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RSCommander Versatile Software Tool for Rohde & Schwarz Instruments

RSCommander is a versatile software tool for a wide range of Rohde & Schwarz spectrum analyzers, signal generators and network analyzers. It allows for automatic instrument discovery, making hardcopies, reading traces, file transfer and for uploading user correction data for linearization.



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1 Overview

RSCommander is a versatile software tool for a wide range of Rohde & Schwarz instruments. It makes it possible to take screenshots for documentation purposes, read trace data for further processing and upload user correction data to signal generators for linearization. The software also allows for file management and interactive control of the instrument using its remote control commands. RSCommander can automatically detect all Rohde & Schwarz instruments connected via GPIB and LAN interfaces.

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2 Software Features

RSCommander features the following:

- Automatic device detection via GPIB and LAN interfaces
- "Look and feel" user interface
- Hardcopy
- Read trace data
- Upload user correction data to signal generators
- File Manager
- Obtain instrument status information
- Interactive control using remote control commands

3 Installing the Software

Execute the program **RSCOMMANDER_X.X.EXE** and select the desired options.

4 Connecting the Instruments

RSCommander supports GPIB and LAN instruments:

 GPIB instruments can be connected to the controller with the traditional daisy chain method

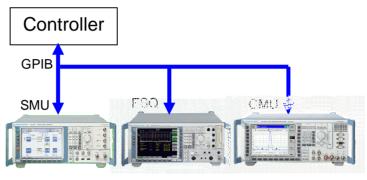


Fig. 1 GPIB instruments

• LAN instruments may be connected to the controller either directly, allowing only one device per Ethernet port,

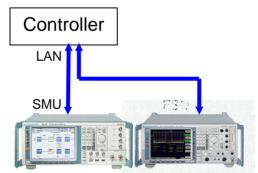


Fig. 2 LAN instruments connected to PC

 or via Ethernet switch/hub, which is optionally connected to a DHCP server (company network)

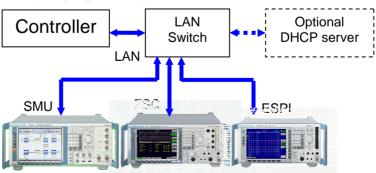


Fig. 3 LAN instruments connected to switch

5 Getting Started

This example shows how to make a hardcopy of an FSQ spectrum analyzer and send user correction data to an SMU signal generator. The FSQ is attached to the controller via Ethernet connection, and the SMU is connected with a GPIB cable.

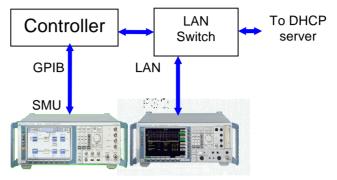


Fig. 4 Example configuration

- Start **RSCOMMANDER** by double-clicking the icon.
- Search for attached GPIB instruments with FILE → REMOTE INTERFACES → SCAN. The SMU will appear in the DEVICES TO ATTACH list.
- In the ADD INSTRUMENT MANUALLY menu, select INSTR. NAME → e.g. MYFSQ, INTERFACE → LAN, NETWORK ADDRESS → e.g. FSQ26-200023 and press ADD. The FSQ will appear in the VISA RESOURCES TO SCAN list.

Add Instrument Manually			
Instr. Name	Interface		
MyFSQ	🖌 GPIBO 💽		
GPIB Address:			
FSQ8-200176	ADD		
Devices to at	tach		
✓ MySMU	GPIB0 20		
🖌 MyFSQ	GPIB0 FSQ8-200176		

Fig. 5 Adding instruments manually

- <u>Note:</u> The instrument can name can either be selected from the alphabetical list of instruments or can be defined manually (e.g. "MyFSQ")
- **Note:** The Network Address can either be the IP address, e.g. 192.168.0.1, or the symbolic name, e.g. FSQ8-200176.
- The instruments are then added to the **SELECTED INSTRUMENT** list by pressing **OK**.
- Choose the FSQ in the **SELECTED LIST** table and press the **HARD**-**COPY** button.

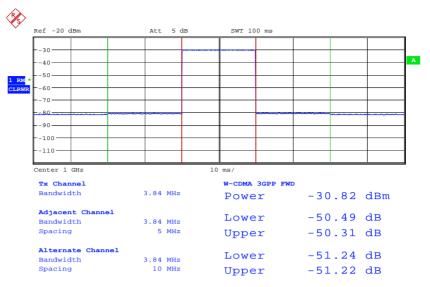


Fig. 6 FSQ hardcopy

- Choose the SMU in the SELECTED LIST table.
- In the FILE → SETTINGS menu, select the tab USER CORRECTION and select the appropriate parameters for the example file USERCOR.TXT.

