode of the specified function.

Returned Format

[:FUNCtion<N>:VERTical] {AUTO | MANual}<NL>

Example

This example places the current state of the vertical tracking of function 1 in the string variable, Setting\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 DIM Setting\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707; ":FUNCTION1:VERTICAL?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting\$ 40 PRINT Setting\$

50 END

VERTical:OFFSet

Command

:FUNCtion<N>:VERTical:OFFSet <offset_value>

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This command sets the voltage represented at center screen for the selected

function. This automatically changes the mode from auto to manual.

<N> An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

<offset value> The offset value is limited only to being within the vertical range that can be

represented by the function data.

:FUNCtion<N>:VERTical:OFFset? Query

The query returns the current offset value of the selected function.

Note

This query returns the current offset value of the specified function only when the respective function display is ON.

Returned Format Example

[:FUNCtion<N>:VERTical:OFFset] <offset_value><NL>

This example places the current offset setting for function 2 in the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off 20 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION2:DISPLAY ON"

30 OUTPUT 707:":FUNCTION2:VERTICAL:OFFSET?"

40 ENTER 707: Value 50 PRINT Value 60 FND

VERTical:RANGe

Command :FUNCtion<N>:VERTical:RANGe <full_scale_range>

> This command defines the full-scale vertical axis of the selected function. This automatically changes the mode from auto to manual, if the scope is not

already in manual mode.

<N> An integer, 1–4, representing the selected function.

<full_scale_range> The full-scale vertical range. Query

:FUNCtion<N>:VFRTical:RANGe?

The query returns the current range setting of the specified function.

Note

This guery returns the current range setting of the specified function only when the respective function display is ON.

Returned Format

[:FUNCtion<N>:VERTical:RANGe] <range><NL>

Example

This example places the current vertical range setting of function 2 in the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents to the computer screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION2:DISPLAY ON" 30 OUTPUT 707;":FUNCTION2:VERTICAL:RANGE?"

40 ENTER 707; Value 50 PRINT Value

60 END

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Hardcopy Commands

Hardcopy Commands

The HARDcopy subsystem commands set various parameters for printing the screen. The print sequence is activated when the root level :PRINt command is sent.

AREA

Command :HARDcopy:AREA {GRATicule | SCReen}

This command selects which data from the screen is to be printed. When you select GRATicule, only the graticule area of the screen is printed (this is the same as choosing Waveforms Only in the Configure Printer dialog box). When

you select SCReen, the entire screen is printed.

Example This example selects the graticule for printing.

10 OUTPUT 707;":HARDCOPY:AREA GRATICULE"

20 END

Query :HARDcopy:AREA?

The query returns the current setting for the area of the screen to be printed.

Returned Format [:HARDcopy:AREA] {GRATicule | SCReen}<NL>

Example This example places the current selection for the area to be printed in the

string variable, Selection\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the com-

puter's screen.

10 DIM Selection\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":HARDCOPY:AREA?"

30 ENTER 707; Selection\$ 40 PRINT Selection\$

50 END

DPRinter

Command :HARDcopy:DPRinter {<pri>cprinter_number>|<pri>der_string>}

This command selects the default printer to be used.

<printer_number> An integer representing the attached printer. This number corresponds to the

number returned with each printer name by the ":HARDcopy:PRINters?"

query.

<printer_string> A string of alphanumeric characters representing the attached printer.

The HARDcopy:DPRinter command specifies a number or string for the printer attached to the analyzer. The printer_string must exactly match the character strings in the File, Print Setup dialog boxes, or the strings returned

by the ":HARDcopy:PRINters?" query.

Examples This example sets the default printer to the second installed printer returned

by the :HARDcopy:PRINters? query.

10 OUTPUT 707;":HARDCOPY:DPRINTER 2"

20 END

This example sets the default printer to the installed printer with the name

"HP Laser".

10 OUTPUT 707:":HARDCOPY:DPRINTER ""HP Laser"""

20 END

Query :HARDcopy:DPRinter?

The query returns the current printer number and string.

Returned Format [:HARDcopy:DPRinter?] {<pri>cprinter_number>,<printer_string>,DEFAULT}<NL>

Or, if there is no default printer (no printers are installed), only a <NL> is

returned.

Example This example places the current setting for the hardcopy printer in the string

variable, Setting\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's

screen.

10 DIM Setting\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707; ":HARDCOPY:DPRinter?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting\$ 40 PRINT Setting\$

50 END

Programs Must Wait After Changing the Default Printer

It takes several seconds to change the default printer. Any programs that try to set the default printer must wait (10 seconds is a safe amount of time) for the change to complete before sending other commands. Otherwise the analyzer will become unresponsive.

FACTors

This command determines whether the analyzer setup factors will be $% \left\{ \left\{ \left(1\right\} \right\} \right\} =\left\{ \left\{ \left(1\right\} \right\} \right\} =\left\{ \left(1\right) \right\} =\left\{$

appended to screen or graticule images. FACTors ON is the same as choosing

Include Setup Information in the Configure Printer dialog box.

Example This example turns on the setup factors.

10 OUTPUT 707;":HARDCOPY:FACTORS ON"

20 END

Query :HARDcopy:FACTors?

The query returns the current setup factors setting.

Returned Format

[:HARDcopy:FACTors] {1|0}<NL>

Example

This example places the current setting for the setup factors in the string variable, Setting\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's

screen.

10 DIM Setting\$[50]

!Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707; ":HARDCOPY:FACTORS?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting\$ 40 PRINT Setting\$

50 END

IMAGe

Command :HARDcopy:IMAGe {NORMal | INVert | MONochrome}

This command prints the image normally, inverted, or in monochrome. IMAGe INVert is the same as choosing Invert Waveform Colors in the Configure

Printer dialog box.

Example This example sets the hardcopy image output to normal.

10 OUTPUT 707;":HARDCOPY:IMAGE NORMAL"

20 END

Query :HARDcopy:IMAGe?

The query returns the current image setting.

Returned Format

[:HARDcopy:IMAGe] {NORMal | INVert | MONochrome}<NL>

Example

This example places the current setting for the hardcopy image in the string variable, Setting\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's

screen.

10 DIM Setting\$[50]

!Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":HARDCOPY:IMAGE?" 30 ENTER 707;Setting\$

40 PRINT Setting

50 FND

PRINters?

Query :HARDcopy:PRINters?

This guery returns the currently available printers.

Returned Format [:HARDcopy:PRINters]<pri>printer_count><NL><printer_data><NL>[,<printer_data><NL>]

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Number of printers currently installed. <printer_count>

The printer number and the name of an installed printer. The word DEFAULT <printer_data>

appears next to the printer that is the currently selected default printer.

Example This example places the number of installed printers into the variable Count,

loops through that number of times, and prints the installed printer names to

the computer screen.

10 DIM Setting\$[50] 20 OUTPUT 707;":HARDCOPY:PRINTERS?"

30 ENTER 707; Count 40 IF Count>0 THEN

50 FOR Printer_number=1 TO Count

60 ENTER 707; Setting\$ 70 PRINT Setting\$ 80 NEXT Printer_number

90 END IF 100 END

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Histogram Commands

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The Histogram commands and queries control the histogram features. A histogram is a probability distribution that shows the distribution of acquired data within a user-definable histogram window. You can display the histogram either vertically, for voltage measurements, or horizontally, for timing measurements.

The most common use for histograms is measuring and characterizing noise or jitter on displayed waveforms. Noise is measured by sizing the histogram window to a narrow portion of time and observing a vertical histogram that measures the noise on a waveform. Jitter is measured by sizing the histogram window to a narrow portion of voltage and observing a horizontal histogram that measures the jitter on an edge.

Histograms and the Database

The histograms, mask testing, and color-graded (including gray scale) display use a specific database that uses a different memory area from the waveform record for each channel. When any of these features are turned on, the instrument starts building the database. The database is the size of the graticule area. Behind each pixel is a 16-bit counter that is incremented each time data from a channel or function hits a pixel. The maximum count (saturation) for each counter is 63,488. You can use the :MEASure:CGRade:PEAK? or DISPlay:CGRade:LEVels? queries to see if any of the counters are close to saturation.

The database continues to build until the instrument stops acquiring data or all three functions (color-graded display, mask testing, and histograms) are turned off. You can set the ACQuisition:RUNTil (Run Until) mode to stop acquiring data after a specified number of waveforms or samples are acquired. You can clear the database by turning off all three features that use the database.

The database does not differentiate waveforms from different channels or functions. If three channels are turned on and the waveform from each channel happens to light the same pixel at the same time, the counter is incremented by three. However, it is not possible to tell how many hits came from each waveform. To separate waveforms, you can set the display to two graphs or position the waveforms vertically with the channel offset. By separating the waveforms, you can avoid overlapping data in the database caused by multiple waveforms. Although multiple waveforms may be displayed in Oscilloscope mode, histogram measurements can be made on only one at a time. Set the histogram window source to the source you want to measure. Even if the display is set to show only the most recent acquisition, the database keeps track of all pixel hits while the database is building.

Remember that color-graded display, mask testing, and histograms all use the same database. Suppose that the database is building because color-graded display is ON; when mask testing or histograms are turned on, they can use the information already established in the database as though they had been turned on the entire time.

To avoid erroneous data, clear the display after you change instrument setup conditions or device under test (DUT) conditions and acquire new data before extracting measurement results.

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AXIS

Command :HISTogram:AXIS {VERTical | HORizontal}

This command selects the axis of the histogram. A horizontal or vertical histo-

gram may be created.

Example The following example defines a vertical histogram.

10 OUTPUT 707;":HISTOGRAM:AXIS VERTICAL"

20 END

Query :HISTogram:AXIS?

The query returns the currently selected histogram axis.

Returned Format [:HISTogram:AXIS] {VERTical | HORizontal} <NL>

Example 10 DIM Axis\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707; ":HISTOGRAM:AXIS?"

30 ENTER 707; Axis\$ 40 PRINT Axis\$

50 END

MODE

Command :HISTogram:MODE {ON | OFF | WAVeform}

This command selects the histogram mode. The histogram may be off or set on, to track the waveform database. WAVeform is the same as ON and exists

for backward compatibility.

Example The following example sets the histogram mode to track the waveform data-

base.

10 OUTPUT 707:":HISTOGRAM:MODE WAVEFORM"

20 END

Query :HISTogram:MODE?

The query returns the currently selected histogram mode.

Returned Format [:HISTogram:MODE] {ON | OFF } <NL>

Example The following example returns the result of the mode query and prints it to

the controller's screen.

10 DIM Mode\$[10]

20 OUTPUT 707;":HISTOGRAM:MODE?"

30 ENTER 707; Mode\$ 40 PRINT Mode\$

50 END

SCALe:SIZE

Command :HISTogram:SCALe:SIZE <size> [,{HORizontal | VERTical}]

This command sets the histogram size for vertical and horizontal mode.

<size> The size is from 1.0 to 8.0 for the horizontal mode and from 1.0 to 10.0 for the

vertical mode. Separate values are maintained for each axis. If the optional

axis parameter is not specified, the size of the current axis is set.

Example The following example sets the histogram size to 3.5.

10 OUTPUT 707;":HISTOGRAM:SCALE:SIZE 3.5"

20 END

Query :HISTogram:SCALe:SIZE? [HORizontal | VERTical]

The query returns the correct size of the histogram.

Returned Format [:HISTogram:SCALe:SIZE] <size><NL>

Example The following example returns the result of the size query and prints it to the

controller's screen.

10 DIM Scal\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707:":HISTOGRAM:SCALE:SIZE?"

30 ENTER 707; Size\$ 40 PRINT Size\$

50 FND

SOURce

Command :HISTogram:SOURce {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | CGMemory}

This command selects the source of the histogram window. The histogram window will track the source's vertical and horizontal scale. If the optional append parameter is not used when a .cgs file is loaded, the window source is set to CGMemory. No other source may be selected until the histogram data-

base is cleared.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

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Example The following example sets the histogram source to channel 1.

10 OUTPUT 707;":HISTOGRAM:SOURCE CHANNEL1"

20 END

Query :HISTogram:SOURce?

The query returns the currently selected histogram source.

Returned Format [:HISTogram:SOURce] {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | CGM}<NL>

Example The following example gets the current histogram source setting, which was

set by the previous :HISTogram:SOURce command.

write_IO (":HISTogram:SOURce?");
read_IO (Setting, SETTING_SIZE);

WINDow:BORDer

Command :HISTogram:WINDow:BORDer {ON | 1 | OFF | 0}

This command turns the histogram window border on or off.

Example The following example enables the display of the histogram window border.

10 OUTPUT 707;":HISTOGRAM:WINDOW:BORDER ON"

20 END

Query :HISTogram:WINDow:BORDer?

The query returns the current histogram window border setting.

Returned Format [:HISTogram:WINDow:BORDer] {ON | OFF}<NL>

WINDow:DEFault

Command :HISTogram:WINDow:DEFault

This command positions the histogram markers to a default location on the display. Each marker will be positioned one division off the left, right, top, and

bottom of the display.

Example The following example sets the histogram window to the default position.

10 OUTPUT 707;":HISTogram:WINDow:DEFault"

20 END

WINDow:SOURce

Command :HISTogram:WINDow:SOURce {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | CGMemory}

This command selects the source of the histogram window. The histogram window will track the source's vertical and horizontal scale. If the optional append parameter is not used when a .cgs file is loaded, the window source is set to CGMemory. No other source may be selected until the histogram database is cleared.

Compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A

The :WINDow:SOURce command serves the same function as the :SOURce command and has been retained for compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A.

<**N>** An integer 1–4, representing the selected function.

Example The following example sets the histogram window's source to Channel 1.

10 OUTPUT 707;":HISTOGRAM:WINDOW:SOURCE CHANNEL1"

20 END

Query :HISTogram:WINDow:SOURce?

The query returns the currently selected histogram window source.

Returned Format

Example

[:HISTogram:WINDow:SOURce] {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | CGM}<NL> The following example returns the result of the window source query and

prints it to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Winsour\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":HISTOGRAM:WINDOW:SOURCE?"

30 ENTER 707; Winsour\$ 40 PRINT Winsour\$

50 FND

WINDow:X1Position

Command :HISTogram:WINDow:X1Position <X1 position>

This command moves the X1 marker of the histogram window. The histogram window selects a portion of the database to histogram. The histogram window

markers will track the scale of the histogram window source.

Example The following example sets the X1 position to -200 microseconds.

10 OUTPUT 707:":HISTOGRAM:WINDOW:X1POSITION -200E-6"

20 FND

Query :HISTogram:WINDow:X1Position?

The query returns the value of the X1 histogram window marker.

Returned Format [:HISTogram:WINDow:X1Position]<X1 position><NL>

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Example The following example returns the result of the X1 position query and prints it

to the controller's screen.

10 DIM X1\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":HISTOGRAM:WINDOW:X1POSITION?"

30 ENTER 707;X1\$ 40 PRINT X1\$ 50 END

WINDow:X2Position

Command :HISTogram:WINDow:X2Position <X2 position>

This command moves the X2 marker of the histogram window. The histogram window selects a portion of the database to histogram. The histogram window

markers will track the scale of the histogram window source.

Example The following example sets the X2 marker to 200 microseconds.

10 OUTPUT 707;":HISTOGRAM:WINDOW:X2POSITION 200E-6"

20 END

Query :HISTogram:WINDow:X2Position?

The query returns the value of the X2 histogram window marker.

Returned Format [:HISTogram:WINDow:X2Position] <X2 position><NL>

Example The following example returns the result of the X2 position query and prints it

to the controller's screen.

10 DIM X2\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":HISTOGRAM:WINDOW:X2POSITION?"

30 ENTER 707;X2\$ 40 PRINT X2\$ 50 END

WINDow:Y1Position

Command :HISTogram:WINDow:Y1Position <Y1 position>

This command moves the Y1 marker of the histogram window. The histogram window selects a portion of the database to histogram. The histogram window

markers will track the scale of the histogram window source.

Example The following example sets the position of the Y1 marker to -250 mV.

10 OUTPUT 707:":HISTOGRAM:WINDOW:Y1POSITION -250E-3"

20 END

Query :HISTogram:WINDow:Y1Position?

The query returns the value of the Y1 histogram window marker.

Returned Format

[:HISTogram:WINDow:Y1Position] <Y1 position><NL>

Example

The following example returns the result of the Y1 position query and prints it to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Y1\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":HISTOGRAM:WINDOW:Y1POSITION?"

30 ENTER 707;Y1\$ 40 PRINT Y1\$ 50 END

WINDow:Y2Position

Command :HISTogram:WINDow:Y2Position <Y2 position>

This command moves the Y2 marker of the histogram window. The histogram window selects a portion of the database to histogram. The histogram window

markers will track the scale of the histogram window source.

Example The following example sets the position of the Y2 marker to 1.

10 OUTPUT 707;":HISTOGRAM:WINDOW:Y2POSITION 1"

20 END

Query :HISTogram:WINDow:Y2Position?

The query returns the value of the Y2 histogram window marker.

Returned Format

[:HISTogram:WINDow:Y2Position] < Y2 position > < NL >

Example

The following example returns the result of the Y2 position query and prints it

to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Y2\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":HISTOGRAM:WINDOW:Y2POSITION?"

30 ENTER 707;Y2\$ 40 PRINT Y2\$ 50 END

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Limit Test Commands

Limit Test Commands

The Limit Test commands and queries control the limit test features of the analyzer. Limit testing automatically compares measurement results with pass or fail limits. The limit test tracks up to four measurements. The action taken when the test fails is also controlled with commands in this subsystem.

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Command :LTESt:FAIL {INSide | OUTSide | ALWays | NEVer}

This command sets the fail condition for an individual measurement. The con-

ditions for a test failure are set on the source selected with the last

LTESt:SOURce command. When a measurement failure is detected by the limit test, the fail action conditions are executed, and there is the potential to

generate an SRQ.

INSide FAIL: INside causes the instrument to fail a test when the measurement results

are within the parameters set by the LTESt:LLIMit and LTESt:ULIMit com-

mands.

OUTSide FAIL:OUTside causes the instrument to fail a test when the measurement

results exceed the parameters set by LTESt:LLIMit and LTESt:ULIMit com-

mands.

ALWays FAIL:ALWays causes the instrument to fail a test every time the measurement

is executed, and the parameters set by the LTESt:LLIMit and LTESt:ULIMit commands are ignored. The FAIL:ALWays mode logs the action each time the measurement is executed. FAIL:ALWays can monitor trends in measurements, for example, tracking a measurement during an environmental test while the instrument is running a measurement for a long time, as the temperature or humidity is changed. Each time the measurement is executed, the results are

logged as determined by the fail action set with the LTESt:SSCreen,

LTESt:SSUMmary, or LTESt:SWAVeform commands.

NEVer FAIL:NEVer sets the instrument so a measurement never fails a test. Use the

FAIL:NEVer mode to observe one measurement but determine a failure from a different measurement. The FAIL:NEVer mode monitors a measurement with-

out any fail criteria.

Example The following example causes the instrument to fail a test when the measure-

ments are outside the lower and upper limits.

10 OUTPUT 707:":LTEST:FAIL OUTSIDE"

20 END

Query :LTESt:FAIL?

The query returns the current value set for the fail condition.

Returned Format [:LTESt:FAIL] {INSIDELIMITS| OUTSIDELIMITS| ALWAYSFAIL| NEVERFAIL}<NL>

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Example

The following example returns the current fail condition and prints the result to the controller's screen.

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10 DIM FAIL\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707; LTEST: FAIL?"

30 ENTER 707; FAIL\$ 40 PRINT FAIL\$

50 END

LLIMit

Command :LTESt:LLIMit <lower value>

This command sets the lower test limit for the active measurement currently

selected by the :LTESt:SOURce command.

<lower_value>

A real number.

Example

The following example sets the lower test limit to 1.

10 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:LLIMIT 1"

20 END

If, for example, you chose to measure volts peak-peak and want the smallest acceptable signal swing to be one volt, you could use the above command, then set the limit test to fail when the signal is outside the specified limit.

Query

:LTESt:LLIMit?

The query returns the current value set by the command.

Returned Format

[:LTESt:LLIMit]<lower value><NL>

Example

The following example returns the current lower test limit and prints the

result to the controller's screen.

10 DIM LLIM\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:LLIMIT?"

30 ENTER 707; LLIM\$ 40 PRINT LLIM\$

50 FND

MNFound

Command

:LTESt:MNFound {FAIL | PASS | IGNore}

This command sets the action to take when the measurement cannot be made. This command affects the active measurement currently selected by the last $\frac{1}{2}$

LTESt:SOURce command.

This command tells the instrument how to treat a measurement that cannot be made. For example, if a risetime between 1 to 5 volts is requested and the captured signal is between 2 to 3 volts, this control comes into play. Another use for this command is when trying to measure the frequency of a baseline waveform.

FAIL

FAIL is used when the instrument cannot make a measurement, for example, when an edge is expected to be present and is not found. This is the mode to use for most applications.

The total number of waveforms is incremented, and the total number of failures is incremented.

PASS

PASS might be used when triggering on one event and measuring another event which may not occur for every trigger. For example, in a communications test system, you might want to trigger on the clock and test the risetime of edges in the data stream. However, there may be no way to guarantee that a rising edge will be present to measure in the data stream at every clock edge. By using the PASS parameter, the limit test will not log a failure if there is no edge found in the data stream.

If the measurement cannot be made, the total number of waveforms measured is incremented, but the total number of failures is not.

IGNore

IGNore is similar to PASS, except the totals for the number of waveforms and failures are not incremented. Therefore, the total indicates the number of tests when the measurement was made.

Example

The following example causes the instrument to pass the test when a measurement cannot be made.

10 OUTPUT 707:":LTEST:MNFOUND PASS"

20 END

Query :LTESt:MNFound?

The query returns the current action set by the command.

Returned Format

[:LTESt:MNFound] {FAIL | PASS | IGNore}<NL>

Example

The following example gets the current setting of the measurement not found

action and prints the result to the controller's screen.

10 DIM MNF\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:MNFOUND?"

30 ENTER 707: MNF\$ 40 PRINT MNF\$

50 END

RUNTil

Command

:LTESt:RUNTil FAILures, <total_failures>

This command determines the termination conditions for the test.

Note

The keywords RUN or RUMode (Run Until Mode) may also be used. This command is compatible with the Agilent 83480/54750.

Note

To run for a number of waveforms or samples, refer to ACQuire:RUNTil command on page 11-5.

FAILures

FAILures runs the limit test until a set number of failures occur. When FAILures is sent, the test executes until the selected total failures are obtained. The number of failures are compared against this number to test for termination.

Use the FAILures mode when you want the limit test to reach completion after a set number of failures. The total number of failures is additive for all of the measurements. For example, if you select 10 failures, the total of 10 failures can come from several measurements. The 10 failures can be the sum of four rise time failures, four +width failures, and two overshoot failures.

<total_failures>

An integer: 1 to 1,000,000,000.

Example

The following example causes limit test to run until two failures occur.

10 OUTPUT 707:":LTEST:RUNTil FAILures, 2"

20 END

Query

:LTESt:RUNTil?

The query returns the currently selected termination condition and value.

Returned Format

[:LTESt:RUNTil] {FAILures, <total_failures>}<NL>

Example

The following example returns the current condition under which the limit test terminates and prints the result to the controller's screen.

10 DIM RUN\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:RUNTIL?"

30 ENTER 707; RUN\$ 40 PRINT RUN\$

50 FND

SOURce

Command

:LTESt:SOURce {1 | 2 | 3 | 4}

This command selects the current source for the ULIMit, LLIMit, MNFound, and FAIL commands. It selects one of the active measurements as referred to by their position in the measurement window on the bottom of the screen. Source 1 is the measurement on the top line, 2 is on the second line, and so on.

Note

As a measurement is activated, the associated measurement limit test is programmed according to default values expressed by the following script:

:LTESt:SOURce <N>

:LTESt:FAIL OUTSIde

:LTESt:LLIMIt -10

:LTESt:ULIMIt 10

:LTESt:MNFound FAIL

:LTESt:RUNTil FAILUres, 1

Before a measurement limit test is initiated, you must make the necessary adjustments to the default values otherwise these values will be used during the limit test.

Example

The following example selects the first measurement as the source for the

limit testing commands.

10 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:SOURCE 1"

20 FND

Query

:LTESt:SOURce?

The query returns the currently selected measurement source.

Returned Format

[:LTESt:SOURce] {1 | 2 | 3 | 4} <NL>

Example

The following example returns the currently selected measurement source for

the limit testing commands.

10 DIM SOURCE\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:SOURCE?" 30 ENTER 707;SOURCE\$

30 ENTER /0/;SOURCE\$
40 PRINT SOURCE\$

50 FND

See Also Measurements are started in the Measurement subsystem.

SSCReen

Command :LTESt:SSCReen {OFF | DISK [,<filename>]}

This command saves a copy of the screen in the event of a failure.

OFF Turns off the save action.

<filename>

DISK Saves a copy of the screen to disk in the event of a failure.

An ASCII string enclosed in quotations marks. If no filename is specified, a filename will be assigned. The default filename is *MeasLimitScreenX.bmp*, where X is an incremental number assigned by the instrument.

Note

The save screen options established by the commands LTESt:SSCReen DISK, LTESt:SSCReen:AREA, and LTESt:SSCReen:IMAG are stored in the instrument's memory and will be employed in consecutive save screen operations, until changed by the user. This includes the <filename> parameter for the LTESt:SSCReen DISK command. If the results of consecutive limit tests must be stored in different files, omit the <filename> parameter and use the default filename instead. Each screen image will be saved in a different file named *MeasLimitScreenX.bmp*, where X is an incremental number assigned by the instrument.

The *filename* field encodes the network path and the directory in which the file will be saved, as well as the file format that will be used. The following is a list of valid filenames.

Valid Filenames

Filename	File Saved in Directory
"Test1.gif"	C:\User Files\Screen Images\
"A:test2.pcx"	A:\
".\screen2.jpg"	File saved in the present working directory, set with the command :DISK:CDIR.
"\\computer-ID\d\$\test3.bmp"	File saved in drive D: of computer "computer-ID", provided all permissions are set properly.
"E:test4.eps"	File saved in the instrument's drive E:, that could be mapped to any disk in the network.

If a filename is specified without a path, the default path will be

C:\User Files\screen images. The default file type is a bitmap (.bmp). The following graphics formats are available by specifying a file extension: PCX files (.pcx), EPS files (.eps), Postscript files (.ps), JPEG (.jpg),

TIFF (.tif) and GIF files (.gif).

Example The following example saves a copy of the screen to the disk in the event of a

failure. Additional disk-related controls are set using the SSCReen:AREA and

SSCReen:IMAGe commands.

10 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:SSCREEN DISK"

20 END

Query :LTESt:SSCReen?

The query returns the current state of the SSCReen command.

