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Operators Safety Summary

The general safety information in this part of the summary is for both operating and servicing personnel. Specific warnings and cautions will be found throughout the manual where they apply and do not appear in this summary.

Terms

In This Manual

CAUTION statements identify conditions or practices that could result in damage to the equipment or other property.

WARNING statements identify conditions or practices that could result in personal injury or loss of life.

As Marked on Equipment

CAUTION indicates a personal injury hazard not immediately applicable as one reads the markings, or a hazard to property, including the equipment itself.

DANGER indicates a personal injury hazard immediately applicable as one reads the marking.

Symbols

In This Manual



This symbol indicates where applicable cautionary or other information is to be found. For maximum input voltage see Table 6-1.

As Marked on Equipment



DANGER—High voltage.



Protective ground (earth) terminal.



ATTENTION—Refer to manual.

Power Source

This product is intended to operate from a power source that does not apply more than 250 volts rms between the supply conductors or between either supply conductor and ground. A protective ground connection by way of the grounding conductor in the power cord is essential for safe operation.

Grounding the Product

This product is grounded through the grounding conductor of the power cord. To avoid electrical shock, plug the power cord into a properly wired receptacle before connecting to the product input or output terminals. A protective ground connection by way of the grounding conductor in the power cord is essential for safe operation.

Danger Arising From Loss of Ground

Upon loss of the protective-ground connection, all accessible conductive parts (including knobs and controls that may appear to be insulating) can render an electric shock.

Use the Proper Power Cord

Use only the power cord and connector specified for your product.

Use only a power cord that is in good condition.

For detailed information on power cords and connectors see Table 1-1.

Use the Proper Fuse

To avoid fire hazard, use only a fuse of the correct type, voltage rating and current rating as specified in the parts list for your product.

Do Not Operate in Explosive Atmospheres

To avoid explosion, do not operate this product in an explosive atmosphere unless it has been specifically certified for such operation.

Do Not Remove Covers or Panels

To avoid personal injury, do not remove the product covers or panels. Do not operate the product without the covers and panels properly installed.

Introduction

Introduction

The Tektronix 2445B, 2455B, 2465B, and 2467B Portable Oscilloscopes have raised measurement capability and operator efficiency far above previous standards. These qualities are enhanced by a family of Options. Options are available individually or in Special Editions which combine them in synergistic packages.

Number	Designation	Function	
10	IEEE-488 (GPIB) Interface	Adapts the oscilloscope to measurement systems. (Included in 2465B DV, 2465B DM, 2465B CT.)	
06/09	Counter-Timer-Trigger (CTT)	Measures frequency, period, or total; enhances timing accuracy; delays trigger by event count; triggers on signal combinations. (Included in 2465B DV, 2465B DM, 2465B CT.)	
09	Word Recognizer (WR)	Triggers sweep or counter on 17-bit word. (Included in 2465B DV, 2465B DM, 2465B CT.)	
01	Digital Multimeter (DMM)	Measures V_{dc} , V_{rms} , A_{dc} , A_{rms} , resistance, continuity, temperature, dB, averages, and changes, with 4 1/2 digits (included in 2465B DV, 2465B DM).	
05	TV/Video Analysis System (TV)	Triggers on selected video lines; clamps "back porch." (Included in 2465B DV.)	

Table 1-1 Functional Enhancement Options

This Interfacing Guide shows how to use the 24X5B/2467B Oscilloscopes with Option 10 in a GPIB system. It explains the instruments' measurement capabilities, how to set them up for GPIB operation, and how to communicate with the oscilloscopes and their options with a system controller. Consult the instrument operators manual for basic measurement techniques.

If your instrument is configured with the GPIB and CTT (Options 10 and 06 or Options 10 and 09), it can measure frequency, period, time interval, rise and fall time, slew rate, duty factor, frequency ratio, and other signal parameters automatically and with generally greater accuracy and resolution than the automated Parametric Measurements available with the base instrument. The DMM adds precise measurements of low-speed signals to the possibilities for automation.

If your tests are not suited to automation, a measurement system can interact with an operator through the instrument. The controller sets the scope to display a waveform and the operator positions ΔV or Δt cursors to the points of interest. The controller then logs the measurement or compares it to limits. In other applications, the operator adjusts a circuit or device by looking at an automatically displayed waveform. Cursors can indicate test limits or adjustment targets.

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Measurement Capabilities and Characteristics

Measurement Capabilities and Characteristics

Automated Parametric Measurements

The GPIB option allows access to the automated parametric measurements available from the front panel. The A and B triggers, A and B sweeps, and the AC trigger coupling capacitor are used to make automated time and voltage measurements. All of these measurements are repetitive, requiring stable signals to function properly.

Cursors

For semiautomatic measurements, the cursors aid communication between the system and the operator. An operator can align the cursors with specific waveform features and the controller can assimilate the data. A controller can set the cursors to nominal starting positions, close to the actual measurement or to limit positions within which a waveform should fall.

The cursors give excellent accuracies. They eliminate graticule interpolation and they eliminate CRT geometry errors. Time measurements spanning 4 divisions or more are accurate within $\pm 1.25\%$ of reading with X10 MAG off or $\pm 1.75\%$ with X10 MAG on. Low-frequency voltage measurements spanning 3.2 divisions or more are accurate within $\pm 2.25\%$. Always use the largest possible display of any waveform for the best accuracy.

For intervals less than 4 ns, delta-time cursors are more accurate than the 55 ps basic accuracy of counter-based, delta-delay-time measurements.

Frequency and Period

Frequency measurement using the Parametric Measurement function uses the B sweeps and triggers to measure the A trigger period and frequency. This capability extends to the trigger bandwidth.

An oscilloscope with the CTT option directly measures frequency or period of the A-trigger signal, but accurate counting requires greater signal amplitudes than stable sweep triggering requires. The highest frequency specified for counting is 150 MHz, even though sweep triggering is specified to much higher frequencies. Two factors cause these differences. First, the counter must "see" every cycle of the signal, even though the sweep will trigger on marginal or very-high-frequency signals that the shaping comparator sometimes misses. Second, the shaping circuits driving the sweep and the counter may have slightly different thresholds.

To count the frequency or period of a Channel 1 or Channel 2 signal, use DC trigger coupling and at least 1.5 divisions peak-to-peak signal amplitude, from 0.5 Hz to 50 MHz; use at least 4 divisions up to 150 MHz. Counting from Channel 3 or Channel 4 requires only half as much display amplitude.

Time Interval

Four parametric time interval measurements are available:

- Rise time and Fall time measure between the 10% and 90% points on the input signal.
- Width measures between the signal high and low times referenced to the signal 50% point.
- The general purpose Time-interval measurement allows setting the channel, slope, and level of the start and stop events.

Automatic time interval measurements depend on the relationship between a waveform and the sweep generators. This relationship is established by the horizontal display, sweep delay, and trigger controls.

Instruments equipped with the Counter/Timer/Trigger (CTT) measure actual delay time, whether the B Sweep runs immediately after delay or waits until receiving a trigger signal after delay. If the B Sweep is triggered after delay, the measurement automatically tracks varying intervals.

The counter operates with the delayed (B) sweep, in both delay-time and deltadelay-time modes. It counts time-base-clock pulses from the A-Sweep trigger event to the start of the B Sweep. In the delta-delay-time mode the B Sweep displays a pair of events that define the interval of interest and the counter determines the difference between the pair of delay times. The time resolution you select determines how long you must wait for the instrument to complete a time interval measurement. AUTO resolution gives the fastest measurement response, as short as 0.5 second. With 10 ps, 100 ps, or 1 ns resolution, response time depends on how long it takes to accumulate 1,000,000 or 10,000 or 100 A Triggers, respectively. Higher signal frequencies give higher A-Trigger rates, but the minimum trigger period is about 2 μ s plus 12 times the A SEC/DIV setting. Increasing HOLDOFF increases the minimum trigger period.

Repetitive Time Intervals

The counter measures each of the two delay-times inherent in the delta-delaytime mode; then it determines the equivalent time between the B-Trigger events by taking the difference between the pair of measured times.

Delta-delay-time mode yields the best possible accuracy for many time measurements. The difference measurement cancels delay differences between the A Trigger and the B Trigger. With delta-time, you can measure very short intervals, down to the resolution limit. However, delta-time measurements require repetitive signals.

For the best delta-delay-time accuracy, expanded displays of the beginning and ending of an interval must be visually superimposed. You can disregard superposition of the ends of the interval, with triggered delta-delay-time, if the transition times of the signals are short compared to the accuracy you need.

Non-Repetitive Time Intervals

The CTT also measures non-repetitive signals and isolated intervals, by measuring delay-time. If the A Sweep triggers on one event and the B Sweep triggers on another, the counter records the time between the events. The two events could be the rising and falling edges of a single pulse. Using the delay mode, you can measure pulse widths or propagation delays as short as 70 ns. You can measure single-shot time intervals with 10-ns resolution.

Peak Amplitude

In response to a command from a GPIB system controller, the oscilloscope can measure signal peak voltages, average volts, and peak-to-peak voltage. The A-Trigger circuit compares trigger levels to the peaks.

Peak voltage accuracy is not specified for signals with transition times less than 20 ns. Fortunately, peak voltages of similar signals can be compared more accurately than the specifications indicate they can be measured. Differences between signals with similar waveforms and repetition rates can be accurately determined, even if the signal transitions are faster than 20 ns.

If SEC/DIV is 5 ms or faster, the measurement should take no more than 2 seconds, and usually takes much less. To accommodate slower signals, the measurement can take up to 20 seconds.

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Programming Techniques

Programming Techniques

Self-Contained Programs

The oscilloscopes in this series can satisfy many repetitive test and measurement requirements, without external controllers. They can store as many as 30 setups or measurements, with seven-character names, which can be grouped into multiple sequences. The setups in any of the sequences can be recalled by operating a single button on the front panel or by operating an external switch, connected to the instrument's rear panel.

With the CTT (Option 09 or 06), these setups can measure frequency, period, time intervals, and slew rate automatically. With some operator interaction, or using the automated Parametric Measurements, you can measure rise and fall time, duty factor, peak voltage, and other signal parameters. With the GPIB (Option 10), the 30 setups can be copied from one oscilloscope to others, using only a GPIB cable, without a controller or other external device. See EXER 13 and EXER 14 in Section 4. See the instrument Operators manual for complete instructions.

Easy Programs

With minimal programming, a system controller can augment the oscilloscope with conditional sequences, limit testing, data logging, and extended operator prompting, beyond the seven-character setup names. Test program generators and executors facilitate this level of programming and relieve the test developer of writing and debugging code. The test developer sets the instrument manually and chooses a set of test parameters for each step in a test procedure. The controller "learns" the setup and the set of test parameters for future use.

Test program development and execution software from Tektronix includes EZ-TEK-2400-PC, for the IBM AT/XT/PC and equivalents, and EZ-TEK-2400 and EZ-TEST, for the Tek 4041 controller. The Tektronix GURU interface package, which adds GPIB controller capability to the IBM AT/XT/PC and equivalents, also includes a test program generator.

If you use a test program generator, you can disregard the tables of commands in this guide. Refer to "Setting GPIB System Parameters" to establish compatibility with your controller.

Full-Power Programs

If you need to automate voltage measurements and indirect time measurements, you can take advantage of the versatility of the instrument command language. Automatic measurements can include rise and fall time, duty factor, peak voltage, and other signal parameters, by programming specific instrument commands.

Even if you use the full power of the instrument command language and the controller language, most tests and measurements can be set up by operating the instrument manually, then transferring the setup information to the controller for future use and possible modification. See the "LLSET?" query and "LLSET" directive described in Table 6-5, System Commands. Sample program segments follow the command tables.

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System Configuration

System Configuration

Setting GPIB System Parameters

To use the oscilloscope with a GPIB controller, system compatibility must be established by setting a few key parameters. Use the oscilloscope front panel controls to select the primary address, message terminator, and talk/listen mode. These selections are accessible through "exerciser" routines. GPIB exercisers also can transfer the set of thirty saved setups from one instrument to one or more other instruments, without a system controller.

GP EXER 11 Program GPIB Address
GP EXER 12 Program GPIB Message Terminator and Talk/Listen
GP EXER 13 Receive-Setups Mode
GP EXER 14 Send-Setups Mode

To operate these exercisers:

- Enter the Diagnostic Monitor mode by pressing and holding both ΔV and Δt, then pressing Trigger SLOPE while holding ΔV and Δt. The readout will display "DIAGNSTIC. PUSH A/B TRIG TO EXIT," indicating the Diagnostic Monitor mode.
- Repeatedly press the upper or lower Trigger MODE button to sequence through the TEST and EXER routine labels and select the one you want to run.
- 3. Press the upper Trigger COUPLING button to execute the selected Exerciser.
- 4. To exit an exerciser, press the lower Trigger COUPLING button.
- 5. To return to normal instrument operation, press A/B/TRIG.

In the following descriptions, the lines marked with > show what is displayed in the top row of the readout.

GP EXER 11 Program GPIB Address for Talk and Listen

> GPIB ADDRESS nn

nn = a primary address within 0 to 31. Turn the Δ control to select the appropriate address. With address 31, bus data has no effect on the instrument and is unaffected by the instrument. The instrument does not have secondary addressing.

GP EXER 12 Program GPIB Message Terminator and Talk/Listen

Press the upper MODE button to select EOI or LF as message terminator.

Press the upper SOURCE button to select TALK/LISTEN or LISTEN operation.

> TERMINATOR EOI MODE TALK LISTEN

The instrument accepts only the EOI bus message as the end of a string of received bytes. The instrument asserts EOI at the end of a string of transmitted bytes. The instrument can be addressed either as a talker to send settings and readings or as a listener to receive control information.

> TERMINATOR LF MODE TALK LISTEN

The instrument accepts either the EOI bus message or an LF (line feed) character as the end of a string of received bytes. The instrument asserts CR (carriage return) then LF with EOI at the end of a string of transmitted bytes.

> TERMINATOR EOI MODE LISTEN ONLY

The instrument will not operate as a bus talker. It will receive control information. The listen-only mode allows the instrument to share a GPIB address with another instrument that talks.

> TERMINATOR LF MODE LISTEN ONLY

GP EXER 13 Receive-Setups Mode

> READY TO RECEIVE SETUPS

- Connect the instrument to another instrument of the same model and with the same options by a GPIB cable. If the instrument is a different model in the following list: 2445B, 2455B, 2465B, 2465BCT, 2465BDM, 2465BDV, and 2467B, or one with a different set of options, most setups will be valid, but some will give unpredictable results.
- 2. Select GP EXER 14 in the other instrument.
- > RECEIVING SETUPS

When the transfer is complete, the instrument will exit EXER 13 automatically.

GP EXER 14 Send-Setups Mode

Before executing this exerciser, make sure the instrument is connected to another by a GPIB cable and be sure the other instrument is in the "READY TO RECEIVE SETUPS" state initiated by GP EXER 13.

> SENDING SETUPS

When the transfer is complete, the instrument will exit EXER 14 automatically.

Instrument Configuration

- 1. Select a primary address for the oscilloscope.
- 2. Set the scope address through the diagnostic exerciser.

NOTE

If you are using an HP controller, the standard I/O port is 7. Add the value of the scope address to 700 and use the result as the device identifier in all calls to the scope.

- 3. Select the message terminator. If you are using an HP controller, the message terminator must be set to LF. For other controllers, use EOI.
- 4. Select TALK/LISTEN mode, not LISTEN ONLY.

IBM PC/XT/AT Configuration

For IBM computers, using the Tektronix GURU interface or the National Instruments IEEE-488 interface, do the following.

- 1. Determine whether you have a PC2 or PC2A interface board. PC2A has a clock. Be sure jumpers and switches are set correctly.
- If you are using the National Instruments interface package, execute IBSTART, which augments the CONFIG.SYS file on the root drive by adding a line.

DEVICE=GPIB.COM

If you are using the Tektronix GURU package, be sure the GURU diskette is in the root drive or else copy the CONFIG.SYS file on the GURU diskette to the root drive, after backing up the original file.