Settings			×
Hardcopy Trace	User Correction		
Column Separator Freq. values in Level values in	\odot 1st \odot Last		Column Column
Start in Row 1			

Fig. 7 User correction settings

• Perform SPECIAL FUNCTIONS → USER CORRECTION. In the USER CORRECTION menu enter a NAME, COMMENT and press the LOAD button.

• In the SELECT USER CORRECTION menu, open the file USERCOR.TXT containing frequency response example data of an RF cable.

🖥 FSQ				X
Name	UCOR	1		
Comment				
Freg Unit:	Hz	-		
Unit	dB			
Scaling	💿 line	ar 🔍 log		
		gate Values		
	User C	orrection Data	Э	
Frequency	/Hz	Offset/dB		
10000000		.484		
110000000	-	.026		
120000000	-	279		
13000000	-	706 523		
150000000	-	523		
160000000		-1.805		
170000000	-	-1.255		
180000000	-	-2.202		
19000000)0	-1.591		
200000000)0	-1.317		
L				
L				
Number of p	oints:	11		
				_
Load		Insert	Uplo	ad
		Delete		

Fig. 8 User correction data

• Press **UPLOAD** to send the correction data to the active generator.

6 Software Description

Double-click the **RSCOMMANDER** icon to start the program. The main screen will appear after a few seconds.

User interface

Main menu

The main menu appears as shown below and features five pull-down menus: FILE, NEW, UTILITY FUNCTIONS, SPECIAL FUNCTIONS, WINDOW and HELP.

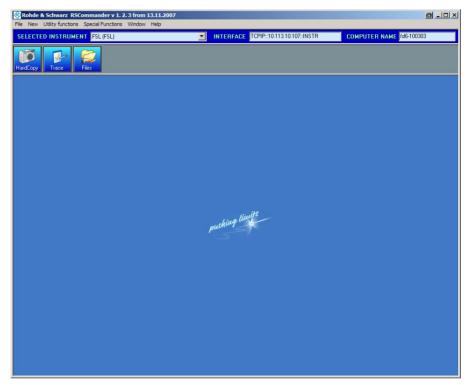


Fig. 9 Main menu

File



Fig. 10 File menu

REMOTE INTERFACES Dialog box– Allows automatic and manual detection of Rohde & Schwarz instruments connected to GPIB and LAN interfaces. This dialog box has two areas – "Interface Scan" and "Add Instrument Manually".

INTERFACE SCAN:

- **INTERFACE** Select GPIB0 (default), GPIB1, LAN (subnet) or LAN (any). The GPIB1 board identifier is used for a secondary GPIB board installed in the PC.
- SCAN Scans GPIB ADDRESS 0 to 31 on interface GPIB0, GPIB1, LAN (subnet) or LAN (any).

Interface S	can
Interface: GPIB0	
GPIB Address:	
0 to 31	SCAN

Fig. 11 GPIB Scan

If LAN (subnet) is selected the local subnet is scanned for VXI-11 compatible instruments. Any successfully identified devices are then added to the list of devices in the **INTERFACE SCAN** dialog box.

After the scan procedure has been finished a yellow circle is

dispsplayed on the right side of the **Scan** button **i**. Clicking on this icon displays a list of all VXI-11 compatible devices on the subnet. Only devices identified as instruments and having their port for remote control available are however added to the list of devices.

The option **Include RSIB** allows you to find old Windows NT based Devices by including the RSIB Passport Library. RSIB Passport has to be installed on your system. If RSIB Passport is not installed on your System, this option will silently fail.

Warning: This option can dramatically slow down your search process you should only use it if you know that you have such a device.

Interface:			
LAN (subnet)	📃 Include RSIB		
Network Domain:			
Scan the subnet	SCAN i		

Fig. 12 Fig. 12 LAN (subnet) Scan

In order to scan outside the subnet the *LAN (any)* option can be used. It allows the local address (0 to 255) of a custom network domain (e.g. 192.168.0.) to be searched for R&S instruments.



Fig. 13 LAN (any) Scan

ADD INSTRUMENT MANUALLY:

- **INSTR. NAME** Enter a custom name for the instrument, e.g. MyFSQ or choose a predefined one from the pull down menu.
- INTERFACE Select from LAN, GPIB0 or GPIB1.

 NETWORK ADDRESS – Enter an IP address or logical name of an instrument, e.g. FSQ8-200176, and press Enter or click on the ADD button.

Add Instrument Manually		
Instr. Name	Interface	
MyFSQ	LAN	
Network Add	ress:	
FSQ8-200176		ADD

Fig. 14 FSQ LAN

• **GPIB ADDRESS** – Select the primary address (PAD) of an instrument connected to GPIB0 or GPIB1 and press **ADD**.

Add Instrument Manually		
Instrument	Interface	
FSQ	GPIBO	-
GPIB Addres	:\$:	
20		ADD



After all instruments have been added to the **Devices to Attach** list, check the ones you will actually use and press **OK**.