Returned Format [:LTESt:SSCReen] {OFF | DISK [,<filename>]}<NL>

Example The following example returns the destination of the save screen when a fail-

ure occurs and prints the result to the controller's screen.

10 DIM SSCR\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":LTESt:SSCREEN?"

30 ENTER 707;SSCR\$ 40 PRINT SSCR\$

50 FND

SSCReen:AREA

Command :LTESt:SSCReen:AREA {GRATicule | SCReen}

This command selects which data from the screen is to be saved to disk when the run until condition is met. When you select GRATicule, only the graticule area of the screen is saved (this is the same as choosing Waveforms Only in the Specify Report Action for measurement limit test dialog box). When you

select SCReen, the entire screen is saved.

Example This example selects the graticule for printing.

10 OUTPUT 707:":LTESt:SSCReen:ARFA GRATICULF"

20 END

Query :LTESt:SSCReen:AREA?

The query returns the current setting for the area of the screen to be saved.

Returned Format [:LTESt:SSCReen:AREA] {GRATicule | SCReen}<NL>

Example This example places the current selection for the area to be saved in the string

variable, SelectionS, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's

screen.

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10 DIM Selection\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:SSCREEN:AREA?"

30 ENTER 707; Selection\$ 40 PRINT Selection\$

50 END

SSCReen:IMAGe

Command :LTESt:SSCReen:IMAGe {NORMal | INVert | MONochrome}

This command saves the image normally, inverted, or in monochrome. IMAGe INVert is the same as choosing Invert Waveform Background in the Specify

Report Action for measurement limit test dialog box.

Example This example sets the image output to normal.

10 OUTPUT 707;":LTESt:SSCReen:IMAGE NORMAL"

20 END

Query :LTESt:SSCReen:IMAGe?

The query returns the current image setting.

Returned Format [:LTESt:SSCReen:IMAGe] {NORMal | INVert | MONochrome}<NL>

Example This example places the current setting for the image in the string variable,

Setting\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 DIM Setting\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:SSCREEN:IMAGE?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting\$ 40 PRINT Setting\$

50 END

SSUMmary

Command :LTESt:SSUMmary {OFF | DISK [,<filename>]}

This command saves the summary in the event of a failure.

When set to disk, the summary is written to the disk drive. The summary is a logging method where the user can get an overall view of the test results. The summary is an ASCII file that the user can read on the computer or place into

a spreadsheet.

<filename> An ASCII string enclosed in quotation marks. If no filename is specified, the

default filename will be *MeasLimitSummaryX.sum*, where X is an incremental number assigned by the instrument. If a filename is specified without a path, the default path will be C:\User files\limit summaries.

Note

If the summary of consecutive limit tests is to be stored in separate files, omit the <file-

name> parameter. Limit test summaries will be stored in files named

 $\textit{MeasLimitSummaryX.sum}, \ \text{where X is an incremental number assigned by the instru-}$

ment.

Example The following example saves the summary to a disk file named *TEST.sum*.

10 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:SSUMMARY DISK,TEST"

20 END

Query :LTESt:SSUMmary?

The query returns the current specified destination for the summary.

Returned Format

[:LTESt:SSUMmary] {OFF | DISK {,<filename>}}<NL>

Example

<source>

The following example returns the current destination for the summary and

prints the results to the controller's screen.

10 DIM SUMM\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707; LTEST:SSUMMARY?"

30 ENTER 707; SUMM\$

40 PRINT SUMM\$

50 END

SWAVeform

Command :LTESt:SWAVeform <source>, <destination>[,<filename>[, <format>]]

This command saves waveforms from a channel, function, TDR response or waveform memory in the event of measurement limit test termination, as specified by the :LTEST:RUNTil command. Each waveform source can be individually specified, allowing multiple channels, responses or functions to be saved to disk or waveform memories. Setting a particular source to OFF

removes any waveform save action from that source. {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N> | RESPonse<N>}

<destination> {OFF | WMEMory<N> | DISK}

<filename> An ASCII string enclosed in quotation marks. If no filename is specified, the

assigned filename will be MeasLimitChN_X, MeasLimitFnN_X,

MeasLimitRspN_X, or *MeasLimitMemN_X*, where X is an incremental number assigned by the instrument. If no path is specified, the default path will be

C:\User Files\waveforms.

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Note

If the selected waveforms of consecutive limit tests are to be stored in individual files, omit the <filename> parameter. The waveforms will be stored in the default format (INTERNAL) using the default naming scheme.

<format> {TEXT [,YVALues | VERBose] | INTernal}

where INTernal is the default value, and VERBose is the default value for

TEXT.

Example The following example turns off the saving of waveforms from channel 1 in the

event of a limit test failure.

10 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:SWAVEFORM CHAN1,OFF"

20 END

Query :LTESt:SWAVeform? <source>

The guery returns the current state of the :LTESt:SWAVeform command.

Returned Format

[:LTESt:SWAVeform]<source>, <destination>, [<filename>[,<format>]]<NL>

Example

The following example returns the current parameters for saving waveforms

in the event of a limit test failure.

10 DIM SWAV\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707:":LTEST:SWAVEFORM? CHANNEL1"

30 ENTER 707;SWAV\$
40 PRINT SWAV\$

50 FND

SWAVeform:RESet

Command :LTESt:SWAVeform:RESet

This command sets the save destination for all waveforms to OFF. Setting a source to OFF removes any waveform save action from that source. This is a convenient way to turn off all saved waveforms if it is unknown which are

being saved.

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:SWAVeform:RESet"

20 END

TEST

Command :LTESt:TEST {ON | 1 | OFF | 0}

This command controls the execution of the limit test function. ON allows the limit test to run over all of the active measurements. When the limit test is turned on, the limit test results are displayed on screen in a window below the graticule.

Example The following example turns off the limit test function.

10 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:TEST OFF"

20 END

Query :LTESt:TEST?

The query returns the state of the TEST control.

Returned Format

[:LTESt:TEST] {1 | 0} <NL>

Example

The following example returns the current state of the limit test (on or off, 1 or 0, respectively) and prints the result to the controller's screen.

10 DIM TEST\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:TEST?"

30 ENTER 707;TEST\$

40 PRINT TEST\$

50 END

Note

The results of the MEAS:RESults? query have three extra fields when LimitTESt:TEST is ON (failures, total, status). Failures is a number, total is a number, and status is one of the following values:

0 OK

1 failed high

2 failed low

3 failed inside

4 other failures

ULIMit

Command :LTESt:ULIMit <upper_value>

This command sets the upper test limit for the active measurement currently

selected by the last :LTESt:SOURce command.

<up><upper_value> A real number.

Example The following example sets the upper limit of the currently selected measure-

ment to 500 mV.

10 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:ULIMIT 500E-3"

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20 END

Suppose you are measuring the maximum voltage of a signal with Vmax, and that voltage should not exceed 500 mV. You can use the above program and set the LTESt:FAIL OUTSide command to specify that the limit subsystem will fail a measurement when the voltage exceeds 500 mV.

Query :LTESt:ULIMit?

The query returns the current upper limit of the limit test.

Returned Format

[:LTESt:ULIMit] <upper_value><NL>

Example

The following example returns the current upper limit of the limit test and

prints the result to the controller's screen.

10 DIM ULIM\$[50] 20 OUTPUT 707;":LTEST:ULIMIT?"

30 ENTER 707; ULIM\$ 40 PRINT ULIM\$

50 END

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The commands in the MARKer subsystem are used to specify and query the settings of the time markers (X axis) and current measurement unit markers (volts, amps, and watts for the Y axis). The Y-axis measurement units are typically set using the CHANnel:UNITs command.

PROPagation

Command

:MARKer:PROPagation {DIELectric | METer},,propagation>

This command sets the propagation velocity for TDR and TDT measurements. The propagation may be specified as a dielectric constant or in meters per second. The value is used to determine the distance from the reference plane in TDR and TDT marker measurements.

Note

To ensure accurate marker measurements, you must ensure that the propagation value is accurate, and that the units are set correctly (:MARKer:XUNITs). Propagation delay is always measured with respect to the reference plane.

cpropagation>

Dielectric constant or propagation value. You must specify one of the modifi-

ers DIELectric or METer.

Example The following example sets the propagation to 30 million meters per second.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:PROPAGATION METER, 3E7"

20 END

Query :MARKer:PROPagation?

The query returns the current propagation value.

Returned Format

[:MARKer:PROPagation]propagation> {DIELectric | METer}<NL>

Example The following example gets the propagation value from the instrument, puts it

into the variable, Prop\$, then displays the contents of the variable on the con-

troller's screen.

10 DIM Prop\$[20] !Declare variable

20 OUTPUT 707; ": MARKER: PROPAGATION?"

30 ENTER 707;Prop\$ 40 PRINT Prop\$

50 END

RPANnotation

Command :MARKer:RPANnotation { {OFF | 0} | {ON | 1}}

This command sets the reference plane annotation on or off. The annotation is depicted as an inverted orange triangle positioned along the top of the grati-

cule.

Example The following example turns off the reference plane annotation.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:RPANNOTATION OFF"

20 END

Query :MARKer:RPANnotation?

The query returns the status of the reference plane annotation.

Returned Format

[:MARKer:RPANnotation] {ON | OFF} <NL>

Example The following example reads the status of the reference plane annotation,

writes it to the variable RPAN\$, and displays its contents on the controller's

screen.

10 DIM RPAN\$[50]

20 Output 707; ":MARKer:RPANnotation? X2Y2"

30 ENTER 707; RPAN\$
40 PRINT RPAN\$

50 END

STATe

Command :MARKer:STATe <marker_pair>,<X_marker_state>,<Y_marker_state>

This command sets the state of a marker pair.

<marker_pair> {X1Y1 | X2Y2}

Specifies which marker pair state is set.

<**X_marker_state**> {OFF | MANual}

Turns the X marker on or off.

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<Y_marker_state> {OFF | MANual | TRACk>

Turns the Y marker off, or sets to manual placement, or sets to tracking the

source waveform at the X position. TRACk is allowed only with the X_marker_state of manual. TRACk is not allowed in Eye/Mask mode.

Example This example sets the X1 marker to manual and the Y1 marker to track the

source waveform at the current X1 position.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MARKer:STATe X1Y1, MANual, TRACk"

20 END

Query :MARKer:STATe? {X1Y1 | X2Y2}

Returns the states of the specified marker pair.

Returned Format [:MARKer:STATe] {X1Y1 | X2Y2},<X_marker_state>,<Y_marker_state>

Example This example returns the current state of the X2 and Y2 markers to the string

variable Marker_state\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the com-

puter screen.

10 DIM Marker_state\$[50]

20 Output 707;":MARKer:STATe? X2Y2"

30 ENTER 707; Marker_state\$ 40 PRINT Marker state\$

50 END

X1Position

Command :MARKer:X1Position <X1 position>

This command sets the X1 marker position, and moves the X1 marker to the

specified time with respect to the trigger time, if the X1 marker is on.

<X1_position> Time at X1 marker in seconds.

Example This example sets the X1 marker to 90 ns.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:X1POSITION 90E-9"

20 END

Query :MARKer:X1Position?

The query returns the time at the X1 marker position.

Returned Format [:MARKer:X1Position] <X1_position><NL>

Example This example returns the current setting of the X1 marker to the numeric vari-

able, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:X1POSITION?"

30 ENTER 707: Value

40 PRINT Value 50 END

X1Y1source

Command :MARKer:X1Y1source {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N>}

This command sets the source for the X1 and Y1 markers.

<N> For channels, functions, TDR responses and waveform memories: 1, 2, 3, or 4.

> The source you specify must be enabled for markers to be displayed. If the channel, function, TDR response or waveform memory that you specify is not

on, an error message is issued and the query will return NONE.

Example This example selects channel 1 as the source for markers X1 and Y1.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:X1Y1SOURCE CHANNEL1"

20 FND

Query :MARKer:X1Y1source?

The guery returns the current source for markers X1 and Y1.

Returned Format

[:MARKer:X1Y1source] {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N>}<NL> **Example** This example returns the current source selection for the X1 and Y1 markers

to the string variable, Selection\$, then prints the contents of the variable to

the computer screen.

10 DIM Selection \$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:X1Y1SOURCE?"

30 ENTER 707: Selection\$ 40 PRINT Selection\$

50 FND

X2Position

Command :MARKer:X2Position <X2_position>

This command sets the X2 marker position and moves the X2 marker to the

specified time with respect to the trigger time, if the X2 marker is on.

Time at X2 marker in seconds. <X2_position>

This example sets the X2 marker to 90 ns. Example

10 OUTPUT 707:":MARKER:X2POSITION 90F-9"

20 FND

:MARKer:X2Position? Query

The query returns the time at the X2 marker in seconds.

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Returned Format

[:MARKer:X2Position] <X2_position><NL>

Example

This example returns the current position of the X2 marker to the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

!Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:X2POSITION?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

X2Y2source

Command :MARKer:X2Y2source {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N>}

This command sets the source for the X2 and Y2 markers.

<N> For channels, functions, TDR responses and waveform memories: 1, 2, 3, or 4.

The source you specify must be enabled for markers to be displayed. If the channel, function, TDR response or waveform memory that you specify is not

on, an error message is issued and the query will return NONE.

Example This example selects channel 1 as the source for markers X2 and Y2.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:X2Y2SOURCE CHANNEL1"

20 END

Query :MARKer:X2Y2source?

The guery returns the current source for markers X2 and Y2.

Returned Format

[:MARKer:X2Y2source] {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N>}<NL>

Example

This example returns the current source selection for the X2 and Y2 markers to the string variable, Selection\$, then prints the contents of the variable to

the computer screen.

10 DIM Selection\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:X2Y2SOURCE?"

30 ENTER 707; Selection\$ 40 PRINT Selection\$

50 END

XDELta?

Query :MARKer:XDELta?

This query returns the time difference between X1 and X2 time markers if they are both on. If both markers are not on, 9.999999E+37 will be returned.

Xdelta = time at X2 - time at X1

Returned Format [:MARKer:XDELta] <time><NL>

<time> Time difference between X1 and X2 time markers in seconds.

Example This example returns the current time between the X1 and X2 time markers

to the numeric variable, Time, then prints the contents of the variable to the

computer screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:XDELTA?"

30 ENTER 707; Time 40 PRINT Time 50 FND

XUNITs

Command :MARKer:XUNITs {SECond | METer}

This command sets the units for horizontal display in TDR and TDT applications. The units may be in seconds or meters relative to the reference plane.

The marker mode must be TDRTDT to use this feature.

Example The following example sets the horizontal display units to meters:

10 OUTPUT 707:":MARKER:XUNITS METER"

20 FND

Query :MARKer:XUNITs?

The query returns the current marker units setting.

Returned Format

[:MARKer:XUNITs]{SECond | METer}<NL>

Example

The following example puts the current marker units setting into the variable Units\$, then displays the contents of that variable on the controller's screen.

10 DIM Units\$[20]

20 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:XUNITS?"

30 ENTER 707; Units\$ 40 PRINT Units\$

50 FND

Y1Position

Command :MARKer:Y1Position <Y1_position>

This command sets the Y1 manual marker position and moves the Y1 manual marker to the specified value on the specified source if the Y1 marker is in

manual state.

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<Y1_position> Current measurement unit value at Y1.

Example This example sets the Y1 marker to 10 mV.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:Y1POSITION 10E-3"

20 END

Query :MARKer:Y1Position?

The query returns the current measurement unit level at the Y1 marker posi-

tion.

Returned Format [:MARKer:Y1Position] <Y1_position><NL>

Example This example returns the current setting of the Y1 marker to the numeric vari-

able, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:Y1POSITION?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value 50 FND

Y2Position

Command :MARKer:Y2Position <Y2_position>

This command sets the Y2 manual marker position and moves the Y2 manual marker to the specified value on the specified source if the Y2 marker is in

manual state.

<Y2_position> Current measurement unit value at Y2.

Example This example sets the Y2 marker to -100 mV.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MARKER:Y2POSITION -100E-3"

20 END

Query :MARKer:Y2Position?

The query returns the current measurement unit level at the Y2 marker posi-

tion.

Returned Format [:MARKer:Y2Position] <Y2_position><NL>

Example This example returns the current setting of the Y2 marker to the numeric vari-

able, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707: ":MARKER: Y2POSITION?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 FND

YDELta?

Query :MARKer:YDELta?

This query returns the current measurement unit difference between Y1 and Y2 if they are both on and both have the same source. If not, 9.999999E+37 is

returned.

Vdelta = value at Y2 - value at Y1

Returned Format [:MARKer:YDELta] <value><NL>

<value> Measurement unit difference between Y1 and Y2.

Example This example returns the voltage difference between Y1 and Y2 to the numeric

variable, Volts, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer

!Response headers off

screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:YDELTA?"

30 ENTER 707; Volts 40 PRINT Volts 50 FND

YUNITs

Command :MARKer:YUNITs {VOLT | OHM | REFLect}

This command sets the units for vertical display in TDR and TDT applications. The units may be in volts, ohms, or % reflection. The marker mode must be

TDRTDT to use this feature.

Example The following example sets the vertical display units to ohms:

10 OUTPUT 707:":MARKER:YUNITS OHM"

20 END

Query :MARKer:YUNITs?

This query returns the current marker units setting.

Returned Format [:MARKer:YUNITs]{VOLT | OHM | REFLect}<NL>

Example The following example puts the current marker units setting into the variable

Units\$, then displays the contents of that variable on the controller's screen.

10 DIM Units\$[20]

20 OUTPUT 707;":MARKER:YUNITS?"

30 ENTER 707; Units\$ 40 PRINT Units\$

50 END

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The Mask Test commands and queries control the mask test features. Mask testing automatically compares measurement results with the boundaries of the mask you select. Any waveform or sample that falls within the boundaries of the mask is recorded as a failure.

Compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A

In commands with a REGion parameter, POLYgon may be used in place of REGion for compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A.

Mask Handling

The instrument has three features that use a specific database. This database uses a different memory area than the waveform record for each channel. The three features that use the database are histograms, mask testing, and color grade-gray scale display. When any one of these three features is turned on, the instrument starts building the database. The database is the size of the graticule area, which is 321 pixels high by 451 pixels wide. Behind each pixel is a 16-bit counter. Each counter is incremented each time a pixel is hit by data from a channel or function. The maximum count (saturation) for each counter is 63,488. You can check to see if any of the counters is close to saturation by using the :MEASure:CGRade:PEAK? query. The color-graded display uses colors to represent the number of hits on various areas of the display.

The database continues to build until the instrument stops acquiring data or all three functions (color grade-gray scale display, mask testing, and histograms) are turned off. The instrument stops acquiring data when the power is cycled, the Stop/Single hardkey is pressed, after a specified number of waveforms or samples are acquired, or as another module is plugged in.

You can clear the database by pressing the Clear Display hardkey, cycling the power, turning off all three features that use the database, or sending a CDIS-play command. The database does not differentiate waveforms from different channels or functions. If three channels are turned on and the waveform for each channel happens to light the same pixel at the same time, the counter is incremented by three. However, you cannot tell how many hits came from each waveform. For this reason, mask test is available in Eye/Mask mode only, which allows only one channel to function at a time.

To avoid erroneous data, clear the display after you change instrument setup conditions or device under test (DUT) conditions and acquire new data before extracting measurement results.

Mask Files

The analyzer provides a series of standard masks defined according to telecom and datacom standards. For a complete list of masks and templates, refer to the online Help. You load a mask file using the DISK:LOAD or :MTESt:LOAD commands. Mask files have the <code>.msk</code> or <code>.pcm</code> extensions.

Mask Test Commands

ALIGn

Command :MTESt:ALIGn

This command automatically aligns and scales the mask to the current wave-

form.

Example The following example aligns the current mask to the current waveform.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:ALIGN"

20 END

AMEThod

Command :MTESt:AMEThod {NRZeye | RZeye | ECMean | NONE}

This command sets the mask alignment method. This command should be used in the setup section of a mask file when defining a custom mask. It will ensure that the mask will be properly aligned if more alignment methods

become available in the future.

NRZeye Aligns the mask reference point to the first eye crossing on screen for non-

return to zero (NRZ) measurements.

RZeye Aligns the mask reference point to the first center location of the eye-closing

for return to zero (RZ) measurements.

ECMean Aligns the mask reference point to the eye crossing mean of the rise and fall

time at waveform average power at the first eye crossing point for NRZ eye

measurements. This is currently applicable to 10 GbEthernet masks.

NONE No alignment takes place.

Example The following example sets the mask alignment method to NRZ.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MTFST:AMFThod NR7"

20 FND

Query :MTESt:AMEThod?

The query returns the align method, NRZ.

Returned Format [:MTESt:AMEThod] NRZ<NL>

COUNt:FAILures?

Query :MTESt:COUNt:FAILures? REGion<N>

The query returns the number of failures that occurred within a particular region. By defining regions within regions, then counting the failures for each individual region, you can implement testing at different tolerance levels for a

given waveform.

The value 9.999E37 is returned if mask testing is not enabled or if you specify

a region number that is not used.

<N> An integer, 1 through 8, designating the region for which you want to deter-

mine the failure count.

Returned Format [:MTESt:COUNt:FAlLures] <number_of_failures><NL>

<number_of_failures> The number of failures that have occurred for the designated region.

Example The following example determines the current failure count for region 3 and

prints it on the controller screen.

10 DIM MASK FAILURES\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:COUNT:FAILURES? REGION3"

30 ENTER 707; MASK_FAILURES\$ 40 PRINT MASK_FAILURES\$

50 END

COUNt:FSAMples?

Query :MTESt:COUNt:FSAMples?

The query returns the total number of failed samples in the current mask test run. This count is for all regions and all waveforms, so if you wish to determine

failures by region number, use the COUNt:FAILures? query.

The count value returned is not the sum of the failure counts for each region. For example, assume a region 2 enclosed completely by region 1. If region 1 has 100 failures, the value returned is 100, regardless of how many failures are in region 2. Because region 2 is completely enclosed, the failure count for

region 2 must be less than or equal to 100 in this instance.

The value 9.999E37 is returned if mask testing is not enabled.

Returned Format

[:MTESt:COUNt:FSAMples] < number_of_failed_samples > < NL>

<number_of_failed
 samples>

The total number of failed samples for the current test run.

Example The following example determines the number of failed samples and prints

the result on the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707; ":MTEST:COUNT:FSAMPLES?" 30 ENTER 707:MASK FSAMPLES

40 PRINT MASK_FSAMPLES

50 END

COUNt:HITS?

Query :MTESt:COUNt:HITS? {TOTal | MARGin | MASK}

This query returns the number of failed data points (or hits) that occurred

when using margin mask testing.

TOTAL Returns the total number of failed data points. For positive margins, this is the

sum of the MASK and MARGin counts. For negative margins, this is the same

as the MASK count.

MARGin Returns the number of data points that occurred *between* the margin mask

and the standard mask. This is the margin area. This definition is true for both

positive and negative margins.

To determine a negative margin, increase the magnitude of the negative margin until the number of margin hits goes to zero. All data acquired since mask margin testing was enabled will be compared to the margin. Sampled points acquired before the margin was activated, that fall into the margin region, will

also show up as mask hits.

MASK Returns the number of data points that failed the standard mask.

Returned Format

[:MTESt:COUNt:HITS] < number_of_hits>< NL>

Example

The following example determines the number of failed data points that

occurred within the mask margin.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" 20 OUTPUT 707:":MTEST:COUNT:HITS? MARGin"

30 ENTER 707; Margin_hits 40 PRINT Margin hits

50 END

COUNt:SAMPles?

Query :MTESt:COUNt:SAMPles?

The query returns the total number of samples captured in the current mask

test run.

The value 9.999E37 is returned if mask testing is not enabled.

Returned Format

[:MTESt:COUNt:SAMPles] <number_of_samples><NL>

<number_of _samples>

The total number of samples for the current test run.

Example

The following example determines the number of samples gathered in the cur-

rent test run and prints the result on the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" 20 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:COUNT:SAMPLES?"

30 ENTER 707; Mask_samples 40 PRINT Mask_samples

50 END

COUNt:WAVeforms?

Query

:MTESt:COUNt:WAVeforms?

The query returns the total number of waveforms gathered in the current

mask test run.

The value 9.999E37 is returned if mask testing is not enabled.

Returned Format

[:MTESt:COUNt:WAVeforms] < number of waveforms > < NL>

<number_of_ waveforms>

The total number of waveforms for the current test run. $\,$

Example

The following example determines the number of waveforms gathered in the

current test run and prints the result on the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:COUNT:WAVEFORMS?"

30 ENTER 707; Mask_waveforms 40 PRINT Mask_waveforms

50 END

DELete

Command

:MTESt:DELete

This command clears the currently loaded mask. MTESt:DELete is the pre-

ferred command. (See also MTESt:MASK:DELete.)

Example

The following example deletes the currently defined mask.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:DELETE"

20 END

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EXIT

Command

:MTESt:EXIT

This command terminates mask testing.

Compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A

The :MTESt:TEST OFF command performs the same function as :MTESt:EXIT and is provided for compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A. For new programs, use the :MTESt:EXIT command.

Example

The following example terminates mask testing.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:EXIT" 20 FND

LOAD

This command operates only on files and directories on "A:\", "C:\User Files", "C:\scope\masks" and any mapped network drive.

Command

:MTESt:LOAD "<file_name>"

This command loads the specified mask file.

<file_name>

The filename, with the extension .msk or .pcm.

You can specify the entire path, or use a relative path such as "." or ".."

If you use a relative path, the present working directory is assumed. Use DISK:CDIRectory to change the present working directory, and DISK:PWD? to query it.

If no path is specified, a search path is followed. The directory C:\scope\masks is searched first, then C:\User Files\masks.

If no filename extension is specified, an attempt will be made to open a file having the specified filename with a '.msk' extension appended. If unsuccessful, an attempt will be made to open a file having the specified filename with a '.pcm' extension appended.

Example

This example loads the mask file *FILE1.msk*.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTESt:LOAD ""FILE1.MSK"

20 FND

MASK:DELete

Command :MTESt:MASK:DELete

This command deletes the complete currently defined mask.

Example The following example deletes the currently defined mask.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:MASK:DELETE"

20 END

Compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A

The :MTESt:MASK:DELete command performs the same function as :MTESt:DELete. The :MTESt:MASK:DELete command is provided for compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A. For new programs, use the :MTESt:DELete form.

MMARgin:PERCent

Command :MTESt:MMARgin:PERCent <margin_percent>

This command sets the amount of mask margin to apply to the selected mask.

<margin_percent>

The following example sets the mask margin to 50 percent.

An integer, –100 to 100, expressing the mask margin in percent.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MTEST:MMARGIN:PERCENT 50"

20 END

Query :MTESt:MMARgin:PERCent?

The query returns the current mask margin.

Returned Format

[:MTESt:MMARgin:PERCent] < margin_percent > < NL >

Example

Example

The following example determines the mask margin and prints the result on

the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" 20 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:MMARgin:PERCent?"