- 3. Execute the IBCONF program.
 - In the GPIB0 menu, be sure the correct card is selected. DMA should be
 Set any other configuration parameters as required.
 - Choose and enter a name for the oscilloscope. Use "o2465" if you are going to use the XTNLEV program.
 - Using the sub-menu of the device name you chose, set the primary address to the value you selected in Step 1 of Instrument Configuration.
 - · Save any changes you made and exit IBCONF.
- 4. Make sure a copy of the file GPIB.COM exists in the directory from which your computer boots up.
- 5. "Boot" the system to initialize it for GPIB operation with the defined device address(es).
- 6. Be sure the logged drive contains a copy of the file BIB.M, part of the interface package.
- 7. Execute BASICA.
- 8. Load and execute any valid application program. Each application program must incorporate at least lines 1-6 of the file DECL.BAS, part of the interface package.

Program Considerations at Power-on

If you are using the self-programming features or a test program generator, you can disregard the information in this section. At power-on, the instrument restores the setup in effect at power-off or saved setup number 1, depending on the selection made by an extended-function exerciser, described in the Operators manual. The GPIB interface enters the Local State (LOCS).

If service requests were enabled at power-off, the GPIB interface asserts Service Request (SRQ) at power on. The normal response of a controller to SRQ is a serial poll, but the instrument will communicate normally on the GPIB whether or not the controller responds to an SRQ. If the controller performs a serial poll, the oscilloscope responds with a status byte of 65 decimal, meaning that the instrument has just powered up.

Some controllers, such as the Tektronix 4051 and 4052 without the 405XR14 GPIB ROM pack, require a program with an SRQ handler. The program should begin by enabling this handler; otherwise, a power-on SRQ will cause the program to halt and display the error message "NO SRQ ON UNIT." Examples of SRQ handler routines for both Tektronix 4041 and 405X series controllers are contained in the "SRQ and EVENT Codes" section.

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Communication Between Oscilloscope and Controller

Communication Between Oscilloscope and Controller

GPIB controllers use high-level languages such as Pascal, C, and BASIC to define messages and transfer them to and from the oscilloscope. Statements in these languages usually contain three parts: the input/output keyword (such as "PRINT" or "read"), the GPIB logical unit designator (such as "08" or "scope"), and a character string or string variable designator (such as "CH1 COUPLING:DC") that forms a specific instrument command or response. The following statement in Tektronix 4041 BASIC sets CH 1 coupling to dc, if the instrument has been previously identified as logical unit #8. All program examples are given in Tek 4041 BASIC unless otherwise noted.

220 PRINT #8: "CH1 COUPLING:DC"

You may prefer to assign the oscilloscope GPIB address to a variable and use that variable in I/O statements. This can make the code more understandable and reduce effort and errors when changes are required.

320 Let scope=6
...
730 Print #scope: "CH1 COUPLING:DC"

Output Statements

The following examples show output statements in several controller languages. Any instrument command can take the place of "string" in the examples. Each statement assumes a prior configuration and declaration of the GPIB port and the device (oscilloscope) on the bus.

Tek 4041 BASIC:

PRINT #10: "string"

IBM AT/XT/PC, with Tek GURU GPIB Interface and Microsoft BASIC, where WRT\$ is an output string buffer:

IBWRT (SCOPE %, WRT\$)

IBM AT/XT/PC, with National GPIB/Pascal Interface and Turbo Pascal, where wrt is an output string buffer and cnt is the number of bytes to be sent:

ibwrt (scope,wrt,cnt);

HP 9826A BASIC:

OUTPUT 710; "string"

Query Commands and Responses

The oscilloscope will transmit measurement or status information after a query command has been sent to the scope. Query commands are formed by immediately following a header with a question mark. The query and input operations can be specified by separate statements. In some controllers, a prompting input statement can perform both functions. For example, the following Tek 4041 statement acquires the channel 1 settings, where set\$ has previously been declared an array of 100 characters.

160 Input #10 prompt "CH1?": set\$

The controller addresses the oscilloscope as a listener at primary address #10 then sends "CH1?" over the bus. The controller then reassigns the instrument to be a talker and inputs the characters into the target variable (set\$). The set\$ variable then contains the following information, for example:

CH1 VOL:50.0E-3, VAR:0.0, POS:0.0, COU:FIF;

If a query includes an argument to specify a parameter, the response is shortened. For example, if the query "CH1? COUPLING" were sent to the oscilloscope, the response returned to the controller could be:

CH1 COU:DC;

Input Statements

The following examples show input statements in several controller languages. The instrument response occupies the S\$ or rd\$ buffer in the examples. Each statement assumes a prior configuration and declaration of the GPIB port and the device (oscilloscope) on the bus. Each input must be preceded by a query to identify the information desired.

Tek 4041 BASIC:

INPUT #10:S\$

IBM AT/XT/PC, with Tek GURU GPIB Interface and Microsoft BASIC, where WRT\$ is an output string buffer:

IBRD (SCOPE %, RD\$)

IBM AT/AT/XT/PC, with National GPIB/Pascal Interface and Turbo Pascal, where wrt is an output string buffer and cnt is the number of bytes to be sent:

ibrd (scope,rd,cnt);

HP 9826A BASIC:

INPUT 710;S\$

Setup Transfers

Only rarely should an oscilloscope setup be defined entirely by the commands in the command tables. Initial setups normally should be copied from a manually operated instrument, then modified if necessary by a few commands. The instrument can transfer setups in four ways. See the operators manual and the command tables for details.

- 1. Thirty internally stored setups can be copied directly from one instrument to another, through a GPIB cable, without a controller.
- 2. The current setup can be transferred to a controller in response to an LLSET? query and returned by an LLSET command. The setup is transmitted compactly, in an eight-bit binary format.
- 3. The current setup can be transferred to a controller in response to a SET? query and the response returned as a command. The setup is described fully in ASCII characters, as defined in the command tables.
- 4. Thirty internally stored setups can be transferred to a GPIB controller, in eight-bit binary format, using the LOADSEQ? query. The setups can be sent to an oscilloscope with the LOADSEQ command.

Command or Query	Maximum Byte Count with GPIB Only		Maximum Byte Count with All Options	
LONGFORM	Off	On	Off	On
LLSET	90	92	154	156
SET	588	845	842	1303
LOADSEQ	4719	4723	4719	4723

Table 5-1 Command or Query Byte Counts

Use LLSET? and LLSET to avoid wasting time and memory space, if your controller can handle binary data.

Sending and Receiving ASCII Setups

To save a setup for future use, request a SET? string from the oscilloscope and store it in a string variable. To set the instrument up with the stored parameters, simply send the string back to the instrument.

```
400 Dim str$ to 1400 ! Dimension variable
410 Input #8 prompt "SET?":str$! Input front
! panel setup into str$
420 Dim str$ to len(str$)! Re-dimension str$ to actual
! string
...
450 Print #8:str$
```

Sending and Receiving Binary Setups

To obtain a Binary front-panel setup from the oscilloscope, send LLSET? and store the response either in a string variable or in a numeric array according to the capability of your controller. If the data is stored as an ASCII character string, the controller must support 8-bit ASCII characters or the data will be invalid. The following 4041 example inputs the LLSET? response to a binary variable. To set the instrument up with the stored parameters, simply send the array back to the instrument.

```
400 Dim bin$ to 200 ! Dimension array variable
410 Open #8:"GPIB (PRI=8,EOM=<0>):"
420 Input #8 prompt "SET?":bin$! Input front
! panel setup into bin$
430 Dim bin$ to len(bin$)! Re-dimension bin$
! to actual array
...
460 Frint #8:bin$
```

. . .

SRQ and Event Codes

The most recent RQS ON or RQS OFF command (see Table 6-5, System Commands) determines whether the instrument will generate the Service Request (SRQ) message on the GPIB when either an error or a change in status occurs. The enabling or disabling effect of the RQS command persists through power-off and power-on, so the power-on SRQ also is controlled by the RQS command. The SRQ indicator lights when the scope asserts the message on the bus.

If the controller is configured and programmed appropriately, the SRQ interrupts the normal flow of the program. To service an interrupt, the controller performs a Serial Poll. In response, the oscilloscope returns a Status Byte (STB), which reveals the type of event that occurred. It also drops SRQ. If the instrument has another event to report, it reasserts SRQ. The SRQ indicator extinguishes when all events are reported. If the controller does not respond to the SRQ message, the instrument continues to operate and communicate normally, even though the condition that initiated the SRQ may invalidate a measurement.

The operator can generate SRQ and the user-request event (403). The SWRQS ON; command enables or disables SRQ on closure of a switch connected to the rear-panel STEP/AUTO EXT SWITCH connector, if RQS is on. The event is included in the response to serial poll regardless of RQS. If a Tektronix probe with an Identify button is connected to a vertical input, pressing the button with RQS and PID on also generates the SRQ and event 403. Pressing the BEAM FIND button with RQS on, also generates the SRQ and event 403.

To obtain more information about an event, the controller can send an EVENT? query. The instrument responds with a number which indicates the specific event. The various status bytes, events codes, and errors are defined in Appendix B.

This program segment shows how to handle an SRQ, determine the instrument status, and display the Status Byte and the associated event code on the controller screen.

800?	????			! Simple SRQ Handler	
810	poll	stb,	dev	! poll bus, store status	
				! byte in "stb"	
820	input	#dev	prompt	"event?":event	
830	print	stb;	event	! print stb and event on	screen

Interface Messages

This section describes the effects of GPIB interface messages received by the oscilloscope from a controller. See ANSI/IEEE Std 488-1978 for detailed descriptions of interface messages and resultant interface states. These messages are encoded as single bits or as single bytes. They may be explicitly generated by the GPIB interface software in the controller or they can be composed in hexadecimal format according to the IEEE Standard. They can NOT be sent as character strings in the manner of instrument commands.

Local Lockout (LLO)

The Local Lockout message (LLO) may be received from the controller at any time, whether the instrument is addressed or not. Once the LLO message has been received, the My Listen Address (MLA) message locks out the front-panel controls and the Go to Local (GTL) message enables them. The LLO message disables the front-panel controls immediately if the instrument is addressed as a listener when LLO is received. If the program sends the LLO message, it should also send the GTL message to a listener-addressed device when the front panel should be active. The LOCK indicator lights when front-panel operation is suspended.

If the LOCK ON or LOCK OFF command has been received the LLO message is ignored.

If the controller sets the Remote Enable (REN) line false, the LOCK ON or LOCK OFF command is received, or if power is cycled off and on, the effect of the LLO message is cancelled and the instrument controls operate normally.

Remote Enable (REN)

When the Remote Enable (REN) line is true and the instrument receives its listen address (MLA), the oscilloscope can receive data from the bus and the oscilloscope's REM (remote) indicator lights.

If the REN line goes false, the instrument must receive MLA again before it can receive commands. If a command is in process when REN goes false, it continues to execute.

Go To Local (GTL)

If GTL is received, the instrument must receive MLA again before it can receive commands. If a command is in process when GTL is received, it continues to execute.

My Listen Address and My Talk Addresses (MLA and MTA)

These messages condition the instrument to receive commands or respond to queries and serial polls, respectively. They are received when the Attention (ATN) line is true and the data on the GPIB is hexadecimal 20 or 40 plus the address defined by GP EXER 11.

Unlisten (UNL) and Untalk (UNT)

These messages, equivalent to talk and listen address decimal 31, cancel the MLA and MTA messages, respectively.

Interface Clear (IFC)

Receiving this message is equivalent to receiving both the UNL and the UNT messages.
Device Clear (DCL)

The DCL message initializes communication between the instrument and the controller. In response to DCL, the instrument clears any input and output messages as well as any unexecuted control settings. Any errors and events waiting to be reported are cleared except the power-on event. The SRQ message is cleared unless it is asserted for power-on.

Selected Device Clear (SDC)

This message performs the same function as DCL, only if the instrument has been listen addressed.

Serial Poll Enable and Disable (SPE and SPD)

The Serial Poll Enable (SPE) message causes the instrument to transmit its serial-poll status byte when it is talk-addressed. The Serial Poll Disable (SPD) message returns the instrument to normal operation.

Command Handler

A command handler establishes communication between the controller and oscilloscope, sends commands and queries to the oscilloscope, receives responses from the oscilloscope, and processes the responses as required. The following outline indicates a general sequence of command-handling functions.

- 1. Initialize the controller.
- Disable the service-request handler until the program is ready to handle them.
- 3. Get the GPIB address of the oscilloscope.
- 4. Enable the service-request handler.
- 5. Send a command to the oscilloscope.
- 6. Check for a response from the oscilloscope.
- 7. Process any response as desired.
- 8. Repeat steps 5 through 7 as desired.

Service-Request Handler

A service-request handler processes the interrupts generated by the SRQ message on the GPIB. For example, when cursors have been placed on points of interest on a waveform, an operator can press a switch connected to the rear panel which can cause the oscilloscope to assert SRQ. In response the controller program can verify that the switch closure caused the interrupt, then query the cursor measurement and compare the measured value to preset limits.

Events at which the oscilloscope asserts SRQ are identified in Appendix B.

Some controllers can ignore service requests and others require a programmed response to SRQ. Most controllers ignore service requests until SRQ interrupts are explicitly enabled.

An SRQ handler needs an interrupt-enabling statement (eg. ON SRQ statement-label) near the beginning of the program and a serial-poll subroutine with that label. The ON SRQ statement directs program control to the serial-poll subroutine whenever an SRQ interrupt occurs. The instrument maintains the identity of an event that generates an SRQ until a serial poll is executed by the interrupt-service subroutine.

The following general steps handle service requests from the oscilloscope:

- 1. Perform a serial poll to determine which device on the bus is requesting service. The serial poll clears an SRQ generated by the oscilloscope, unless more than one event has been identified.
- 2. Send an EVENT? query to the oscilloscope requesting service.
- 3. If the EVENT? query response is not zero, perform the appropriate response to the event.
- 4. Return to the main program.

GPIB Commands

The GPIB commands set instrument operating states, query the operating states, and query the results of measurements. These commands are specified in mnemonics that are related to function names or front-panel control names. Commands follow the conventions established in the Tektronix Codes and Formats Standard.

Command messages consist of headers, arguments, separators, and message terminators.

Headers

A command contains at least a header. A few commands are fully specified by a header. For example:

BALance

Arguments

Most commands require arguments after the headers. An argument must be separated from its header by at least one space.

DELAY 1.0E03

HMODE XY

Some arguments consist of primary and secondary arguments, or primary, secondary, and tertiary arguments. Primary, secondary, and tertiary arguments must be separated by colons.

CH1 VOLTS:5

ATRIGGER MODE: AUTOLEVEL

MSETUP START:CH1POS:10.0

Some headers allow multiple arguments, which must be separated by commas. A colon still separates primary and secondary arguments.

CH1 VOLTS:5,COUPLING:DC,POSITION:1.2

VMODE CH1:OFF,CH2:ON,ADD:ON

Command Separator

Multiple commands can be combined in one message by separating the individual commands with semicolons.

CH1 VOLTS:5,COUPLING:DC;VMODE ADD:ON

Queries

In a query, the question mark must immediately follow the header, with no space.

DVOLTS?

ATRIGGER? COUPLING

Message Terminator

Messages can be terminated with either EOI or LF, depending on the system controller. The GPIB interface can be set to accept either terminator, using EXER 12, as previously explained. With EOI selected, a data byte received with EOI asserted is recognized as the end of an input message. The instrument also asserts EOI concurrently with the last byte of an output message. With the LF setting, either an LF character or any data byte received with EOI asserted is recognized as the end of an input message. With the LF setting, either an LF character or any data byte received with EOI asserted is recognized as the end of an input message. With the LF selection, the instrument transmits a Carriage Return character followed by Line Feed (LF) with EOI asserted to terminate an output message.

Abbreviations

The defined words in headers and arguments can be entered at full length or shortened to reduce typing and bus traffic. The command tables show the essential characters of headers and arguments in upper-case characters and optional characters in lower-case. The instrument accepts either upper case or lower case characters. For example, any of the following commands are acceptable.