-Devices to	o attach ——		-
🖌 SMU	LAN	rssmu200a100951	1
🖌 FSL	LAN	fs16-100359	1
BE	MOVE	RENAME	
		_	
	OK		

Fig. 16 Scanned VISA resources

The instrument names will appear in the **SELECTED INSTRUMENTS** list. The instrument type is shown in brackets. The **INTERFACE** indicator displays the VISA resource name of the selected instrument. If a LAN device has been added another text box is displayed to the left of the **INTERFACE** indicator, showing the computer name of the device.

SELECTED INSTRUMENT	MyFSQ (FSQ v4.05) 📃	INTERFACE	TCPIP::FSQ8-200176::INSTR
	MySMU (SMU v2.1.15.0-02.04.10 MyFSO (FSO v4.05)		

Fig. 17 Selected Instrument

Note: If the attempt to add any of the selected devices fails, an error message with the custom name of the device is displayed. The successfully detected devices are added to the instrument list of the software, but the REMOTE INTERFACES dialog box remains opened. The device that is currently unavailable can then either be removed or deselected, so that no further attempt is made to add it.

SETTINGS - Opens a configuration window for HARDCOPY, TRACE and **USER CORRECTION.**

HARDCOPY - Allows to select the BACKGROUND COLOR and on a hardcopy event either

Settings	<	
Hardcopy Trace User Correction		
General		
On Hardcopy Event Save Image to File Copy Image to Clipboard Paste into Word		

Fig. 18 Hardcopy settings

- 1. Color Enable/Disable colored hardcopys. This will only work on devices that support colored hardcopys.
- 2. SAVE IMAGE TO FILE automatically save the hardcopy image to a filed named:

<name the instrument>@yyyy-mmof dd_hr_min_sec.<ext>.

- 3. COPY IMAGE TO CLIPBOARD (default) This is selected by default and copies the image into the clipboard. It can be pasted to any Windows object with Ctrl-V.
- 4. **PASTE IMAGE TO WORD** Automatically copies the image at the cursor position in an open Microsoft Word document.
- **TRACE** Allows to set the actions on a trace event.

Settings		1
Hardcopy	Trace User Correction	
		l
0,	n Trace Event	l
с. Г	Save Data to File	l
Ē	Copy Image to Clipboard	l
	Copy Data to Clipboard	L
	Paste Data into Excel	L

Fig. 19 Trace Settings

1. SAVE DATA TO FILE - Save the ASCII data (level vs. frequency or level vs. time) to the file <name of the instrument>@yyyy-mm-dd_hr_min_sec.txt

- 2. **COPY IMAGE TO CLIPBOARD** Copies the graph of the trace data to the clipboard. It can be imported to any document with Ctrl-V.
- 3. COPY TRACE DATA TO CLIPBOARD (default) Copies the ASCII data (level vs. frequency or level vs. time) to the clipboard. It can be pasted to any Windows object with Ctrl-V.
- 4. **PASTE TRACE DATA INTO EXCEL** Pastes the trace data into an open Microsoft Excel sheet.
- USER CORRECTION Allows to use custom files by varying the parameters: COLUMN SEPARATOR, position of FREQuency and LEVEL values, START IN ROW.

Settings			×
Hardcopy Trace	User Correction		
Column Separator Freq. values in Level values in	⊙ 1st ⊖ Last		Column Column
Start in Row 1			



- **COLUMN SEPARATOR** Defines the character used for separating the two values, either <Tabulator> or custom one, e.g. <Space>, ';', ',' etc.
- **FREQ. VALUES IN** Defines which column is used as frequency value. Default: first column.
- **LEVEL VALUES IN** Defines which column is used as level correction value. Default: Last (usually 2nd column).
- **START IN ROW** Defines which row to start with. This is necessary in case the file has a header.
- **Note:** Data files generated by the frequency response measurement program FreRes *.dat (see Application Note 1MA09) need the following configuration in order to be imported correctly. The columns are separated by a <space>.

Settings			×
Hardcopy Trace	User Correction		
Column Separator Freq. values in Level values in	⊙ 1st ⊖ Last		Column Column
Start in Row 3			

Fig. 21 User correction settings for FreRes

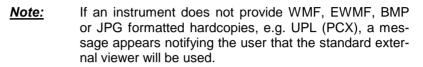
DIRECTORY FOR SAVING FILES – User-configurable directory where hardcopy and trace files are saved and user correction files are loaded.