30 ENTER 707; Margin 40 PRINT Margin

50 END

MMARgin:STATe

Command :MTESt:MMARgin:STATe {ON | 1 | OFF | 0}

This command controls the activation of the mask margin.

Example The following example activates the mask margin.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:MMARgin:STATe ON"

20 END

Query :MTESt:MMARgin:STATe?

The query returns the current mask margin state.

Returned Format [:MTESt:MMARgin:STATe] {1 | 0}<NL>

Example The following example determines the mask margin state and prints the result

on the controller screen.

10 DIM Margin_state\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:MMARgin:STATe?"

30 ENTER 707; Margin_state\$ 40 PRINT Margin_state\$

50 END

RUNTil

Command

:MTESt:RUNTil {OFF | FSAMples, <number_of_failed_samples>}

This command selects the acquisition run until mode. The acquisition may be set to run until n framples have been acquired or to run forever (OFF). If more than one limit test criteria is set, then the instrument will act upon the completion of whichever limit test criteria is achieved first.

Compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A

The :MTESt:RUMode command serves the same function and has been retained for compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A. All new programs should use the :RUNTil command.

Acquiring a Specific Number of Waveforms or Samples

To run the acquisition for a specific number of waveforms or samples, refer to ACQuire:RUNTil command on page 11-5.

Run Until n Fsamples

A mask test must be running (:MTESt:TEST ON or :MTESt:STARt) before setting acquisition to run until *n* fsamples.

<number_of_failed_ samples> An integer from 1 to 1,000,000,000.

Example

The following example specifies that the acquisition runs until 50 samples

have been obtained.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTESt:STARt"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MTESt:RUNTIL FSAMples,50"

30 END

Query :MTESt:RUNTil?

The query returns the currently selected run until state.

Returned Format

[:MTESt:RUNTil] {OFF | FSAMPles, <n fsamples>}<NL>

Example

The following example returns the result of the run until query and prints it to

the controller's screen.

10 DIM Runt\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707; ":MTESt:RUNTIL?"

30 ENTER 707; Runt\$ 40 PRINT Runt\$

50 END

SAVE

Command :MTESt:SAVE "<file_name>"

This command saves user-defined (custom) masks in either the .msk or the

.pcm format.

rile-name> The filename, with the extension .msk or .pcm. If no file suffix is specified,

.pcm is appended.

You can specify the entire path, or use a relative path such as "." or ".." Valid

destinations are any mapped network drive, the floppy drive (A:) and

C:\User Files and its subdirectories.

If no path is specified, the file is saved in the directory C:\User Files\masks.

If you use a relative path, the present working directory is assumed. Use DISK:CDIRectory to change the present working directory, and DISK:PWD? to

query it.

SCALe:DEFault

Command :MTESt:SCALe:DEFault

This command sets the scaling markers to default values. The X1, Y1, and Y2 markers are set to values corresponding to graticule positions that are two divisions in from the left, top, and bottom of the graticule, respectively. Y1 and Y2 are not set for fixed voltage masks. These values are defined in the setup

section of the mask file.

Example The following example selects the default scale.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SCALE:DEFAULT"

20 END

SCALe:MODE

Command :MTESt:SCALe:MODE {XANDY| XONLy}

This command sets the mask scaling mode. This command should be used in the setup section of a mask file when defining a custom mask. It ensures the mask will be properly loaded and adjusted on the screen. Scale mode needs to be specified for fixed voltage masks. All other masks are loaded as XANDY

mode.

XANDY Specifies that when a mask is loaded and aligned, the time value reference

point (X) and vertical scaling points (Y) are adjusted. This parameter applies

to all non-fixed voltage masks.

XONLy Specifies that when a mask is loaded and aligned, only the time value refer-

ence point (X) is adjusted. The vertical scaling points (Y) remain fixed. This

parameter applies to fixed voltage masks.

Example The following example sets the mask scale mode to fixed voltage masks

(XONLy).

10 OUTPUT 707;" :MTEST:SCALe:MODE XONLy"

20 END

Query :MTESt:SCALe:MODE?

The query returns the scaling mode.

Returned Format [:MTESt:SCALe:MODE] {XANDY | XONL}<NL>

Example The following example gets the current scale mode setting from the instru-

ment and prints it on the controller screen.

10 DIM Scale_Mode\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;" :MTEST:SCALE:MODE?"

30 ENTER 707; Scale_Mode\$ 40 PRINT Scale Mode\$

50 END

SCALe:SOURce?

Query :MTESt:SCALe:SOURce?

The query returns the name of the source currently used to interpret the Y1

and Y2 scale factors.

Returned Format [:MTESt:SCALe:SOURce] FUNCtion<N> | CHANnel<N> | CGMemory} <NL>

Example The following example gets the current scale source setting from the instru-

ment and prints it on the controller screen.

10 DIM Scale_Source\$[30]

20 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SCALE:SOURCE?"

30 ENTER 707; Scale_source\$ 40 PRINT Scale_source\$

50 END

SCALe:X1

Command :MTESt:SCALe:X1 <x1_value>

This command defines where X=0 in the base coordinate system used for mask testing. The other X coordinate is defined by the SCALe:XDELta command. Once the X1 and XDELta coordinates are set, all X values of vertices in region masks are defined with respect to this value, according to the equation:

$$X = (X \times XDELta) + X1$$

Thus, if you set X1 to 100 μ s, and XDELta to 100 μ s, an X value of .100 in a vertex is at 110 μ s.

The instrument uses this equation to normalize vertex values. This simplifies reprogramming to handle different data rates. For example, if you halve the period of the waveform of interest, you need only to adjust the XDELta value to set up the mask for the new waveform.

A time value specifying the location of the X1 coordinate, which will then be

treated as X=0 for region vertex coordinates.

Example The following example sets the X1 coordinate at 150 μ s.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SCALE:X1 150E-6"

20 END

<x1 value>

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Query :MTESt:SCALe:X1?

The query returns the current X1 coordinate setting.

Returned Format

[:MTESt:SCALe:X1] <x1_value> <NL>

Example

The following example gets the current setting of the X1 coordinate from the instrument and prints it on the controller screen.

10 DIM Scale x1\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SCALE:X1?"

30 ENTER 707; Scale_x1\$
40 PRINT Scale x1\$

50 END

SCALe:XDELta

Command

:MTESt:SCALe:XDELta <xdelta_value>

This command defines the position of the X2 marker with respect to the X1 marker. In the mask test coordinate system, the X1 marker defines where X=0: thus, the X2 marker defines where X=1.

Because all X vertices of regions defined for mask testing are normalized with respect to X1 and ΔX , redefining ΔX also moves those vertices to stay in the same locations with respect to X1 and ΔX . Thus, in many applications, it is best if you define XDELta as a pulse width or bit period. Then a change in data rate, without corresponding changes in the waveform, can easily be handled by changing ΔX .

The X-coordinate of region vertices are normalized using the equation:

 $X = (X \times XDELta) + X1$

<xdelta_value>

A time value specifying the distance of the X2 marker with respect to the

X1 marker.

Example

Assume that the period of the waveform you wish to test is 1 μ s. Then the following example will set ΔX to 1 μ s, ensuring that the waveform's period is

between the X1 and X2 markers.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MTEST:SCALE:XDELTA 1E-6"

20 FND

Query

:MTESt:SCALe:XDELta?

The query returns the current value of ΔX .

Returned Format

[:MTESt:SCALe:XDELta] <xdelta_value> <NL>

Example

The following example gets the value of ΔX from the instrument and prints it

on the controller screen.

10 DIM Scale_xdelta\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SCALE:XDELTA?"

30 ENTER 707; Scale_xdelta\$
40 PRINT Scale_xdelta\$

50 END

SCALe:Y1

Command :MTESt:SCALe:Y1 <y1_value>

This command defines where Y=0 in the coordinate system for mask testing. All Y values of vertices in the coordinate system are defined with respect to the boundaries set by SCALe:Y1 and SCALe:Y2, according to the equation:

$$Y = (Y \times (Y2 - Y1)) + Y1$$

Thus, if you set Y1 to 100 mV, and Y2 to 1 V, a Y value of .100 in a vertex is at

190 mV.

<y1_value> A voltage value specifying the point at which Y=0.

Example The following example sets the Y1 marker to –150 mV.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SCALE:Y1 -150E-3"

20 END

Query :MTESt:SCALe:Y1?

The query returns the current setting of the Y1 marker.

Returned Format

[:MTESt:SCALe:Y1] <y1_value><NL>

Example

The following example gets the setting of the Y1 marker from the instrument

and prints it on the controller screen.

10 DIM Scale_y1\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707:":MTEST:SCALE:Y1?"

30 ENTER 707; Scale_y1\$
40 PRINT Scale y1\$

50 END

SCALe:Y2

Command :MTESt:

:MTESt:SCALe:Y2 <y2_value>

This command defines Y=1 in the coordinate system for mask testing. All Y values of vertices in the coordinate system are defined with respect to the boundaries defined by SCALe:Y1 and SCALe:Y2, according to the following

equation:

$$Y = (Y \times (Y2 - Y1)) + Y1$$

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Thus, if you set Y1 to 100 mV, and Y2 to 1 V, a Y value of .100 in a vertex is at

190 mV.

<y2_value> A voltage value specifying the location of the Y2 marker.

Example The following example sets the Y2 marker to 2.5 V.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MTFST:SCALF:Y2 2.5"

20 FND

Query :MTESt:SCALe:Y2?

The query returns the current setting of the Y2 marker.

Returned Format [:MTESt:SCALe:Y2] <y2_value> <NL>

Example The following example gets the setting of the Y2 marker from the instrument

and prints it on the controller screen.

10 DIM Scale_y2\$[50] 20 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SCALE:Y2?"

30 ENTER 707; Scale_y2\$ 40 PRINT Scale_y2\$

50 FND

SOURce

Command :MTESt:SOURce {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

This command sets the database source for mask tests. The default is the low-

est numbered database signal displayed.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

Example The following example sets the mask test source to channel 1.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MTFST:SOURCE CHANNEL1"

20 END

Query :MTESt:SOURce?

This query returns the current database source for the mask test.

Returned Format [:MTESt:SOURce] {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}<NL>

Example The following example gets the current mask test source and puts the source

value in the setting.

10 DIM Source\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":MTESt:SOURce?"

30 ENTER 707: Source\$ 40 PRINT Source\$

50 END

SCALe:YTRack

Command :MTESt:SCALe:YTRack {{ON | 1} {OFF | 0}}

This command enables or disables tracking between the Y1 and Y2 levels.

Example The following program enables tracking between Y1 and Y2.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SCALE:YTRACK:ON"

20 END

Query :MTESt:SCALe:YTRack?

The query returns the current state of the tracking.

Returned Format [:MTESt:SCALe:YTRack] {1 | 0}<NL>

Example The following example determines the state of Y tracking and prints the

results on the controller screen.

10 DIM Ytrack_state\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":MTESt:SCALe:YTRack?"

30 ENTER 707; Ytrack_state\$ 40 PRINT Ytrack_state\$

50 END

SSCReen

Command :MTESt:SSCReen {OFF | DISK [,<filename>]}

This command saves a copy of the screen in the event of a failure.

OFF Turns off the save action.

DISK Saves a copy of the screen to disk in the event of a failure.

<filename> An ASCII string enclosed in quotations marks. If no filename is specified, a

filename will be assigned. The default filename is *MaskLimitScreenX.bmp*,

where X is an incremental number assigned by the instrument.

Save Screen Options Stored in Memory

The save screen options established by the commands MTESt:SSCReen DISK, MTESt:SSCReen:AREA, and MTESt:SSCReen:IMAG are stored in the instrument's memory and will be employed in consecutive save screen operations, until changed by the user. This includes the <filename> parameter for the MTESt:SSCReen DISK command. If the results of consecutive limit tests must be stored in different files, omit the <filename> parameter and use the default filename instead. Each screen image will be saved in a different file named *MaskLimitScreenX.bmp*, where X is an incremental number assigned by the instrument.

The *filename* field encodes the network path and the directory in which the file will be saved, as well as the file format that will be used. The following is a list of valid filenames.

Valid Filenames

Filename	File Saved in Directory
"Test1.gif"	C:\User Files\Screen Images\
"A:test2.pcx"	A:\
".\screen2.jpg"	File saved in the present working directory, set with the command :DISK:CDIR.
"\\computer-ID\d\$\test3.bmp"	File saved in drive D: of computer "computer-ID", provided all permissions are set properly.
"E:test4.eps"	File saved in the instrument's drive E:, that could be mapped to any disk in the network.

If a filename is specified without a path, the default path will be C:\User Files\screen images

The default file type is a bitmap (.bmp). The following graphics formats are available by specifying a file extension: PCX files (.pcx), EPS files (.eps), Postscript files (.ps), JPEG (.jpg), TIFF (.tif), and GIF files (.gif).

The following example saves a copy of the screen to the disk in the event of a failure. Additional disk-related controls are set using the SSCReen:AREA and SSCReen:IMAGe commands.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTESt:SSCREEN DISK" 20 END

Query :MTESt:SSCReen?

Example

The query returns the current state of the SSCReen command.

Returned Format

[:MTESt:SSCReen] {OFF | DISK [,<filename>]}<NL>

Example

The following example returns the destination of the save screen when a failure occurs and prints the result to the controller's screen.

10 DIM SSCR\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707:":MTESt:SSCREEN?"

30 ENTER 707;SSCR\$ 40 PRINT SSCR\$

50 END

SSCReen:AREA

Command :MTESt:SSCReen:AREA {GRATicule | SCReen}

This command selects which data from the screen is to be saved to disk when the run until condition is met. When you select GRATicule, only the graticule area of the screen is saved (this is the same as choosing Waveforms Only in the Specify Report Action for mask limit test dialog box). When you select

SCReen, the entire screen is saved.

Example This example selects the graticule for saving.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SSCREEN:AREA GRATICULE"

20 END

Query :MTESt:SSCReen:AREA?

The query returns the current setting for the area of the screen to be saved.

Returned Format

[:MTESt:SSCReen:AREA] {GRATicule | SCReen}<NL>

Example

This example places the current selection for the area to be saved in the string

variable, Selection\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's

screen.

10 DIM Selection\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SSCREEN:AREA?"

30 ENTER 707; Selection\$ 40 PRINT Selection\$

50 FND

SSCReen:IMAGe

Command :MTESt:SSCReen:IMAGe {NORMal | INVert | MONochrome}

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This command saves the screen image to disk normally, inverted, or in monochrome. IMAGe INVert is the same as choosing Invert Waveform Background Color in the Specify Report Action for acquisition limit test dialog box.

Example This example sets the image output to normal.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SSCREEN:IMAGE NORMAL"

20 FND

Query :MTESt:SSCReen:IMAGe?

The query returns the current image setting.

Returned Format [:MTESt:SSCReen:IMAGe] {NORMal | INVert | MONochrome}<NL>

Example This example places the current setting for the image in the string variable, Setting\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 DIM Setting\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707; ":MTEST:SSCREEN:IMAGE?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting\$ 40 PRINT Setting\$

50 END

SSUMmary

Command :MTESt:SSUMmary {OFF | DISK [,<filename>]}

This command saves the summary in the event of a failure.

When set to disk, the summary is written to the disk drive. The summary is a logging method where the user can get an overall view of the test results. The summary is an ASCII file that the user can read on the computer or place into

a spreadsheet.

(filename) An ASCII string enclosed in quotation marks. If no filename is specified, the

default filename will be *MaskLimitSummaryX.sum*, where X is an incremental number assigned by the instrument. If a filename is specified without a path, the default path will be C:\User Files\limit summaries.

Storing Summaries of Limit Tests in Individual Files

If the summary of consecutive limit tests is to be stored in individual files, omit the <filename> parameter. Limit test summaries will be stored in files named

MaskLimitSummaryX.sum, where X is an incremental number assigned by the instrument.

Example The following example saves the summary to a disk file named *TEST.sum*.

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10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SSUMMARY DISK,TEST"

20 END

Query :MTESt:SSUMmary?

The guery returns the current specified destination for the summary.

Returned Format

[:MTESt:SSUMmary] {OFF | DISK {,<filename>}}<NL>

Example

The following example returns the current destination for the summary and prints the results to the controller's screen.

10 DIM SUMM\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SSUMMARY?"

30 ENTER 707; SUMM\$
40 PRINT SUMM\$

50 END

STARt

Command

:MTESt:STARt

This command aligns the currently loaded mask to the current waveform, and starts testing. If no mask is currently loaded, a warning message will be displayed, but no error will be generated.

Compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A

The :MTESt:TEST ON command serves the same function and has been retained for compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A. All new programs should use the :STARt command.

SWAVeform

Command

:MTESt:SWAVeform <source>, <destination>[,<filename>[, <format>]]

This command saves waveforms from a channel, function, or waveform memory in the event of a failure detected by the limit test. Each waveform source can be individually specified, allowing multiple channels, or functions to be saved to disk or waveform memories. Setting a particular source to OFF

removes any waveform save action from that source.

<source>

{CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<destination>

{OFF | WMEMory<N>| DISK}

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<filename>

An ASCII string enclosed in quotation marks. If no filename is specified, the assigned filename will be *MaskLimitChN X, MaskLimitFnN X*,

MaskLimitRspN_X, or MaskLimitMemN_X, where X is an incremental number assigned by the instrument. If no path is specified, the default path will be C:\User Files\waveforms.

Storing Waveforms of Limit Tests in Individual Files

If the selected waveforms of consecutive limit tests are to be stored in individual files, omit the <filename> parameter. The waveforms will be stored in the default format (INTERNAL) using the default naming scheme.

<format> {TEXT [,YVALues | VERBose] | INTernal}

where INTernal is the default value, and VERBose is the default value for

TEXT.

Example The following example turns off the saving of waveforms from channel 1 in the

event of a limit test failure.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SWAVEFORM CHAN1,OFF"

20 FND

Query :MTESt:SWAVeform? <source>

The guery returns the current state of the :MTESt:SWAVeform command.

Returned Format [:MTESt:SWAVeform] <source>, <destination>, [<filename>[,<format>]]<NL>

Example The following example returns the current parameters for saving waveforms

in the event of a limit test failure.

10 DIM SWAV\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707:":MTEST:SWAVEFORM? CHANNEL1"

30 ENTER 707; SWAV\$
40 PRINT SWAV\$

50 FND

SWAVeform:RESet

Command :MTESt:SWAVeform:RESet

This command sets the save destination for all waveforms to OFF. Setting a source to OFF removes any waveform save action from that source. This is a convenient way to turn off all saved waveforms if it is unknown which are

being saved.

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:SWAVeform:RESet"

20 END

TEST

Command :MTESt:TEST {ON | 1 | OFF | 0}

This command controls the execution of the Mask Test function. ON behaves

as the :MTESt:STARt command on page 22-21. OFF behaves as the

:MTEST:EXIT command on page 22-8.

Mode Mask limit test only.

Compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A

This command has been retained for compatibility with the Agilent 83480A/54750A. All

new programs should avoid using this command.

Example The following example determines whether the mask test subsystem is on or

off and prints the result on the controller screen.

10 DIM Mtest state\$[30]

20 OUTPUT 707;":MTEST:TEST?" 30 ENTER 707;Mtest_state\$ 40 PRINT Mtest_state\$

50 END

Query :MTESt:TEST?

The query returns the state of the mask test subsystem, whether on or off.

Returned Format [:MTESt:TEST] {1 | 0}<NL>

TITLe?

Query :MTESt:TITLe?

This query returns the string of the currently loaded mask. If no mask is

loaded, a null string is returned.

Returned Format [:MTESt:TITLe] < "title">

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The commands in the MEASure subsystem are used to make parametric measurements on displayed waveforms.

The Agilent 86100A has three modes: Eye, TDR, and Oscilloscope. Each mode has a set of measurements. In Eye mode, all of the measurements are made on the color grade/gray scale data, with the exception of average optical power and histogram measurements.

Measurement Setup

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

- For a period or frequency measurement, at least one and one half complete cycles 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.
- A valid source for the measurement must be designated. This can be done globally with the MEASure:SOURce command or locally with the optical source parameter in each measurement.

User-Defined Measurements

When user-defined measurements are made, the defined parameters must be set before actually sending the measurement command or query.

Measurement Error

If a measurement cannot be made because of the lack of data, because the source signal is not displayed, the requested measurement is not possible (for example, a period measurement on an FFT waveform), or for some other reason, the following results are returned:

- 9.99999E+37 is returned as the measurement result.
- If SENDvalid is ON, the error code is also returned.

Making Measurements

If more than one period, 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 first determines the top (100%) and base (0%) voltages of the waveform. From this information, the analyzer determines the other important voltage values (10%, 90%, and 50% voltage values) for making measurements.

The 10% and 90% voltage values are used in the rise-time and fall-time measurements when standard measurements are selected. The 50% voltage value is used for measuring frequency, period, pulse width, and duty cycle with standard measurements selected.

You can also make measurements using user-defined parameters, instead of the standard measurement values.

When the command form of a measurement is used, the analyzer is placed in the continuous measurement mode. The measurement result will be displayed on the front panel. There may be a maximum of four measurements running continuously. Use the SCRatch command to turn off the measurements.

When the query form of the measurement is used, the measurement is made one time, and the measurement result is returned.

- If the current acquisition is complete, the current acquisition is measured and the result is returned.
- If the current acquisition is incomplete and the analyzer is running, acquisitions
 will continue to occur until the acquisition is complete. The acquisition will
 then be measured and the result returned.
- If the current acquisition is incomplete and the analyzer is stopped, the measurement result will be 9.99999E+37 and the incomplete result state will be returned if SENDvalid is ON.

All measurements are made using the entire display, except for VRMS which allows measurements on a single cycle, and eye measurements in the defined eye window. Therefore, if you want to make measurements on a particular cycle, display only that cycle on the screen.

Measurements are made on the displayed waveforms specified by the SOURce command. The SOURce command allows two sources to be specified. Most measurements are only made on a single source. Some measurements, such as the DELTatime measurement, require two sources.

The measurement source for remote measurements can not be set from the front panel. The measurement source is not reset by power cycles or default setup.

If the signal is clipped, the measurement result may be questionable. In this case, the value returned is the most accurate value that can be made using the current scaling. You might be able to obtain a more accurate measurement by adjusting the vertical scale to prevent the signal from being clipped. The measurement result 9.99999E+37 may be returned in some cases of clipped signals.

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ANNotation

Command :MEASure:ANNotation {ON | 1 | OFF | 0}

This command turns measurement annotations on or off. If there are no active measurements, you can still turn on or off measurement annotations. The instrument will remain in the defined state and will be activated (if on) the

next time measurements are performed.

Mode All instrument modes.

Example The following example turns on measurement annotations.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:ANNOTATION ON"

20 END

Query :MEASure:ANNotation?

The query returns the current measurement annotation state.

Returned Format [:MEASure:ANNotation] {1 | 0}

APOWer

Command :MEASure:APOWer <units> [,<source>]

This command measures the average power. Sources are specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the optional parameter following the APOWer command. The average optical power can only be measured on an

optical channel input.

Mode Eye or Oscilloscope modes

<units> {WATT | DECibel} <source> {CHANnel<N>}

<N> For channels, this value is dependent on the type of module and its location in

the instrument. It will work only on optical channels.

Example The following example measures the average power of the last specified sig-

nal.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MFASURF:APOWFR WATT"

20 END

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Query :MEASure:APOWer? <units> [,<source>]

The query returns the measured power of the specified source.

Returned Format [:MEASure:APOWer] < value>[,<result_state>] < NL>

<value> The average power.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current power of the specified signal in the

numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the control-

!Response headers off

ler screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:APOWER? WATT"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value 50 END

CGRade: AMPLitude

Command :MEASure:CGRade:AMPLitude [<source>]

This command measures the eye amplitude of the displayed source. The eye

amplitude is the difference between the one level and the zero level.

Mode Eye mode only.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Example The following example measures the eye amplitude of the displayed signal.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:CGRADE:AMPLITUDE"

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:AMPLitude? [<source>]

The query returns the eye amplitude of the eye signal of the displayed source.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:AMPLitude] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The eye amplitude.

<result state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example This example queries the analyzer for the eye amplitude of the displayed sig-

nal, places the result in the numeric variable, EveAmp, and then prints the

contents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRADE:AMPLITUDE?"

30 ENTER 707;EyeAmp 40 PRINT EyeAmp **50 FND**

CGRade:BITRate

Command :MEASure:CGRade:BITRate [<source>]

This command measures the bit rate of the displayed signal. The bit rate is the number of bits per second. It is measured as the inverse of the bit period. In NRZ eye mode, the bit period is the time interval between two successive crossing points of an eye. In RZ eye mode, the bit period is the time interval

between the 50% falling (or rising) edges of 2 consecutive eyes.

Mode Eye mode only.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Example The following example measures the bit rate of the displayed eye.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRADE:BITRATE"

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:BITRate? [<source>]

The query returns the bit rate of the eye signal of the displayed source. Units

are in bits/s.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:BITRate] < value>[,<result_state>] < NL>

<value> The bit rate.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example This example queries the analyzer for the bit rate of the displayed signal,

places the result in the numeric variable, BitRate, and then prints the contents

of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRADE:BITRATE?"

30 ENTER 707; BitRate 40 PRINT BitRate

50 END

CGRade:COMPlete

Command :MEASure:CGRade:COMPlete <comp_hits>

This command sets the color grade measurement completion criterion. The

data for color grade display is the same as for gray scale display.

Auto Skew Uses CGRade:COMPlete

Auto skew (page 12-13) also uses the current color grade measurement completion criterion. If auto skew fails to make the bit rate measurement or determine the time of the crossing points needed to compute the skew, it may be necessary to increase the color grade completion criterion. Increasing the value will increase the time for auto skew to complete, allowing it to collect more data points before executing teh bit rate and crossing time measurements.

Mode Eye or Oscilloscope modes

<comp_hits> The number of hits that the peak-numbers-of-hits, in the color grade database,

must equal or exceed before a color grade measurement is executed.

Example The following example sets the completion criterion to 10 hits.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRADE:COMPLETE 10"

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:COMPlete?

The query returns the current setting for color grade completion.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:COMPlete] <comp_hits><NL>

A color grade measurement query will return 9.99999E+37 until the measure-

ment is complete.

Example The following example sets the color grade complete value, then starts a Vmax

measurement with the color grade database as the source.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:CGRADE:COMPLETE? 8"

20 OUTPUT 707;":DEFINE:CGRADE ON"
30 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:VMAX CGRADE"

40 END

CGRade:CRATio

Command :MEASure:CGRade:CRATio <format> [,<source>]

This command measures the contrast ratio of the RZ (Return-to-Zero) eye diagram on the color graded display. The dark level or dc offset of the input channel must have been previously calibrated. See "ERATio:STARt" on page 12-6 to perform a dark level calibration. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered signal that is on will be the source of the measurements.