VMO? vmod? vmode invert VMODE INVE

Numeric Arguments

The following table depicts the formats for numeric arguments in the GPIB command set. Both signed and unsigned numbers are accepted but unsigned numbers are interpreted as positive.

The symbol <nrx> indicates that any of the three formats is allowed. When only one specific format is permitted, it is represented by nr1, nr2, or nr3.

Numeric Argument Symbol		Number Format	Examples
	<nr1></nr1>	Integers	+1, 2, -1, -10
<nrx></nrx>	<nr2></nr2>	Explicit decimal point	-3.2, +5.1, 1.2
	<nr3></nr3>	Floating point in scientific notation	+1.E-2, 1.0E+2, 1.E-2, 0.02E+3

 Table 5-2

 Numeric Argument Format for GPIB Commands

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NOTE

Some commands are valid only with 2445B, 2455B, 2465B, or 2467B. These are indicated by "(B)" in the descriptions. Some commands are valid only with the 24X5A/B, 2467, or 2467B. These are indicated by "(A)" in the descriptions. The other commands are valid with the earlier 2445 and 2465.

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
 CH1			Selects Channel 1 vertical parameters.
	COUpling:	AC DC FIFty GND	Sets input coupling.
	POSition:	<nrx></nrx>	Sets position to $<$ nrx $>$ divisions from center. Range extends ± 11 divisions.
	VARiable:	<nrx></nrx>	Sets Volts/Div Var to the approximate value of $<$ nrx $>$ in the range from 0 to 10. At $<$ nrx $> = 0$, Volts/Div is calibrated.
	VOLts:	<nrx></nrx>	Sets Volts/Div deflection factor to the value of <nrx>. If <nrx> is not a valid, calibrated Volts/Div for the installed probe, the next higher calibrated Volts/Div or the highest Volts/Div is used and an error event is generated.</nrx></nrx>
CH1?			Query returns CH1 VOL: <nr2 nr3="" or="">, VAR:<nr1>, POS:<nr3>, COU:<argument>;.</argument></nr3></nr1></nr2>
	COUpling		Response: CH1 COU: <argument>;.</argument>
	POSition		Response: CH1 POS: <nr2 nr3="" or="">;.</nr2>
	VARiable		Response: CH1 VAR: <nr1 nr2="" or="">;.</nr1>
	VOLts		Response: CH1 VOL: <nr2 nr3="" or="">;.</nr2>
	PRObe		CH1? PROBE must be queried explicitly; it is not included in the CH1? query response. The response string indicates the probe attenuation coding: X1, X10, X100 or X1000.

Table 6-1 Vertical Commands

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
CH2	INVert:	ON OFF	Same as CH1 plus INVert: argument. Turns Channel 2 inversion on or off. This command has the same effect as VMOde INVert: < argument >. Default is INV (ON).
CH2?	INVert		Same as CH1, except query also returns INV: <argument>, where argument is either ON or OFF.</argument>
CH3 CH3?			Same as CH1, except COUpling and VARiable arguments are invalid and POSition range is ± 4 divisions.
CH4 CH4?			Same as CH3.
VMOde			Selects channels to be displayed, Chop or Alternate channel-multiplexing mode, limited or full vertical bandwidth, and Channel 2 inversion. When all channels are off, Channel 1 is displayed.
	BWLimit:	ON OFF	Sets state of bandwidth limit. Default is BWL (ON).
	CHOp:	ON OFF	Selects Chop or Alternate multiplexing. Default is Chop (ON).
	CH1:	ON OFF	Turns Channel 1 on or off. Default is CH1 (ON).
	CH2:	ON OFF	Turns Channel 2 on or off. Default is CH2 (ON).
	CH3:	ON OFF	Turns Channel 3 on or off. Default is CH3 (ON).
	CH4:	ON OFF	Turns Channel 4 on or off. Default is CH4 (ON).
	ADD:	ON OFF	Turns display of sum of Channel 1 plus Channel 2 on or off. Default is ADD (ON).
	INVert:	ON OFF	Selects normal or inverted Channel 2 display. Default is INV (ON).

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
VMOde?	CHOp CH1 CH2 CH3 CH4 ADD INVert BWLimit		Query returns current state of the vertical display: VMO CH1: <argument>, CH2:<argument>, CH3:<argument>, CH4:<argument>, ADD:<argument>, BWL:<argument>, INV:<argument>, CHO:<argument>;.</argument></argument></argument></argument></argument></argument></argument></argument>

Table 6-1 (cont)

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
HORizontal			Selects Horizontal display parameters.
	ASEcdiv:	<nrx></nrx>	Selects A-Sweep speed in seconds per division. Range for the 2465B and 2467B is from 5E-9 to 1.5. Range for the 2445B and 2455B is from 10E-9 to 1.5. If the selected speed is faster than the current B Sweep, B-Sec/Div is set equal to A-Sec/Div. The effects of MAGnify: are independent of ASEcdiv:.
	BSEcdiv:	<nrx></nrx>	Selects B-Sweep speed in seconds per division. Range for the 2465B and 2467B is from 5E-9 to 0.15. Range for the 2445B and 2455B is from 10E-9 to 0.15. B-Sec/Div is updated whether B Sweep is active or not. If the selected B-Sec/Div is slower than the current A-Sec/Div, A-Sec/Div is set equal to B-Sec/Div. The effects of MAGnify: are independent of BSEcdiv:.
	MAGnify:	ON OFF	Turns X10 sweep magnification on or off. Default is MAG (ON).
	POSition:	<nrx></nrx>	Sets the starting position of the sweep in divisions from the left edge of the screen over the range ± 5.46 divisions.
	TRACEsep:	<nrx></nrx>	Offsets B Sweep from A Sweep or Δ -B Sweep from the B Sweep with the reference delay by the indicated amount, in the approximate range from 0 to -4 divisions.

Table 6-2 Horizontal Commands

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
HORizontal?	ASEcdiv BSEcdiv MAGnify POSition TRACEsep		Query returns the horizontal selections: HOR ASE: <nrx>, BSE: <nr3>, MAG: <argument>, POS: <nr2>, TRACE: <nr2>;. Argument is either ON or OFF.</nr2></nr2></argument></nr3></nrx>
HMOde			Selects Horizontal display mode. Choices are mutually exclusive.
	ALTernate		Selects both A Sweep and B Sweep for display. This is equivalent to pulling the SEC/DIV knob out.
	ASWeep		Selects only the A Sweep for display.
	BSWeep		Selects only B Sweep for display. If A-Sec/Div and B-Sec/Div are equal, then a settings conflict error is generated.
	XY		Selects XY mode, where Channel 1 drives the horizontal display.
HMOde?			Query returns HMO string;, where the string represents one of the possible Horizontal display modes.

Table 6-2 (cont)

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
ATRigger			Selects A-Trigger parameters.
	MODe:	AUTOBaseline AUTOLevel NORmal SGLseq	Selects Mode from the list of arguments. (AUTOBaseline is equivalent to AUTO.)
	SOUrce:	CH1 CH2 CH3 CH4 LINe VERtical	Selects Source from the argument list.
	COUpling:	AC DC HFRej LFRej NOIserej	Selects Coupling from the argument list. (Use DC for most applications.)
		FLD1 FLD2 ALTernate LINES	Only with the available TV option, selects TV trigger mode.
	LEVel:	<nrx></nrx>	Sets Trigger Level in volts with vertical channel sources or in dimensionless units with LINE source. The numeric argument is stored as a target value. Trigger level is set at the target value or at a limit value defined by the trigger source. The limits are ± 18 times the Volts/Div setting for CH 1 and CH 2, ± 9 times the Volts/Div setting for CH 3 and CH 4, and ± 10 for LINE. A LEVel? query returns the value of the current target.

Table 6-3 Trigger Commands

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
	INIt50		Measures signal peaks at the A-Trigger source and sets trigger level at the midpoint between peaks. (A)
	SLOpe:	MINUs PLUs	Selects Slope of the A-Trigger signal.
	BENdsa:	ON OFF	Sets the B ENDS A mode ON or OFF. Default is BENDsa (ON).
	HOLdoff:	<nrx></nrx>	Sets Holdoff to the value of <nrx> in the arbitrary range from 0 to 10, with 0 representing minimum (normal) holdoff.</nrx>
ATRigger?	BENdsa COUpling HOLdoff LEVel MODe SLOpe SOUrce		Query returns ATR BEN:string, COU:string, HOL:string, LEV: <nr2>, MOD:string, SLO:string, SOU:string.</nr2>
			Arguments MAX, MINI, READY, and TRIGD must be requested explicitly, e.g. ATR? MINI,MAX.
	MAXimum		Query-only returns ATR MAX: <nrx>;. The value of <nrx> represents the most positive peak voltage, measured in volts, at the A-Trigger source at the most recent operation of the INIT@50% button with the A Trigger or in response to the most recent ATRigger INIt50 command or the most recent Auto Level acquisition or the most recent ATRigger MODe AUTOLevel command. Normally, the ATRigger INIt50 command should be sent just prior to an ATRigger? MAXimum query.</nrx></nrx>

Table 6-3 (cont)

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
	MINImum		Query-only returns ATR MINI: <nrx>;. The value of <nrx> represents the most negative peak voltage, measured in volts, under the same conditions as ATRigger? MAXimum.</nrx></nrx>
	READY		Query-only returns ATR READY:string;. String is ON if the single-sequence READY indicator is ON. Otherwise, string is OFF.
	TRIGD		Query-only returns ATR TRIGD:string;. String is ON if TRIG'D indicator is illuminated. Otherwise, string is OFF.
BTRigger		:	Selects B-Trigger parameters.
	MODe:	RUN TRIGGERAble	Selects B-Trigger Mode.
		DRTRigger	Only with the available CTT, conditions the instrument to direct front-panel Slope and Level controls to the B-Trigger associated with the Δ REF delay. This command forces Delta Mode:Time on unless Delta Mode:Pertime or Delta Mode:Cpertime is on. If Delta Mode Cpertime is on, the command forces a change to Delta Mode:Pertime. (A)
		DTRIgger	Only with the available CTT, conditions the instrument to direct front-panel Slope and Level controls to the B-Trigger associated with the Δ delay. This command forces Delta Mode:Time on unless Delta Mode:Pertime or Delta Mode:Cpertime is on. If Delta Mode Cpertime is on, the command forces a change to Delta Mode:Pertime. (A)

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
		ALTSlope	Only with the available CTT, included only for compatibility with earlier instruments, and not recommended for new applications; conditions the instrument to direct front-panel Slope and Level controls to the B-Trigger associated with both Δ delays, maintaining common levels and opposite slopes. This command forces Delta Mode:Time on unless Delta Mode:Pertime or Delta Mode:Cpertime is on. If Delta Mode Cpertime is on, the command forces a change to Delta Mode:Pertime.
	SOUrce:	CH1 CH2 CH3 CH4 VERtical	Selects B-Trigger Source.
	COUpling:	AC DC HFRej LFRej NOIserej	Selects B-Trigger Coupling. (Use DC for most applications.)
	LEVel:	<nrx></nrx>	Sets Trigger Level in volts. The numeric argument is stored as a target value. Trigger level is set at the target value or at a limit value defined by the trigger source. The limits are ± 18 times the Volts/Div setting for CH 1 and CH 2 and ± 9 times the Volts/Div setting for CH 3 and CH 4. A level query returns the value of the current target.
	INIt50		Measures signal peaks at the B-Trigger source and sets trigger level at the midpoint between peaks. (A)

Table 6-3 (cont)

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
	SLOpe:	MINUs PLUs	Selects Slope of the B-Trigger signal.
	DLEVel:	<nrx></nrx>	Only with the available CTT, sets trigger level for the B Sweep controlled by the Δ delay setting, in the same manner as LEVel sets trigger level for all other B-Trigger functions. (A)
	DSLope:	MINUs PLUs	Only with the available CTT, selects trigger slope for the B Sweep controlled by the Δ delay setting, in the same manner as SLOpe sets slope for all other B-Trigger functions. (A)
BTRigger?	COUpling LEVel MODe SLOpe SOUrce		Query returns BTR MOD:string, COU:string, SLO:string, SOU:string, LEV: <nrx>;.</nrx>
	DLEVel DSLOpe		BTRigger? query response only with the available CTT: BTR MOD: string, DSL:string, DLEV: <nrx>, COU: string, SLO:string, SOU:string, LEV:<nrx>;. (A)</nrx></nrx>

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
DELAy	<nrx></nrx>		Sets sweep delay to $$ divisions in the range from -0.05 to 9.95. This command has the same effect as DTIME REF: <nrx>, except when cursors are active with single B sweep delay. The value of -0.05 assures that the A-Trigger event is visible on the B Sweep.</nrx>
DELAy?			Query returns the current delay setting in divisions: DELA <nr2>;.</nr2>
DELTa			Sets Delta-display parameters.
	MODe:	OFF	Selects or cancels a Delta mode.
		CPERTime	Activates 1/ Δ t cursors with A-Sweep or B-Sweep display. With ALT horizontal display, the command produces an error response. (A)
		CTIMe	Activates ∆t cursors with A-Sweep or B-Sweep display. With ALT horizontal display, the command produces an error response. (A)
		PERTime	Activates 1/∆t cursors with A-Sweep display; activates 1/delta-delay-time with Alternate or B-Sweep horizontal display.
		TIMe	Activates ∆t cursors with A-Sweep display; activates delta-delay-time with Alternate or B-Sweep horizontal display.

Table 6-4Delay and Delta Commands

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
DELTa (cont)		VOLts	Activates ΔV cursors.
	TRACKing:	ON OFF	Selects Tracking or Independent Δ REF control mode. Default is Tracking (ON).
DELTa?	MODe TRACKing		Query returns DELT MOD:string,TRACK:string;.
DTIme	REFerence	<nrx></nrx>	Sets Δt or $1/\Delta t$ reference cursor/delay $<$ nrx $>$ divisions from A-Sweep start or left edge of the display, in the range from -0.05 to 9.95. If Tracking is on, the delta delay or cursor moves as required to maintain its distance from the reference, within the -0.05 to 9.95 range.
	DELTa:	<nrx></nrx>	Sets Δt or $1/\Delta t$ delta cursor/delay $<$ nrx $>$ divisions from the reference delay or cursor. The sum of the reference setting plus the delta setting must be within -0.05 to 9.95 divisions.
DTime?	REFerence DELTa		Query returns the Delta Time settings in divisions: DTI REF: <nr2>, DELT:<nr2>;.</nr2></nr2>
TDELta?			Query returns the delta time setting in seconds, hertz, percent, or degrees: <nrx>;. No "TDELTA" header is returned so high-level input drivers can process the response. NOTE: if the query follows a MESSAGE command, a DELTA MODE: <argument>; command must be given again to restore the delta reading. (A)</argument></nrx>

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
DVOlts	REFerence:	<nrx></nrx>	Sets the reference cursor $<$ nrx> divisions from the center of the display, within the \pm 4.0 range. If Tracking is on, the delta delay or cursor moves as required to maintain its distance from the reference, within the \pm 4.0 range.
	DELTa:	<nrx></nrx>	Sets the delta cursor $<$ nrx> divisions from the reference cursor. The sum of the reference setting plus the delta setting must be within ± 4.0 divisions.
DVOlts?	REFerence DELTa		Query returns the delta volts settings in divisions: DVO REF: <nr2>,DELT: <nr2>;.</nr2></nr2>
VDELta?			Query returns the delta volts setting in volts, or percent: <nrx>;. No "VDELTA" header is returned so high-level input drivers can process the response. NOTE: If the query follows a MESSAGE command, a DELTA MODE:VOLTS; command must be given again to restore the delta reading. (A)</nrx>

Table 6-4 (cont)

Table 6-5 System Commands

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
AUTOSetup			Initiates an automatic setup of scale factors, trigger, and intensity (A)
BALance			Initiates the vertical DC Balance procedure. The instrument initializes after BALANCE (see INIt).