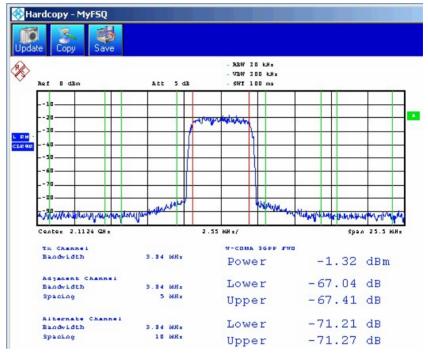
New

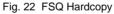
New	Utility functions	Special Functio
Ha	rdcopy	F2
Trace Display		F3
File Browser - Instrument		ment F5

Fig. 21 New menu

• **HARDCOPY** – Performs a hardcopy of the selected instrument screen and copies the image to the selected destination.







The following functions are available in the hardcopy window :

 $\ensuremath{\textbf{UPDATE}}$ – Performs another hardcopy and updates the current window.

COPY – Copies the hardcopy to the clipboard, from where it can be pasted into other applications with Ctrl-V.

SAVE – Opens a file dialog for saving the *.wmf file.

PRINT – Opens a file dialog for printing the hardopy.

• **TRACE DISPLAY** – Performs a trace on the selected instrument and returns the data to the selected destination. The data is displayed in a customized graphic.

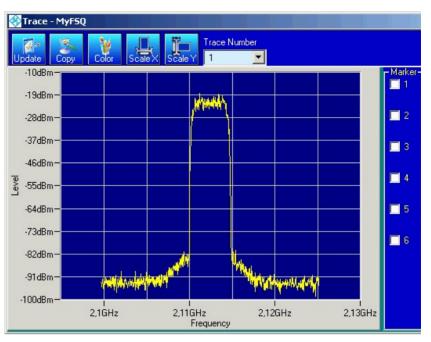


Fig. 22 FSQ trace

The following functions are available in the trace window :

TRACE NUMBER – Selects the according trace. An additional trace must be defined on the device manually (see instrument manual for details).

UPDATE – Reads the data of the trace number and updates the current window.

COPY – Copies the trace data to the clipboard, from where it can be pasted into other applications with Ctrl-V, e.g.:

987250000; -97.6549911499023
987290865.384615; -101.38890838623
987331730.769231; -100.270118713379
987372596.153846; -101.440811157227
987413461.538462; -99.4232406616211
987454326.923077; -98.0625915527344
987495192.307692; -97.9781723022461
987536057.692308; -98.2845458984375
987576923.076923; -99.3772201538086
987617788.461538; -98.2349472045898

COLOR – Selects the desired trace color.

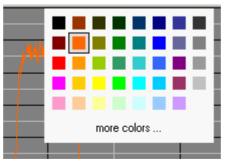


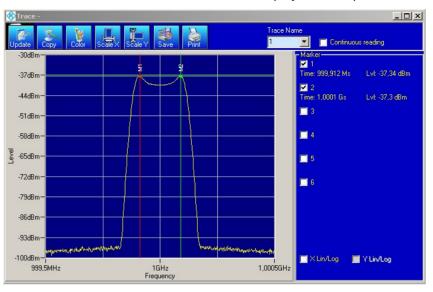
Fig. 23 Trace color

SCALE X – Performs an auto scale of the x coordinate.

SCALE Y – Performs an auto scale of the y coordinate.

SAVE – Opens a dialog box to specify a file name and save the current trace data.

PRINT – Opens a dialog for printing the trace graphic.



MARKER 1..6 – Turns on marker 1 to 6 and displays current position.

Fig. 24 Trace markers

The X- and Y-Lin/Log checkbox allows you to switch between linear and logarithmic display of both coordinate axis. If one of the axis has already a logarithmic unit like dBm, this option will be disabeled for this axis.

Clicking the right mouse button while the mouse cursor is inside the graphics window displays the marker menu.



Fig. 25 Marker menu

ZOOM – Allows you to zoom in X, Y, XY and reset to original auto scale setting (Zoom out). Select the desired function, e.g. Zoom XY, and mark an area by positioning the mouse cursor at the start point and moving it to the stop point with pressed left mouse button.

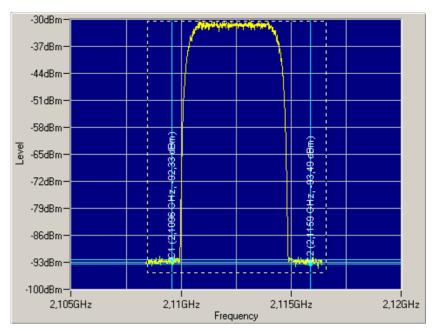


Fig. 26 Selecting the zoom area

After you release the mouse button, the selected area is fitted into the whole graphics window.

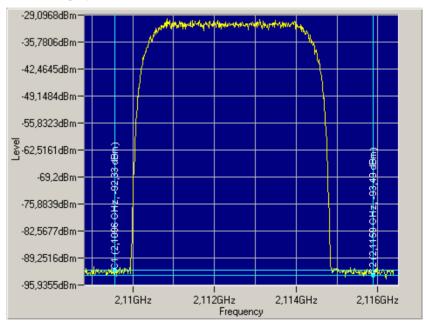


Fig. 27 Zoomed trace

 $\ensuremath{\text{Pan}}$ – Allows you to move the trace in X, Y or XY direction inside the graphics window with the mouse cursor by pressing the left mouse button.