Mode Eye mode only. Ensure that the eye type is set to RZ. See "DEFine" on

page 23-21.

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<format> {RATio | DECibel | PERCent}

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Example The following example measures the contrast ratio.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:CGRADE:CRATIO PERCENT"

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:CRATio? <format> [,<source>]

This query returns the contrast ratio of the color graded display.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:CRATio] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The contrast ratio.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current contrast ratio in the numeric vari-

able, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRADE:CRATIO? PERCENT"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

CGRade:CROSsing

Command :MEASure:CGRade:CROSsing [<source>]

This command measures the crossing level percent of the current eye diagram on the color grade or gray scale display. The data for color grade display is the same as for gray scale display. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered

signal that is on will be the source of the measurement.

Mode Eye mode only. Ensure that the eye type is set to NRZ. See "DEFine CGRade"

on page 23-23.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Example The following example measures the crossing level.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRade:CROSsing"

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:CROSsing? [<source>]

The query returns the crossing level percent of the current eye diagram on the

color grade or gray scale display.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:CROSsing] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The crossing level.

!Response headers off

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current crossing level in the numeric vari-

able, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRADE:CROSSING?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 FND

CGRade:DCDistortion

Command :MEASure:CGRade:DCDistortion <format>[,<source>]

This command measures the duty cycle distortion on the eye diagram of the current color grade or gray scale display. The parameter specifies the format for reporting the measurement. The data for color grade display is the same as for gray scale display. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered signal that

is on will be the source of the measurement.

Mode Eye mode only. Ensure that the eye type is set to NRZ. See "DEFine CGRade"

on page 23-23.

<format> {TIME | PERCent}

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Example The following example measures the duty cycle distortion.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:CGRADE:DCDistortion TIME"

20 FND

Query :MEASure:CGRade:DCDistortion? <format> [,<source>]

The query returns the duty cycle distortion of the color grade or gray scale

display.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:DCDistortion] <value>[,<result_state>] <NL>

value> The duty cycle distortion.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current duty cycle distortion in the numeric

variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller

screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:CGRADE:DCDISTORTION? PERCENT"

30 ENTER 707; Value

40 PRINT Value 50 FND

CGRade:DCYCle

Command :MEASure:CGRade:DCYCle [<source>]

This command measures the duty cycle of the RZ (Return-to-Zero) eye diagram on the color graded display. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered

signal display that is on will be the source of the measurement.

Mode Eye mode only. Ensure that the eye type is set to RZ. See "DEFine CGRade"

on page 23-23.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Example The following example measures the duty cycle of the color graded display.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRADE:DCYCle"

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:DCYCle? [<source>]

This query returns the duty cycle of the color graded display.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:DCYCle]<value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The duty cycle.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current duty cycle in the numeric variable,

Value, then prints the contents of the variable of the controller screen.

!Response headers off

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707:":MEASure:CGRade:DCYCle?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 FND

CGRade:EHEight

Command :MEASure:CGRade:EHEight <format> [,<source>]

This command measures the eye height on the eye diagram of the current color grade display. The data for color grade display is the same as for gray scale display. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered signal display that

is on will be the source of the measurement.

Mode Eye mode only.

!Response headers off

<format> {RATio | DECibel}

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Example The following example measures the eye height.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRADE:EHEight"

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:EHEight? <format> [,<source>]

The query returns the eye height of the color grade display. RATio sets the eye

height in amplitude units. DECibel sets the eye height in DB units.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:EHEight] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The eye height.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current eye height in the numeric variable,

Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRADE:EHEIGHT?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 FND

CGRade:ERATio

Command :MEASure:CGRade:ERATio <format> [.<source>]

This command measures the extinction ratio on the eye diagram of the current color grade display. The dark level or dc offset of the input channel must have been previously calibrated. The data for color grade display is the same as for gray scale display. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered signal

display that is on will be the source of the measurement.

Mode Eye mode only.

<format> {RATio | DECibel | PERCent}

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Example The following example measures the extinction ratio.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:CGRADE:ERATIO RATIO"

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:ERATio? <format> [,<source>]

The query returns the extinction ratio of the color grade display.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:ERATio] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

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<value> The extinction ratio.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current extinction ratio in the numeric vari-

able, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller screen.

!Response headers off

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:CGRADE:ERATIO? RATIO"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

CGRade: ESN

Command :MEASure:CGRade:ESN [<source>]

This command measures the eye signal-to-noise. The data for color grade display is the same as for gray scale display. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered signal display that is on will be the source of the measurement.

Note

This measurement was called O-factor in the 83480A/54750A.

Mode Eye mode only.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Example The following example measures the eye signal-to-noise.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MFASURF:CGRADF:FSN"

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:ESN? [<source>]

The query returns the eye signal-to-noise of the color grade display.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:ESN] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The eye signal-to-noise value.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the eye signal-to-noise value in the numeric

variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller

screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRADE:ESN?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value 50 END

CGRade:EWIDth

Command :MEASure:CGRade:EWIDth <format> [,<source>]

This command measures the eye width on the eye diagram of the current color grade display. The data for color grade display is the same as for gray scale display. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered signal display that

is on will be the source of the measurement.

Mode Eye mode only. <format> {RATio | TIME}

The default format is TIME.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Example The following example measures the eye width.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:CGRADE:EWIDTH"

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:EWIDth? <format> [,<source>]

The query returns the eye width of the color grade display.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:EWIDth] <value>[,<result_state>] <NL>

<value> The eye width.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current eye width in the numeric variable,

Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller screen.

!Response headers off

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRADE:EWIDTH?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 FND

CGRade:JITTer

Command :MEASure:CGRade:JITTer <format> [.<source>]

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This command measures the jitter at the eye diagram crossing point. The parameter specifies the format, peak-to-peak or RMS, in which the results are reported. The data for color grade display is the same as for gray scale display. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered signal display that is on will be

the source of the measurement.

Mode Eye or Oscilloscope modes. In either mode the source is color grade data.

<format> {PP | RMS}

{CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory} <source>

Example The following example measures the jitter.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:CGRADE:JITTER RMS"

20 FND

Query :MEASure:CGRade:JITTer? <format> [,<source>]

The query returns the jitter of the color grade display.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:JITTer] <value>[,<result_state>] <NL>

<value> The jitter.

If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result. <result_state>

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current jitter in the numeric variable, Value,

then prints the contents of the variable to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707:":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:CGRADE:JITTER? RMS"

30 ENTER 707: Value 40 PRINT Value 50 FND

CGRade:OFACtor

Command :MEASure:CGRade:OFACtor [<source>]

> This command measures the opening factor of the RZ (Return-to-Zero) eye diagram on the color graded display. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered signal display that is on will be the source of the measurement.

!Response headers off

Mode Eye mode only. Ensure that the eye type is set to RZ. See "DEFine CGRade"

on page 23-23.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

The following example measures the opening factor of the color graded dis-Example

play.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASure:CGRade:OFACtor"

!Response headers off

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:OFACtor? [<source>]

This query returns the opening factor of the color graded display.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:OFACtor] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The opening factor.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current opening factor in the numeric vari-

able, Value, then prints the contents of the variable of the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:CGRade:OFACtor?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

CGRade:OLEVel

Command :MEASure:CGRade:OLEVel [<source>]

This command measures the logic one level inside the eye window. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered signal display that is on will be the

source of the measurement.

Mode Eye mode only.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Example The following example measures the logic one level.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRADE:OLEVEL"

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:OLEVel? [<source>]

The query returns the logic one level of the color grade display.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:OLEVel] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The logic one level.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current logic one level in the numeric vari-

able, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRADE:OLEVEL?"

30 ENTER 707; Value

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40 PRINT Value 50 FND

CGRade:PEAK?

Query :MEASure:CGRade:PEAK? [<source>]

The query returns the maximum number of hits of the color grade display. The data for color grade display is the same as for gray scale display. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered signal display that is on will be the source of

the measurement.

Mode Eye or Oscilloscope modes.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:PEAK] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The number of hits.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current number of hits in the numeric vari-

able, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller screen.

!Response headers off

10 OUTPUT 707:":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:CGRADE:PEAK?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

CGRade:PWIDth

Command :MEASure:CGRade:PWIDth [<source>]

This command measures the pulse width of the eye diagram on the color graded display. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered signal display

that is on will be the source of the measurement.

Mode Eye mode only. Ensure that the eye type is set to RZ. See "DEFine CGRade"

on page 23-23.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Example The following example measures the pulse width of the color graded display.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:CGRade:PWIDth"

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:PWIDth? [<source>]

!Response headers off

This query returns the pulse width of the color graded display.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:PWIDth] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The pulse width.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current pulse width in the numeric variable,

Value, then prints the contents of the variable of the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:CGRade:PWIDth?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

CGRade:SOURce

Command :MEASure:CGRade:SOURce <source>

This command sets the default source for color grade-gray scale measurements. If this source is not set, the lowest numbered color grade-gray scale signal that is on will be the source of the measurements. This command is similar to the :MEASure:SOURce command, with the exception of specifying a

color grade-gray scale signal.

Mode Eye and Oscilloscope modes.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

<N> An integer, from 1 through 4.

Example This example selects channel 1 as the source for measurements.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:CGRade:SOURce CHANNEL1"

20 END

Query :MEASure:SOURce? <source>

The query returns the current source selection.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:SOURce] <source><NL>

Example This example places the currently specified sources in the string variable,

Source\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 DIM Source\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:CGRade:SOURCE?"

30 ENTER 707; Source\$ 40 PRINT Source\$

50 FND

CGRade:ZLEVel

Command :MEASure:CGRade:ZLEvel [<source>]

This command measures logic zero level inside the eye window on the eye diagram of the current color grade display. If the source is not set, the lowest numbered signal display that is on will be the source of the measurement.

Mode Eye mode only.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}

Example The following example measures the logic zero level.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:CGRade:ZLEVel"

20 END

Query :MEASure:CGRade:ZLEVel? [<source>]

The query returns the logic zero level of the color grade display.

Returned Format [:MEASure:CGRade:ZLEVel] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The logic zero level.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current logic zero level in the numeric vari-

able, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller screen.

!Response headers off

10 OUTPUT 707:":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707:":MEASure:CGRade:ZLEVel?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

CLEar

Command :MEASure:CLEar

This command clears the measurement results from the screen. It is identical

to the :MEASure:SCRatch command.

Example The following example clears the current measurement results from the

screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:CLEAR"

20 END

DEFine

Command :MEASure:DEFine <meas_spec>

This command sets up the definition for measurements by specifying the delta time, threshold, or top-base values. Changing these values may affect other measure commands. The following table identifies the relationships between

user-DEFined values and other MEASure commands.

<meas_spec> {THResholds,TOPBase,EWINdow,CGRade,DELTatime}

Table 23-1.: MEASure: DEFine Interactions

MEASure Commands	THResholds	TOPBase	EWINdow	CGRAde	DELTatime
RISEtime	Х	Х			
FALLtime	Х	Х			
PERiod	Х	Х			
FREQuency	Х	Х			
VTOP		Х			
VBASe		Х			
VAMPlitude		Х			
PWIDth	Х	Х			
NWIDth	X	Х			
OVERshoot	Х	Х			
DUTYcycle	Х	Х			
DELTatime	X	Х			
VRMS	Х	Х			
PREShoot	Х	Х			
VLOWer	X	Х			
VMIDdle	Х	Х			
VUPPer	Х	Х			
VAVerage	Х	Х			
VARea	Х	Х			
DELTatime	Х	Х			х
CGRade:CRATio			Х	Х	
CGRade:CROSsing			Х	Х	
CGRade:DCDistortion	Х			Х	
CGRade:DCYCle	Х			Х	
CGRade:ERATio			Х		

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MEASure Commands	THResholds	TOPBase	EWINdow	CGRAde	DELTatime
CGRade:EHEight			Х		
CGRade:ESN			Х		
CGRade:OFACtor				Х	
CGRade:OLEVel			Х		
CGRade:PWIDth	Х				
CGRade:ZLEVel			Х		

Command :MEASure:DEFine THResholds,{{STANdard} |

{PERCent,<upper_pct>,<middle_pct>,<lower_pct>} | {UNITs,<upper_volts>,<middle_volts>,<lower_volts>}}

<upper_pct>
<middle_pct>
<lower_pct>

An integer, -25 to 125.

<upper_units>
<middle_units>
<lower_units>

A real number specifying amplitude units.

Command :MEASure:DEFine TOPBase,{{STANdard} | {<top_volts>,<base_volts>}}

<top_volts>
<base volts>

A real number specifying voltage.

Command :MEASure:DEFine EWINdow,<ewind1pct>,<ewind2pct>

<ewind2pct> period unit interval.

Example If one source is specified, both parameters apply to that signal. If two sources

are specified, the measurement is from the first positive edge on source 1 to

the second negative edge on source 2.

Source is specified either using MEASure:SOURce, or using the optional <source> parameter when the DELTatime measurement is started.

Command :MEASure:DEFine CGRade,{RZ | NRZ}

This command defines the eye type.

Command :MEASure:DEFine DELTatime {<start edge_direction>,<start edge_number>,<start

edge_position>,<stop edge_direction>,<stop edge_number>,<stop edge_position>}

This command is used to set up edge parameters for delta time measurement.

<edge_direction> {RISing | FALLing | EITHer} <edge_number> An integer, from 1 to 20. <edge_position> {UPPer | MIDDIe | LOWer}

Query :MEASure:DEFine? {EWINdow | THResholds | TOPBase | CGRade | DELTatime}

Returned Format [:MEASure:DEFine] EWIN,<signal_type><NL>

[:MEASure:DEFine] CGR,<signal_type><NL>

[:MEASure:DEFine] THR {{STAN} | {PERcent,<upper_pct>,<middle_pct>,<lower_pct>} |

{VOLTage, <upper_volts>,<middle_volts>,<lower_volts>}}<NL>

[:MEASure:DEFine] TOPB {{STAN} |{<top_volts>,<base_volts>}}<NL>

[:MEASure:DEFine] CGR {{RZ | NRZ}}

[:MEASure:DEFine] DELT, {<start edge_direction>,<start edge_number>,<start

edge_position>,<stop edge_direction>,<stop edge_number>,<stop edge_position>}<NL>

Use the Suffix Multiplier Instead

Using "mV" or "V" following the numeric value for the voltage value will cause Error 138-Suffix not allowed. Instead, use the convention for the suffix multiplier as described in Chapter 4, "Message Communication and System Functions".

Example

This example returns the current setup for the measurement thresholds to the string variable, Setup\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 DIM Setup\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:DEFINE? THRESHOLDS"

30 ENTER 707; Setup\$ 40 PRINT Setup\$

50 FND

DEFine CGRade

Command :MEASure:DEFine CGRade,{RZ | NRZ}

This command defines the eye type.

Mode Eye mode only.

Example This example sets the eye type to RZ eye.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASure:DEFine CGRade, RZ"

20 END

Query :MEASure:DEFine? CGRade

The query returns the eye type.

Returned Format [:MEASure:DEFine?]CGR, <signal_type>

<signal_type> {RZ | NRZ}

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Example The following example checks the current eye type of the analyzer to the

string variable, Setup\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the com-

puter's screen.

10 DIM Setup\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:DEFINE? CGRADE"

30 ENTER 707; Setup\$ 40 PRINT Setup\$

50 END

DELTatime

Command :MEASure:DELTatime [<source>[,<source>]]

This command measures the time delay between two edges. If no source is specified, then the sources specified using the :MEASure:SOURce command are used. If only one source is specified, then the edges used for computing delta time belong to that source. If two sources are specified, then the first edge used in computing to delta time belongs to the first source and the sec-

ond edge belongs to the second source.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR modes

<source> {CHANnel<N>| FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N> | RESPonse <N>}

<N> An integer, from 1 through 4.

Example The following example measures the delta time between channel 1 and chan-

nel 2.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:DELTATIME CHANNEL1,CHANNEL2"

20 END

Query :MEASure:DELTatime? [<source>[,<source>]]

The guery returns the measured delta time value.

Returned Format [:MEASure:DELTatime] <value> [,<result_state>]<NL>

value> Delta time from the first specified edge on one source to the next specified

edge on another source.

<result state>
If SENDVALID is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement

result. Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current value of delta time in the numeric

variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller's screen. This example assumes the source was set using MEASure:SOURce.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:DELTATIME?"

30 ENTER 707; Value

!Response headers off

40 PRINT Value 50 END

Turn Off Headers

When receiving numeric data into numeric variables, turn off the headers. Otherwise, the headers may cause misinterpretation of returned data.

DUTYcycle

Command :MEASure:DUTYcycle [<source>]

This command measures the ratio of the positive pulse width to the period. Sources are specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the

optional parameter following the DUTYcycle command.

Mode Oscilloscope mode only.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels: Value is dependent on the type of plug-in and its location in the

instrument. For functions: 1 or 2. For waveform memories (WMEMORY): 1, 2,

3, or 4.

Example The following example measures the duty cycle of the last specified signal.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MFASURF:DUTYCYCLF"

20 END

Query :MEASure:DUTYcycle? [<source>]

The query returns the measured duty cycle of the specified source.

Returned Format [:MEASure:DUTYcycle] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The ratio of the positive pulse width to the period.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current duty cycle of the specified signal in

the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the

controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:DUTYCYCLE?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 FND

FALLtime

Command :MEASure:FALLtime [<source>]

This command measures the time at the upper threshold of the falling edge, measures the time at the lower threshold of the falling edge, then calculates the fall time. Sources are specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the optional parameter following the FALLtime command.

The first displayed falling edge is used for the fall-time measurement. Therefore, for best measurement accuracy, set the sweep speed as fast as possible while leaving the falling edge of the waveform on the display.

Fall time = time at lower threshold point - time at upper threshold point.

Mode All instrument modes.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N> | CGRade}

Where CHANnel<N>, FUNCtion<N>, RESPonse<N> and WMEMory<N> apply in Oscilloscope and TDR modes only, and CGRade in Eye mode only.

<N> For channels, functions, TDR responses and waveform memories: 1, 2, 3, or 4.

Example This example measures the fall time of the last specified signal.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:FALLTIME"

20 END

Query :MEASure:FALLtime?[<source>]

The query returns the fall time of the specified source.

Returned Format [:MEASure:FALLtime] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> Time at lower threshold – time at upper threshold.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example This example places the current value for fall time in the numeric variable,

Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:FALLTIME?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

FREQuency

Command :MEASure:FREQuency [<source>]

Measures the frequency of the first complete cycle on the screen using the mid-threshold levels of the waveform (50% levels if standard measurements are selected). The source is specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the optional parameter following the FREQuency command.

The algorithm is:

If the first edge on screen is rising, then

frequency = 1/(time at second rising edge – time at first rising edge)

else,

frequency = 1/(time at second falling edge - time at first falling edge).

Mode Oscilloscope mode only

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels: Value is dependent on the type of plug-in and its location in the

instrument. For functions: 1 or 2. For waveform memories (WMEMORY): 1, 2,

3, or 4.

Example The following example measures the frequency of the last specified signal.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:FREQUENCY"

20 END

Query :MEASure:FREQuency? [<source>]

The query returns the measured frequency.

Returned Format [:MEASure:FREQuency] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

value> The frequency value, in Hertz, of the first complete cycle on the screen using

the mid-threshold levels of the waveform.

<result state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current frequency of the signal in the

numeric variable, Freq, then prints the contents of the variable to the control-

ler's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:FREQUENCY?"

30 ENTER 707; Freq 40 PRINT Freq 50 END

HISTogram:HITS?

Query :MEASure:HISTogram:HITS? [<source>]

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This query returns the number of hits within the histogram. The source can be specified with the optional parameter following the HITS query. The HISTo-

gram:HITS? query only applies to the histogram.

<source> {HISTogram}

Returned Format [:MEASure:HISTogram:HITS] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The number of hits in the histogram.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the number of hits within the current histo-

gram and prints the result to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:HISTOGRAM:HITS?"

30 ENTER 707; Histhits 40 PRINT Histhits

50 END

HISTogram:M1S?

Query :MEASure:HISTogram:M1S? [<source>]

This query returns the percentage of points that are within one standard deviation of the mean of the histogram. The source can be specified with the optional parameter following the M1S query. The HISTogram:M1S? query only

!Response headers off

applies to the histogram waveform.

<source> {HISTogram}

Returned Format [:MEASure:HISTogram:M1S] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The percentage of points within one standard deviation of the mean of the his-

togram.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the percentage of points within one standard

deviation of the mean of the current histogram and prints the result to the

controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:HISTOGRAM:M1S?"

30 ENTER 707; Histm1s 40 PRINT Histm1s

50 END

HISTogram:M2S?

Query :MEASure:HISTogram:M2S? [<source>]

This query returns the percentage of points that are within two standard deviations of the mean of the histogram. The sources can be specified with the optional parameter following the M2S query. The HISTogram:M2S? query only

applies to the histogram waveform.

<source> {HISTogram}

Returned Format [:MEASure:HISTogram:M2S] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

value> The percent of points within two standard deviations of the mean of the histo-

gram.

result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the percentage of points within two standard

deviations of the mean of the current histogram and prints the result to the

controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:HISTOGRAM:M2S?"

30 ENTER 707;Histm2s 40 PRINT Histm2s

50 END

HISTogram:M3S?

Query :MEASure:HISTogram:M3S? [<source>]

This query returns the percentage of points that are within three standard deviations of the mean of the histogram. The source can be specified with the optional parameter following the M3S query. The HISTogram:M3S? query only

applies to the histogram waveform.

<source> {HISTogram}

Returned Format [:MEASure:HISTogram:M3S] <value>[,<result_state>] <NL>

value> The percentage of points within three standard deviations of the mean of the

histogram.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

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Example The following example returns the percentage of points within three standard

deviations of the mean of the current histogram and prints the result to the

controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

!Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:HISTOGRAM:M3S?" 30 ENTER 707:Histm3s

40 PRINT Histm3s

50 END

HISTogram: MEAN?

Query :MEASure:HISTogram:MEAN? [<source>]

This query returns the mean of the histogram. The mean of the histogram is the average value of all the points in the histogram. The source can be specified with the optional parameter following the MEAN query. The HISTo-

gram:MEAN? query only applies to the histogram waveform.

<source> {HISTogram}

Returned Format [:MEASure:HISTogram:MEAN] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The mean of the histogram.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the mean of the current histogram and prints

the result to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:HISTOGRAM:MEAN?"

30 ENTER 707; Histmean 40 PRINT Histmean

50 END

HISTogram: MEDian?

Query :MEASure:HISTogram:MEDian? [<source>]

This query returns the median of the histogram. The median of the histogram is the time or voltage of the point at which 50% of the histogram is to the left or right (above or below for vertical histograms). The source can be specified

with the optional parameter following the MEDian query. The HISTo-

gram: MEDian? query only applies to the histogram waveform.

<source> {HISTogram}

Returned Format [:MEASure:HISTogram:MEDian] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The median of the histogram.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the median of the current histogram and prints

the result to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:HISTOGRAM:MEDIAN?"

30 ENTER 707; Histmed 40 PRINT Histmed

50 END

HISTogram:PEAK?

Query :MEASure:HISTogram:PEAK? [<source>]

This query returns the number of hits in the histogram's greatest peak. The source can be specified with the optional parameter following the PEAK query. The HISTogram:PEAK? query only applies to the histogram waveform.

<source> {HISTogram}

Returned Format [:MEASure:HISTogram:PEAK] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The width of the histogram.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the number of hits in the histogram's greatest

peak and prints the result to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:HISTOGRAM:PEAK?"

30 ENTER 707; Histpeak 40 PRINT Histpeak

50 FND

HISTogram:PP?

Query :MEASure:HISTogram:PP? [<source>]

This query returns the width of the histogram. The width is measured as the time or voltage of the last histogram bucket with data in it minus the time or voltage of the first histogram bucket with data in it. The source can be specified with the optional parameter following the PP query. The HISTogram:PP? query only applies to the histogram waveform.

<source> {HISTogram}

Returned Format [:MEASure:HISTogram:PPos] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The width of the histogram.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the width of the current histogram and prints

the result to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:HISTOGRAM:PP?"

30 ENTER 707; Histpp 40 PRINT Histpp

50 END

HISTogram:PPOSition?

Query :MEASure:HISTogram:PPOSition? [<source>]

This query returns the position of the greatest peak of the histogram. If there is more than one peak, then it returns the position of the first peak from the lower boundary of the histogram window for vertical axis histograms. Otherwise, in the case of horizontal axis histograms, it returns the position of the first peak from the leftmost boundary of the histogram window. The optional parameter MEASure:SOURce command can be used to specify the source for the measurement. This query can only be applied to histogram data, therefore the histogram must be turned on in order to use this query.

!Response headers off

{HISTogram}

<source>

Returned Format [:MEASure:HISTogram:PPosition] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL> <value> The value of the greatest peak of the histogram.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:HISTOGRAM:PPOSITION? HISTOGRAM"

20 ENTER 707;HMaxVal 30 PRINT HMaxVal

40 END

HISTogram:SCALe?

Query :MEASure:HISTogram:SCALe? [<source>]

The query returns the scale of the histogram in hits per division. The source can be specified with the optional parameter following the SCALe query. The

HISTogram:SCALe? query only applies to the histogram waveform.

<source> {HISTogram}

Returned Format [:MEASure:HISTogram:SCALe] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The scale of the histogram in hits.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the scale of the histogram whose source is

specified in MEASure:SOURce and prints the result to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:HISTOGRAM:SCALE?"

30 ENTER 707; Histscal 40 PRINT Histscal

50 END

HISTogram:STDDev?

Query :MEASURE:HISTogram:STDDev? [<source>]

This query returns the standard deviation of the histogram. The source can be specified with the optional parameter following the STDDev query. The HIS-

Togram:STDDev? query only applies to the histogram waveform.

<source> {HISTogram}

Returned Format [:MEASure:HISTogram:STDDev] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The standard deviation of the histogram.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the standard deviation of the histogram whose

source is specified using the MEASure:SOURce command, and prints the

result to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:HISTOGRAM:STDDEV?"

30 ENTER 707; Histstdd 40 PRINT Histstdd

50 FND

NWIDth

Command

:MEASure:NWIDth [<source>]

Measures the width of the first negative pulse on the screen using the midthreshold levels of the waveform (50% levels with standard measurements selected). The source is specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the optional parameter following the NWIDth command.

The algorithm is:

If the first edge on screen is rising, then

 $nwidth = time \ at \ the \ second \ rising \ edge - time \ at \ the \ first \ falling \ edge$

else,

nwidth = time at the first rising edge - time at the first falling edge.

Mode Oscilloscope mode only

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels: Value is dependent on the type of plug-in and its location in the

instrument. For functions: 1 or 2. For waveform memories (WMEMORY): 1, 2,

3. or 4.