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
CYCles?			Query-only returns CYC <nr1>;. The value of <nr1> is the number of times power has been cycled off and on. (A)</nr1></nr1>
ERRor?			Query returns ERR <nr1>;. Response is equivalent to EVEnt? query. Command is included for compatibility with earlier instruments.</nr1>
EVEnt?			Query returns EVE <nr1>;. The value of <nr1> is the most severe of the current errors. Errors are prioritized into three levels, but only the most recent error is maintained for each level. If no error is pending, 0 is returned. Event codes are listed in Tables B-1 and B-2.</nr1></nr1>
HELp HELp?			QUERY ONLY. Returns a list of all command headers that are valid in the current instrument state (Normal, Diagnostic Monitor, Diagnostic Step in Progress). (B) The "?" following HELp is optional.
			EXAMPLE:
			HELP ATRIGGER, AUTOSETUP,BALANCE, BTRIGGER,CALIBRATE, CH1,CH2,CH3,CH4, DELAY,DELTA,DTIME, DVOLTS,HELP,HMODE, HORIZONTAL,INIT, INTENSITY,LLMESSAGE, LLSET,LOADSEQ,LOCK, LONGFORM,MEASURE, MESSAGE,MSETUP, NORMAL,OPC,PATH,PID, READOUT,RECALL,RQS, SAVE,SWRQS,TEST,
			UNLOCK,VMODE,WARNING;

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
HRSon?			Query-only returns HRS <nr1>;. The value of <nr1> is the approximate number of hours of instrument operation. (A)</nr1></nr1>
ID?			Query returns ID TEK/model, V81.1, SYS:FVx, BB:FVy, [string:FV <nr1>,]GPIB:FVz;. The word model stands in place of the strings 2445B, 2455B, 2465B, or 2467B. The characters x, y, and z stand in place of the firmware version numbers of the oscilloscope, Buffer board, and GPIB option, respectively. The section in brackets is repeated for each installed option, including TV and CTT. String V81.1 indicates that the GPIB interface is compatible with the V81.1 version of the Tektronix Codes and Formats standard.</nr1>
INIt			COMMAND ONLY. INIT with no argument sets the oscilloscope and all options except the GPIB to an initialized state equivalent to cycling the power off and on. The GPIB system-command states (RQS, OPC, WARning, SWRQS, PID, PATh, LOCk, and LONgform) are not initialized (RQS is not changed by power-down/power- up.) This command should be the final or only command in a message. Additional commands in the same message give unpredictable results.

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
INIt (cont)	NIt (cont) PANel		COMMAND ONLY. Causes the oscilloscope to go to a factory preset front-panel setup. This command is useful when beginning a new test setup for initializing the oscilloscope to a known setup from which to make changes. It also causes all bus unique commands to be initialized to known states (power-up conditions): (B)
			PATh ON;LONg OFF; RQS ON;OPC OFF; WARN ON:SWRQS OFF; PID ON;LOCk LLO
	SRQ		COMMAND ONLY. Clears all pending SRQs and event codes. This is normally used to initialize the oscilloscope so that waiting for an OPC event can be programmed as a test for event code not equal to zero. (B)
INTEnsity	SWEep:	<nrx></nrx>	Sets trace intensity to dimensionless value of $<$ nrx $>$ in the 0 to 255 range. (A)
	READOut:	<nrx></nrx>	Sets readout intensity to $<$ nrx $>$ in the 0 to 255 range. (A)
	RESTore		In the 2467 and 2467B, restores trace and readout intensities to previously set values, in the event intensities may have been automatically reduced for CRT protection. In the 24X5B, no action is performed but the command is allowed. (A)
INTEnsity?	SWEep READOut		Query returns INTE READO: <nr2>, SWE:<nr2>;. (A)</nr2></nr2>

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
LLMessage	% <byte><byte></byte></byte>		Sends binary data to the top line of the CRT readout. The readout displays the block of binary data according to the codes in Tables 14 and 15. The first pair of bytes represent the number of characters. The last byte is the two's complement of the least significant byte of the sum of the character codes.
LLMessage?			Query returns the contents of the top line of the CRT readout in a binary block of data, in the form:
			LLM % <byte> <byte> <byte>;. The first two bytes following the % character are a 16-bit count of the bytes that follow. The display is encoded according to Tables 14 and 15, not ASCII. The last byte of the block is the two's complement of the least significant byte of the sum of data bytes. (See MESsage? for ASCII coding of the readout.)</byte></byte></byte>
LLSet	% <byte><b< td=""><td>yłe>,</td><td>Returns a previously acquired setup to the instrument. The Low Level binary Setup data can be generated only by a LLSet? query.</td></b<></byte>	yłe>,	Returns a previously acquired setup to the instrument. The Low Level binary Setup data can be generated only by a LLSet? query.

Table 6-5 (cont)

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
LLSet?		<u> </u>	Query response is a block of binary data representing the instrument setup in the form:
			LLSET % <byte><byte>, %<byte><byte>;. The block of data comprises a sub-block for each installed option. Each sub- block begins with a % character followed by two bytes which are a 16-bit count of the bytes that follow. The last two bytes of each sub-block are the two's complement of the least significant byte of the sum of data bytes, followed by a comma, except that the final block is followed by a semicolon.</byte></byte></byte></byte>
			NOTE The LLSET? query behaves unpredictably if the controller recognizes the LF character as the end of a message.
LOAdseq	% <binary dat<="" td=""><td>a>,</td><td>Loads 30 setups into instrument memory which can then be recalled as desired. The binary data is defined only by the LOAdseq? query. (A)</td></binary>	a>,	Loads 30 setups into instrument memory which can then be recalled as desired. The binary data is defined only by the LOAdseq? query. (A)
LOAdseq?			Query returns 4719 to 4723 bytes of binary setup data which is valid to send with a LOAdseq command. (A)
			NOTE The LOADSEQ? query behaves unpredictably if the controller recognizes the LF character as the end of a message.

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
LOCk	ON OFF LLO		Controls the front lock state. If ON then the front panel controls are locked out. LOCK initializes to LLO at powerup and indicates that the oscilloscope will lock out the front panel whenever the universal GPIB command, LLO, is received. If OFF then the front panel controls are unlocked and may not be locked by the universal GPIB command, LLO, if received. Default argument is ON. (B)
LONgform	ON OFF		Enables queries to respond with the full length versions of commands. When LONgform is OFF, the shortest acceptable version of commands are used in query responses. Default argument is ON.
LONgform?			Query returns either LONGFORM ON; or LONG OFF;.
MESsage	"string"		Displays up to 32 mostly-ASCII- coded characters to the top row of the readout. The string must be enclosed in quotes and may exceed 32 characters because of character translations. The display is filled with blanks after the specified characters. If the string specifies more than 32 display characters, the command is ignored except for an error response. Table C-1 lists the character set and codes.

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Header	Argument	Argument	Description
MESsage (cont)			NOTE
			Before a TDELTA? or VDELTA? query following a MESSAGE command, a DELTA MODE: <argument>; command must be given to restore the delta reading.</argument>
MESsage?			Query returns an ASCII representation of the top line of the display: MES "string";. The string may exceed 32 characters due to character translations.
OPC	ON OFF		Enables the instrument to assert SRQ as an "Operation Complete" indication after certain diagnostic and option commands. OPC initializes to OFF at power-up. Default argument is ON.
			Only with the available CTT, if RQS is on, OPC enables SRQ at CTT measuremenmt completion (Event 778). Reading the event code by an EVENT? query clears the event and the SRQ. The event and SRQ remain clear until the CTT measurement has been read by the appropriate query and a new measurement is complete.
OPC?			Query returns either OPC ON; or OPC OFF;.

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
PATh	ON OFF		When PATh is ON, the full path name is returned for a query response. If PATh is OFF, just the last item is sent. For example, with PATh and LONg both ON, the query INTENSITY? READOUT would return: "INTENSITY READOUT:250.0". With PATh OFF, just "250.0" would be returned. This allows just the oscilloscope setup part of the response to be read into a program without having to "strip" off unwanted parts. Defaults to ON at powerup. (B)
PID	ON OFF		Enables/disables an SRQ generated by a probe identify button being pushed. Default argument is ON. (B)
READOut	ON OFF		Turns the CRT SCALE FACTORS readout ON or OFF. Default argument is ON.
READOut?			Query returns READO string;. String is either ON or OFF, indicating the state of the Scale Factors readout.

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
RECall	<nrx></nrx>	[:SEQ]	Sets the instrument to saved setup <nrx>, in the 1 to 30 range, and initiates the Sequence mode if the argument string ":SEQ" is included or cancels the Sequence mode if the argument is not included. In Sequence mode, the front-panel STEP/AUTO button selects following setups. (A)</nrx>
			Most parametric measurements require 5 to 10 seconds to complete. If 10 Hz or 1 Hz minimum frequency is selected, and a slow repetition rate signal applied, a measurement may need up to 1 minute to complete.
			While performing a parametric measurement, the instrument will not respond to GPIB commands or queries until the measurement has completed.
RECall	NEXT		In Sequence mode only, selects the next higher numbered setup saved in the instrument, or the previous setup with the BEGIN attribute if the current setup has the END attribute. RECall NEXT is invalid after RECall <nrx> without the ":SEQ" colon and argument. (A)</nrx>
RQS	ON OFF		Enables the instrument to assert SRQ on detection of specific events, including error conditions. The power-on SRQ depends on the most recent RQS ON/OFF before power-off. (Note that this command is distinct from the RQS message on the GPIB, which is one bit in the serial poll response.) Default argument is ON.
RQS?			Query returns either RQS ON; or RQS OFF;.

Header	Arguments		ents	Description	
SAVe	<nrx></nrx>	:STEP :BEGIN :END	: "string" : FREquency : WIDth : TIMe : RISe : FALI : VOLts	Saves the current setup or a parametric measurement as setup $<$ nrx $>$, in the range from 1 through 30. The optional STEP, BEGIN, and END arguments define attributes for sequential recall operation. BEGIN and END define sequence looping boundaries. The STEP argument is assumed if neither BEGIN nor END are given. The optional "string" with up to 7 characters must be delimited by quotes. The string defines a name for the setup. If any parametric measurement is selected, the current vertical selections, and channel 1 and 2 coupling are saved. If the configurable 'TIME' parametric measurement is also saved (see MSETup). If no name is given in the command, the previous name of the setup <nrx> is retained, except that the name "NOT.SET" will change to "SET." (A) NOTE The string can include any of the characters, AZ, 09, and the following punctuation marks. \therefore, $? + - I < > \%$</nrx>	

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Header	Argument	Argument	Description
SAVe (cont)			Lower case letters are converted to upper case. The space character is converted to a period, unless it is not the first character in a name and no other non-space characters follow it. The following punctuation characters are translated to lower case English characters or to Greek characters. & to k, to m, (to n, ! to p, = to s,] to t, # to lower case mu (micro), [to upper case omega (ohms)
SETtings?			Query returns an ASCII string of commands as defined in these tables that represent the current instrument setup. The string contains all required headers and if it is returned to the instrument, it should not be preceded by SETtings or any other header. LLSet? and LLSet should be used to acquire and restore complete instrument settings to save time and memory space.
			NOTE The SETtings? query may give inconsistent results with SEC/DIV VARiable. If the variable is manually set for an A Sweep slower than the next slower speed settable by the SEC/DIV switch, the SETtings? query will attach the variable to the B Sweep, and the A Sweep will be shown at the next slower speed selectable by the switch.

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
SWRQS	ON OFF		Enables or disables a user-request event (403) on closure of a switch connected to the rear-panel STEP/AUTO EXT SWITCH connector. An SRQ will be generated if RQS is on (see RQS command). The event is included in the response to serial poll regardless of RQS. Default argument is ON. (A)
UNLock	POT: Switch:	<nr1> <nr1></nr1></nr1>	COMMAND ONLY. Used to unlock certain pot/switch controls. This command is useful for selective front-panel lockout. UNLock with no arguments is the same as the LOCk OFF command. (B)

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
UNLock (cont)			The UNLock POT: or UNLock SWItch: commands are only valid during the time the front panel is in local lockout state. A settings conflict SRQ is issued if these commands are received and the front panel is not in local lockout state. When the front panel is first set to the local lockout state, the entire front panel is locked out. To unlock specific pots and/or switches use the UNLock POT: and UNLock SWitch: command with the appropriate <nr1> value from the tables below:</nr1>
			POT TABLE
			<nr1> Pot</nr1>
			 Holdoff Trigger Level Sec/Div Variable Horizontal Position Delta Control Delta Reference or Delay Position CH1 Variable CH2 Variable CH1 Position CH2 Position CH2 Position CH3 Position CH4 Position Trace Separation
			14 Readout Intensity 15 Intensity
			 7 CH1 Variable 8 CH2 Variable 9 CH1 Position 10 CH2 Position 11 CH3 Position 12 CH4 Position 13 Trace Separation 14 Readout Intensity 15 Intensity

Table 6-5 (cont)

Header	Argument	Argument	Description	
UNLock (cont)			SWITCH TABLE	
			<nr1< td=""><td>> Switch</td></nr1<>	> Switch
			1	Trigger Coupling
			2	Measurement
			3	CH1 Input Coupling
			4	CH4 Volts/Div
			5	CH3 Volts/Div
			6	Init@50%
			7	CH2 Input Coupling
			8	CH1 Volts/Div
			9	CH2 Invert
			10	CH2 Volts/Div
			11	A/B Sec/Div
			12	A/INT/ALT/B Horz. Mode
			13	CH1 Vertical Mode
			14	CH2 Vertical Mode
			15	ADD Vertical Mode
			16	CH3 Vertical Mode
			17	CH4 Vertical Mode
			18	Auto/Step
			19	Save
			20	Recall
			21	CHOP/ALT Vertical Mode
			22	20 MHz BWLIMIT
			23	X10 MAG
			24	TRACK/INDEP
			25	Delta Time
			26	Delta Volts
			27	Trigger Slope
			28	Trigger Source
:			29	Trigger Mode
1			30	A/B Trigger Select
WARning	ON OFF		Enab detec Warn powe	les SRQ assertion on a potential error. ing initializes to ON at ar-up. Default argument is ON.
WARning?			Quer or W	y returns either WARN ON; ARN OFF:.

Table 6-5 (cont)

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
MEAsure	FREquency WIDth VOLts		Makes the specified measurement or measurement group as if initiated from the front panel. (B)
	RISe FALI TIMe		Most parametric measurements require 5 to 10 seconds to complete. If 10 Hz minimum frequency is selected, and a slow repetition rate signal is applied, a measurement may require up to 1.5 minutes to complete.
			While performing a parametric measurement, the instrument will not respond to any GPIB commands or queries until the measurement has completed.
MSETup	UNITs:	PERCent VOLts	Sets the trigger level units used by the TIMe measurement. When the units are changed, the levels are initialized to 50% or 0 volts. (B)
	AUTOSetup:	FREquency WIDth VOLts RISe FALI TIMe AUTOSetup	Associate a measurement with the AUTOSetup command, the AUTO/STEP button on the front panel, and the switch jack on the rear panel or two successive probe identify actions. (B)
	MINFreq:	HZ50 HZ10	Sets the minimum frequency recognized by the measurement functions. Recognizing lower frequencies implies considerably longer search times (up to 1.5 minutes). (B)

 Table 6-6

 Parametric Measurement Commands

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
MSETup (cont)	START:	CH1Pos: <nrx> CH1Neg: <nrx> CH2Pos: <nrx> CH2Pog: <nrx></nrx></nrx></nrx></nrx>	Selects the channel, slope, and trigger level of the start event. Trigger level range depends on the units selected with the UNITs argument. (B)
			PERCent 10.0 to 90.0 VOLts -10.00 to +10.00
	STOP:	CH1Pos: <nrx> CH1Neg: <nrx> CH2Pos: <nrx> CH2Neg: <nrx></nrx></nrx></nrx></nrx>	Selects the channel, slope, and trigger level of the stop event. Trigger level range depends on the units selected with the UNITs argument. (B)
			PERCent 10.0 to 90.0 VOLts -10.00 to +10.00
MSETup?	UNITs AUTOSetup MINFreq START STOP		Query returns MSET UNIT: <str>, AUTOS:<str>, MINF:<str>, START:<str>:<nr2>, STOP:<str>:<nr2>;.</nr2></str></nr2></str></str></str></str>

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
VALue?	FREquency:	FREquency PERIod	Query returns Frequency and Period measurements. (B)
	WIDth:	HTIme LTIme HDCycle LDCycle	Query returns Hi time, Lo time, Hi duty cycle (%), and Lo duty cycle (%) measurements. (B)
	VOLts:	PK2pk AVGvolts MINImum MAXimum	Query returns Peak-to-peak, Average, +Peak, and -Peak measurements. (B)
	RISe		Query returns Rise time measurement. (B)
	FALI		Query returns Fall time measurement. (B)
	TIMe		Query returns Time measurements. (B)
			Queries return the parametric measurement(s), each in <nr3> format, after first making the measurement(s). If an argument from the second argument column is given, only the requested value is returned.</nr3>
			1.0E+99 is returned if the instrument is unable to make a valid FREQ, WIDTH, RISE, FALL, or TIME measurement because signal amplitude is too small, signal frequency is too low, or there is improper channel selection.
Header	Argument	Argument	Description
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VALue? (cont)			1.0E+98 is returned if the instrument is unable to make a valid AVG VOLTS, MINIMUM, or MAXIMUM VOLTS measurement due to AC input coupling on measured channel.
			1.0E+97 is returned if the instrument is unable to make a valid PK2PK, MINIMUM, or MAXIMUM VOLTS measurement because signal peak to peak amplitude is too small, with DC input coupling on measured channel.
			1.0E+96 is returned if the instrument is unable to make any valid VOLTS measurement because signal peak to peak amplitude is too small, with AC input coupling on measured channel.
			All second arguments are optional. (B)
			Most parametric measurements require 5 to 10 seconds to complete. If 10 Hz minimum frequency is selected, and a slow repetition rate signal is applied, a measurement may require up to 1.5 minutes to complete.
			While performing a parametric measurement, the instrument will not respond to any GPIB commands or queries until the measurement has completed.