POINTS - Draws points on all measured values.

LINE - Connects all measured points with lines when enabled.

• FILE BROWSER – INSTRUMENT – Allows you to copy files from the instrument to the PC or vice versa. This function is useful for GPIB instruments. A more effective way to access files on LAN instruments is either via net drive or remote desktop.

	SIZE 163 KB 163 KB DIR DIR 37 KB 37 KB	
FILE FILE FILE	163 KB 163 KB DIR DIR 37 KB 37 KB	
hardcopy.wmf hcopy.wmf i386 i0g iog otti.asc io otti02.asc io otti03.asc iog pagefile.sys 78 iog r_s	163 KB 163 KB DIR DIR 37 KB 37 KB	
hcopy.wmf i386 i386 idog otti.asc idottio2.asc idottio3.asc idottidottio3.asc idottio3.asc idottio3.a	163 KB DIR DIR 37 KB 37 KB	
i386 log dti.asc dti.asc dti02.asc dti03.asc pagefile.sys recycler r_s	DIR DIR 37 KB 37 KB	
log otti.asc otti02.asc otti03.asc pagefile.sys 78 recycler r_s	DIR 37 KB 37 KB	
otti.asc otti02.asc otti03.asc pagefile.sys 78 recycler r_s	37 KB 37 KB	
otti02.asc otti03.asc pagefile.sys 78 recycler r_s	37 KB	
otti03.asc pagefile.sys 78 recycler r_s		
pagefile.sys 78 contractions		
recycler	37 KB	
🗀 r_s	84.208 KB	
	DIR	
	DIR	
🛅 r_s.fw	DIR	
🚞 system~1	DIR	
🚞 temp	DIR	
🚾 trace.dat	37 KB	
🚞 user	DIR	

Fig. 28 FSQ file system

The file browser function can also be used for displaying and copying screenshots performed on the instrument itself. The following example shows how to display or copy a screenshot file located on the CMU200.

• Select the CMU as active instrument and press **OK**.



Fig. 29 CMU VISA resource

Note:

te: When using a CMU instrument, RSCommander can only transfer and view hardcopies, which have previously been initiated manually by pressing the PRINT key on the frontpanel of the instrument.

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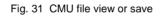
Press the FILES button, <F5> key or select New \rightarrow FILE BROWSER - INSTRUMENT. Change to the INT:\USERDATA\PRINT subdirectory.

<u></u> СМU	
🗀 🗙 🖻	
EXT: VINT :	\USERDATA\PRINT\
FILE	SIZE
a	DIR
PRINT00.WMF	N/A
🔄 🖬 PRINT01.WMF	N/A
PRINT02.WMF	N/A
PRINT03.WMF	N/A
🖬 🖻 PRINT04.WMF	N/A
🖬 PRINT05.WMF	N/A

Fig. 30 CMU file system

• Right-click on the preferred file to either **OPEN** with the default windows viewer or transfer and **SAVE TO...** the local harddrive.

FILE	SIZE	
a	DIR	
PRINT00.WMF	N ⁷⁰	
🖻 PRINT01.WMF	N	Open
🖻 PRINT02.WMF	N	Save to
🖻 PRINT03.WMF	N	Rename
🔟 PRINT04.WMF	N	
🖻 PRINT05.WMF	N	View 🕨



WCDMA FDD Band Receiver Qua	lity HSDPA
😑 WCDMA FDD Connection Control 🛔 PS:	ldle <mark>CS:</mark> Signal On
RF Chn. 2112.4 MHz 10562 Circuit S Downlink 1922.4 MHz 9612 0	Witched - RMC Waiting for UE registration or call from the UE.
Downlink Power - 49.8 dBm Output Ch. Pwr (lor)	Connect UE (CS)
Centrel 33.0 dBm - 20.0 dBm	Switched - HSDPA Test Mode Waiting for Attach from the UE. UE (PS)
Openloop Power I UE On-Power Signature	RMC Dedicated Chan. (CS)
- 23.0 dBm Expected Power	Operating Band I
Connection Handover UE Signal BS Signal Network	AF/RF 🕀 Sync. 1 2

Fig. 32 CMU screencopy

Utility functions menu

Utility functions	Special Functions	
Poll Main Statu	is Information	
Interactive Control		
Raw Reading		
IP Address Re	solver	

Fig. 33 Utility functions menu

• **POLL STATUS INFORMATION** – Polls and displays the status information, installed options and recent error messages of the active instrument.