Example The following example measures the width of the first negative pulse on

screen.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MFASURF:NWIDTH"

20 END

Query :MEASure:NWIDth? [<source>]

The query returns the measured width of the first negative pulse of the speci-

fied source.

Returned Format [:MEASure:NWIDth] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The width of the first negative pulse on the screen using the mid-threshold

levels of the waveform.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the current width of the first negative pulse on

screen in the numeric variable, Width, then prints the contents of the variable

to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:NWIDTH?"

30 ENTER 707; Width 40 PRINT Width 50 END

OVERshoot

Command :MEASure:OVERshoot [<source>]

This command measures the overshoot of the first edge on the screen. Sources are specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the

optional parameter following the OVERshoot command.

The algorithm is:

If the first edge onscreen is rising, then

overshoot = (Local Vmax - Vtop) / Vamplitude

else

overshoot = (Vbase - Local Vmin) / Vamplitude.

Mode Oscilloscope mode only

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels, functions, and waveform memories: 1, 2, 3, or 4.

Example This example measures the overshoot of the first edge onscreen.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:OVERSHOOT"

20 FND

Query :MEASure:OVERshoot? [<source>]

The guery returns the measured overshoot of the specified source.

Returned Format [:MEASure:OVERshoot] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL> <value> Ratio of overshoot to amplitude, in percent.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example This example places the current value of overshoot in the numeric variable,

Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

!Response headers off

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:OVERSHOOT?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

PERiod

Command :MEASure:PERiod [<source>]

This command measures the period of the first complete cycle on the screen using the mid-threshold levels of the waveform (50% levels with standard measurements selected). The source is specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the optional parameter following the PERiod command.

The algorithm is:

If the first edge onscreen is rising then

period = time at the second rising edge - time at the first rising edge

else

period = time at the second falling edge - time at the first falling edge.

Mode Oscilloscope mode only

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels, functions, and waveform memories: 1, 2, 3, or 4.

Example This example measures the period of the waveform.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MFASURF:PFRIOD"

20 END

Query :MEASure:PERiod? [<source>]

The query returns the measured period of the specified source.

Returned Format [:MEASure:PERiod] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL> <value> Period of the first complete cycle onscreen.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example This example places the current period of the waveform in the numeric vari-

able, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:PERIOD?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

PWIDth

Command :MEASure:PWIDth [<source>]

Measures the width of the first positive pulse on the screen using the midthreshold levels of the waveform (50% levels with standard measurements selected). The source is specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the optional parameter following the PWIDth command.

The algorithm is:

If the first edge on screen is rising, then

 $pwidth = time \ at \ the \ first \ falling \ edge - time \ at \ the \ first \ rising \ edge$

else,

pwidth = time at the second falling edge - time at the first rising edge

Mode Oscilloscope mode only

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels: Value is dependent on the type of plug-in and its location in the

instrument. For functions: 1 or 2. For waveform memories (WMEMORY): 1, 2,

3, or 4.

Example The following example measures the width of the first positive pulse on the

screen.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:PWIDTH"

20 FND

Query :MEASure:PWIDth? [<source>]

The query returns the measured width of the first positive pulse of the speci-

fied source.

Returned Format [:MEASure:PWIDth] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> Width of the first positive pulse on the screen in seconds.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the value of the width of the first positive pulse

on the screen in the numeric variable, Width, then prints the contents of the

variable to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:PWIDTH?"

30 ENTER 707; Width 40 PRINT Width

50 FND

RESults?

Query :MEASure:RESults?

This query returns the results of the continuous measurements. The measurement results always include only the current results. If SENDvalid is ON, the measurement results state is returned immediately following the measurement result. The measurement results include the current, minimum, maximum, mean, standard deviation, and statistical sample size of each measurement.

If more than one measurement is running continuously, the values shown in Table 23-3 on page 23-39 will be duplicated for each continuous measurement from the first to last (top to bottom) of display. There may be up to four continuous measurements at a time.

Note

In some cases, remote results on statistical measurements may display incorrect ASCII mapping, such as a ς symbol in lieu of Σ (sigma).

Returned Format </ri>

[:MEASure:RESults] < result list > < NL>

A list of the measurement results, as in Table 23-2, separated with commas.

Table 23-2. Results Values

	Sendvalid OFF	Sendvalid ON
Limit test OFF	current result	current result
		validity
	minimum	minimum
	maximum	maximum
	mean	mean
	standard deviation	standard deviation
	n-samples	n-samples
Limit test ON	current result	current result
		validity
	minimum	minimum
	maximum	maximum
	mean	mean
	standard deviation	standard deviation
	n-samples	n-samples
	limit failures	limit failures

Table 23-2. Results Values (Continued)

Sendvalid OFF	Sendvalid ON
limit total tests	limit total tests
limit status	limit status

Example

This example places the current results of the measurements in the string variable, Result\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 DIM Result\$[200] 20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:RESULTS?"

30 ENTER 707; Result\$

40 PRINT Result\$

50 END

!Dimension variable

Table 23-3. Result States

Code	Result	Description
0	RESULT_CORRECT	Result correct. No problem found.
1	RESULT_QUESTIONABLE	Result questionable but could be measured.
2	RESULT_LESS_EQ	Result less than or equal to value returned.
3	RESULT_GTR_EQ	Result greater than or equal to value returned.
4	RESULT_INVALID	Result returned is invalid.
5	EDGE_NOT_FOUND	Result invalid. Required edge not found.
6	MAX_NOT_FOUND	Result invalid. Max not found.
7	MIN_NOT_FOUND	Result invalid. Min not found.
8	TIME_NOT_FOUND	Result invalid. Requested time not found.
9	VOLT_NOT_FOUND	Result invalid. Requested voltage not found.
10	TOP_EQUALS_BASE	Result invalid. Top and base are equal.
11	MEAS_ZONE_SMALL	Result invalid. Measurement zone too small.
12	LOWER_INVALID	Result invalid. Lower threshold not on waveform.
13	UPPER_INVALID	Result invalid. Upper threshold not on waveform.
14	UPPER_LOWER_INVALID	Result invalid. Upper and lower thresholds are too close.
15	TOP_INVALID	Result invalid. Top not on waveform.
16	BASE_INVALID	Result invalid. Base not on waveform.
17	INCOMPLETE	Result invalid. Completion criteria not reached.
18	INVALID_SIGNAL	Result invalid. Measurement invalid for this type of signal
19	SIGNAL_NOT_DISPLAYED	Result invalid. Signal is not displayed.
20	CLIPPED_HIGH	Result invalid. Waveform is clipped high.
21	CLIPPED_LOW	Result invalid. Waveform is clipped low.
22	CLIPPED_HIGH_LOW	Result invalid. Waveform is clipped high and low.
23	ALL_HOLES	Result invalid. Data contains all holes.

Table 23-3. Result States (Continued)

24	NO DATA	Result invalid. No data on screen.
25	CURSOR OFF SCREEN	Result invalid. Cursor is not on screen.
26	MEASURE_CANCELLED	Result invalid. Measurement aborted.
27	MEASURE_TIMEOUT	Result invalid. Measurement timed-out.
28	NO_MEAS	Result invalid. No measurement to track.
30	INVALID_EYE	Result invalid. Eye pattern not found.
32	BAD_DARK_LEVEL	Result invalid. Dark level is invalid.
33	NOT_1_SOURCE	Result invalid. Color grade/gray scale database has more than one source.

RISetime

Command :MEASure:RISetime [<source>]

This command measures the rise time of the first displayed edge by measuring the time at the lower threshold of the rising edge, measuring the time at the upper threshold of the rising edge, then calculating the rise time with the following algorithm:

Rise time = time at upper threshold point – time at lower threshold point.

Sources are specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the

optional parameter following the RISetime command.

Mode All instrument modes.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N> | CGRade}

Where CHANnel<N>, FUNCtion<N>, RESPonse<N>, and WMEMory<N> apply in Oscilloscope and TDR modes only, and CGRade in Eye mode only.

<N> For channels, functions, TDR responses and waveform memories: 1, 2, 3, or 4.

With standard measurements selected, the lower threshold is at the 10% point

and the upper threshold is at the 90% point on the rising edge.

Example This example measures the rise time of the displayed signal.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:RISETIME"

20 END

Query :MEASure:RISetime? [<source>]

The guery returns the rise time of the specified source.

Returned Format [:MEASure:RISetime] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> Rise time in seconds.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example This example places the current value of rise time in the numeric variable,

Rise, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"!Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:RISETIME?"

30 ENTER 707; Rise 40 PRINT Rise 50 FND

SCRatch

Command :MEASure:SCRatch

This command clears the measurement results from the screen.

Example This example clears the current measurement results from the screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:SCRATCH"

20 END

SENDvalid

 $\textbf{Command} \hspace{1cm} : MEASure: SEND valid \{ \{ OFF \mid 0 \} \mid \{ ON \mid 1 \} \}$

This command enables the result state code to be returned with the :MEA-

Sure:RESults? query.

Example This example turns send valid function on.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:SENDVALID ON"

20 END

Query :MEASure:SENDvalid?

The query returns the state of the Sendvalid control.

Returned Format [:MEASure:SENDvalid] {0 | 1}<NL>

Example This example places the current mode for SENDvalid in the string variable,

Mode\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

!Dimension variable

10 DIM Mode\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:SENDVALID?"

30 ENTER 707; Mode\$ 40 PRINT Mode\$

50 FND

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See Also

Refer to the MEASure: RESults query for information on the results returned and how they are affected by the SENDvalid command. Refer to the individual measurements for information on how the result state is returned.

SOURce

Command :MEASure:SOURce <source>[,<source>]

This command selects the source for measurements. You can specify one or two sources with this command. All measurements except MEASure: DEFine:DELTatime are made on the first specified source. The delta time measurement uses two sources if two are specified. If only one source is specified, the delta time measurement uses that source for both of its parameters. The source is always color grade/gray scale data in eye mode, except for average optical power and histogram measurements.

This is a global definition. It is used for all subsequent remote measurements unless a different source is specified with the optional source parameter in the

measure command.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR modes. Eye mode uses this for average optical power

measurements.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels, functions, TDR responses and waveform memories: 1, 2, 3, or 4.

Example This example selects channel 1 as the source for measurements.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MFASURE:SOURCE CHANNEL1"

20 END

Query :MEASure:SOURce?

The query returns the current source selection.

Returned Format [:MEASure:SOURce] <source>[,<source>]<NL>

Example This example places the currently specified sources in the string variable,

Source\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

!Dimension variable

10 DIM Source\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:SOURCE?"

30 ENTER 707; Source\$ 40 PRINT Source\$

50 END

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TEDGe?

Query :MEASure:TEDGe? <meas_thres_txt>,<slope><occurrence> [,<source>]

The query returns the time interval between the trigger event and the specified edge (threshold level, slope, and transition) in oscilloscope mode. The query will return the time interval between the reference plane and the specified edge.

fied edge in TDR mode.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR modes.

Note

TEDGe is measured for a value less than or equal to 20. A value greater than 20 returns data out of range.

<meas_thres_txt> UPPer, MIDI

UPPer, MIDDle, or LOWer to identify the threshold.

<slope> $\{-\text{ (minus) for falling } | +\text{ (plus) for rising } | <\text{none> (the slope is optional; if no} \}$

slope is specified, + (plus) is assumed) }

<occurrence> A numeric value representing the edge of the occurrence. The desired edge

must be present on the display. Edges are counted with 1 being the first edge

from the left on the display.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels, functions, TDR responses and waveform memories 1, 2, 3, or 4.

Returned Format [:MEASure:TEDGe] <time>[,<result_state>]<NL>

scope mode) or the time interval between the reference plane and the speci-

fied edge in TDR mode.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example This example returns the time interval between the trigger event and the 90%

threshold on the second rising edge of the source waveform to the numeric variable, Time. The contents of the variable are then printed to the computer's

screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:TEDGE? UPPER,+2"

30 ENTER 707; Time 40 PRINT Time

50 END

Turn Off Headers

When receiving numeric data into numeric variables, turn off the headers. Otherwise, the headers may cause misinterpretation of returned data.

TMAX

Command :MEASure:TMAX [<source>]

This command measures the first time at which the first maximum voltage of

the source waveform occurred. The source is specified with the MEA-

Sure:SOURce command or with the optional parameter following the TMAX command. In TDR mode, the time reported is measured with respect to the

reference plane.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR modes.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N> | RESPonse<N>}

<N> An integer, from 1 through 4.

Query :MEASure:TMAX? [<source>]

The query returns the time at which the first maximum voltage occurred.

Returned Format [:MEASure:TMAX] <time>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<time> Time at which the first maximum voltage occurred.

<result_state> If SENDVALID is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement

result. Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the time at which the first maximum voltage

occurred to the numeric variable, Time, then prints the contents of the vari-

able to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off 20 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:TMAX?"

30 ENTER 707; Time 40 PRINT Time

50 END

Turn Off Headers

When receiving numeric data into numeric variables, turn off the headers. Otherwise, the headers may cause misinterpretation of returned data.

TMIN

Command :MEASure:TMIN [<source>]

This command measures the first time at which the first minimum voltage of the source waveform occurred. The source is specified with the MEA-Sure:SOURce command or with the optional parameter following the TMIN command. In TDR mode, the time reported is measured with respect to the

reference plane.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR modes.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N> | RESPonse<N>}

<N> An integer, from 1 through 4.

Query :MEASure:TMIN? [<source>]

The query returns the time at which the first minimum voltage occurred.

Returned Format [:MEASure:TMIN] <time>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<time> Time at which the first minimum voltage occurred.

<result_state> If SENDVALID is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement

result. Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the time at which the first minimum voltage

occurred to the numeric variable, Time, then prints the contents of the vari-

!Response headers off

able to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:TMIN?"

30 ENTER 707; Time 40 PRINT Time 50 FND

Turn Off Headers

When receiving numeric data into numeric variables, turn off the headers. Otherwise, the headers may cause misinterpretation of returned data.

TVOLt?

Query :MEASure:TVOLt? <voltage>,<slope><occurrence>[,<source>]

The query returns the time interval between the trigger event and the specified voltage level and transition (oscilloscope mode) or the time interval between the reference plane and the specified voltage level and transition (TDR mode). The source is specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the optional parameter following the TVOLt? query.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR modes.

<voltage> Voltage level at which time will be measured.

<slope> The direction of the waveform change when the specified voltage is crossed,

rising (+) or falling (-).

coccurrence> The number of the crossing to be reported. If one, the first crossing is

reported; if two, the second crossing is reported, and so on.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N> | RESPonse<N>}

<N> An integer, from 1 through 4.

Returned Format [:MEASure:TVOLt] <time>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<ti>The time interval between the trigger event (or reference plane, in TDR)

mode) and the specified voltage level and transition.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the time interval between the trigger event and

the transition through –.250 Volts on the third rising edge of the source waveform to the numeric variable. Time. The contents of the variable are then

printed to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707:":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:TVOLT? -.250,+3"

30 ENTER 707; Time 40 PRINT Time 50 END

Turn Off Headers

When receiving numeric data into numeric variables, turn off the headers. Otherwise, the headers may cause misinterpretation of returned data.

VAMPlitude

Command :MEASure:VAMPlitude [<source>]

This command calculates the difference between the top and base voltage of the specified source. Sources are specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the optional parameter following the VAMPlitude command.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR modes.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels, functions, TDR responses and waveform memories: 1, 2, 3, or 4.

Example This example calculates the difference between the top and base voltage of

the specified source.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:VAMPLITUDE"

20 END

Query :MEASure:VAMPlitude? [<source>]

The query returns the calculated difference between the top and base voltage

of the specified source.

Returned Format [:MEASure:VAMPlitude] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> Calculated difference between the top and base voltage.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example This example places the current Vamplitude value in the numeric variable,

Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

!Response headers off

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VAMPLITUDE?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

VAVerage

Command :MEASure:VAVerage {CYCLe | DISPlay} [,<source>]

This command calculates the average voltage over the displayed waveform. The source is specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the

optional parameter following the VAVerage command.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR (DISPlay option only) modes.

CYCLe The CYCLe parameter instructs the average measurement to measure the

average voltage across the first period of the display. This option is valid in

oscilloscope mode only.

DISPlay The DISPlay parameter instructs the average measurement to measure all the

data on the display. This option is valid in both oscilloscope and TDR modes.

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<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N> | RESPonse<N>}

<N> An integer, from 1 through 4.

Example The following example calculates the average voltage over the displayed wave-

form.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VAVERAGE DISPLAY"

20 END

Query :MEASure:VAVerage? {CYCLe | DISPlay}, [<source>]

The query returns the calculated average voltage of the specified source.

Returned Format [:MEASure:VAVerage] <value> [,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> The calculated average voltage.

<result state>
If SENDVALID is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement

result. Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example 10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VAVERAGE? DISPLAY"

30 ENTER 707; Average 40 PRINT Average

50 END

VBASe

Command :MEASure:VBASe [<source>]

Measures the statistical base of the waveform. The source is specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the optional parameter following the

VBASe command.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR modes.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels: Value is dependent on the type of plug-in and its location in the

instrument. For functions: 1 or 2. For waveform memories (WMEMORY): 1, 2,

3, or 4. For TDR responses: 1, 2, 3, or 4.

Example The following example measures the voltage at the base of the waveform.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VBASE"

20 END

Query :MEASure:VBASe? [<source>]

The query returns the measured voltage value at the base of the specified

source.

Returned Format [:MEASure:VBASe] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> Voltage at the base of the waveform.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the current voltage at the base of the waveform

to the numeric variable, Voltage, then prints the contents of the variable to the

controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VBASE?"

30 ENTER 707; Voltage 40 PRINT Voltage

50 END

VMAX

Command :MEASure:VMAX [<source>]

Measures the absolute maximum voltage present on the selected source waveform. The source is specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with

the optional parameter following the VMAX command.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR modes.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels: Value is dependent on the type of plug-in and its location in the

instrument. For functions: 1 or 2. For waveform memories (WMEMORY): 1, 2,

3, or 4. For TDR responses: 1, 2, 3, or 4.

Example The following example measures the absolute maximum voltage on the wave-

form

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:VMAX"

20 END

Query :MEASure:VMAX? [<source>]

The query returns the measured absolute maximum voltage present on the

selected source waveform.

Returned Format [:MEASure:VMAX] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> Absolute maximum voltage present on the waveform.

<result_state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the measured absolute maximum voltage on

the waveform to the numeric variable, Maximum, then prints the contents of

the variable to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VMAX?"

30 ENTER 707; Maximum 40 PRINT Maximum

50 END

VMIN

Command :MEASure:VMIN [<source>]

Measures the absolute minimum voltage present on the selected source waveform. The source is specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with

the optional parameter following the VMIN command.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR modes.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels: Value is dependent on the type of plug-in and its location in the

instrument. For functions: 1 or 2. For waveform memories (WMEMORY): 1, 2,

3, or 4. For TDR responses: 1, 2, 3, or 4.

Example The following example measures the absolute minimum voltage on the wave-

form.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:VMIN"

20 END

Query :MEASure:VMIN? [<source>]

The query returns the measured absolute minimum voltage present on the

selected source waveform.

Returned Format [:MEASure:VMIN] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> Absolute minimum voltage present on the waveform.

<result state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example returns the measured absolute minimum voltage on

the waveform to the numeric variable, Minimum, then prints the contents of

the variable to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VMIN?"

30 ENTER 707; Minimum 40 PRINT Minimum

50 END

VPP

Command :MEASure:VPP [<source>]

This command measures the maximum and minimum voltages on the selected source, then calculates the peak-to-peak voltage as the difference between the two voltages. Sources are specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or

with the optional parameter following the VPP command.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR modes only

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> An integer, from 1 through 4.

Example This example measures the peak-to-peak voltage.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VPP"

20 END

Query :MEASure:VPP? [<source>]

The query returns the specified source peak-to-peak voltage.

Returned Format [:MEASure:VPP] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> Peak-to-peak voltage of the selected source.

<result state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example This example places the current peak-to-peak voltage in the numeric variable,

Voltage, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707:":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VPP?"

30 ENTER 707; Voltage 40 PRINT Voltage

50 END

VRMS

Command :MEASure:VRMS {CYCLe | DISPlay}, {AC | DC} [,<source>]

This command measures the RMS voltage of the selected waveform by subtracting the average value of the waveform from each data point on the display. Sources are specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the

optional parameter following the VRMS command.

Mode Oscilloscope mode only.

CYCLe The CYCLe parameter instructs the RMS measurement to measure the RMS

voltage across the first period of the display.

DISPLay The DISPLay parameter instructs the RMS measurement to measure all the

data on the display. Generally, RMS voltage is measured across one waveform or cycle, however, measuring multiple cycles may be accomplished with the DISPLay option. The DISPlay parameter is also useful when measuring noise.

AC The AC parameter is used to measure the RMS voltage subtracting out the DC

component.

DC The DC parameter is used to measure RMS voltage including the DC compo-

nent.

The AC RMS, DC RMS, and VAVG parameters are related as in the following

formula:

 $DCVRMS^2 = ACVRMS^2 + VAVG^2$

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels, functions, and waveform memories: 1, 2, 3, or 4.

Example This example measures the RMS voltage of the previously selected waveform.

10 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VRMS CYCLE,AC"

20 END

Query :MEASure:VRMS? {CYCLe | DISplay}, {AC | DC} [,<source>]

The query returns the RMS voltage of the specified source.

Returned Format [:MEASure:VRMS] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL> <value> RMS voltage of the selected waveform.

<result state>
If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example This example places the current AC RMS voltage over one period of the wave-

form in the numeric variable, Voltage, then prints the contents of the variable

to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VRMS? CYCLE,AC"

30 ENTER 707; Voltage 40 PRINT Voltage

50 END

VTIMe?

Query :MEASure:VTIMe? <time> [,<source>]

The query returns the measured voltage.

scope mode) or the time interval between the reference plane and the speci-

fied edge in TDR mode.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> An integer, from 1 to 4.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR modes.

Returned Format [:MEASure:VTIMe] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

value> Voltage at the specified time. In oscilloscope mode, <time> is the time mea-

sured from the trigger event. In TDR mode, <time> is measured with respect

to the reference plane.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the voltage at 500 ms in the numeric variable,

Value, then prints the contents to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VTIME? 500E-3"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

VTOP

Command :MEASure:VTOP [<source>]

This command measures the statistical top of the selected source waveform.

The source is specified with the MEASure:SOURce command or with the

optional parameter following the VTOP command.

Mode Oscilloscope and TDR modes.

<source> {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | WMEMory<N>}

<N> For channels: Value is dependent on the type of plug-in and its location in the

instrument. For functions: 1 or 2. For waveform memories (WMEMORY): 1, 2,

3, or 4. For TDR responses: 1, 2, 3, or 4.

Example The following example measures the voltage at the top of the waveform.

10 OUTPUT 707:":MEASURE:VTOP"

20 FND

Query :MEASure:VTOP? [<source>]

The query returns the measured voltage at the top of the specified source.

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Returned Format [:MEASure:VTOP] <value>[,<result_state>]<NL>

<value> Voltage at the top of the waveform.

<result_state> If SENDvalid is ON, the result state is returned with the measurement result.

Refer to Table 23-3 on page 23-39 for a list of the result states.

Example The following example places the value of the voltage at the top of the wave-

form in the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to

the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":MEASURE:VTOP?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

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TDR/TDT Commands

TDR/TDT Commands

The TDR/TDT command subsystem includes all commands necessary to set up TDR/TDT measurements.

Slot Selection

All of the TDR/TDT subsystem commands are of the form :TDR{2 | 4}:<command>. The {2 | 4} option is used to identify the slot in which you have installed the TDR/TDT plug-in module. Select 2 if the module is in slots 1 and 2; 4 if the module is in slots 3 and 4. For example, if the module is in slots 3 and 4, and you want to issue the TDR subsystem PRESet command, you use the command string :TDR4:PRESET.

DCALib

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command :TDR{2 | 4}:DCALib {RPCalib | NORMal | QNORmal}

This command allows you to select the type of differential normalization (or calibration) to be performed. In TDT mode, the NORMal and QNORmal proce-

dures are equivalent; only the NORMal parameter is recognized.

RPCalib Selects reference plane calibration. This option is provided for backward com-

patibility.

NORMal Sets the calibration procedure to differential normalization. This version of the

differential normalization procedure models the coupling between the test fix-

ture channels, and compensates for its effects.

QNORmal Sets the calibration procedure to differential normalization. This version of the

differential normalization procedure, also known as "Quick Normalization", assumes that the coupling between the test fixture channels is negligible.

Example The following example selects the quick normalization procedure.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:DCAL QNOR"

20 END

Query :TDR $\{2 \mid 4\}$:DCALib?

The query returns the select calibration mode.

 $\textbf{Returned Format} \hspace{1cm} [: TDR\{2 \mid 4\}: DCAL] \; \{RPCalib \mid NORMal \mid QNORmal\} < NL > \\$

PRESet

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command

:TDR{2 | 4}:PRESet

This command performs an automatic set up of the instrument for TDR or TDT measurements, based on the stimulus. This command does the following:

- Turn on TDR channels.
- If the stimulus is set to EXT ernal (see "STIMulus" on page 24-16), turn off channel 1 or 3 and turn on channel 2 or 4.
- If the TDT destinations are not shown, turn on the TDT destination channels.

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(see "RESPonse:TDTDest" on page 24-12).

- Set the timebase to 500 ps/div and positions the incident edge on screen.
- Turn on averaging and set best flatness (see "Acquire Commands" in chapter 11).
- For all channels that are on:
 - Set the attenuation units to ratio.
 - Set the attenuation to 1:1.
 - Set the bandwidth to low (12.4 GHz). (Set high for external stimulus.)
 - Set the units to volts.
 - Set the channel scale to 100 mV/div.
 - Set the channel offset to 200 mV or -200 mV for differential stimulus.

Example

The following example presets the instrument for TDR/TDT operations.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:PRESET" 20 END

RATE

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command

:TDR{2 | 4}:RATE {AUTO | <rate>}

This command sets the period of the TDR pulse generator. You should usually leave this set to AUTO unless you need to define a specific rate. In AUTO, the instrument will attempt to keep subsequent periods off screen when the time-base is changed.

Period to which you want to set the generator, in Hertz. You can add a suffix to

indicate that the rate is in Hertz (HZ, KHZ, and so on).

Example

<rate>

The following example sets the pulse generator to 120 kHz.

10 OUTPUT 707:":TDR2:RATE 120 KHZ"

20 END

Query

:TDR{2 | 4}:RATE?

The query returns the current period of the pulse generator, even when the control is set to AUTO.

The query is allowed in all modes.