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Header	Argument	Argument	Description
TVClamp	ON		Selects AC and TV (back-porch) Clamp input coupling for CH 2. Default argument is ON.
	OFF		If the TV (back-porch) Clamp is active, CH 2 input coupling changes to AC and the TV (back- porch) clamp is turned off. Otherwise, the CH 2 input coupling does not change.
TVClamp?			Query returns either TVC ON or TVC OFF.
TVLine	<nrx></nrx>		Selects TV line number <nrx> for the A Trigger.</nrx>
TVLine?			Query returns TVL <nr1>;. The value of <nr1> is the selected line number.</nr1></nr1>
LCNTStart	PREfid		Selects line count beginning 3 lines before field-sync pulse (Format 2).
	ATFId		Selects line count beginning at field-sync pulse (Format 1).
LCNTStart?			Query returns Line 1 definition: either LCNTS PRE; or LCNTS ATF;.
LCNTReset	F1Only		Selects line count reset only on field 1 (Format 2).
	BOTh		Selects line count reset on both field 1 and field 2 (Format 1).
LCNTReset?			Query returns Line count reset status: either LCNTR F10; or LCNTR BOT;.

 Table 6-7

 GPIB Command Set for the TV Option

NOTE

CTT measurements are requested with the CTSend? query command. DELAy? and DTIme? queries return delay and delta settings, not measurements.

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
CTRdy?			Query returns 1; if a CTT measurement is available or 0; if not. If no measurement function is active, or if a measurement function is suspended because another option is using the display, an option-not-in-correct-mode error is generated.
CTSend?	IMMediate WAIt		Command requests the result of any of the following measurements: frequency, period, totalize, delay-time, delta-delay- time, or 1/delta-delay-time. The measurement is returned in format <nr3>. The "?" following CTSend has no effect and is optional. If the measurement is invalid, one of the following error codes is returned in place of the measurement:</nr3>
			1.0E+99 for missing B trigger.
			1.0E+98 for missing A trigger.
			1.0E+97 when the time interval in $1/\Delta t$ mode is less than 1% of full scale.
			1.0E+96 for Totalize mode overflow.
			1.0E+95 for A Trigger VERT Source selected (multiple A Trigger sources).

Table 6-8 Counter/Timer/Trigger GPIB Commands

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
CTSend? (cont)			If no measurement function is active, or if a measurement function is suspended because another option is using the display, an option-not-in-correct-mode error is generated. A measurement is sent only once
			then cleared. A new measurement must be completed before another value will be sent.
			CTSend with no argument or the WAIt argument conditions the instrument to send no response until the measurement is complete. The IMMediate argument conditions the instrument to send a null message (talked with nothing to say) if the measurement is not complete.

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CTT Setup Commands

COUNt	EVEnt:	ATRigger WREcognizer	Configures the Count function.
	MODe:	FREquency TOTal PERIod	If the Word Recognizer Option is not installed and If EVEnt:WRE is received, an option-not-installed error is generated.
COUNt?	EVEnt MODe		Query returns COUN MOD:string, EVE:string;, or COUN arg:string; if an argument is given in the query.
СТТ	COUNt DBEvents LTRigger OFF		Selects or cancels a CTT function. Selecting any function cancels any other selected function and sets B-Trigger mode to Run Aft Dly.

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
CTT (cont)	RESET		CTT RESET resets any count or time measurement currently in progress, including delay and delta time.
CTT?			Query returns CTT string;. The "string" names the current CTT function.
DBEvents	COUNt:	<nr1></nr1>	Sets Delay-by-Events for <nr1> events in the range 1 - 4194303, inclusive. If an out of range or noninteger number is received a numeric-argument error is generated.</nr1>
	EVEnt:	BTRigger WREcognizer	If the Word Recognizer Option is not installed and if EVEnt:WREcognizer or STArt:WREcognizer is received, an option-not-installed SRQ error is sent.
	STArt:	ATRigger WREcognizer	Selecting STArt:WREcognizer WREcognizer sets SWEep to ASWeep.
	SWEep:	ASWeep BSWeep	Selecting SWEep:BSWeep sets BSWeep STArt to ATRigger.
DBEvents?	COUNt EVEnt STArt SWEep		Query returns DBE SWE:string, STA:string, EVE:string, COUN: <nr1>;, or DBE arg:string; if an argument is given in the query.</nr1>

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Header	Argument	Argument	Description
LTRigger	ASWeep:	AANdb AORb WREcognizer	Configures the Logic Trigger function. If the Word Recognizer Option is not installed and if either the ASW:WRE or BSW:WRE command is received, then an option-not-installed error is generated.
	BSWeep:	WREcognizer	
LTRigger?			Query returns LTR ASW:string; or LTR BSW:WRE;.
RESolution	AUTO R1Ns R100ps R10Ps		Sets the resolution of delay and delta-delay measurements.
RESolution?			Query returns RES string;.

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
WREcognizer	CLOck:	ASYnch DNClock UPClock	Configures the Word Recognizer.
	RADix:	BINary HEX OCTal	The RADix: argument controls only the format of the Word Recognizer display and manual settings.
	WORd:	<ascii binary<br="">data></ascii>	The format of ASCII binary data is #Y followed by 17 digits, where each digit may be either 0, 1, or X (don't care). Spaces may be used anywhere to separate groups of digits. The option will accept ASCII binary data command arguments without the #Y prefix. The following are all valid and equivalent:
			WOR:#Y1 00X01X10 0X0X110X,
			WOR:#Y100X01X100 X0X110X,
			WOR: 1 00X0 1X10 0X0X 110X,
			WOR:#Y1 0 0X0 1X1 00X 0X1 10X
			The digit order is qualifier bit, then a 16-bit word in most-significant to least-significant bit order. All 17 digits must be sent. If an error is detected in the ASCII binary data argument, a command-argument error is generated.

 Table 6-9

 Word Recognizer GPIB Commands

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
WREcognizer (cont)			If the Word Recognizer Option is not installed and any word recognizer command or query is received, an option-not-installed error is generated.
WREcognizer?	CLOck RADix WORd		Query returns WRE RAD:string, CLO:string,WOR: <ascii binary<br="">data>;. For example, WRE? WOR returns WOR:#Y1 00X01X10 0X0X110X;</ascii>

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Table 6-10GPIB Command Set for the DMM Option

Header	Argument	Description
DMM	OFF SUSp	Turns off the DMM. Any DMM function command turns the DMM on. The DMM SUSP; command suspends DMM operation to permit another function to occupy the readout space. The only difference between DMM SUSP and DMM OFF is that the next time a DMM function is selected, if it is the same function previously suspended, the reference value and the states of SMOOTH, AUTO, etc. are maintained.
DMM?		Query returns DMM ON;, DMM SUSP;, or DMM OFF;.
DMMSend DMMSend?		Command/query returns the displayed DMM measurement in $<$ nr3> format, adjusted to basic units of volts, ohms, or amperes. DMMSend and DMMSend? have identical effects. No response will be given unless or until a measured value is displayed. If the value is out of measurement range, the value 1.0E+99 is returned. If continuity function is active, 24X5B instruments will return 0 for resistance less than 10 Ω , and 1.0E+99 for resistance greater than 10 Ω . 24X5 and 24X5A instruments return "< 10 OHMS" for resistance less than 10 Ω and "> 10 OHMS" for resistance greater than 10 Ω .

Header	Argument	Description
DISplay	MINImum MAXimum	Select the minimum or maximum measurements made since the function was selected or since Min/Max Reset.
	REFerence	Selects the present value of the reference.
	NORmal	Selects the most recent measurement. Default argument is NORmal.
		To receive the present minimum value over the GPIB, for example, send DIS MINI; followed by DMMSEND;.
DISplay?		Query returns DIS MINI;, DIS MAX;, DIS NOR; or DIS REF;.
MINMaxres		Resets the minimum and maximum accumulators to the next valid measurement value.
RANge	<nrx></nrx>	Selects the range of the DMM function suited to measuring the value <nrx>.</nrx>
RANge?		Query returns RANGE <nr3>;. The range value will be stated in basic units of volts, amperes, or ohms.</nr3>
REFset	<nrx></nrx>	Sets the reference to <nrx>. If the argument is zero, the reference turns off. Also, if the argument is a negative value and the present function doesn't allow negative values, the reference turns off. The argument is rounded up to the closest value represented by the DMM (1 part in 40,000). If the argument is too large for the function, an error is generated and the reference remains unchanged. If no argument follows REFSET, the reference value is set to the displayed value. The command is illegal with the Continuity function.</nrx>
REFset?		Query returns REFSET <nr3>;. The reference value will be sent in basic units such as volts, ohms, or amps. The query is illegal in Continuity.</nr3>

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Header	Argument	Description
HOLd	ON OFF	Freezes the display with the present measurement. Default argument is ON.
HOLd?		Query returns HOLD ON; or HOLD OFF;.
SMOoth	ON OFF	Turns smoothing on or off. SMOOTH ON resets the number of measurements averaged to zero. Default argument is ON.
SMOoth?		Query returns SMOOTH ON; or SMOOTH OFF;.
AVGs?		Query returns AVGS <nr3>;. The value of <nr3> reflects the number of measurements averaged in the smoothed value presently displayed. If smoothing is off, the query generates an error.</nr3></nr3>
DCV	<nrx></nrx>	Select DMM measurement functions, with
ACV	<nrx></nrx>	the measurement range suited to measure
DCA	<nrx></nrx>	the value of <nrx> with the best available</nrx>
ACA	<nrx></nrx>	zero the DMM will autorange. If the
HIOhms	<nrx></nrx>	argument is negative, the DMM will
LOOHms	<nrx></nrx>	autorange after initializing the range
DBV	<nrx></nrx>	according to <nrx>, except for the dBV</nrx>
DBM	<nrx></nrx>	and dBm functions. If <nrx> exceeds the</nrx>
DEGC		command has no other effect
DEGF		
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Header	Argument	Description
FUNCtion?		Query returns "function name" $<$ nr3>;. The value of $<$ nr3> is the highest value in the present range. The $<$ nr3> value is omitted for fixed-range functions, e.g. DEGC. If the DMM is autoranging, the range value is preceded by a minus sign, e.g. DCV $-2.E+1$, except for the dBV and dBm functions.
OVEr	ON OFF	Turns the over range warning SRQ on or off. Default argument is ON.
OVEr?		Query returns OVER ON; or OVER OFF;.
TONE	<nrx></nrx>	Selects the tone to be used by the Continuity function according to $<$ nrx $>$ in the 1 to 4 range. The default value is 1.
TONE?		Query returns TONE $<$ nr3>;. The value of $<$ nr3> is the selected tone value.
HIZ	ON OFF	Selects the input impedance of the DCV function in the 200 mV and 2 V ranges. No argument or the ON argument selects an input impedance > 100 G Ω , while OFF selects 10 M Ω input resistance. During calibration "Settable Input Impedance" must have been selected or a Settings Conflict error will be generated. Default argument is ON.
HIZ?		Query returns HIZ ON; or HIZ OFF;.
BEEp	<t>:<d>[,<t>:<d>]</d></t></d></t>	Generates a series of tones $$ of durations $$, where multiple tones are specified by separating groups of arguments by commas. The DMM must be either off or suspended or a mode error (254) is generated. The range of values for t is 0 to 13 and for d is 0 to 255. If arguments are not specified, default values of 6 for t and 3 for d are used. A value of 0 for t or d produces no sound, and each unit of d is approximately a duration of 0.1 second.

Table 6-10 (cont)

Table 6-11 Calibration and Diagnostic Commands

NOTE

Calibration and diagnostic commands should be used only for programmed maintenance procedures. They have no application for measurements.

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
CALibrate	<nrx>:</nrx>	<nrx></nrx>	Initiates Diagnostic mode and the Calibration routine indicated by the arguments, if the internal CAL/NO CAL jumper is in the CAL position. The first digit of the first argument represents an option. The second digit of the first argument represents the specific routine. The second argument is a step number within the routine. Refer to the Service Manual for information about the calibration routines. The option numbers are the same as described for the ID? query.
GO			Executes the currently selected CALIBRATION or TEST routine. This command has the same effect as pressing the upper Trigger COUPLING button when in Diagnostic mode.
LOOping LOOping?	ON OFF		Enables or disables looping of diagnostic tests in diagnostic mode. Default argument is ON. Query returns LOO "string";. "String" is either ON or OFF.
NORmal			Exits Diagnostic mode. The command has no effect in normal mode. Commands following NORmal in the same message give unpredictable results. NORmal should be the final or only command in a message.

Header	Argument	Argument	Description
STEp			Increments the currently executing Diagnostic routine to its next step.
STEp?			Query returns STEP <nr1>;. The current step number is given by <nr1>.</nr1></nr1>
STOp			TERMINATES the currently executing Diagnostic routine. Control returns to the Diagnostic monitor.
TESt	<nrx>:</nrx>	<nrx></nrx>	Selects Diagnostic mode test sequences. The first argument represents an option, and the second is the routine number. See CALibrate command for option numbers.
TESt?	<nrx>:</nrx>	<nrx></nrx>	Executes the selected test and returns the test's status value: TES $<$ nr1 $>$. Zero is returned for a passed test.

Table 6-11 (cont)

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Measurement Techniques

Measurement Techniques

Introduction

This section gives some important considerations, measurement procedures, and brief program examples for semiautomatic and automatic measurements. Examples in the Programming Examples section are shown in BASIC dialects for the Tektronix 4041, IBM PC/XT/AT, and HP 98XX. Many measurements, such as frequency, period, and time interval and any operator-interactive measurements, require only the capabilities available with the highly efficient test-program generators described earlier.

Trigger Settings

Select DC coupling for vertical inputs and triggers, unless unusual signal characteristics require blocking dc, low-frequency, or high-frequency components. NOISE REJ trigger coupling preserves full frequency response but increases the signal amplitude requirement. Trigger level is calibrated and predictable only with DC or NOISE REJ trigger coupling and DC vertical input coupling. Also, to have a calibrated trigger level, the V/DIV VAR of the trigger source must be at the calibrated position and the source must be a single channel.

Set trigger level at the midpoint between the positive and negative peaks of the signal, for most measurements. With repetitive signals, set trigger level at the signal midpoint by pressing the INIT@50% button or sending the ATRIGGER INIT50 or BTRIGGER INIT50 command.