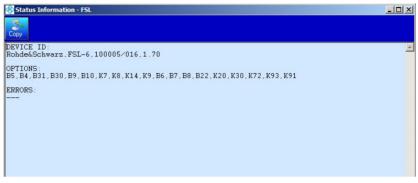


Fig. 34 Polling status information

The firmware revision of the device is the last item of the DEVICE ID string, e.g. 2.1.6.0-02.02.64 beta.

The Copy button copies the contents of the box to the clipboard.

• **INTERACTIVE CONTROL** – Allows you to send commands to and receive data from the active instrument.

🛞 Interactive	Control - MySMU X
Command	*IDN?
Answer	Rohde&Schwarz,SMU200A,1141.2005k02/100802,2.1.15.0-02.04.1
Status	
Time-Out	1000 ms Send
Command Time	4 ms
	Сору

Fig. 35 Interactive control

When a command terminated with a question mark is transferred to the instrument by pressing **SEND**, the answer is automatically read and displayed. With **COPY**, the whole command history and the answers from the instrument are copied to the clipboard. • **RAW READING** – Copies data of the active instrument to a file. This menu option is useful for reading ASCII or binary data points from an instrument. Usually there are also several commands necessary to configure and trigger a measurement and read the data. Use the **Add** button to add more commands to the list. The results of only the last command are saved into the file. If the whole command- response history is necessary, the **Interactive Control** box can be used. The list of commands is cleared by closing the **Raw Reading** window.

😵 Raw Reading - SMU 📃	×
Command to execute:	
*OPT?	
Add	
*OPT?	
RSComman r X FINISHED.	
Execute and save into a file: Execut	•

Fig. 36 Raw reading

• IP ADDRESS RESOLVER – Helpful utility for resolving the IP address from an instrument name or vice versa. Choose the method of resolving and enter the IP address or computer name into the upper box. Pressing the Enter button or clicking on "Resolve" displays the result in the lower box.

Software Description

🚯 IP Address Resolver 💶 🗖 🗙	
 IP address to name Name to IP address 	
10.113.10.173	
Resolve	
zvl6-100106	
IP Address Resolver IP address to name Name to IP address zvl6-100106	×
Resolve	2
10.113.10.173	

Fig. 37 IP address to name

Fig. 38 Name to IP Address

Special Functions menu

Special Functions	Window Help		
Read Calibration Results			
Read Selftest Results			
Read Hardware Info			
Generator User	Correction		

Fig. 39 Special functions

• **Read Calibration Results** – Reads the active instrument's result file of the most recent internal calibration procedure.

🛞 Calibration Results - MyFSQ			_ 🗆 🗡
Сору			
Total Calibration Statu Rohde&Schwarz,FSQ-8,200 Date (dd/mm/yyyy): 03/1 Runtime: 04:44	176/008,4.		-
Linear detector offset	[%]	-0.39	
LC center frequencies LC-cycle 1 2 3 4	DAC [%] 67.78 70.20 69.50 69.98 67.85	Error[kHz] -1.60 -4.81 -4.81 -4.81 -4.81 -4.81	
Bandwidths and center f: RBW 200 kHz 3 dB CenterFre 200 kHz 3 dB Bandwidth 300 kHz 3 dB CenterFre 300 kHz 3 dB Bandwidth 500 kHz 3 dB CenterFre 500 kHz 3 dB Bandwidth	DAC [%] q 71.42 : 3.25 q 71.73 : 5.62 q 71.50	E [RBW %] -0.72 -0.48 0.48	

Fig. 40 Calibration results

• **READ SELFTEST RESULTS** – Reads the active instrument's result of its most recent selftest procedure (usually the last power-up).

Selftest Results - MyFS	2			
Сору				
Total Selftest Stat Rohde&Schwarz,FSQ-8 Date (dd/mm/yyyy): Runtime: 00:58	1,200176/00	18,4.05		<u> </u>
Supply voltages wid test description +6V +8V +12V -12V -5V -6V	min 5.50 7.60 11.39 -14.27 -5.97	max 6.60 9.20 13.20 -10.45	result 6.20 8.34 12.32 -12.88 -5.19	PASSED PASSED PASSED PASSED PASSED
Supply & ref. volta test description TEMPERATURE -5VREF +2.5VREF +3.3V +5VA +10VA -5VA -10VA	min 0.20 -5.30 2.35 3.10	max 70.20 -4.70 2.65 3.50 5.35 11.30	result 38.20 -5.00 2.50 3.29 4.98 10.60	PASSED PASSED PASSED PASSED PASSED PASSED PASSED

Fig. 41 Selftest results

• **READ HARDWARE INFO** – Reads the active instrument's information on hardware options and revisions.