Returned Format

[:TDR{2 | 4}:RATE] {AUTO | <rate>}<NL>

Example

The following example gets the current rate setting and stores it in the variable Rate\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Rate\$[30]

20 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RATE?" 30 ENTER 707;Rate\$ 40 PRINT Rate\$ 50 END

RESPonse

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N> {ON | 1 | OFF | 0 | DIFFerential | COMMonmode | INDividual}

This command turns on or off a TDR or TDT normalized response.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4. This value refers to the stimulus channel used to pro-

duce a response waveform, while the response waveforms are numbered based on the destination channel. For TDR commands, the response waveform numbers and RESPonse<N> refer to the same waveforms. This is not the

case for TDT related commands.

OFF Turns off the response for the specified stimulus.

ON Turns on the normalized response of the channel.

Note

The keyword NORMalize may also be used. This command is compatible with the Agilent 83480/54750 and is equivalent to ON.

DIFFerential Turns on the differential response.

COMMonmode Turns on the common mode response.

INDividual Turns on the response for the corresponding channel. This option is valid for

responses computed by the differential normalization procedure, as set by commands :TDR $\{2 \mid 4\}$:DCALib:NORMal or :TDR $\{2 \mid 4\}$:DCALib:QNORmal.

Example The following example turns on common mode response on response 1.

10 OUTPUT 707:":TDR2:RESPONSE1 COMMONMODE"

20 FND

Query :TDR $\{2 \mid 4\}$:RESPonse<N>?

The query returns the current response setting for the specified stimulus.

The query is allowed in all modes.

Returned Format [:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>] {OFF | DIFFerential | COMMonmode | INDividual | ON}<NL>

RESPonse:CALibrate

Example

The following example gets the current response setting for response 2, stores it in the variable Control\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Control\$[20]

20 OUTPUT 707; ":TDR2:RESPONSE2?"

30 ENTER 707; Control 40 PRINT Control

50 END

RESPonse:CALibrate

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command

:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:CALibrate

This command begins a TDR or TDT normalization and reference plane calibration. Which calibration is done (TDR or TDT) depends on the setting of the

TDRTDT control. See "RESPonse:TDRTDT" on page 24-11.

<N>

An integer, 1 through 4. This value refers to the stimulus channel used to produce a response waveform, while the response waveforms are numbered based on the destination channel. For TDR commands, the response waveform numbers and RESPonse<N> refer to the same waveforms. This is not the case for TDT related commands.

Example

The following example begins a TDR or TDT calibration.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE1:CALIBRATE"

20 END

RESPonse:CALibrate:CANCel

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command

:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:CALibrate:CANCel

This command activates the cancel softkey during a TDR or TDT normalization and reference plane calibration.

This command is retained for backward compatibility with the 83480/54750. The preferred command is :CALibrate:CANCel.

<N>

An integer, 1 through 4. This value refers to the stimulus channel used to produce a response waveform, while the response waveforms are numbered based on the destination channel. For TDR commands, the response waveform numbers and RESPonse<N> refer to the same waveforms. This is not the case for TDT related commands.

Example The following example cancels the current calibration operation.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE1:CALIBRATE:CANCEL"

20 END

RESPonse:CALibrate:CONTinue

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:CALibrate:CONTinue

This command activates the continue softkey during a TDR or TDT normaliza-

tion and reference plane calibration.

This command is retained for backward compatibility with the 83480/54750.

The preferred command is :CALibrate:CONTinue.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4. This value refers to the stimulus channel used to pro-

duce a response waveform, while the response waveforms are numbered based on the destination channel. For TDR commands, the response waveform numbers and RESPonse<N> refer to the same waveforms. This is not the

case for TDT related commands.

Example The following example continues a paused calibration operation.

10 OUTPUT 707:":TDR2:RFSPONSF1:CALIBRATE:CONTINUF"

20 END

RESPonse:HORizontal

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:HORizontal {AUTO | MANual}

This command specifies whether the TDR/TDT response should automatically track the source channel's horizontal scale (AUTO), or a user-defined scale specified with the HORizontal:POSItion and HORizontal:RANGe commands

(MANual). AUTO is the usual setting.

Note

The keyword TSOurce may also be used. This command is compatible with the Agilent 83480/54750 and is equivalent to AUTO.

RESPonse:HORizontal:POSition

<N> An integer, 1 through 4. This value refers to the stimulus channel used to pro-

duce a response waveform, while the response waveforms are numbered based on the destination channel. For TDR commands, the response waveform numbers and RESPonse<N> refer to the same waveforms. This is not the

case for TDT related commands.

Example The following example sets TDR response 1 to automatically track the source

channel's horizontal scale:

10 OUTPUT 707:":TDR2:RESPONSE1:HORIZONTAL AUTO"

20 END

Query :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:HORizontal?

The query returns the current horizontal tracking mode for the specified

response.

Returned Format [:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:HORizontal] {AUTO | MANual}<NL>

Example The following example gets the current horizontal tracking mode for

response 1, puts it in the variable Track\$, then prints the contents of the vari-

able to the controller's screen:

10 DIM Track\$[20]

20 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE1:HORIZONTAL?"

30 ENTER 707; Track\$ 40 PRINT Track\$

50 FND

RESPonse:HORizontal:POSition

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:HORizontal:POSition <position>

This command specifies the horizontal position of the TDR/TDT response when horizontal tracking is set to manual. The position is always referenced to

center screen.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4. This value refers to the stimulus channel used to pro-

duce a response waveform, while the response waveforms are numbered based on the destination channel. For TDR commands, the response waveform numbers and RESPonse<N> refer to the same waveforms. This is not the

case for TDT related commands.

<position> Offset from the center of the screen, in seconds.

Example The following example sets the horizontal position for response 1 to 20 ns.

This assumes that manual tracking has already been selected.

10 OUTPUT 707:":TDR2:RESPONSE1:HORIZONTAL:POSITION 20E9"

20 END

Query :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:HORizontal:POSition?

The query returns the current horizontal position setting for the specified

response.

Returned Format [:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:HORizontal:POSition] <position><NL>

Example The following example gets the current horizontal position setting for

response 1, puts it into the variable Pos\$, then prints the contents of the vari-

able to the controller's screen.

10 DIM Pos\$[20]

20 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE1:HORIZONTAL:POSITION?"

30 ENTER 707;Pos\$ 40 PRINT Pos\$ 50 FND

RESPonse:HORizontal:RANGe

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:HORizontal:RANGe <range>

This command specifies the range of the TDR/TDT response when the hori-

zontal tracking is set to manual.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4. This value refers to the stimulus channel used to pro-

duce a response waveform, while the response waveforms are numbered based on the destination channel. For TDR commands, the response waveform numbers and RESPonse<N> refer to the same waveforms. This is not the

case for TDT related commands.

<range> Horizontal range in seconds.

Example The following example sets the horizontal range for TDR response 1 to

120 ms. This assumes that manual tracking has already been selected.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE1:HORIZONTAL:RANGE 120 MS"

20 FND

Query :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:HORizontal:RANGe?

The query returns the current horizontal range setting for the specified

response.

Returned Format [:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:HORizontal:RANGe] <range><NL>

Example The following example gets the current horizontal range setting for

response 2, stores it in the numeric variable Range, then prints the contents of

the variable to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE2:HORIZONTAL:RANGE?" 20 ENTER 707;Range 30 PRINT Range 40 END

RESPonse:RISetime

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:RISetime <risetime>

<N>

This command sets the risetime for the normalized response. The risetime setting is limited by the timebase settings and the record length. The normalize response function allows you to change the risetime of the normalized step.

An integer, 1 through 4. This value refers to the stimulus channel used to pro-

duce a response waveform, while the response waveforms are numbered based on the destination channel. For TDR commands, the response waveform numbers and RESPonse<N> refer to the same waveforms. This is not the

case for TDT related commands.

risetime> Risetime setting in seconds. The Risetime function allows you to change the

normalized step's risetime within a range of values, with bounds established by

the current timebase and record length settings.

While the TDR step's risetime applied to the system under test is fixed, the measured response has a set of mathematical operations applied to it. These mathematical operations effectively change the displayed response to the system just as if a different TDR step risetime had actually been applied. This allows you to select a risetime for TDR/TDT measurements that is close to the actual risetime used in your system. This risetime value applies to both TDR

and TDT normalized channels.

Example The following example sets the risetime for response 1 to 100 ps.

10 OUTPUT 707: "TDR2: RESPONSE1: RISETIME 100 PS"

20 END

Query :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:RISetime?

The query returns the normalized response risetime setting.

Returned Format [:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:RISetime] <risetime><NL>

Example The following example gets the current risetime setting and stores it in the

numeric variable Risetime, then prints the contents of the variable to the con-

troller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707:":TDR2:RESPONSE1:RISETIME?"

20 ENTER 707; Risetime 30 PRINT Risetime 40 FND

RESPonse:TDRDest

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command

:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse{1 | 3}:TDRDest CHANnel<N>

This command selects a TDR destination channel for an external stimulus. When you use an external stimulus, you must use this command to specify where the TDR channel is coming into the instrument. An external stimulus may be generated from channels 1 or 3 only.

A channel is valid as a TDR destination if it meets the following criteria:

• Must be an electrical channel.

· Must not have an active TDR stimulus.

• Must not be the destination of a TDT measurement.

<N>

An integer, 1 through 4.

Example

The following example sets channel 2 as the TDR destination channel for $\,$

response 1:

10 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE1:TDRDEST CHANNEL2"

20 END

Query

:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse{1 | 3}:TDRDest?

The guery returns the current TDR destination channel for the selected

response.

Returned Format

[:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse{1 | 3}:TDRDest] <channel><NL>

Example

The following example gets the current TDR destination channel for

response 3, stores it in the variable Dest\$, then prints the contents of the vari-

able to the controller's screen:

10 DIM Dest\$[20]

20 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE3:TDRDEST?"

30 ENTER 707; Dest\$ 40 PRINT Dest\$

50 FND

RESPonse:TDRTDT

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command

:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse{1| 2| 3 | 4}:TDRTDT {TDR | TDT}

RESPonse:TDTDest

This command controls the behavior of other :TDR $\{2|4\}$:RESPonse commands and queries. A response waveform is fully specified by the TDRTDT setting, as well as by the stimulus value that is part of a "TDR $\{2|4\}$:RESPonse" command.

<N>

An integer, 1 through 4. This value refers to the stimulus channel used to produce a response waveform, while the response waveforms are numbered based on the destination channel. For TDR commands, the response waveform numbers and RESPonse<N> refer to the same waveforms. This is not the case for TDT related commands.

Example

To turn on Response 1 waveform as TDR with stimulus = Chan1:

Set :TDR2:RESPonse1:TDRTDT to TDR Set :TDR2:RESPonse1 to NORM

To turn on Response 2 waveform as TDT with stimulus = Chan1:

Set :TDR2:RESPonse1:TDTDest to Chan2 Set :TDR2:RESPonse1:TDRTDT to TDT

Set: TDR2: RESPonse1 to ON

RESPonse:TDTDest

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command

:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:TDTDest {NONE | CHANnel<N>}

This command selects a destination channel for a normalization measurement.

<N>

An integer, 1 through 4. This RESPonse<N> value refers to the stimulus channel used to produce a response waveform, while the response waveforms are numbered based on the destination channel. For TDR commands, the response waveform numbers and RESPonse<N> refer to the same waveforms. This is not the case for TDT related commands.

For differential and common mode stimuli, the TDT destination is implied as follows:

- The TDT destination for channel 1 is channel 3.
- The TDT destination for channel 2 is channel 4.
- The TDT destination for channel 3 is channel 1.
- The TDT destination for channel 4 is channel 2.

A channel is valid as a TDT destination if it meets the following criteria:

- Must be an electrical channel.
- Must not have an active TDR stimulus.
- Must not be the destination of another TDT measurement.
- Must not be the destination of a TDR measurement (external stimulus only).

You must select a valid TDT destination before setting the TDRTDT control to TDT.

NONE

Deselects a channel as a TDT destination. This frees the channel to be the TDT destination of another TDR source.

<N>

For CHANnel<N>, this value is an integer, 1 through 4, indicating the slot in which the channel resides, followed by an optional A or B identifying which of two possible channels in the slot is being referenced.

Example

The following example selects channel 3 as the TDT destination channel for response 4.

10 OUTPUT 707:":TDR2:RESPONSE4:TDTDEST CHANNEL3"

20 FND

Query

:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:TDTDest?

The query returns the current TDT destination channel for the specified

response.

Returned Format

[:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:TDTDest] {NONE | <channel>}<NL>

Example

The following example gets the TDT destination channel for response 1, puts it in the variable Dest\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the control-

ler's screen.

10 DIM Dest\$[20] 20 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE1:TDTDEST?"

30 ENTER 707; Dest\$ 40 PRINT Dest\$

50 END

RESPonse:VERTical

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command

:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:VERTical {AUTO | MANual}

This command specifies whether the TDR/TDT response should automatically track the source channel's vertical scale (AUTO), or use a user-defined scale specified with the VERTical:OFFSet and VERTical:RANGe commands (MAN-

ual). AUTO is the usual setting.

RESPonse:VERTical:OFFSet

Note

The keyword TSOurce may also be used. This command is compatible with the Agilent 83480/54750 and is equivalent to AUTO.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4. This value refers to the stimulus channel used to pro-

duce a response waveform, while the response waveforms are numbered based on the destination channel. For TDR commands, the response waveform numbers and RESPonse<N> refer to the same waveforms. This is not the

case for TDT related commands.

Example The following example sets response 1 to use a user-defined vertical scale.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE1:VERTICAL MANUAL"

20 END

Query :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:VERTical?

The query returns the current vertical tracking mode for the specified

response.

Returned Format [:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:VERTical] {AUTO | MANual}<NL>

Example The following example gets the current vertical tracking mode for response 4,

puts it in the variable VertMode\$, then prints the contents of the variable to

the controller's screen.

10 DIM VertMode\$[20]

20 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE4:VERTICAL?"

30 ENTER 707; VertMode\$ 40 PRINT VertMode

50 FND

RESPonse:VERTical:OFFSet

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>: VERTical:OFFSet <offset_value>

This command sets the vertical position of the specified response when vertical tracking is set to MANual. The position is always referenced to center

screen.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4. This value refers to the stimulus channel used to pro-

duce a response waveform, while the response waveforms are numbered based on the destination channel. For TDR commands, the response waveform numbers and RESPonse<N> refer to the same waveforms. This is not the

case for TDT related commands.

Offset_value>
 Offset value in the current channel UNITs. Suffix UNITs are ignored; only the

scalar part is used (m in mv).

Example The following example sets the vertical offset to 50 mV for response 1. This

assumes that the vertical tracking mode has already been set to MANual.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE1:VERTICAL:OFFSET 50 MV"

20 END

Query :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:VERTical:OFFSet?

The query returns the vertical offset for the specified response. This information is valid only when the vertical tracking mode is set to manual for the

response.

Returned Format [:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:VERTical:OFFSet] <volts><NL>

Example The following example gets the vertical offset for response 1, stores it in the

numeric variable Offset, then prints the contents of the variable to the control-

ler's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE1:VERTICAL:OFFSET?"

20 ENTER 707; Offset 30 PRINT OFFSET

40 END

RESPonse:VERTical:RANGe

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:VERTical:RANGe <range_value>

This command specifies the vertical range of the TDR/TDT response when the

vertical tracking mode is set to MANual.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4. This value refers to the stimulus channel used to pro-

duce a response waveform, while the response waveforms are numbered based on the destination channel. For TDR commands, the response waveform numbers and RESPonse<N> refer to the same waveforms. This is not the

case for TDT related commands.

<range_value> Vertical range in the current UNITs setting and suffix supplied. (The suffix

does not set the UNITs; it is ignored.)

Example The following example sets the vertical range to 5 volts for response 1. This

assumes that the vertical tracking mode has already been set to manual.

10 OUTPUT 707:":TDR2:RESPONSE1:VERTICAL:RANGE 5 V"

20 END

Query :TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:VERTical:RANGe?

STIMulus

The query returns the current vertical range setting for the specified response. This information is valid only when the vertical tracking mode is set to manual.

Returned Format Example

[:TDR{2 | 4}:RESPonse<N>:VERTical:RANGe] <volts><NL>

The following example gets the vertical range setting for response 1, stores it in the numeric variable Range, then prints the contents of the variable on the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TDR2:RESPONSE1:VERTICAL:RANGE?" 20 ENTER 707;Range 30 PRINT Range 40 END

STIMulus

This command is used in TDR/TDT mode only.

Command

:TDR $\{2 \mid 4\}$:STIMulus {OFF | ON | ON1 | ON2 | ON1AND2 | DIFFerential | COMMonmode | EXTernal | ON3 | ON4 | ON3AND4}

This command turns the TDR/TDT stimulus on or off. This command is set before starting normalization to specify type of normalization or reference plane calibration to perform. For the differential stimulus setting, a reference plane calibration is executed unless you specify which normalization procedure is to be executed using the :TDR $\{2 \mid 4\}$:DCALib command.

- The stimulus may be OFF, ON, or EXTernal.
- In slots 1 and 2, the stimulus may be OFF, ON1, ON2, ON1AND2, DIFFerential, or COMMonmode.
- In slots 3 and 4, the stimulus may be OFF, ON3, ON4, ON3AND4, DIFFerential, or COMMonmode.

Note

After specifying the TDR/TDT stimulus, use the command :TDR<N>:PRESET. This command will set up the instrument for TDR or TDT measurements based on the selected stimulus.

OFF ON, ON1, ON3, External

Turn off the pulse generator, using the channel as a regular analyzer channel. Turn on the channel 1 or channel 3 pulse generator for single-ended TDR or TDT measurements.

ON2, ON4 Turn on the channel 2 or channel 4 pulse generator for single-ended TDR or

TDT measurements.

ON1AND2, **ON3AND4** Turn on the pulse generator for channels 1 and 2 or channels 3 and 4 for

simultaneous single-ended TDR or TDT measurements.

DIFFerential Turn on the pulse generator for channels 1 and 2 or channels 3 and 4 for dif-

ferential TDR or TDT measurements.

COMMonmode Turn on the pulse generator for channels 1 and 2 or channels 3 and 4 for com-

mon-mode TDR or TDT measurements.

Example The following example turns on pulse generators for channels 3 and 4 for sin-

gle-ended TDR measurements.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TDR4:STIMULUS ON3AND4"

20 END

Query :TDR{2 | 4}:STIMulus?

The query returns the current settings for the TDR pulse generators.

Returned Format [:TDR{2 | 4}:STIMulus] {OFF | ON | ON1 | ON2 | ON1AND2 | DIFFerential | COMMonmode |

EXTernal | ON3 | ON4 | ON3AND4}<NL>

Example The following example gets the current settings of the pulse generators and

stores it in the variable Stim\$, then prints the contents of that variable to the

controller's screen.

10 DIM Stim\$[30]

20 OUTPUT 707:":TDR4:STIMULUS?"

30 ENTER 707;Stim\$ 40 PRINT Stim\$

50 FND

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Trigger Commands

Trigger Commands

The scope trigger circuitry helps you locate the waveform you want to view. Edge triggering identifies a trigger condition by looking for the slope (rising or falling) and voltage level (trigger level) on the source you select. Any input channel, auxiliary input trigger (4-channel scopes only), line, or external trigger (2-channel scopes only) inputs can be used as the trigger source.

The commands in the TRIGger subsystem define the conditions for triggering. The command set has been defined to closely represent the front-panel trigger dialogs.

ATTenuation

Command :TRIGger:ATTenuation <attenuation factor>[,{RATio | DECibel}]

This command controls the attenuation factor and units. The default attenua-

tion factor value is 1:1. The default attenuation units is ratio.

Query :TRIGger:ATTenuation?

The query returns the current attenuation factor and units.

Returned Format [:TRIGger:ATTenuation] <attenuation factor>[,{RATio | DECibel}]<NL>

BWLimit

Command :TRIGger:BWLimit {DIVided | HIGH | LOW}

This command controls an internal lowpass filter and a divider in the 86100A trigger. The bandwidth of the trigger is limited to approximately 100 MHz. DIVided mode is unaffected by the level, hysteresis, and slope settings. The

DIVided parameter is only valid if the mainframe has option 001.

Example The following example turns on the bandwidth limit filter for the 86100A trig-

ger:

10 OUTPUT 707;":TRIGGER:BWLIMIT LOW"

20 END

Query :TRIGger:BWLimit?

The query returns the current setting for the specified trigger input.

Returned Format [:TRIGger:BWLimit] {HIGH | LOW| DIV}<NL>

GATed

Command :TRIGger:GATed {ON | 1 | OFF | 0}

This command enables or disables the ability of the instrument to respond to

trigger inputs.

Query :TRIGger:GATed?

The query returns the current gated setting.

Returned Format [:TRIGger:GATed] {1 | 0}<NL>

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HYSTeresis

Command :TRIGger:HYSTeresis {NORMal | HSENsitivity}

This command specifies the trigger hysteresis . NORMal is the typical hysteresis selection. HSENsitivity gives minimum hysteresis and the highest band-

width.

Query :TRIGger:HYSTeresis?

The query returns the current hysteresis setting.

Returned Format [:TRIGger:HYSTeresis] {NORMal | HSENSitivity}<NL>

LEVel

Command :TRIGger:LEVel <level>

This command specifies the trigger level. Only one trigger level is stored in the

analyzer.

The trigger level on all trigger inputs.

Query :TRIGger:LEVel?

The query returns the trigger level.

Returned Format [:TRIGger:LEVel] <level> <NL>

SLOPe

Command :TRIGger:SLOPe {POSitive | NEGative}

This command specifies the slope of the edge on which to trigger.

Query :TRIGger:SLOPe?

The query returns the slope for the trigger.

Returned Format [:TRIGger:SLOPe] {POSitive | NEGative}<NL>

SOURce

Command :TRIGger:SOURce [<trigger> {FPANel | FRUN | LMODule | RMODule}]

This command selects the trigger input. Front Panel, Left Module, and Right Module are inputs from the front panel of the instrument. Free Run is internally generated, and is not affected by the settings of gates, level, slope, band-

width, or hysteresis.

<trigger> Front PANel, Left MODule, and Right MODule are inputs on the front of the

instrument. FreeRUN is internally generated and is unaffected by the settings

for gated, level, slope, bandwidth or hysteresis.

Query :TRIGger:SOURce?

The query returns the current trigger source of the current mode.

Returned Format [:TRIGger:SOURce] <trigger><NL>

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Timebase Commands

Timebase Commands

The TIMebase subsystem commands control the horizontal (X axis) analyzer functions.

BRATe

Command :TIMebase:BRATe
bit_rate>

This command sets the bit rate used when the time base units are bit period.

**
bit_rate>** The bit rate (in bits-per-second).

Example The following example sets the bit rate to 155.520 MHz.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:BRATe 155.520E6"

20 END

Query :TIMebase:BRATe?

The query returns the bit rate setting.

Returned Format [:TIMebase:BRATe]

 | cbit_rate><NL>

Example The following example places the current bit rate in the numeric variable, Set-

ting, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:BRATe?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting 40 PRINT Setting

50 END

POSition

Command :TIMebase:POSition <position_value>

This command sets the time interval between the trigger event and the delay reference point. The delay reference point is set with the TIMebase:REFer-

ence command.

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In TDR/TDT mode, please note that the delay reference point is set to coincide with the reference plane position.

<position_value> The maximum value depends on the time/division setting. The value can

optionally have units of bits or seconds. If no units are specified,

<position_value> has the units of the current units setting.

Example This example sets the delay position to 2 ms.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:POSITION 2E-3"

20 END

Query :TIMebase:POSition? [{BITS | TIME}]

The query returns the current delay value in seconds.

BITS bits/screen at bit rate

TIME seconds/division

Returned Format [:TIMebase:POSition] <position_value><NL>

Example This example places the current delay value in the numeric variable, Value,

then prints the contents of the variable to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:POSITION?"

30 ENTER 707; Value

40 PRINT Value

50 END

PRECision

Install the Precision Timebase Module

The Precision Timebase feature requires the installation of the Agilent 86107A Precision Timebase Module.

!Response headers off

Command :TIMebase:PRECision {ON|OFF}

This command enables and disables the precision timebase. Enabling the precision timebase will also set the time reference. Disabling the precision time-

base invalidates the time reference.

Example This example sets the precision timebase to on.

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10 OUTPUT 707:":TIMEBASE:PRECISION ON"

20 FND

Query :TIMebase:PRECision?

This guery returns the state of the precision timebase.

Returned Format [:TIMebase:PRECision?] {0 | 1}<NL>

Example The following example places the current setting for precision timebase in the

variable Precision, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller

screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" 20 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:PRECISION?"

!Response headers off

30 ENTER 707: Precision

40 PRINT Precision

50 FND

PRECision:RFRequency

Install the Precision Timebase Module

The Precision Timebase feature requires the installation of the Agilent 86107A Precision Timebase Module.

Command :TIMebase:PRECision:RFRequency < frequency>

This command specifies the frequency of the reference clock at the input of

the 86107A.

The frequency is dependent upon the 86107A option number (9.0 GHz to <frequency>

12.6 GHz and 18.0 GHz to 25.0 GHz for option 020 or, additionally, 38.0 GHz to

43.0 GHz for option 040).

Example This example specifies the frequency of the reference clock used by the preci-

sion timebase.

10 OUTPUT 707:":TIMEBASE:PRECISION:RFREQUENCY 9.95328 GHz"

20 END

Query :TIMebase:PRECision:RFRequency?

This guery returns the user specified frequency of the reference clock.

Returned Format [:TIMebase:PRECision:RFRequency?] < frequency > < NL>

Example This example returns the current setting of the reference clock frequency to

the variable, Frequency, then prints the contents of the variable to the con-

troller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:PRECISION:RFREQUENCY?"

30 ENTER 707; Frequency 40 PRINT Frequency

50 END

PRECision:TREFerence

Install the Precision Timebase Module

The Precision Timebase feature requires the installation of the Agilent 86107A Precision Timebase Module.

Command :TIMebase:PRECision:TREFerence

This command sets the time reference. If the time reference fails to set, an

error is produced.

Example This example sets the time reference needed to enable the precision timebase.

10 OUTPUT 707:":TIMEBASE:PRECISION:TREFERENCE"

20 END

Query :TIMebase:PRECision:TREFerence?

This query returns the status of the time reference. A return value of 0 indicates the time reference is not set: a return value of 1 indicates the time reference.

ence is set.

Returned Format

[:TIMebase:PRECision:TREFerence] {0 | 1}

Example

This example returns the current status of the time reference to the variable status, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707:":TIMEBASE:PRECISION:TREFERENCE?"

30 ENTER 707; Status 40 PRINT Status

50 END

RANGe

Command

:TIMebase:RANGe <full_scale_range>

This command sets the full-scale horizontal time in seconds. The range value is ten times the time-per-division value. Range is always set in units of time (seconds), not in bits.

<full_scale_range> 100 ps to 10 s

Example This example sets the full-scale horizontal range to 10 ms.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:RANGE 10E-3"

20 END

Query :TIMebase:RANGe?

The query returns the current full-scale horizontal time.