Use NORM trigger mode for most automatic measurements. With AUTO LVL mode, the instrument attempts to trigger on static signals, which could result in anomalous measurements. AUTO LVL also takes time to acquire the trigger level, which is an unnecessary delay when the correct trigger level is known.

Frequency and period measurements are immune to trigger level errors, so long as trigger level is near the signal midpoint and the signal amplitude is adequate.

When measuring time with the B Sweep and B Trigger, trigger-level uncertainty can interact with signal transition times to cause measurement errors. Consult the trigger level specifications and consider the signal slew rate to determine how much error to expect. The effective trigger level may change slightly with different waveforms or with different instruments using the same trigger level data. However, trigger-level for a given instrument, making a given measurement, is accurately repeatable.

Minimize trigger-timing errors by programming trigger levels to exactly fit a measurement. Use the B Sweep to expand the display and observe superposition of the transitions defining a measurement. Set the B-Trigger level to superimpose the points of interest and save the setup for future use.

Automatic delta-delay-time measurements between two channels require a single channel source for the A Trigger, VERT source for B Trigger, and ALT vertical mode. B-Trigger levels for the pair of delays should be set independently, using the TRIG Δ DLY and TRIG AFT DLY modes or using the following commands:

BTRIGGER LEVEL: <nrx>;

for the delta-delay reference trigger, and

BTRIGGER DLEVel: <nrx>;

for the delta-delay trigger.

If the transition time of the signal is a big part of the allowable error, program the instrument for an automatic measurement, then pause for operator intervention. An operator should carefully set B-Trigger LEVEL as required for exact superposition of the points of interest. If you use RUN AFT DLY B-Trigger Mode, the operator should adjust the Δ REF and Δ controls for superposition. Superposition avoids the effects of waveform changes and trigger level uncertainty.

Measuring Time Intervals on Repetitive Signals

First, manually set the instrument to measure delta-time, following this outline:

- 1. Select the desired measurement resolution, using the menu. AUTO gives the fastest response.
- 2. Trigger the A Sweep, using NORM mode, on a signal that occurs at least 70 ns before the interval of interest.
- 3. Set the A-Sweep SEC/DIV to display the interval of interest.
- 4. Use the B Sweep to expand the waveform and superimpose the points on the waveform(s) that define the beginning and end of the interval. The delay controls, Δ REFerence and Δ, determine two times at which the B Trigger is enabled. The B Triggers, with independent slopes and levels set in TRIG AFT DLY and TRIG Δ DLY modes, determine the exact point of intersection of the superimposed B-Sweep displays.
- 5. In some cases, signal variations could cause the wrong transition to be recognized as the beginning or the end of an interval. Set Δ REF and Δ so that the B Trigger is enabled for the events of interest over any expected variation of the signal(s) under test. One way is to set each of the controls in the middle of the range over which it triggers on the desired transition.
- 6. Store these control settings by using the "learn" procedure given in the "Programming Examples" section.
- 7. To automatically measure delta-time with similar signals, send the recorded settings back to the instrument and read the result. See the "Programming Examples" section for the GETCTTN subroutine.

Tek

100 Print#scope:set\$!Send previously stored settings
110 Call GETCTTN (delta)

IBM

340 CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, SET\$)'Sendprevioussetting350 GOSUB {StatementNumberofGetCTTroutine}

ΗP

430 OUTPUT D2465;Set\$!Send previously stored setting 440 CALL Get_cttn (D2465,Interval)

If you require the best possible delta-delay-time accuracy, and if signal transition time is a big part of the allowable measurement error, program the instrument for an automatic measurement, except for a pause for an operator to carefully set B-Trigger LEVEL for exact superposition of the points of interest. This is the only way to completely avoid the effects of waveform changes and trigger level uncertainty.

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Measuring Single-Shot Time Intervals

To make single-shot measurements, you must use the delay-time mode with AUTO RESolution. Establish the conditions for automatic measurements by manually operating the instrument. The following steps will generate a program to measure delay time automatically.

- 1. Select AUTO measurement resolution, through the measurement configure menu.
- 2. Set the A Trigger to respond to the signal transition that defines the beginning of the interval of interest, using NORM mode.
- 3. Set SEC/DIV to display the interval of interest on the A Sweep, with deltatime off. Be sure the interval is at least 70 ns.
- 4. Pull the SEC/DIV knob out to display an intensified zone. Set the DLY POS control and the B-Trigger controls, with TRIG AFT DLY mode, for the end of the interval. DLY POS determines when the B Trigger is enabled. Delay should be set at zero for most measurements, such as pulse widths and propagation delays.
- 5. If more than one transition could be recognized as the end of the interval, set DLY POS so that the B Trigger will be enabled for the event of interest, over any expected variation of the signal(s) under test. One way is to set DLY POS in the middle of the range over which the B Trigger recognizes the desired transition.
- 6. Transfer the instrument settings to the system controller.

A program to automatically measure delay-time with similar signals should send the recorded settings back to the instrument and call the GETCTTN subroutine, listed in the "Programming Examples" section.

Tek 100 Print#scope:set\$!Send previously stored settings 110 Call GETCTTN (interval) IBM 340 CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, SET\$)'Send previous setting 350 GOSUB {Statement Number of Get CTT routine} HP

430 OUTPUT D2465;Set\$!Send previously stored setting 440 CALL Get_cttn (D2465,Interval)

Measuring Peak Voltages

Trigger coupling should be set at DC and vertical input coupling should be set at DC. Always display the signal with at least three divisions of amplitude. Larger amplitudes, up to twenty divisions, generally give more repeatable peak voltage measurements. However, each peak of the signal must be within ten divisions of ground. Set the A Sweep at any convenient speed faster than 10 ms/division, for any signal period less than 20 ms. For signal periods up to 200 ms, set SEC/DIV slower than 0.25 times the period. SEC/DIV settings from 50 ms to 500 ms allow measuring the peaks of signals having periods up to 200 ms.

Manually set the instrument for the measurement and store the settings in the controller with an "LLset?" query. An automatic test routine should return the settings to the scope and then call the GETPEAKS subroutine, listed in the "Programming Examples" section.

Tek

100 Print#scope:set\$!Send previously stored settings
110 Call GETPEAKS (high, low)
120 pktopk=high-low

IBM

220 CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, SET\$)'Send previous setting 230 GOSUB (Statement Number of Get Peaks routine) 240 PKTOPK= HIPEAK-LOPEAK

HP

120 OUTPUT D2465;Set\$!Send previously stored setting 130 CALL Get_peaks (D2465,Hipeak,Lopeak) 140 Pktopk = Hipeak-Lopeak

Measuring Rise and Fall Times

A system comprising a controller and an oscilloscope with CTT and GPIB can measure transition times automatically, on repetitive signals. The system measures peak voltages and calculates the appropriate trigger levels for delay measurements. The trigger levels define points on a signal transition from which delay times are measured. Transition time is the difference between delay times with the trigger level set at 10% and 90% of the transition amplitude.

Waveform variations and trigger system distortions make transition time measurements less accurate than other time measurements. Even so, these measurements are adequate to characterize or verify many devices and systems, especially if the measurements are optimized by the techniques described here.

The best procedure for measuring rise time or fall time depends on signal characteristics. The oscilloscope requires 70 ns after the A Trigger before enabling the B Trigger, with delay set at minimum using either the DLY POS control or a DELAY -0.05 command.

- If a pulse is wider than 70 ns, the A Trigger and the B Trigger can operate on opposite slopes of the pulse.
- If the pulse is shorter than 70 ns, the B Trigger should be set for the same slope as the A Trigger. The A-Sweep rate and delay should be set so that the B Trigger operates on a later cycle of the signal.
- If the high and low states of the pulse are at least 10 microseconds long, the necessary signal delay to the B Trigger can be supplied by using HF REJ coupling. On such low-frequency signals, Using HF REJ and same-slope triggering gives faster results and better resolution than opposite-slope triggering with DC coupling.

Depending on signal characteristics, use one of the following procedures to manually set the instrument for a delay measurement. Always display the signal with at least three divisions of amplitude. Larger amplitudes, provided each peak of the signal is within ten divisions of ground, generally give more repeatable measurements. These measurements are made by the trigger and time-interval counter systems and are independent of the display.

- For pulses more than 70 ns wide:
 - 1. Set A Sweep to display the rising and falling edges of the signal, with the A Trigger set for the transition of interest, and delta-time off.

- 2. Pull the SEC/DIV knob out to display an intensified zone and set DLY POS for zero delay.
- 3. Select TRIG AFT DLY mode for the B Trigger. Set B-Trigger SLOPE opposite from the A Trigger. Set B-Trigger SOURCE and LEVEL to trigger the intensified zone at the pulse transition after the transition of interest.
- For pulses shorter than 70 ns:
 - 1. Set A Sweep to display one cycle of the signal, with A Trigger set for the transition of interest, and delta-time off. SEC/DIV should be set at 10 ns/div for any signal with a period less than 100 ns.
 - 2. Pull the SEC/DIV knob out to display an intensified zone and set DLY POS at minimum.
 - Select TRIG AFT DLY mode and DC coupling for the B Trigger. Set B-Trigger SLOPE the same as the A Trigger. Set B-Trigger SOURCE and LEVEL to trigger the intensified zone at a later pulse transition than the transition of interest.
 - 4. While holding the A/B TRIG button depressed to access the A-Trigger controls, vary LEVEL. Verify that the B Trigger responds to the same signal cycle with any A-Trigger LEVEL setting that could be used. If the intensified zone jumps from one cycle to another, reset DLY POS to enable B Trigger at a time such that the intensified zone tracks the same transition for all usable settings of A-Trigger LEVEL. Set DLY POS in the middle of the range that produces proper operation.
- For pulses with both high and low states at least 10 microseconds long:
 - Set the oscilloscope controls to display the signal. Set the A Sweep at 1 microsecond/division. Set the A Trigger for the transition of interest. Set delta-time off.
 - Pull the SEC/DIV knob out to display an intensified zone and set DLY POS for zero delay.
 - Set the B Trigger to TRIG AFT DLY Mode, the same SLOPE and SOURCE as the A Trigger, and HF REJ Coupling. Then press INIT@50 to set the B-Trigger Level.

- For pulses of any width and period, with an auxiliary pulse occurring at least 70 ns after the transition of interest:
 - Display the transition of interest on one vertical channel and the auxiliary pulse on another channel. Set A-Trigger SOURCE and SLOPE for the transition of interest. Set delta-time off.
 - 2. Pull the SEC/DIV knob out to display an intensified zone and set DLY POS for zero delay.
 - Select TRIG AFT DLY mode and DC coupling for the B Trigger. Set B-Trigger SOURCE and LEVEL for the auxiliary pulse. If necessary, readjust DLY POS to position the intensified zone at the earliest possible transition of the auxiliary pulse and such that the intensified zone remains on the same transition for all settings of A-Trigger Level (while holding A/B TRIG for access to the A Trigger).

Transfer the appropriate instrument settings to the system controller.

To automatically measure transition time:

 Return the appropriate, recorded instrument settings and measure positive and negative peaks of the signal, using a procedure such as the following. See the "Programming Examples" section for the GETCTTN and GETPEAKS subroutines.

Tek

100 Print#scope:set\$!Send previously stored settings
110 Call GETPEAKS (hipeak, lopeak)
120 pktopk=hipeak-lopeak

IBM

220CALLIBWRT (SCOPE %, SET\$)'Sendprevioussetting230GOSUB{StatementNumberofGetPeaksroutine}240PKTOPK=HIPEAK-LOPEAK

HP

120 OUTPUT D2465;Set\$!Send previously stored setting 130 CALL Get_peaks (D2465,Hipeak,Lopeak) 140 Pktopk = Hipeak-Lopeak

- 2. Set the B-Trigger level to the average of the positive and negative peak values, using the BTRIGGER INIT50 command.
- 3. Set the A-Trigger level to the negative peak value plus 10 percent of the difference between the positive and negative peaks.

Tek 250 low=0.1 !Typically 10%, may be changed 260 Print#scope:"atr level:";lopeak+low*pktopk !Send low level to the A

Trigger

IBM

1100 Low=0.1
1110 ATRLEV\$= "ATR LEV: "+STR\$ (LOPEAK+LOW *PKTOPK)
1120 CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, ATRLEV\$)

HP

- 1100 Low=0.1
 1110 OUTPUT D2465; "atr lev: "& VAL\$ (Lopeak + Low *Pktopk)
 - 4. Read the delay time.

270 Call getettn (delayl)!Get first measurement

5. Set the A-Trigger level to the negative peak value plus 90 percent of the difference between the positive and negative peaks.

```
280 high=0.9!Typically 90%, may be changed)290 Print#scope:"atrlevel:";lopeak+high*pktopk.Send 90% level to A-trigger
```

6. Read the delay time.

300 Call getcttn (delay2)!Get second measurement

7. Subtract the second reading from the first to obtain rise time.

310 Risetime=delay1 -delay2!Delay difference

If the A-Trigger SLOPE is negative, the result will be negative and the measurement will be the negative of fall time.

Trigger Level Compensation

Because of signal distortions in the trigger system, a transition time measured with calculated 10% and 90% thresholds may not agree with a direct measurement of the waveform, especially with fast transitions. Any discrepancy can be treated as an error in the measured peak voltages, which correspond approximately to the 0% and 100% values of the transition region. Even with this discrepancy, transition times of similar signals with similar repetition rates can be compared to a reference with enough accuracy for most applications. For good accuracy, use the CTT and trigger system to measure transition times comparatively, and use the cursors to determine actual values.

- 1. Carefully measure a transition time using the delta-time cursors.
- 2. Measure the same transition time by the appropriate procedure, above.
- 3. Estimate new values for the "low" and "high" variables (initially 10% and 90%) as required to adjust the CTT and trigger measurement to agree with the cursor measurement. Adjust "high" if the transition is much slower at the high end than at the low end, such as an exponential step. Adjust "low" if the transition is much slower at the low end. If one peak has a large overshoot, adjust the variable near that peak. If both peaks are severely overshot, both "high" and "low" should be adjusted. If the transition slew rate is constant and pulse distortions are less than 5%, adjust only "high" for rise time or "low" for fall time. Repeat the measurement, estimation of new values, and the trigger-level adjustment steps until the desired accuracy is achieved.

Programming Examples

Each of the examples assumes the following declaration statement or an equivalent. For illustration, the GPIB address of the oscilloscope is assumed to be 1.

Tek !Assuming GPIB adrs is 1 10 scope=1 IBM 10 SCOPE**\$**="o2465" !String name of scope for ! GPIB driver must = name given ! in IBCONF. 20 CALL IBFIND (SCOPE\$, SCOPE%) !Returns with ! SCOPE% I/O address for scope ! seen through GPIB driver. ! I/O statements use SCOPE% 30 IF IBSTA%<0 THEN {Statement Number of ! ERROR ROUTINE } HP 10 D2465 = 701!I/O pointer = 700 plus scope

The system controller can "learn" the oscilloscope settings for a given test, using a routine similar to the following.

Tek

20 Dim set\$ to 180 !Array to store settings 110 Print#scope: "llset?"!Ask for settings 120 Input#scope:set\$!Put setup into set\$

!address

IBM

20 SET\$=SPACE\$(180) 'String to store binary setting 30 SETQUER\$="llset? 'Define set query string once. 110 CALL IBWRT (SCOPE%, SETQUER\$)'Ask for settings 120 CALL IBRD (SCOPE%, SET\$)'Put setup into SET\$

HP

20 Dim Set\$[180] !Array to store settings ... 110 OUTPUT D2465;"llset?"!Ask for settings 110 ENTER D2465;Set\$!Store in Set\$ The "LLset?" query transfers binary control data to save time. If your controller will not support eight-bit binary data transfers, you can use an ASCII transfer. To store instrument settings as ASCII data, dimension the set\$ array, above, to 1200 bytes and replace "LLset?" with "SET?".

The instruments, interacting with an operator, can measure time with cursors, delay time, or delta-delay time. With the CTT, they also can measure delay time or delta-delay time without an operator, using TRIG AFT DLY and TRIG Δ DLY B-Trigger modes.