Hardware Info - My	rFSQ
WBDET	<pre>100911/005 1130.3086 05 00 08 00 ▲</pre>
ATTEN_ELEC	100764/002 1137.0724 02 01 05 00
MW CONV UNIT	100491/003 1130.2544 03 01 11 00
OCXO	100968/003 1093.7871 03 01 07 02
CPU-Board	060619/981 1091.2814 00 00 50 02
MOTHERBOARD	100218/002 1166.3528 02 00 01 08
8G CONV GS	101785/002 1130.2550 02 00 02 11
DIPLEXER	102865/002 1132.6501 02 00 06 00
YIG-FILTER	100171/005 1130.2944 05 00 03 00
FSQ	200176/008 1155.5001 08 00 01 00
LAN Interface	335F39/081 0000.0000 00 00 00 00
MwcTempSensor	000000 0000.0000 00 00 00
SYNTHESIZER	100098/002 1166.3170 02 15 02 08
RF-CONVERTER	100005/002 1130.4647 02 03 02 09
IF-FILTER	103597/003 1130.2296 03 10 07 01
RF_ATTEN_8	100657/002 1137.0599 02 00 40 00
COAX RELAYS	100431/002 1130.2815 02 00 05 00
BASEBANDINPUT	100402/003 1130.3686 03 00 03 12
Bandwidth Ext	100027/012 1155.6150 12 00 02 09
IQ_MEM_EXT	100021/002 1155.6520 02 00 03 03 ✓

Fig. 42 Hardware info

Window menu

Window	Help	
Cascade		
Tile Horizontally		
Tile Vertically		
Arrange Icons		
Skins		۲

Fig. 43 Window menu

The Window menu allows you to customize the RSCommander user interface.

• CASCADE - The windows are cascaded.

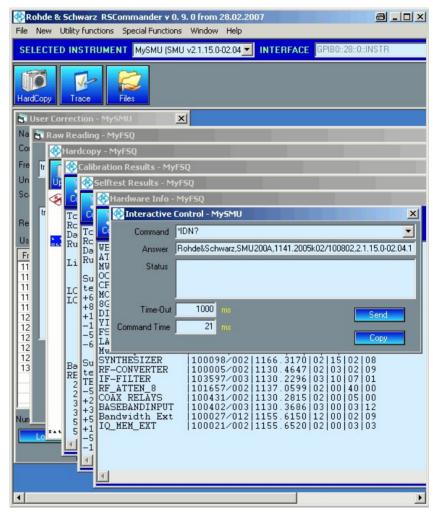


Fig. 44 Cascaded windows

• **TILE HORIZONTALLY** – Full view of all windows, which are resized to fit the screen.

Rohde & Schwarz RSCommander v 0. 9. 0 from File New Utility functions Special Functions Window	28.02.2007
SELECTED INSTRUMENT MySMU (SMU v2.1.15.0	02.04 INTERFACE GPIB0::28::0::INSTR
HardCopy Trace Files	
Hardware Info - MyF5Q	Hardcopy - MyFSQ
Сору	Update Copy Save
WEDET 100911/005 1130. ATTEN_ELEC 100764/002 1137. MW CONV UNIT 100491/003 1130. OCXO 100968/003 1093. CPU-Board 060619/981 1091. MOTHERBOARD 100218/002 1166.	
😵 Selftest Results - MyFSQ	🖥 Raw Reading - MyFSQ
Сору	Command to execute: trace?
Total Selftest Status: user mode Rohde&Schwarz,FSQ-8,200176/008,4 Date (dd/mm/yyyy): 02/02/2007 Ti Runtime: 00:58	Add trace?
Supply voltages wideband Detecto	
Copy Total Calibration Status: PASSED Rohde&Schwarz, FSQ-8, 200176/008, 4 Date (dd/mm/yyyy): 03/11/2006 Ti Runtime: 04:44	Itser Correction - MySMU Name UCOR1 Comment Freq Unit: MHz Unit dB Scaling Initation
Linear detector offset [%]	Negate Values Ref Level: -10.0

Fig. 45 Horizontally tiled windows

- **TILE VERTICALLY** Full view of all windows, which are resized to fit the screen.
- ARRANGE ICONS Arranges icons for better readability.
- SKINS Selects from three different skins.

Help

Help		
Help	F1	
About		

Fig. 46 Help menu

- **HELP** Opens the online help, displaying the list of contents.
- **ABOUT** Displays information about the program version.

7 Hardware and Software Requirements

The minimum requirements for running RSCommander are:

- PC with Pentium II 500 MHz processor or higher, 256 MB RAM, 100 MB free hard disk space, XGA monitor (1024x768), LAN interface and Windows 2000 / XP / Vista operating system.
- Optional National Instruments (NI) or Agilent GPIB controller.

Since RSCommander supports Rohde & Schwarz instruments with various interfaces (GPIB and LAN), the appropriate driver software must be installed first. The following table shows which software must

be installed when using devices with certain interfaces (\checkmark).