Returned Format [:TIMebase:RANGe] <full_scale_range><NL>

Example This example places the current full-scale horizontal range value in the

numeric variable, Setting, then prints the contents of the variable to the com-

puter's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:RANGE?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting 40 PRINT Setting

50 END

REFerence

Command :TIMebase:REFerence {LEFT | CENTer}

This command sets the delay reference to the left or center side of the display.

Example This example sets the delay reference to the center of the display.

10 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:REFERENCE CENTER"

20 END

Query :TIMebase:REFerence?

The query returns the current delay reference position.

Returned Format [:TIMebase:REFerence] {LEFT | CENTer}<NL>

Example This example places the current delay reference position in the string vari-

able, Setting\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's

screen.

10 DIM Setting\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:REFERENCE?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting\$ 40 PRINT Setting\$

50 END

SCALe

Command :TIMebase:SCALe <value>

This command sets the time base scale. This corresponds to the horizontal

scale value displayed as time/div on the analyzer screen.

value> Value can optionally have units of seconds or bits. If no units are specified

<value> has units of the current units setting.

seconds: time per division

bits: bits on screen at bit rate setting

Example This example sets the scale to 10 ms/div.

10 OUTPUT 707:":TIMEBASE:SCALE 10E-3"

20 END

Query :TIMebase:SCALe? [{BITS | TIME}]

The query returns the current scale time setting. If the optional parameter is omitted, the scale value returned is in the units of the current units setting

(bits or time).

BITS bits/screen at bit rate
TIME seconds/division

Returned Format [:TIMebase:SCALe] <time><NL>

Example This example places the current scale value in the numeric variable, Setting,

then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"!Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:SCALE?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting 40 PRINT Setting

50 END

UNITs

Command :TIMebase:UNITs {TIME | BITS}

This command sets the time base units.

Example The following example sets the time base units to bits.

10 OUTPUT 707:":TIMEBASE:UNITs BITS"

20 END

Query :TIMebase:UNITs?

The query returns the time base units.

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Returned Format

[:TIMebase:UNITs] {TIME | BITS}<NL>

Example

The following example places the current bit rate in the numeric variable, Setting, then prints the contents of the variable to the controller's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" 20 OUTPUT 707;":TIMEBASE:UNITs?" !Response headers off

30 ENTER 707; Setting 40 PRINT Setting

50 END

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Waveform Commands

The WAVeform subsystem is used to transfer waveform data between a computer and the analyzer. It contains commands to set up the waveform transfer and to send or receive waveform records to or from the analyzer.

Data Acquisition

When the data is acquired using the DIGitize command, the data is placed in the channel or function memory of the specified source. After the DIGitize command, the analyzer is stopped. If the analyzer is restarted over GPIB or the front panel, the data acquired with the DIGitize command is overwritten.

You can query the preamble, elements of the preamble, or waveform data while the analyzer is running, but the data will reflect only the current acquisition, and subsequent queries will not reflect consistent data. For example, if the analyzer is running and you query the X origin, the data is queried in a separate GPIB command, and it is likely that the first point in the data will have a different time than that of the X origin. This is due to data acquisitions that may have occurred between the queries. For this reason, Agilent does not recommend this mode of operation. Instead, you should use the DIGitize command to stop the analyzer so that all subsequent queries will be consistent.

Function data is volatile and must be read following a DIGitize command or the data will be lost when the analyzer is turned off.

Waveform Data and Preamble

The waveform record consists of two parts: the preamble and the waveform data. The waveform data is the actual sampled data acquired for the specified source. The preamble contains the information for interpreting the waveform

data, including the number of points acquired, the format of the acquired data, and the type of acquired data. The preamble also contains the X and Y increments, origins, and references for the acquired data.

The values in the preamble are set when you execute the DIGitize command. The preamble values are based on the settings of controls in the ACQuire subsystem.

Although you can change preamble values with a GPIB computer, you cannot change the way the data is acquired. Changing the preamble values cannot change the type of data that was actually acquired, the number of points actually acquired, etc.

CAUTION

You must use extreme caution when changing any waveform preamble values to ensure that the data is still useful. For example, setting points in the preamble to a different value from the actual number of points in the waveform results in inaccurate data.

The waveform data and preamble must be read or sent using two separate commands; WAVeform:DATA and WAVeform:PREamble.

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 origins, X and Y increments, and X and Y references. These values can be read from the waveform preamble.

Conversion from Data Value to Units

To convert the waveform data values (essentially A/D counts) to real-world units, such as volts, use the following scaling formulas:

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Y-axis Units = (data value - Yreference) × Yincrement + Yorigin
X-axis Units = (data index - Xreference) × Xincrement + Xorigin,
where the data index starts at zero: 0, 1, 2, . . . . , n-1.
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The first data point for the time (X-axis units) must be zero so the time of the first data point is the X origin.

Conversion from Data Value to Units

Note

This conversion is not required for waveform data values returned in ASCII format.

Data Format for GPIB Transfer

There are four types of data formats that you can select with the WAVeform: FORMat command: ASCii, BYTE, WORD, and LONG. Refer to the FORMat command in this chapter for more information on data format.

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BANDpass?

Query :WAVeform:BANDpass?

This query returns an estimate of the maximum and minimum bandwidth limits of the source signal. Bandwidth limits are computed as a function of the coupling and the selected filter mode. Cutoff frequencies are derived from the

acquisition path and software filtering.

Returned Format <upper_cutoff>

[:WAVeform:BANDpass]<upper_cutoff>,<lower_cutoff><NL> Maximum frequency passed by the acquisition system. Minimum frequency passed by the acquisition system.

<lower_cutoff>Example

This example places the estimated maximum and minimum bandwidth limits of the source signal in the string variable, Bandwidth\$, then prints the con-

tents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 DIM Bandwidth\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:BANDPASS?"

30 ENTER 707;Bandwidth\$ 40 PRINT Bandwidth\$

50 END

!Dimension variable

BYTeorder

Command

:WAVeform:BYTeorder {MSBFirst | LSBFirst}

This command selects the order in which bytes are transferred to and from the analyzer using WORD and LONG formats. If MSBFirst is selected, the most significant byte is transferred first. Otherwise, the least significant byte is

transferred first. The default setting is MSBFirst.

Example This example sets up the analyzer to send the most significant byte first dur-

ing data transmission.

10 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:BYTEORDER MSBFIRST"

20 FND

Query :WAVeform:BYTeorder?

The query returns the current setting for the byte order.

Returned Format [:WAVeform:BYTeorder] {MSBFirst | LSBFirst}<NL>

Example This example places the current setting for the byte order in the string vari-

able, Setting\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer screen.

!Dimension variable

10 DIM Setting\$[10]

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:BYTEORDER?"

30 ENTER 707; Setting\$ 40 PRINT Setting\$

50 END

MSBFirst and LSBFirst

MSBFirst is for microprocessors, like Motorola's, where the most significant byte resides at the lower address. LSBFirst is for microprocessors, like Intel's, where the least significant byte resides at the lower address.

COUNt?

:WAVeform:COUNt? Query

> This query returns the fewest number of hits in all of the time buckets for the currently selected waveform. For the AVERAGE waveform type, the count value is the fewest number of hits for all time buckets. This value may be less than or equal to the value specified with the ACQuire:COUNt command.

For the NORMAL, RAW, INTERPOLATE, and VERSUS waveform types, the count value returned is one, unless the data contains holes (sample points where no data is acquired). If the data contains holes, zero is returned.

Returned Format [:WAVeform:COUNt] <N><NL>

<N>

An integer. Values range from 1 to 262144 for NORMal, RAW, or INTerpolate

types and from 1 to 32768 for VERSus type.

Example

This example places the current count field value in the string variable, Count\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 DIM Count\$[50] 20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:COUNT?" 30 ENTER 707: Count\$

40 PRINT Count\$

50 END

!Dimension variable

DATA

Command

:WAVeform:DATA <block_data>[,<block_data>]

This command transfers waveform data to the analyzer over GPIB and stores the data in a previously specified waveform memory. The waveform memory is specified with the WAVeform: SOURce command. Only waveform memories may have waveform data sent to them. The format of the data being sent must match the format previously specified by the waveform preamble for the destination memory.

VERSus data is transferred as two arrays. The first array contains the data on the X axis, and the second array contains the data on the Y axis. The two arrays are transferred one at a time over GPIB in a linear format. There are ndata points sent in each array, where n is the number in the points portion of the preamble.

CGRade data is transferred as a two dimensional array, 320 words high and 450 words wide. The array corresponds to the graticule display, where each word is a sample hit count. The array is transferred column by column, starting with the upper left corner of the graticule.

The full-scale vertical range of the A/D converter will be returned with the data query. You should use the Y-increment, Y-origin, and Y-reference values to convert the full-scale vertical ranges to voltage values. You should use the Y-range and Y-display values to plot the voltage values. All of these reference values are available from the waveform preamble. Refer to "Conversion from Data Value to Units" earlier in this chapter.

<blook_data> **Example**

Binary block data in the # format.

This example sends 1000 bytes of previously saved data to the analyzer from the array, Set.

10 OUTPUT 707 USING "#,K";:WAVEFORM:DATA #800001000" 20 OUTPUT 707 USING "W";Set(*)

30 FND

HP BASIC Image Specifiers

is an HP BASIC image specifier that suppresses the automatic output of the EOL sequence following the last output item.

K is an HP BASIC image specifier that outputs a number or string in standard form with no leading or trailing blanks.

W is an HP BASIC image specifier that outputs 16-bit words with the most significant byte first.

Query

:WAVeform:DATA?

The query outputs waveform data to the computer over the GPIB interface. The data is copied from a waveform memory, function, channel buffer, or histogram previously specified with the WAVeform:SOURce command. The returned data is described by the waveform preamble.

CGRade as Waveform Source

If the waveform source is CGRade, then the waveform from at must be set to WORD. WORD is the only format that works with color grade data.

Returned Format Example

[:WAVeform:DATA] <block_data>[,<block_data>]<NL>

This example places the current waveform data from channel 1 of the array Wdata in the word format.

10 OUTPUT 707:":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off 20 OUTPUT 707:":WAVEFORM:SOURCE CHANNEL1 !Select source 30 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:FORMAT WORD" !Select word format 40 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:DATA?" 50 ENTER 707 USING "#,1A"; Pound_sign\$ 53 ENTER 707 USING "#,1D";Header_length 55 ENTER 707 USING "#,"&VAL\$(Header_length)&"D";Length 60 Length = Length/2 Length in words 70 ALLÖCATE INTEGER Wdata(1:Length) 80 ENTER 707 USING "#,W";Wdata(*) 90 ENTER 707 USING "-K.B":End\$ 100 END

HP BASIC Image Specifiers

is an HP BASIC image specifier that terminates the statement when the last ENTER item is terminated. EOI and line feed are the item terminators.

1A is an HP BASIC image specifier that places the next character received in a string variable.

1D is an HP BASIC image specifier that places the next character in a numeric variable.

W is an HP BASIC image specifier that places the data in the array in word format with the first byte entered as the most significant byte.

-K is an HP BASIC image specifier that places the block data in a string, including carriage returns and line feeds until EOI is true or when the dimensioned length of the string is reached.

B is an HP BASIC specifier that enters the next byte in a variable.

The format of the waveform data must match the format previously specified by the WAVeform:FORMat, WAVeform:BYTeorder, and WAVeform:PREamble commands.

FORMat

Command

:WAVeform:FORMat {ASCii | BYTE | LONG | WORD}

This command sets the data transmission mode for waveform data output. This command controls how the data is formatted when the data is sent from the analyzer and pertains to all waveforms. The default format is ASCii.

ASCII

ASCII formatted data consists of ASCII digits with each data value separated by a comma. Data values can be converted to real values on the Y axis (for example, volts) and transmitted in floating point engineering notation. In ASCII:

- The value "99.999E+36" represents a hole level (a hole in the acquisition data).
- The value "99.999E+33" represents a clipped-high level.
- The value "99.999E+30" represents a clipped-low level.

BYTE

BYTE formatted data is formatted as signed 8-bit integers. If you use BASIC, you need to create a function to convert these signed bits to signed integers. In byte format:

- The value 125 represents a hole level (a hole in the acquisition data).
- The value 127 represents a clipped-high level.
- The value 126 represents a clipped-low level.

Data is rounded when converted from a larger size to a smaller size. For waveform transfer into the analyzer:

- The maximum valid glevel is 124.
- The minimum valid glevel is -128.

LONG

LONG formatted data is transferred as signed 32-bit integers in four bytes. If WAVeform:BYTeorder is set to MSBFirst, the most significant byte of each word is sent first. If the BYTeorder is LSBFirst, the least significant byte of each word is sent first. Long format is only applicable to histogram data sources. In long format:

- The value 2046820352 represents a hole level (no sample data at the current data point).
- Long format is only valid with histogram data sources.

WORD

WORD formatted data is transferred as signed 16-bit integers in two bytes. If WAVeform:BYTeorder is set to MSBFirst, the most significant byte of each word is sent first. If the BYTeorder is LSBFirst, the least significant byte of each word is sent first. In word format:

- The value 31232 represents a hole level (no sample data at the current waveform data point).
- The value 32256 represents a clipped-high level.
- The value 31744 represents a clipped-low level.

For waveform transfer into the analyzer:

- The maximum valid glevel is 30720.
- The minimum valid glevel is -32736.

Example

This example selects the WORD format for waveform data transmission.

10 OUTPUT 707:":WAVEFORM:FORMAT WORD"

20 FND

Query

:WAVeform:FORMat?

The query returns the current output format for transferring waveform data.

Returned Format

[:WAVeform:FORMat] {ASCii | BYTE | LONG | WORD}<NL>

Example

This example places the current output format for data transmission in the string variable, Mode\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer screen.

10 DIM Mode\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:FORMAT?"

30 ENTER 707; Mode\$
40 PRINT Mode\$

50 END

!Dimension variable

POINts?

Query :WAVeform:POINts?

The query returns the points value in the current waveform preamble. The points value is the number of time buckets contained in the waveform selected with the WAVeform:SOURce command.

Returned Format

[:WAVeform:POINts] <points><NL>

<points>

An integer. Values range from 1 to 262144. See the ACQuire:POINts command

for more information.

Example

This example places the current acquisition length in the numeric variable, Length, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:POINTS?"

30 ENTER 707; Length 40 PRINT Length

50 FND

!Response headers off

Turn Headers Off

When you are receiving numeric data into numeric variables, you should turn the headers off. Otherwise, the headers may cause misinterpretation of returned data.

See Also

The ACQuire:POINts command in the ACQuire Commands chapter.

PREamble

Command

:WAVeform:PREamble preamble_data>

This command sends a waveform preamble to the previously selected waveform memory in the analyzer. The preamble contains the scaling and other values used to describe the data. The waveform memory is specified with the

WAVeform:SOURce command. Only waveform memories may have waveform data sent to them. The preamble can be used to translate raw data into time and voltage values.

The following lists the elements in the preamble.

cpreamble_data>

<format>, <type>, <points>,<count>, <X increment>,<X origin>,< X reference>, <Y increment>,<Y origin>,<Y reference>, <coupling>, <X display range>, <X display origin>, <Y display range>,<Y display origin>, <date, string>, <time, string>, <frame model #, string>, <module #, string>, <acquisition mode>, <completion>, <X units>, <Y units>, <max bandwidth limit>,

<min bandwidth limit>

<date> A string containing the data in the format DD MMM YYYY, where DD is the day,

1 to 31; MMM is the month; and YYYY is the year.

<ti>A string containing the time in the format HH:MM:SS:TT, where HH is the

hour, 0 to 23, MM is the minute, 0 to 59, SS is the second, 0 to 59, and TT is the

hundreds of seconds. 0 to 99.

<frame model #>
A string containing the model number and serial number of the frame in the

format MODEL#:SERIAL#.

<format> 0 for ASCII format.

1 for BYTE format.2 for WORD format.

<type> 1 for RAW type.

2 for AVERAGE type.

3 not used 4 not used

5 for VERSUS type.

6 not used

7 for NORMAL type. 8 for DATABASE type. 9 for OHM units.

10 for REFLECT units.

<acquisition mode> 2 for SEQUENTIAL mode.

<coupling> 0 for AC coupling.

<x units> 0 for UNKNOWN units. <y units> 1 for VOLT units.

2 for SECOND units.3 for CONSTANT units.

4 for AMP units.5 for DECIBEL units.6 for HIT units.7 for PERCENT units.

7 for PERCENT units 8 for WATT units.

See Table 27-1 on page 27-13 for descriptions of all the waveform preamble elements.

HP BASIC Image Specifiers

is an HP BASIC image specifier that suppresses the automatic output of the EOL sequence following the last output item.

K is an HP BASIC image specifier that outputs a number or string in standard form with no leading or trailing blanks.

Query

:WAVeform:PREamble?

The query outputs a waveform preamble to the computer from the waveform source, which can be a waveform memory or channel buffer.

Returned Format Example

This example outputs the current waveform preamble for the selected source to the string variable, Preamble\$.

10 DIM Preamble\$[250] 20 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" 30 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:PREAMBLE?" !Dimension variable !Response headers off

40 ENTER 707 USING "-K"; Preamble\$

50 FND

Placing the Block in a String

-K is an HP BASIC image specifier that places the block data in a string, including carriage returns and line feeds, until EOI is true, or when the dimensioned length of the string is reached.

See Also

WAVeform:DATA

Table 27-1. Waveform Preamble Elements

Element	Description
Format	The format value describes the data transmission mode for waveform data output. This command controls how the data is formatted when it is sent from the analyzer. (See WAVeform:FORMat.)
Туре	This value describes how the waveform was acquired. (See also WAVeform:TYPE.)

Table 27-1. Waveform Preamble Elements (Continued)

Element	Description	
Points	The number of data points or data pairs contained in the waveform data. (See ACQuire:POINts.)	
Count	For the AVERAGE waveform type, the count value is the minimum count or fewest number of hits for all time buckets. This value may be less than or equal to the value requested with the ACQuire:COUNt command. For NORMAL, RAW, INTERPOLATE, and VERSUS waveform types, this value is 0 or 1. The count value is ignored when it is sent to the analyzer in the preamble. (See WAVeform:TYPE and ACQuire:COUNt.)	
X increment	The X increment is the duration between data points on the X axis. For time domain signals, this is the time between points. (See WAVeform:XINCrement.)	
X Origin	The X origin is the X-axis value of the first data point in the data record. For time domain signals, it is the time of the first point. This value is treated as a double precision 64-bit floating point number. (See WAVeform:XORigin.)	
X Reference	The X reference is the data point associated with the X origin. It is at this data point that the X origin is defined. In this analyzer, the value is always zero. (See WAVeform:XREFerence.)	
Y Increment	The Y increment is the duration between Y-axis levels. For voltage waveforms, it is the voltage corresponding to one level. (See WAVeform:YINCrement.)	
Y Origin	The Y origin is the Y-axis value at level zero. For voltage signals, it is the voltage at level zero. (See WAVeform:YORigin.)	
Y Reference	The Y reference is the level associated with the Y origin. It is at this level that the Y origin is defined. In this analyzer, this value is always zero. (See WAVeform:YREFerence.)	
Coupling	The input coupling of the waveform. The coupling value is ignored when sent to the analyzer in the preamble.	
X Display Range	The X display range is the X-axis duration of the waveform that is displayed. For time domain signals, it is the duration of time across the display. (See WAVeform:XRANge.)	

Table 27-1. Waveform Preamble Elements (Continued)

Element	Description	
X Display Origin	The X display origin is the X-axis value at the left edge of the display. For time domain signals, it is the time at the start of the display. This value is treated as a double precision 64-bit floating point number. (See WAVeform:XDISplay.)	
Y Display Range	The Y display range is the Y-axis duration of the waveform which is displayed. For voltage waveforms, it is the amount of voltage across the display. (See WAVeform:YRANge.)	
Y Display Origin	(See WAVeform:YDISplay.)	
Date	The date that the waveform was acquired or created.	
Time	The time that the waveform was acquired or created.	
Frame Model #	The model number of the frame that acquired or created this waveform. The frame model number is ignored when it is sent to an analyzer in the preamble.	
Acquisition Mode	The acquisition sampling mode of the waveform.	
Complete	The complete value is the percent of time buckets that are complete. The complete value is ignored when it is sent to the analyzer in the preamble. (See WAVeform:COMPlete.)	
X Units	The X-axis units of the waveform. (See WAVeform:XUNits.)	
Y Units	The Y-axis units of the waveform. (See WAVeform:YUNits.)	
Band Pass	The band pass consists of two values that are an estimation of the maximum and minimum bandwidth limits of the source signal. The bandwidth limit is computed as a function of the selected coupling and filter mode. (See the WAVeform:BANDpass query.)	

SOURce

Command

:WAVeform:SOURce {WMEMory<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CHANnel<N> | HISTogram | RESPonse<N> | CGRade}

This command selects a channel, function, TDR response, waveform memory, histogram, or color grade/gray scale as the waveform source.

CGRade as Waveform Source

If the waveform source is set to CGRade, the default source is the first database signal displayed. To set the CGRade source you must use the :WAVeform:SORUce:CGRade command.

RESPonse<N> as Waveform Source

TDR responses are valid sources for waveform queries only if the current settings for channel bandwidth, record length, and timebase match the settings valid during the TDR normalization procedure. In the case of a mismatch, the TDR response is not displayed and gueries such as :WAV:POINTS? will return an error message indicating that the "source is not valid".

Long Format

Histogram data sources require long format.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

This example selects channel 1 as the waveform source. Example

10 OUTPUT 707:":WAVFFORM:SOURCF CHANNEL1"

20 FND

Query :WAVeform:SOURce?

The query returns the currently selected waveform source.

[:WAVeform:SOURce] {WMEMory<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N> | CHANnel<N> | Returned Format

HISTogram | CGRade}<NL>

Example This example places the current selection for the waveform source in the

string variable, Selection\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the com-

puter screen.

10 DIM Selection\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:SOURCE?"

30 ENTER 707: Selection\$

40 PRINT Selection\$

50 END

SOURce:CGRade

Command :WAVeform:SOURce:CGRade {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory} This command sets the color grade source for waveform commands. The

default is the first displayed database signal.

CHANnel<N> Corresponds to the channel databases.

FUNCtion<N> Corresponds to the function databases.

<N> An integer, 1 through 4.

Example The following example sets the channel 1 database as the CGRade source.

:WAVeform:SOURce:CGRade CHAN1

:WAVeform:SOURce CGRade

The CGRade parameter in the second command corresponds to the channel 1

database.

Query :WAVeform:SOURce:CGRade?

The query returns the current color grade source.

Returned Format [:WAVeform:SOURce:CGRade] {CHANnel<N> | FUNCtion<N> | CGMemory}<NL>

Example The following example gets the current color grade source and store the value

in the string array, setting.

write_IO (":WAVeform:SOURce:CGRade?");

read_IO (Setting, SETTING_SIZE);

TYPE?

Query :WAVeform:TYPE?

This query returns the current acquisition data type for the currently selected source. The type returned describes how the waveform was acquired. The waveform type may be NORMAL, RAW, INTERPOLATE, AVERAGE, or VER-

SUS.

NORMAL Normal data consists of the last data point in each time bucket.

RAW Raw data consists of one data point in each time bucket with no interpolation.

INTERPOLATE In the interpolate acquisition type, the last data point in each time bucket is

stored, and additional data points are filled in between the acquired data

points by interpolation.

AVERAGE Average data consists of the average of the first *n* hits in a time bucket, where

n is the value in the count portion of the preamble. Time buckets that have

fewer than *n* hits return the average of the data they contain. If the

ACQuire:COMPlete parameter is set to 100%, then each time bucket must contain the number of data hits specified with the ACQuire:COUNt command.

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VERSUS VERSus data consists of two arrays of data: one containing the X-axis values,

and the other containing the Y-axis values. Versus waveforms can be gener-

ated using the FUNCtion subsystem commands.

Returned Format [:WAVeform:TYPE] {NORMal | RAW | INTerpolate | AVERage | VERSus}<NL>

Example This example places the current acquisition data type in the string variable, Type\$, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 DIM Type\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:TYPE?"

30 ENTER 707;Type\$ 40 PRINT Type\$

50 END

XDISplay?

Query :WAVeform:XDISplay?

This query returns the X-axis value at the left edge of the display. For time domain signals, it is the time at the start of the display. For VERSus type waveforms, it is the value at the center of the X-axis of the display. This value is

treated as a double precision 64-bit floating point number.

Returned Format [:WAVeform:XDISplay] <value><NL>

<value> A real number representing the X-axis value at the left edge of the display.

Example This example returns the X-axis value at the left edge of the display to the

numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the com-

puter screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"!Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:XDISPLAY?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

XINCrement?

Query :WAVeform:XINCrement?

This query returns the duration between data points on the X axis. For time domain signals, this is the time difference between consecutive data points for the currently specified waveform source. For VERSus type waveforms, this is the duration between levels on the X axis. For voltage waveforms, this is the voltage corresponding to an level.

voltage corresponding to one level.

Returned Format [:WAVeform:XINCrement] <value><NL>

<value> A real number representing the duration between data points on the X axis.

Example This example places the current Xincrement value for the currently specified

source in the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable

to the computer screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:XINCREMENT?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

See Also You can obtain the Xincrement value through the WAVeform:PREamble query.

XORigin?

Query :WAVeform:XORigin?

This query returns the X-axis value of the first data point in the data record. For time domain signals, it is the time of the first point. For VERSus type waveforms, it is the X-axis value at level zero. For voltage waveforms, it is the voltage at level zero. The value returned by this query is treated as a double

precision 64-bit floating point number.

Returned Format [:WAVeform:XORigin] <value><NL>

value> A real number representing the X-axis value of the first data point in the data

record.

Example This example places the current Xorigin value for the currently specified

source in the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable

to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"!Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:XORIGIN?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value 50 FND

See Also You can obtain the Xorigin value through the WAVeform:PREamble query.

XRANge?

Query :WAVeform:XRANge?

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This query returns the X-axis duration of the displayed waveform. For time domain signals, it is the duration of the time across the display. For VERSus type waveforms, it is the duration of the waveform that is displayed on the

X axis.

Returned Format

[:WAVeform:XRANge] <value><NL>

<value>
Example

A real number representing the X-axis duration of the displayed waveform.

This example returns the X-axis duration of the displayed waveform to the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the com-

puter's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:XRANGE?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

!Response headers off

!Response headers off

XREFerence?

Query

:WAVeform:XREFerence?

This query returns the data point or level associated with the Xorigin data value. It is at this data point or level that the X origin is defined. In this ana-

lyzer, the value is always zero.

Returned Format

[:WAVeform:XREFerence] 0<NL>

Example

This example places the current X reference value for the currently specified source in the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable

to the computer screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

20 OUTPUT 707:":WAVEFORM:XREFERENCE?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

See Also

You can obtain the Xreference value through the WAVeform:PREamble query.

XUNits?

Query

:WAVeform:XUNits?