Mode	Query	Conditions and Results
Cursor ∆t or 1/∆t	TDELTA?	Requires [1] A-Sweep or B-Sweep display (not ALT or INTEN) [2] cursors on with Δt or 1/ Δt [3] operator to set DLY POS control. Gives time or frequency in seconds, hertz, percent, or degrees. If cursors are active, DELTA? :MODE query returns DELTA MODE:CTIME or DELTA MODE:CPERTIME. In the special case where cursors are active with B-Sweep delayed by events (with CTT) the last three characters of a MESSAGE? query are BSW.
Delta-Delay ∆t or 1/∆t	TDELTA?	Requires [1] INTEN, ALT, or B-Sweep display [2] RUN AFT DLY B-Trigger mode [3] operator to set Δ REF and Δ controls. Gives time or frequency in seconds, hertz, percent, or degrees. (Invalid result is returned with TRIG AFT DLY.) If Δ t or 1/ Δ t is active without cursors, a DELTA? MODE: query returns DELTA MODE:TIME or DELTA MODE:PERTIME.
Delay	DELAY?	Requires [1] INTEN, ALT, or B-Sweep display [2] RUN AFT DLY B-Trigger mode [3] operator to set DLY POS control. Gives delay setting in divisions which must be multiplied by A-SEC/DIV to determine delay time. (Invalid result is returned with TRIG AFT DLY.)
Delta-Delay ∆t or 1/∆t or Delay, with CTT	CTSEND?	Requires [1] INTEN, ALT, or B-Sweep display [2] TRIG AFT DLY or TRIG Δ display [2] TRIG AFT DLY or TRIG Δ t or 1/ Δ t display [2] TRIG AFT DLY or TRIG Δ or Delay, DLY B-Trigger mode [3] appropriate with CTT settings to frame desired measurement [4] selecting Δ t or 1/ Δ t in INTEN or ALT mode or with DELTA MODE:TIME or DELTA MODE:PERTIME command. Alternative to requirement [2] is RUN AFT DLY B-Trigger mode and operator to set Δ REF and Δ controls. Gives time or frequency in seconds or hertz.

Table 7-1Delay Time and Delta-Delay Time



Appendix A

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Programming Examples

Tektronix 4041 Program to Send Commands to the Oscilloscope

The program first asks for the GPIB address of the oscilloscope, then asks for a command to be entered at the keyboard. Any response from the oscilloscope is displayed on the controller. A serial poll is performed in response to service request (SRQ). The service request and the EVENT codes are then displayed.

```
100
       Program
                  to send
                             commands
                                         and
                                              queries
     1
++++
             and
                  receive
                             responses
110
              TEKTRONIX
                           2400-Series
     1
        from
             Oscilloscopes
++++
120
     I
130
     Init
           a11
140
    ! Disable
                  SRQ
                       handler
                                  until
                                          ready
150
     Disable
                srq
160
     1
       Get
             address
                        оf
                           the
                                 oscilloscope
170
     Print
             "Enter
                      the
                            GPIB
                                  address
                                           of the
                             ";
++++
          oscilloscope:
180
     Input
             addr$
190
        Set
                                  logical
                                             unit
     !
             up
                 physical
                             and
200
     1
        Set
                    only
                           EOI
                                 can terminate
                                                    the
             up
                 s0
++++
             communication.
210
     1
220
                             (eom=<0>):"
     Set
          driver
                    "gpibO
                          (pri="%addr$&",
230
            #l:"gpib0
     Open
             eom=<0>):"
++++
240
     !
                      handler
250
     1
       Enable
                 SRQ
260
     On srg then
                     gosub
                             srqhdl
270
     Enable
              srq
280
     !
290
     Repeat:
                             command
                ! Sending
                                        or
                                            query
                    *
                       *
                         * #
                 *
300
    Print
             ₩ *
310
     Print
    Print
             "Enter
320
                      command
                                 or query:
                                               ۳;
330
    ! Get
            the
                  command
             a$
340
     Input
```

```
350 ! Send command or query to scope
360
   Print
          #1:a$
370 ! Get
           response
                     if there is any
380
   DIM resp$ to 2000
390
          #l:resp$
   Input
400
   Print
   ! If no response then prompt for
410
++++
           another command
   If len (resp$)=0
420
                      then goto
                                 repeat
430
     If yes then print the response
   1
440
   Print "Response
                      from the oscilloscope
++++
           is: "
450 Print resp$
460 Goto repeat
470 Srqhdl: ! routine to handle the
                                       srq
480 Poll stb,dev
490 Print #dev:"event?"
500 ! Get event number
510 Input
          #dev:event
520 Print "Instrument
                       #";dev;"status
        byte=";stb;" ,event=";event
++++
530 Resume
```

Tektronix 4041 Program to Calibrate Trigger Levels for Transition Time

```
!A Tektronix 4041
 10
                          BASIC
                                Program
++++
            to Adjust
                       Trigger
                                 Thresholds
 20
            Transition
                         Time Measurements
     ! for
 30
     1
                  30 June
                           1986
 40
     1
             "++++" in place
 50
     !Note:
                               of line
                                        number
           indicates
                     printed
 ++++
                               break
 60
    in long!
               line,
                                   be entered
                     which
                             must
           without "++++" or break.
 ++++
 70
     1
 80
     Compress !4041
                      housekeeping
                          GPIB adrs
 90
     Scope=1
              !Use actual
                                       of
 ++++
           Oscilloscope
100
     True=1
110
     False=0
120
     Integer count
```

```
130
    Count=0
140
    Risetime=0
150
     Print
160
     Print "Execute this procedure and
          program to find the optimum"
++++
          "high and low thresholds
                                      for
170
     Print
          transition time measurements."
++++
180
     Print
     Print "Repeat the procedure
                                  to find
190
          the optimum thresholds for"
++++
     Print "each dissimilar signal."
200
210
    Print
                                      to
220
     Print "1. Connect oscilloscope
          controller IEEE-488 bus."
++++
230
     Print
     Print *2. Carefully measure
240
          transition
                     time with cursors."
++++
     Print "
               Use 10% and 90% or 20%
250
          and 80% as appropriate."
++++
260
     Print
     Print "3. Manually set the scope to
270
                   the transition of"
++++
          measure
                interest, with the same
     Print "
280
           control settings that will
                                       be"
++++
           M
                     in the automatic
290
     Print
               used
                                       test.
          Review ""Measuring
                               Rise"
++++
                and Fall Times""
           .
300
     Print
                                  to
           determine the best settings."
++++
310
     Print
     Print "4. Enter transition
320
                                  time,
          measured in step 2,"
++++
330
     Print "
                in exponential form, eg.
           5.43e-9."
++++
340
     Print
     Print "
               Use minus time for fall
350
         time, eg. -32.7e-6."
++++
360
     Print
     Input prompt "Transition
                                Time:
370
          ":actual
++++
     Wbyte dcl !Send Device CLear message
380
          to GPIB
++++
390 Highok=true
```

```
400
     Lowok=true
410 Low=O.l !Typically 10%, may be
++++
          adjusted later.
420 High=0.9 !Typically 90%, may be
++++
          adjusted
                   later.
430 Print
     Print "Enter ""y<RETURN>""
440
                                for
        "'yes,"" or "'n<RETURN>""
++++
        for ""no."""
****
450
    Print
460
    Input prompt "Are you using a low
++++ threshold other than 10%?":answer$
470 If answer$<>"y" then goto ask90
     Input prompt "Enter low threshold
480
++++
     value as decimal fraction: ":low
    If low<0.02 then low=0.1
490
500
    If low>0.9 then low=0.1
510 Ask90:
              input prompt "Are you
     using a high threshold
++++
                             other than
++++
     90 %? ":answer$
520
     If answer$<>"y" then goto askx
530
     Input prompt "Enter high threshold
++++
          value as decimal fraction: ":high
540 If high<0.1 then high=0.9
     If high>0.98 then high=0.9
550
              print "Initial low
560 Askx:
++++
          threshold=";low;"
                              Initial high
++++ threshold=";high
570 Print "Is the transition OBVIOUSLY
++++
         slower near the high than
++++
      near the low? ";
580 Input answer$
    If answer$="y"
590
                   then highok=false
600 If answer$="y" then
                         goto aberr
    Print "Is the transition
610
                              OBVIOUSLY
                      the low than
++++
          slower near
      near the high? ";
++++
620 Input answer$
630
    If answer$="y" then lowok=false
640 Aberr:
           1
    Print "Do both high and low levels
650
       have less than 5%"
++++
```

```
Print " overshoot,
                           undershoot,
660
          tilt, or other aberration? ";
++++
           answer$
670
     Input
     If answer$="y" then goto measure
680
           "Does high level have
690
     Print
                                    less
                5 %"
++++
           than
     Print " overshoot, undershoot,
700
          tilt, or other aberration? ";
++++
           answer$
710
     Input
720
     Ιf
        answer$<>"y"
                      then highok=false
    If answer$="yr"
                      then lowok=false
730
    If answer$="y" then goto measure
740
750
     Print
            "Does low level have less
          than 5%"
++++
     Print "
760
                overshoot, undershoot,
++++
        tilt or other aberration? ";
770
     Input answer$
780
     If answer$<>"y" then lowok=false
790
     !
800 Measure: !Measurement Routine
    Print "Wait for iterative
810
++++
          measurements."
820 Highx=false
                 !Don't change high
++++
           unless required
830
     Lowx=false !Don't change low unless
++++
           required
840
    If highok=false
                      then highx=true
        lowok=false then lowx=true
850
     If
860
     If highok=true
                     and lowok=true
                                      and
           actual>0 then highx=true
++++
870
     If highok=true
                     and lowok=true
                                      and
++++
           actual<O then lowx=true
     Call getpeaks (hipeak, lopeak)
880
890
     Pktopk=hipeak-lopeak
                         !Find
++++
          peak-to-peak
     !Send 50% level to B-trigger
900
910
     Print #scope:"btr level:";lopeak+
++++
           (0.5*pktopk)
920
    Hlprev=0.8
930
     SlopeO=4
             Initial ratio of
++++
          risetime/threshold
940 Accment=0
```

```
950
      Riseaccm=0
960
      Hlaccm=0
970
      1
980
     Again:
                !Iteration
                              Loop
990
      Count=count+1
1000
       Print
               #scope:"atr
                              level:";
++++
            lopeak+low *pktopk
1010
       !Send
                    level to A-trigger
               low
1020
       Call
             getcttn (delayl)
                                 !Get
                                       lst
++++
             delay reading
1030
       Print #scope:"atr
                             level:";lopeak
++++
             +high *pktopk
1040
       !Send high
                     level to A-trigger
1050
       Call
             getcttn (delay2)
                                !Get
                                       2nd
++++
             delay reading
1060
       Riseprev=risetime
1070
       Risetime=delayl-delay2
                                    !Delay
++++
             difference
1080
       If risetime/actual>0.99
                                     and
++++
             risetime/actual<1.01
                                       then
++++
             goto finish
1090
       If count>19
                      then goto finish
++++
            !Can't converge within
                                         1%
1100
       If count>1
                    then riseaccm=riseaccm
++++
           +abs ((risetime-
                             riseprev)
++++
           /risetime)
1110
       If count>1
                    then hlaccm=hlaccm
++++
           +abs ((high-
                          low-hlprev)
           / (high-low))
++++
1120
       If hlaccm>0.02
                         then
                                slopeO=
++++
           riseaccm/hlaccm
1130
       Slope=slope0
1140
       If
           highx=true
                        and lowx=true
                                          then
++++
             slope=slope *2
1150
       Change= (high-low) * (actual/risetime
              -1) /slope
++++
1160
       Ιf
          hlprev>0.95
                         and high=0.98
                                           and
++++
             10w=0.02
                        then
                              goto
                                     finish
1170
       Hlprev=high-low
1180
       If highx=true
                        then
                              high=high+change
       If lowx=true
1190
                       then
                             low=low-change
                             high=0.98
1200
       If high>0.98
                       then
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```
1210
      If low<0.02 then low=0.02
1220
      If (low+0.1)>high then goto finish
         !Invalid
                 "actual"
++++
1230
      If high=0.98
                    then lowx=true
      If low=0.02 then highx=true
1240
1250
      Goto again
1260
      1
1270
     Finish: !
1280
      Print
      Print count;" iterations"
1290
1300
      Print "Use these new values for high
            and low with similar signals."
++++
            H
                   New value for high =
1310
      Print
++++
         ":high
                   New value for low =
1320
      Print
            H
            ";low
++++
      Print "Measured Rise Time (Fall
                                          Time
1330
            if Negative) = ";risetime
++++
      If count>19 then print "Verify
1340
            risetime measurement value."
++++
      Print
1350
      Print "Entered (target) Transition
1360
            Time = ";actual
++++
1370
      Print
1380
      If (high-low)<0.2 then print
            • * * *
                 ENTERED TRANSITION
                                      TIME
++++
       OUT OF RANGE. ****
++++
      If high=0.98 and low=0.02 then print
1390
            **** ENTERED
++++
                   TIME OUT OF RANGE.
                                        * * * #
++++
       TRANSITION
      Stop "-- Enter ""run"" to do another
1400
            threshold optimization."
++++
1410
      End
      Sub getpeaks (var hipeak, lopeak)
1420
++++
        local
               timeref,result$
1430
      !Set A-trigger to INIT @ 50% for peak
++++
            measurement cycle
      Print #scope:"atr init50"
1440
      timeref=ask("time") !Starting
                                      time
1450
     Waitpks: Input #scope prompt "atr?
1460
           trigd":result$ !Triggered?
++++
```

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1470
      If result$="ATR TRIGD:ON;" then goto
++++
            found !Peaks found
1480
      If timeref+20>ask ("time") then goto
            waitpks !Loop if < 20
++++
++++
         sec since start
1490 !Else
      Print "*** FAULTY PEAK VOLTAGE
1500
                    * * *
++++
       MEASUREMENT
                          20 SECOND TIMEOUT"
      Print "Check oscilloscope settings
1510
++++
          and signal source."
      Stop "-- Enter ""run"" to try again."
1520
1530
      1
1540
     Found:
            Ask instrument for peaks by
++++
          A-trigger
                    query
1550 Input #scope prompt "atr? mini,
++++
           max":result$
1560 !
1570 !Typical result string-- ATR MINI:
++++
            -489E-3,MAX:496E-3;
1580 !Extract
                low peak from result string
1590
      Lopeak=val (result$)
1600
                    peak from result string
     !Extract
               high
1610
      Hipeak=valc (result$, pos (result$,
            "MAX",1))
++++
1620
     Return
1630
      End
1640
     Sub getcttn (var cttcount)
      Long cttcount !To accept up to le99
1650
++++
           error code
1660
      Print #scope:"ctt
                         reset" !Discard
++++
           stale measurements
1670
     Waiting: input #scope prompt "ctr?"
++++
           :cttcount
                    !Is scope ready?
1680
      If cttcount=0
                    then goto waiting
++++
           !Hang until ready
1690
      Input #scope prompt "cts?":cttcount
++++
           !Get reading from scope
1700
      If cttcount<1.OE+9
                          then return
           !>1E9 count indicates error
++++
1710 !Else
```
1720	Print "*** FAULTY TIME OR C	OUNTING
++++	MEASUREMENT *** Error	
++++	Code: ";cttcount	
1730	Print "Check oscilloscope s	ettings
++++	and signal source."	
1740	Stop " Enter ""run"" to t	ry again."
1750	End	

IBM PC/XT/AT Program to Calibrate Trigger Levels for Transition Time