	NI-GPIB v3.x	NI-VISA v4.x	Agilent I/O Library M01.01	RSIB- Passport v1.4
Rohde & Schwarz instrument and NI-GPIB controller		E)		
Rohde & Schwarz instrument and Agilent GPIB controller				
Rohde & Schwarz instrument and LAN interface				
Rohde & Schwarz instrument with Windows/NT OS and LAN interface				

A software driver needs to be installed only once and not separately for each device.

- If you are using a National Instruments GPIB controller (AT-GPIB, PCI-GPIB or PCMCIA-GPIB), the NI-VISA runtime version is free of charge. If no NI hardware or software (LabWindows/CVI or Lab-VIEW) is installed but you need NI-VISA for LAN control, please observe National Instruments licensing regulations (see http://www.ni.com for details).
- If you are using an Agilent GPIB controller, you only need the Agilent I/O Library M01.01 (or higher), which may be obtained at http://www.agilent.com.
- **Note:** Older instruments with Windows NT OS cannot be upgraded to VXI-11 compatibility and require the controlling PC to have <u>RSIB-Passport</u> installed (application note <u>1EF47</u>). Scan LAN will discover such devices if the "Include RSIB" option is active (see section 6) and RSIB Passport is installed.

8 Additional Information

Please contact **TM-Applications@rsd.rohde-schwarz.com** for comments and further suggestions.

9 List of Supported Instruments

A list of the supported instruments is available at:

http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/appnote/1ma74

10 Ordering Information Examples

The following list gives only some examples for ordering information. Please contact your local sales office for details.

Signal generator R&S® SMU200A R&S® SMA100A R&S® SMLxx R&S® SML03 R&S® SMJ100A	(100 kHz to 6 GHz) (9 kHz to 3 GHz) (9 kHz to 3.3 GHz) (9 kHz to 3.3 GHz) (100 kHz to 6 GHz)	1141.2005.02 1400.0000.02 1090.3000.xx 1147.7509.13 1403.4507.02
Microwave generator R&S® SMF100A R&S® SMRxx R&S® SMRxx	(1 GHz to 44 GHz) (1GHz to 40 GHz) (1GHz to 60 GHz)	1167.0000.02 1104.0002.xx 1134.9008.xx
Test receiver R&S® ESCI R&S® ESIBxx R&S® ESPIxx R&S® FSMRxx R&S® ESUxx	(9 kHz to 3 GHz) (20 Hz to 40 GHz) (9 kHz to 7 GHz) (20 Hz to 50 GHz) (20 Hz to 40.0 GHz)	1166.5950.03 1088.7490.xx 1142.8007.xx 1166.3311.xx 1302.6005.xx
Spectrum analyzer R&S® FSPxx R&S® FSUxx R&S® FSQxx R&S® FSL6 R&S® FSUPxx	(9 kHz to 40 GHz) (20 Hz to 26.5 GHz) (20 Hz to 26 GHz) (9 kHz to 6 GHz) (20 Hz to 50.0 GHz)	1164.4391.xx 1129.9003.xx 1155.5001.xx 1300.2502.16 1166.3505.xx
Network analyzer R&S® ZVAxx R&S® ZVBxx R&S® ZVT8	(300 kHz to 40 GHz) (300 kHz to 20 GHz) (300 kHz to 20 GHz)	1145.1110.xx 1145.1010.xx 1300.0000.08
Communication Tester R&S® CMU200 R&S® CBT	Univ. Radio Communic.Tester Bluetooth Tester	1100.0008.xx 1153.9000.35
Audio Analyzer R&S® UPV	Audio Analyzer	1146.2003.02

Appendix A – RSCommander.ini

The file RSCommander.ini contains data about the resource strings of the instruments that have previously been used within the program. This file will be created upon the first program startup. To reset the settings of RSCommander simply remove this file from your hard drive.

The RSCommander.ini from version 1.4 is incompatible to former versions. Please refrain from using an old version of this file.

It is possible to add a section to the RSCommander.ini called [ESCAPESEQS]. Computer names starting with strings defined in this block shall be skipped during the scan procedure for autodiscovery of instruments connected to the LAN. If any workstations on the LAN are significantly slowing down the scan procedure they can be entered in this list to improve the performance of the scan.

Example:

[ESCAPESEQS] VAL1 = "XYZ" VAL2 = "YZX"

These entries avoid scanning of workstations with computer names starting with "XYZ" or "YZX".

Appendix B – VisaDevices.ini

The file VisaDevices.ini contains all currently supported devices and their features. Normally, no changes to this file are required.

The section [MASTERDEVICES] contains all currently supported master devices. As moast masterdevices require specific code, adding new master devices is not possible to users.

The section [MAPPINGS] contains all mapped devices. If a device is mapped to a master device RSCommader will treat it like it is of the master device's type. This only works on compatible devices.

The section [FUNCTIONS] contains the individual features of the master devices.



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