This query returns the X-axis units of the currently selected waveform source. The currently selected source may be a channel, function, or waveform mem- α

ory.

Returned Format Example [:WAVeform:XUNits] {UNKNown | VOLT | SECond | CONStant | AMP | DECibels}<NL>

This example returns the X-axis units of the currently selected waveform source to the string variable, Unit\$, then prints the contents of the variable to

the computer's screen.

10 DIM Unit\$[50]

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:XUNITS?"

30 ENTER 707; Unit\$

40 PRINT Unit\$

50 END

!Dimension variable

YDISplay?

Query :WAVeform:YDISplay?

This query returns the Y-axis value at the center of the display, in the units of

the current waveform source.

Returned Format

[:WAVeform:YDISplay] <value><NL>

<value>
Example

A real number representing the Y-axis value at the center of the display. This example returns the current Y display value to the numeric variable,

This example returns the current Y display value to the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF"

!Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:YDISPLAY?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value 50 FND

YINCrement?

Query

:WAVeform:YINCrement?

This query returns the duration between the Y-axis levels.

- For BYTE and WORD data, it is the value corresponding to one level increment in terms of waveform units.
- For ASCII data format, the YINCrement is the full range covered by the A/D converter.

Returned Format

[:WAVeform:YINCrement] < real_value > < NL>

<real_value>

A real number in exponential (NR3) format.

Example This example places the current Yincrement value for the currently specified

source in the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable

to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:YINCREMENT?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

See Also You can obtain the Yincrement value through the WAVeform:PREamble query.

YORigin?

Query :WAVeform:YORigin?

This query returns the Y-axis value at level zero.

• For BYTE and WORD data, and voltage signals, it is the voltage at level zero.

• For ASCII data format, the YORigin is the Y-axis value at the center of the data range. Data range is returned in the Y increment.

Returned Format

[:WAVeform:YORigin] < real_value > < NL>

<real_value>

A real number in exponential (NR3) format.

Example

This example places the current Y origin value in the numeric variable, Center,

!Response headers off

then prints the contents of the variable to the computer screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" 20 OUTPUT 707:":WAVEFORM:YORIGIN?"

30 ENTER 707; Center 40 PRINT Center

50 FND

See Also

You can obtain the YORigin value through the WAVeform:PREamble query.

YRANge?

Query :WAVeform:YRANge?

This guery returns the range of Y values (in terms of waveform units) across

the entire display.

Returned Format [:WAVeform:YRANge] <value><NL>

value> A real number representing the Y-axis duration of the displayed waveform.

Example This example returns the current Y Range value to the numeric variable,

Value, then prints the contents of the variable to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" 20 OUTPUT 707:":WAVFFORM:YRANGF?"

!Response headers off

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

YREFerence?

Query :WAVeform:YREFerence?

This query returns the level associated with the Y origin. It is at this level that

the Y origin is defined. In this analyzer, the value is always zero.

Returned Format [:WAVeform:YREFerence] <integer_value><NL>

<integer_value> Always 0.

Example This example places the current Y Reference value for the currently specified

source in the numeric variable, Value, then prints the contents of the variable

to the computer's screen.

10 OUTPUT 707;":SYSTEM:HEADER OFF" !Response headers off

20 OUTPUT 707;":WAVEFORM:YREFERENCE?"

30 ENTER 707; Value 40 PRINT Value

50 END

See Also You can obtain the YReference value through the WAVeform:PREamble query.

YUNits?

Query :WAVeform:YUNits?

This query returns the Y-axis units of the currently selected waveform source. The currently selected source may be a channel, function, waveform memory,

TDR response, or color grade/gray scale data.

Returned Format [:WAVeform:YUNits] {UNKNown | VOLT | OHM | SECond | REFLect | CONStant | AMP |

WATT}<NL>

Example This example returns the Y-axis units of the currently selected waveform

source to the string variable, Unit\$, then prints the contents of the variable to

the computer's screen.

10 DIM Unit\$[50] !Dimension variable

20 OUTPUT 707; ": WAVEFORM: YUNITS?"

30 ENTER 707; Unit\$ 40 PRINT Unit\$

50 END

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Waveform Memory Commands

Waveform Memory Commands

The Waveform Memory Subsystem commands allow you to save and display waveforms, memories, and functions.

<N> Indicates the Waveform Memory Number

In Waveform Memory commands, the <N> in WMEMory<N> represents the waveform memory number (1-4).

DISPlay

Command :WMEMory<N>:DISPlay {{ON|1}|{OFF|0}}

This command enables or disables the viewing of the selected waveform mem-

ory.

<N>> The memory number is an integer from 1 to 4.

Example This example turns on the waveform memory 1 display.

10 OUTPUT 707;":WMEMORY1:DISPLAY ON"

20 END

Query :WMEMory<N>:DISPlay?

The query returns the state of the selected waveform memory.

Returned Format [:WMEMory<N>:DISPlay] {1 | 0}<NL>

LOAD

Command :WMEMory<N>:LOAD <file_name>

This command loads an analyzer waveform memory location with a waveform from a file which has an internal waveform format (extension .wfm) or a verbose/yvalues waveform format (extension .txt). You can load the file either

from the C:\ drive or A:\ drive. See the examples below.

The scope assumes the default path for waveforms is C:\User Files\Waveforms. To use a different path, please specify the path and file name completely.

<N>> The memory number is an integer from 1 to 4.

<file_name> Specifies the file to load, and has either a .wfm or .txt extension.

Examples This example loads waveform memory 4 with a file that has the internal wave-

form format.

10 OUTPUT 707;":WMEMORY4:LOAD ""c:\User Files\Waveforms\waveform.wfm"""

20 END

This example loads waveform memory 3 with a file on the floppy drive that has

the internal waveform format.

10 OUTPUT 707;":WMEMORY3:LOAD ""a:\waveform.wfm"""

20 END

Related Commands DISK:LOAD, DISK:STORe

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SAVE

Command :WMEMory<N>:SAVE {CHANnel<N> | WMEMory<N> | FUNCtion<N> | RESPonse<N>}

This command stores the specified channel, waveform memory, TDR

response, or function to the waveform memory. The channel or function must be displayed (DISPlay set to ON) or an error status is returned. You can save waveforms to waveform memories whether the waveform memory is displayed

or not.

<N> An integer from 1 to 4.

Example This example saves channel 1 to waveform memory 4.

10 OUTPUT 707;":WMEMORY4:SAVE chan1"

20 END

XOFFset

Command :WMEMory<N>:XOFFset <offset_value>

This command sets the x-axis, horizontal position for the selected waveform

memory's display scale. Position is referenced to center screen.

<N> The memory number is an integer from 1 to 4.

<offset_value> The horizontal offset (position) value.

Example This example sets the x-axis, horizontal position for waveform memory 3 to

0.1 seconds (100 ms).

10 OUTPUT 707:":WMEMORY3:XOFFSET 0.1"

20 END

Query :WMEMory<N>:XOFFset?

The query returns the current x-axis, horizontal position for the selected

waveform memory.

Returned Format [:WMEMory<N>:XOFFset] <offset_value><NL>

XRANge

Command :WMEMory<N>:XRANge <range_value>

This command sets the x-axis, horizontal range for the selected waveform memory's display scale. The horizontal scale is the horizontal range divided by

10.

<N> The memory number is an integer from 1 to 4.

<range_value> The horizontal range value.

Example This example sets the x-axis, horizontal range of waveform memory 2 to

435 microseconds.

10 OUTPUT 707;":WMEMORY2:XRANGE 435E-6"

20 END

Query :WMEMory<N>:XRANge?

The query returns the current x-axis, horizontal range for the selected wave-

form memory.

Returned Format [:WMEMory<N>:XRANge] <range_value><NL>

YOFFset

Command :WMEMory<N>:YOFFset <offset_value>

This command sets the y-axis (vertical axis) offset for the selected waveform

memory.

<N>> The memory number is an integer from 1 to 4.

<offset_value> The vertical offset value.

Example This example sets the y-axis (vertical) offset of waveform memory 2 to 0.2V.

10 OUTPUT 707;":WMEMORY2:Y0FFSET 0.2"

20 END

Query :WMEMory<N>:YOFFset?

The query returns the current y-axis (vertical) offset for the selected wave-

form memory.

Returned Format [:WMEMory<N>:YOFFset] <offset_value><NL>

YRANge

Command :WMEMory<N>:YRANge <range_value>

This command sets the y-axis, vertical range for the selected memory. The

vertical scale is the vertical range divided by 8.

<N>> The memory number is an integer from 1 to 4.

<range_value> The vertical range value.

Example This example sets the y-axis (vertical) range of waveform memory 3 to

0.2 volts.

10 OUTPUT 707;":WMEMORY3:YRANGE 0.2"

20 END

Query :WMEMory<N>:YRANge?

The query returns the Y-axis, vertical range for the selected memory.

Returned Format [:WMEMory<N>:YRANge] <range_value><NL>

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Programming Commands/Queries	Replacement Commands/Queries	
Common Commands		
*LRN	SYSTEM:SETUP	
Root Level Commands	·	
:AER?	No replacement	
:ERASe	No replacement	
:HEEN	:AEEN	
:MENU	No replacement	
:MERGe	No replacement	
:STORe:PMEMory1	No replacement	
:TEER	No replacement	
System Commands :SYSTem		
:SYSTem:KEY	No replacement	
Calibration Commands :CALibrate		
:CALibrate:FRAMe:CANCel	:CALibrate:CANcel	
:CALibrate:FRAMe:CONTinue	:CALibrate:CONTinue	
:CALibrate:FRAMe:DATA	No replacement	
:CALibrate:FRAMe:DONE?	:CALibrate:STATus?	
:CALibrate:FRAMe:MEMory?	No replacement	
:CALibrate:PLUGin:ACCuracy	:CALibrate:MODule:STATus	
:CALibrate:PLUGin:CANCel	:CALibrate:CANcel	
:CALibrate:PLUGin:CONTinue	:CALibrate:CONTinue	

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:CALibrate:PLUGin:DONE?	:CALibrate:STATus?
:CALibrate:PLUGin:MEMory?	No replacement
:CALibrate:PLUGin:OFFSet	:CALibrate:MODule:OFFSet
:CALibrate:PLUGin:OPOWer	:CALibrate:MODule:OPOWer
:CALibrate:PLUGin:OPTical	:CALibrate:MODule:OPTical
:CALibrate:PLUGin:OWAVelength	:CALibrate:MODule:OWAVelength
:CALibrate:PLUGin:TIME?	:CALibrate:MODule:TIME?
:CALibrate:PLUGin:VERTical	:CALibrate:MODule:VERtical
:CALibrate:PROBe	:CALibrate:PROBe CHANnel <n></n>
Channel Commands :CHANnel	
:CHANnel <n>:AUTOscale</n>	:AUToscale
:CHANnel <n>:SKEW</n>	:CALibrate:SKEW
Disk Commands :DISK	
:DISK:DATA?	No replacement
:DISK:FORMat	No replacement
Display Commands :DISPlay	
:DISPlay:ASSign	No replacement
:DISPlay:CGRade	:SYSTem:MODE EYE
:DISPlay:CGRade?	:SYSTem:MODE?
:DISPlay:COLumn	:DISPlay:LABel
:DISPlay:DATA	:WAVeform:DATA
:DISPlay:DWAVeform	No replacement
:DISPlay:FORMat	No replacement
:DISPlay:INVerse	:DISPlay:LABel
:DISPlay:LINE	:DISPlay:LABel
:DISPlay:MASK	No replacement
:DISPlay:ROW	:DISPlay:LABel
:DISPlay:SOURce	No replacement
:DISPlay:STRing	:DISPlay:LABel

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FFT Commands :FFT	
FFT is not available in the 86100A/B.	
Function Commands :FUNCtion	
:FUNCtion <n>:ADD</n>	No replacement
:FUNCtion <n>:BWLimit</n>	No replacement
:FUNCtion <n>:DIFFerentiate</n>	No replacement
:FUNCtion <n>:DIVide</n>	No replacement
:FUNCtion <n>:FFT</n>	No replacement, FFT not available
:FUNCtion <n>:INTegrate</n>	No replacement
:FUNCtion <n>:MULTiply</n>	No replacement
:FUNCtion <n>:ONLY</n>	:FUNCtion <n>:MAGNify</n>
Hardcopy Commands :HARDcopy	
:HARDcopy:ADDRess	:HARDcopy:DPRinte
:HARDcopy:BACKground	:HARDcopy:IMAGe INVert
:HARDcopy:BACKground?	No replacement
:HARDcopy:DESTination	No replacement
:HARDcopy:DEVice	No replacement
:HARDcopy:FFEed	No replacement
:HARDcopy:FILename	No replacement
:HARDcopy:LENGth	No replacement
:HARDcopy:MEDia	No replacement
Histogram Commands :HISTogram	
:HISTogram:RRATe	:DISPlay:RRATe
:HISTogram:RUNTil	:ACQuire:RUNTil
:HISTogram:SCALe	:HISTogram:SCALe:SIZE
:HISTogram:SCALe:OFFSet	:HISTogram:SCALe:SIZE
:HISTogram:SCALe:RANGe	:HISTogram:SCALe:SIZE
:HISTogram:SCALe:SCALe	:HISTogram:SCALe:SIZE
:HISTogram:SCALe:TYPE	:HISTogram:SCALe:SIZE
Limit Test Commands :LTESt	
:LTESt:SSCReen:DDISk:BACKground	:LTESt:SSCReen:IMAGe
:LTESt:SSCReen:DDISk:MEDia	No replacement

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:LTESt:SSCReen:DDISk:PFORmat	No replacement
:LTESt:SSCReen:DPRinter:ADDRess	No replacement
:LTESt:SSCReen:DPRinter:BACKground	No replacement
:LTESt:SSCReen:DPRinter:MEDia	No replacement
:LTESt:SSCReen:DPRinter:PORT	No replacement
:LTESt:SSUMmary:ADDRess	No replacement
:LTESt:SSUMmary:MEDia	No replacement
:LTESt:SSUMmary:PFORmat	No replacement
:LTESt:SSUMmary:PORT	No replacement
Marker Commands :MARKer	
:MARKer:CURSor?	No replacement. Use individual queries
:MARKer:MEASurement:READout	No replacement
:MARKer:MODE	:MARKer:STATe
:MARKer:MODE?	No replacement
:MARKer:TDELta?	:MARKer:XDELta?
:MARKer:TSTArt	:MARKer:X1Position
:MARKer:TSTOp	:MARKer:X2Position
:MARKer:VDELta	:MARKer:YDELta
:MARKer:VSTArt	:MARKer:Y1Position
:MARKer:VSTOp	:MARKer:Y2Position
Mask Test Commands :MTESt	
:MTESt:AMASk:CReate	No replacement
:MTESt:AMASk:SOURce	No replacement
:MTESt:AMASk:UNITs	No replacement
:MTESt:AMASk:XDELta	No replacement
:MTESt:AMASk:YDELta	No replacement
:MTESt:AMODe	No replacement
:MTESt:COUNt:FWAVeforms?	MTESt:COUNt:HITS? TOTal
:MTESt:FENable	No replacement
:MTESt:MASK:DEFine	No replacement ^a
:MTESt:POLYgon:DEFine	No replacement ^a

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:MTESt:POLYgon:DELete	No replacement ^a
:MTESt:POLYgon:MOVE	No replacement ^a
:MTESt:RECall	:MTESt:LOAD
:MTESt:SAVE	No replacement
:MTESt:SSCReen:DDISk:BACKground	:MTESt:SSCReen:IMAGe
:MTESt:SSCReen:DDISk:MEDia	No replacement
:MTESt:SSCReen:DDISk:PFORmat	No replacement
:MTESt:SSCReen:DPRinter	No replacement
:MTESt:SSCReen:DPRinter:ADDRess	No replacement
:MTESt:SSCReen:DPRinter:BACKground	No replacement
:MTESt:SSCReen:DPRinter:MEDia	No replacement
:MTESt:SSCReen:DPRinter:PFORmat	No replacement
:MTESt:SSCReen:DPRinter:PORT	No replacement
:MTESt:SSUMmary:ADDRess	No replacement
:MTESt:SSUMmary:BACKground	No replacement
:MTESt:SSUMmary:MEDia	No replacement
:MTESt:SSUMmary:PFORmat	No replacement
:MTESt:SSUMmary:PORT	No replacement
Measure Commands :MEASure	
:MEASure:CGRade:ERCalibrate	:CALibrate:ERATio:STARt CHANnel <n< td=""></n<>
:MEASure:CGRade:ERFactor	No replacement
:MEASure:CGRade:QFACtor	:MEASure:CGRade:ESN
:MEASure:FFT	No replacement. FFT not available.
:MEASure:HISTogram:HITS	Query only
:MEASure:HISTogram:MEAN	Query only
:MEASure:HISTogram:MEDian	Query only
:MEASure:HISTogram:M1S	Query only
:MEASure:HISTogram:M2S	Query only
:MEASure:HISTogram:OFFSET?	No replacement
:MEASure:HISTogram:PEAK	Query only
:MEASure:HISTogram:PP	Query only

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:MEASure:PREShoot	No replacement
:MEASure:STATistics	No replacement. Statistics always on.
:MEASure:TEDGe	Query only
:MEASure:VLOWer	No replacement
:MEASure:VMIDdle	No replacement
:MEASure:VTIMe	Query only
:MEASure:VUPPer	No replacement
Timebase Commands :TIMebase	
:TIMebase:DELay	:TIMebase:POSition
:TIMebase:VIEW	No replacement
:TIMebase:WINDow:DELay	No replacement
:TIMebase:WINDow:POSition	No replacement
:TIMebase:WINDow:RANGe	No replacement
:TIMebase:WINDow:SCALe	No replacement
:TIMebase:WINDow:SOURce	No replacement
Trigger Commands :TRIGger	
:TRIGger:SWEep	:TRIGger:SOURce FRUN
:TRIGger:SWEep?	:TRIGger:SOURce?
:TRIGger <n>:BWLimit</n>	:TRIGger:BWLimit and :TRIGger:GATed
:TRIGger <n>:PROBe</n>	:TRIGger:ATTenuation
Waveform Commands :WAVeform	
:WAVeform:COMPlete	No replacement
:WAVeform:COUPling	No replacement
:WAVeform:VIEW?	No replacement

^a Refer to the Infiniium DCA Online Help to view information about defining custom masks.

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Error Messages

Error Messages

This chapter describes the error messages and how they are generated. The possible causes for the generation of the error messages are also listed in Table 30-1 on page 30-6.

Error Queue

As errors are detected, they are placed in an error queue. This queue is first in, first out. If the error queue overflows, the last error in the queue is replaced with error –350, "Queue overflow." Anytime the error queue overflows, the oldest errors remain in the queue, and the most recent error is discarded. The length of the analyzer's error queue is 30 (29 positions for the error messages, and 1 position for the "Queue overflow" message). Reading an error from the head of the queue removes that error from the queue, and opens a position at the tail of the queue for a new error. When all errors have been read from the queue, subsequent error queries return 0, "No error."

The error queue is cleared when any of the following occur:

- the instrument is powered up,
- a *CLS command is sent.
- the last item from the queue is read, or
- the instrument is switched from talk only to addressed mode on the front panel.

Error Numbers

The error numbers are grouped according to the type of error that is detected.

- +0 indicates no errors were detected.
- -100 to -199 indicates a command error was detected.
- -200 to -299 indicates an execution error was detected.
- -300 to -399 indicates a device-specific error was detected.
- -400 to -499 indicates a query error was detected.
- +1 to +32767 indicates an analyzer-specific error has been detected.
 Refer to the Agilent 86100A/B online Help for analyzer specific errors.

Command Error

An error number in the range -100 to -199 indicates that an IEEE 488.2 syntax error has been detected by the instrument's parser. The occurrence of any error in this class sets the command error bit (bit 5) in the event status register and indicates that one of the following events occurred:

- An IEEE 488.2 syntax error was detected by the parser. That is, a controller-to-analyzer message was received that is in violation of the IEEE 488.2 standard. This may be a data element that violates the analyzer's listening formats, or a data type that is unacceptable to the analyzer.
- An unrecognized header was received. Unrecognized headers include incorrect analyzer-specific headers and incorrect or unimplemented IEEE 488.2 common commands.
- A Group Execute Trigger (GET) was entered into the input buffer inside of an IEEE 488.2 program message.

Events that generate command errors do not generate execution errors, analyzer-specific errors, or query errors.

Execution Error

An error number in the range -200 to -299 indicates that an error was detected by the instrument's execution control block. The occurrence of any error in this class causes the execution error bit (bit 4) in the event status register to be set. It also indicates that one of the following events occurred:

- The program data following a header is outside the legal input range or is inconsistent with the analyzer's capabilities.
- A valid program message could not be properly executed due to some analyzer condition.

Execution errors are reported by the analyzer after expressions are evaluated and rounding operations are completed. For example, rounding a numeric data element will not be reported as an execution error. Events that generate execution errors do not generate command errors, analyzer specific errors, or query errors.

Device- or Analyzer-Specific Error

An error number in the range of -300 to -399 or +1 to +32767 indicates that the instrument has detected an error caused by an analyzer operation that did not properly complete. This may be due to an abnormal hardware or firmware condition. For example, this error may be generated by a self-test response error, or a full error queue. The occurrence of any error in this class causes the analyzer-specific error bit (bit 3) in the event status register to be set.

Query Error

An error number in the range -400 to -499 indicates that the output queue control of the instrument has detected a problem with the message exchange protocol. An occurrence of any error in this class causes the query error bit (bit 2) in the event status register to be set. An occurrence of an error also means one of the following is true:

- An attempt is being made to read data from the output queue when no output is either present or pending.
- Data in the output queue has been lost.

List of Error Messages

Table 30-1 is a list of the error messages that are returned by the parser on this analyzer.

Table 30-1. Error Messages

0	No error	The error queue is empty. Every error in the queue has been read (SYSTEM:ERROR? query) or the queue was cleared by power-up or *CLS.
-100	Command error	This is the generic syntax error used if the analyzer cannot detect more specific errors.
-101	Invalid character	A syntactic element contains a character that is invalid for that type.
-102	Syntax error	An unrecognized command or data type was encountered.
-103	Invalid separator	The parser was expecting a separator and encountered an illegal character.
-104	Data type error	The parser recognized a data element different than one allowed. For example, numeric or string data was expected but block data was received.
-105	GET not allowed	A Group Execute Trigger was received within a program message.
-108	Parameter not allowed	More parameters were received than expected for the header.
-109	Missing parameter	Fewer parameters were received than required for the header.
-112	Program mnemonic too long	The header or character data element contains more than twelve characters.
-113	Undefined header	The header is syntactically correct, but it is undefined for the analyzer. For example, *XYZ is not defined for the analyzer.
-121	Invalid character in number	An invalid character for the data type being parsed was encountered. For example, a "9" in octal data.
-123	Numeric overflow	Number is too large or too small to be represented internally.
-124	Too many digits	The mantissa of a decimal numeric data element contained more than 255 digits excluding leading zeros.
-128	Numeric data not allowed	A legal numeric data element was received, but the analyzer does not accept one in this position for the header.
-131	Invalid suffix	The suffix does not follow the syntax described in IEEE 488.2 or the suffix is inappropriate for the analyzer.
-138	Suffix not allowed	A suffix was encountered after a numeric element that does not allow suffixes.
-141	Invalid character data	Either the character data element contains an invalid character or the particular element received is not valid for the header.
-144	Character data too long	
-148	Character data not allowed	A legal character data element was encountered where prohibited by the analyzer.
-150	String data error	This error can be generated when parsing a string data element. This particular error message is used if the analyzer cannot detect a more specific error.

Table 30-1. Error Messages (Continued)

-151	Invalid string data	A string data element was expected, but was invalid for some reason. For example, an END message was received before the terminal quote character.
-158	String data not allowed	A string data element was encountered but was not allowed by the analyzer at this point in parsing.
-160	Block data error	This error can be generated when parsing a block data element. This particular error message is used if the analyzer cannot detect a more specific error.
-161	Invalid block data	
-168	Block data not allowed	A legal block data element was encountered but was not allowed by the analyzer at this point in parsing.
-170	Expression error	This error can be generated when parsing an expression data element. It is used if the analyzer cannot detect a more specific error.
-171	Invalid expression	
-178	Expression data not allowed	Expression data was encountered but was not allowed by the analyzer at this point in parsing.
-200	Execution error	This is a generic syntax error which is used if the analyzer cannot detect more specific errors.
-220	Parameter error	Indicates that a program data element related error occurred.
-221	Settings conflict	Indicates that a legal program data element was parsed but could not be executed due to the current device state.
-222	Data out of range	Indicates that a legal program data element was parsed but could not be executed because the interpreted value is outside the legal range defined by the analyzer.
-223	Too much data	Indicates that a legal program data element of block, expression, or string type was received that contained more data than the analyzer could handle due to memory or related analyzer-specific requirements.
-224	Illegal parameter value	Used where exact value, from a list of possibles, was expected.
-225	Out of memory	The device has insufficient memory to perform the requested operation.
-231	Data questionable	Indicates that measurement accuracy is suspect.
-240	Hardware error	Indicates that a legal program command or query could not be executed because of a hardware problem in the device.
-241	Hardware missing	Indicates that a legal program command or query could not be executed because of missing device hardware; for example, an option was not installed, or current module does not have hardware to support command or query. Definition of what constitutes missing hardware is completely device-specific or module specific.
-250	Mass storage error	Indicates that a mass storage error occurred.
-251	Missing mass storage	Indicates that a legal program command or query could not be executed because of missing mass storage; for example, an option that was not installed.
-252	Missing media	Indicates that a legal program command or query could not be executed because of a missing media; for example, no disk.

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Table 30-1. Error Messages (Continued)

-253	Corrupt media	Indicates that a legal program command or query could not be executed because of corrupt media; for example, bad disk or wrong format.
-254	Media full	Indicates that a legal program command or query could not be executed because the media was full; for example, there is no room on the disk.
-255	Directory full	Indicates that a legal program command or query could not be executed because the media directory was full.
-256	File name not found	Indicates that a legal program command or query could not be executed because the file name on the device media was not found; for example, an attempt was made to read or copy a nonexistent file.
-257	File name error	Indicates that a legal program command or query could not be executed because the file name on the device media was in error; for example, an attempt was made to copy to a duplicate file name.
-258	Media protected	Indicates that a legal program command or query could not be executed because the media was protected; for example, the write-protect tab on a disk was present.
-300	Service specific error	
-310	System error	Indicates that a system error occurred.
-340	Calibration failed	Indicates that a calibration has failed.
-350	Queue overflow	Indicates that there is no room in the error queue and an error occurred but was not recorded.
-400	Query error	This is the generic query error.
-410	Query INTERRUPTED	
-420	Query UNTERMINATED	
-430	Query DEADLOCKED	
-440	Query UNTERMINATED after indefinite response	

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