```
10 'XTNLEV.BAS--
                  a BASIC program
                                     for the
            IBM PC/XT/AT
                           with
++++
                GPIB User's
20 ' Tektronix
                              Resource
                      (GURU)
++++
            Utility
30 '
                             or
                             IEEE-488
               Instruments
40 ' National
                              Interface
++++
            Instrumentation
50 'To Adjust
               Trigger
                         Thresholds for
                       Time
           Transition
                             Measurements
++++
                                  and 2467B
60 ' with the Tektronix
                           24X5B
                              with CTT
              Oscilloscopes
++++
70 '
             30 June 1986
80 'NOTE:
           "+++"
                  in place of a line
                                        number
                       that
++++
           indicates
                      printed lines
                                       must
90 '
           separately
                                             be
            joined.
                     The "++++"
++++
                           not be entered.
100
   1
            symbols must
110 'INITIALIZE
         OFF : SCREEN O : LOCATE
                                   1,1,0
120 KEY
            : CLS
++++
    'The following 6 lines load the
130
++++
            utilities into
                             memory
                                     that
                     for
                                  operation.
140 'are
          necessary
                          program
            This
                 should be done
++++
150 'at the beginning of every application
++++
            program.
160
      CLEAR
              10000,59665!
                  = 59665!
170
      IBINIT1
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180 IBINIT2 = IBINIT1 + 3BLOAD "bib.m".IBINIT1 190 IBINIT1 (IBFIND, IBTRG, IBCLR, 200 CALL ++++ IBPCT, IBSIC, IBLOC, IBPPC, IBBNA, IBONL, IBRSC, IIBSRE, IBRSV, IBPAD, ++++ ++++ BSAD, IBIST, IBDMA, IBEOS, IBTMO, IBEOT, IBRDF, IBWRTF) ++++ 210 CALL IBINIT2 (IBGTS, IBCAC, IBWAIT, IBPOKE, IBWRT, IBWRTA, IBCMD, ++++ ++++ IBCMDA, IBRD, IBRDA, IBSTOP, IBRPP, ++++ IBRSP, IBDIAG, IBXTRC, IBRDI, ++++ IBWRTI, IBRDIA, IBWRTIA, IBSTA %, IBERR %, IBCNT %) ++++ 220 230 'Use this program only for system ++++ setup and calibration. 240 250 SCOPE\$="02465" 'The same name must ++++ be assigned with IBCONF 260 - 1 270 TRUE = 1 : FALSE = 0++++ 'Initialize logical values 280 PRINT 290 PRINT"Execute this procedure and ++++ program to find the optimum" 300 PRINT "high and low thresholds for ++++ transition time measurements." 310 PRINT 320 PRINT"Repeat the procedure to find the thresholds" ++++ optimum 330 PRINT"for each dissimilar signal." 340 PRINT 350 PRINT"1. Connect oscilloscope to bus and ++++ IEEE-488 configure system." 360 PRINT" Primary address of the scope ++++ must equal the 370 PRINT" address assigned to o2465 ++++ with IBCONF." 380 PRINT 390 PRINT"2. Carefully measure transition ++++ time with cursors."

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400 PRINT" Use 10% and 90% or 20% and
++++ 80% as appropriate."
410 PRINT
420 PRINT"3. Manually set the scope to
++++ measure the transition of"
430 PRINT" interest,
                       with the same
++++ control settings that will be"
            used in the automatic test.
440 PRINT"
            ""Measuring Rise"
++++ Review
450 PRINT" and Fall Times"" to determine
++++ the best settings."
460 PRINT
470 PRINT*4. Enter transition time,
++++ measured in step 2,"
480 PRINT" in exponential form,
      eg. 5.43e-9."
++++
            Use minus time for fall time,
490 PRINT"
++++ eg. -29.6e-6."
500 PRINT
510 CALL IBFIND (SCOPE$, SCOPE%)
++++ 'Find scope specifier 'scope%'
520 IF IBSTA% < 0 THEN 2360
                   'Incorrect symbolic name
++++
530 IDTEST$="id?"
540 CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, IDTEST$)
                                'First call
++++ to test scope address
550 IF IBSTA% < 0 THEN 2360
                'Incorrect address
++++
560 CALL IBLOC (SCOPE %)
                'User sets up scope
++++
570 INPUT"Transition Time:
                            ",ACTUAL
580 CALL IBCLR (SCOPE%)
          'Send Device Clear message
++++
++++
           to GPIB
590 PRINT
600 PRINT"The LOW threshold is typically
++++ 10% (0.1 as a decimal)"
610 PRINT"
             If this is your low
++++ threshold, just press <Enter>"
620 PRINT"
                Otherwise, type in a new
++++ low threshold as a"
```

```
630 INPUT"
                     decimal fraction and
++++ press <Enter>: ",LOW
640 IF LOW < .02 OR LOW > .98
++++ THEN LOW = .1
650 PRINT
660 PRINT"The HIGH threshold is typically
++++ 90% (0.9 as a decimal)"
670 PRINT"
              If this is your high
++++ threshold, just press <Enter>"
680 PRINT"
                    Otherwise,
                               type in a
++++ new high threshold
                         as a"
690 INPUT"
                      decimal fraction
++++ and press <Enter>: ",HIGH
700 IF HIGH < .1 OR HIGH > .98
                                 THEN
+++++ HIGH = .9
710 PRINT
720 PRINT"Initial
                 low threshold = ";LOW;
730 PRINT"Initial high threshold = ";HIGH
740 PRINT
750 PRINT"Enter 'Y' for a yes answer, or
     'N' for a no answer."
++++
760 HIGHX = FALSE
     'Don't change unless required
++++
770 \text{ LOWX} = \text{FALSE}
***
     'Don't change unless required
780 PRINT"Is the transition
                              CLEARLY
++++ slower near the high than
++++
       near the low? ";
790 GOSUB
          1620 'Get response
800 IF ANSWRs = "Y"
                      THEN
                           HIGHX = TRUE:
            GOTO 840 'Aberrations
++++
810 PRINT"Is
             the transition CLEARLY
++++ slower near the low than
++++
       near the high? ";
820 GOSUB
          1620
830 IF ANSWR = "Y" THEN LOWX = TRUE
840 'Aberrations
850 PRINT*Do
             both high and low levels
++++ have less than 5%"
860 PRINT" overshoot, undershoot,
++++ tilt or other aberration? ";
```

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":
++++ tilt or other aberration?
870 GOSUB 1620
880 IF ANSWR$ = "Y"
                         THEN
++++ GOTO 990 'Measure
890 PRINT"Does the high level have less
++++ than 5%"
900 PRINT" overshoot, undershoot, tilt
++++ or other aberration? ";
910 GOSUB 1620
920 IF ANSWR$ <> "Y" THEN HIGHX = TRUE
930 IF ANSWR$ = "Y" THEN LOWX = TRUE :
++++ GOTO 990 'Measure
940 PRINT"Does
              the low level have less
++++ than 5%"
950 PRINT" overshoot, undershoot, tilt
++++ or other aberration? ";
960 GOSUB 1620
970 IF ANSWR$ <> "Y" THEN LOWX = TRUE
980 '
990 'Measurement Routine
                           -- Wait for
      PRINT"
1000
                               ____#
****
     iterative measurements.
                      AND LOWX=FALSE AND
      IF HIGHX=FALSE
1010
                THEN HIGHX=TRUE
++++ ACTUAL>O
                     AND LOWX=FALSE AND
      IF HIGHX=FALSE
1020
++++ ACTUAL<O
                THEN LOWX= TRUE
      GOSUB 1680
                                'Get peaks
1030
     PKTOPK = HIPEAK-LOPEAK
1040
           'Find peak to peak
++++
1050 BTRLEV$="btr lev:"+ STR$ (LOPEAK
       +.5*PKTOPK)'Find 50% level
++++
1060 CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, BTRLEV$)
++++
       'Send 50% level to B trigger
1070
      IF IBSTA% < O THEN 2360
      HLPREV = .8
1080
       'Initialize loop variables
++++
       SLOPEO = .25
1090
++++ 'Initial ratio of threshold/risetime
      RISEACCM = O
1100
1110
      HLACCM = 0
      COUNT = O
1120
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```
1130
        RISETIME = 0
1140
1150
        WHILE
               COUNT < 20
                                'Iteration
                                              100p
1160
           COUNT
                = COUNT + 1
1170
           COLOR 1,7 : PRINT COUNT;"
                                           ";
1180
          ATRLEV$ = "atr
                            lev:" + STR$ (LOPEAK
           + LOW *PKTOPK)
++++
          CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, ATRLEV$)
1190
              'Send
                     low level
                                 to A-trigger
++++
          IF IBSTA%
1200
                     < O THEN
                                 2360
1210
          GOSUB 2020
                          'Get 1st delay reading
1220
          DELAY1 = VAL (RD\$)
          ATRLEV$ = "atr lev:" + STR$ (LOPEAK
1230
++++
           + HIGH * PKTOPK )
1240
               IBWRT (SCOPE %, ATRLEV$ )
         CALL
++++
           'Send
                  high level to A-trigger
1250
         IF IBSTA% < 0 THEN 2360
                         'Get
1260
         GOSUB
                2020
                               2nd delay reading
         DELAY2 = VAL (RD\$)
1270
1280
         RISEPREV = RISETIME
                             - DELAY2
1290
         RISETIME = DELAY1
++++
           'Delay difference
1300
        IF RISETIME/ACTUAL>.99
                                   AND
++++
        RISETIME/ACTUAL<1.01
                                 THEN
                                       1480
1310
        IF COUNT > 1 THEN
                                RISEACCM
                                          =
++++
           RISEACCM + ABS ( (RISETIME
++++
            - RISEPREV)/RISETIME)
1320
        IF COUNT > 1 THEN
                                HLACCM = HLACCM
++++
            + ABS ( (HIGH - LOW
++++
              HLPREV ) / (HIGH-LOW ) )
1330
           HLACCM > .02 THEN SLOPEO
        IF
                                        =
           HLACCM/RISEACCM
++++
         SLOPE = SLOPEO
1340
1350
        IF HIGHX = TRUE
                            AND
                                  LOWX = TRUE
++++
       THEN
             SLOPE
                    = SLOPE/2
        CHANGE= (HIGH-LOW) * (ACTUAL/RISETIME
1360
          - 1)*SLOPE
++++
        IF HLPREV>.95
1370
                         AND
                                HIGH =.98
                                             AND
++++
          LOW = .02
                     THEN
                           1480
1380
        HLPREV = HIGH - LOW
        IF HIGHX = TRUE
1390
                           THEN HIGH =
          HIGH + CHANGE
++++
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```
IF LOWX = TRUE THEN LOW
1400
                                    =
        LOW - CHANGE
++++
       IF HIGH
                > .98
                       THEN
                              HIGH = .98
1410
        IF LOW < .02 THEN LOW = .02
1420
        IF (LOW + .1) > HIGH THEN 1480
1430
        'Finish Invalid "actual"
++++
        IF HIGH = .98 THEN
                              LOWX = TRUE
1440
        IF LOW = .O2 THEN HIGHX = TRUE
1450
                       'End iteration loop
1460
     WEND
1470
1480
    'Finish
     COLOR 7,0 : PRINT : PRINT
1490
     COUNT;" ITERATIONS"
++++
1500 PRINT"Use these new values for high
     and low with similar signals."
++++
1510 PRINT" New value for high = ";HIGH
1520 PRINT"
             New value for low = ";LOW
                   Rise Time (Fall Time
1530 PRINT"Measured
     if Negative)=
                    ";RISETIME
++++
1540 IF COUNT > 19 THEN COLOR 15,4,0:
     PRINT "Verify Risetime
++++
      measurement value." : COLOR 7,0
++++
    PRINT
1550
    PRINT "Entered (target)
1560
     Transition Time = ";ACTUAL
++++
1570 PRINT
1580 IF ((HIGH-LOW < .2) OR (HIGH = .98
++++ AND LOW = .02)) THEN
      COLOR 15,4 : PRINT" **#** ENTERED
++++
      TRANSITION TIME OUT OF RANGE
++++
      **#*** : COLOR 7,0
++++
1590 PRINT"-- Enter 'run' to do another
       threshold optimization."
++++
1600 GOTO 2400'End Routine
     !______
1610
1620 'Subroutine to Wait for, Receive
          and Print Response
++++
     ANSWR$ = INKEY$ : IF ANSWR$ =
1630
        ** THEN 1630
++++
1640 IF ANSWR$ = "y" THEN ANSWR$ = "Y"
1650 IF ANSWR$ = "Y" THEN PRINT "YES"
           ELSE PRINT "NO"
++++
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1660
     RETURN
1670 '-----
1680 'Subroutine Get peaks
1690 ATRINIT50$ = "atr
                          init50"
1700
     ATRQUER$ = "atr? trigd"
1710
      ATRPEKS$ = "atr? max,mini"
1720
     .
1730 'Set A-trigger to INIT @ 50% for
++++
                                cycle
             peak measurement
1740
      CALL
           IBWRT (SCOPE %, ATRINIT50$)
        IBSTA% < O THEN
1750
     IF
                            2360
1760
     SENTLEV=TIMER
                           'START
                                 TIMER
1770 CALL
           IBWRT (SCOPE %, ATRQUER$ )
++++
              'Ask if trigger found
1780
       IF IBSTA% < 0 THEN 2360
1790
       RD\$ = SPACE\$ (95)
1800
       CALL IBRD (SCOPE %, RD$)
1810
       ΙF
           IBSTA%
                  < 0 THEN 2360
       IF MID$ (RD$, INSTR (1, RD$, ":")
1820
++++
       +1,2)="ON" THEN 1890 'Found trg
1830 IF SENTLEV +20>TIMER
                              THEN
                                   1770
             'Under 20 seconds, try again
++++
1840 COLOR 15,4
                 * *# * * FAULTY PEAK VOLTAGE
1850
     PRINT"
                          **#***
++++
             MEASUREMENT
     PRINT"
1860
               20 SECOND
                           TIMEOUT"
1870
     PRINT"Check settings
                              and
++++
             'run' to try again."
1880
     GOTO 2400'End Routine
     1
1890
           Found
1900
                       ' Ask instrument
                                         for
              peaks by A-trigger query
++++
1910
    CALL
           IBWRT (SCOPE %, ATRPEKS$)
1920
     IF IBSTA% < 0 THEN 2360
1930
     RD$=SPACE$ (95)
1940
     CALL IBRD (SCOPE %, RD$)
1950
     IF IBSTA% < O THEN
                           2360
     IF IBSTA% < O THEN
1970
                           2360
             'Extract high and low peaks
1980
     HIPEAK = VAL (MID$ (RD$, INSTR (1, RD$,
1990
++++
             ":")+1,10))
2000
     LOPEAK = VAL (MID$ (RD$, INSTR (10, RD$,
             ":")+1))
++++
```

2010 RETURN !_____ 2020 2030 ' Get Count Subroutine (equivalent ++++ to GETCTTN subroutine) CTTRSET\$ = "ctt reset" 'These 4 lines 2040 should appear early in ++++ 2050 CTRQUER = "ctr?" 'the main program; they are shown here ++++ 2060 CTSQUER\$ = "cts?" 'to indicate the actual string values ++++ 2070 EVENTS = "event?"++++ 'required by the scope. 2080 CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, CTTRSET\$) 'Discard stale measurements ++++ 2090 IF IBSTA% < O THEN 2360 2100 CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, CTRQUER\$) 'Measurement available? ++++ IBSTA% < 0 THEN 2360 IF 2110 2120 RD\$=SPACE\$ (95) CALL IBRD (SCOPE %, RD\$) 2130 IF IBSTA% < O THEN 2140 2360 2150 CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, EVENT\$) 'Event query ++++ IF IBSTA% < 0 THEN 2360 2160 EV\$=SPACE\$ (20) 2170 2180 CALL IBRD (SCOPE %, EV\$) IF IBSTA% < O THEN 2190 2360 IF VAL (MID\$ (EV\$, INSTR (1, EV\$, " 2200 ")+1)) <> 0 THEN 2280 ++++ VAL(RD\$) = 0 THEN 2100 IF2210 'No measurement available ++++ CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, CTSQUER\$) 2220 IF IBSTA% < O THEN 2360 2230 RD\$=SPACE\$ (95) 2240 IBRD (SCOPE %, RD\$) CALL 2250 'Get reading from ++++ scope IF IBSTA% < 0 THEN 2360 2260 VAL (RD\$) < 1E+09 THEN RETURN 2270 IF '>= 1.0e+9 indicates ++++ error 15,4 'Print error message 2280 COLOR **#** 2290 PRINT" FAULTY TIME 0R * *# * * * COUNTING MEASUREMENT ++++

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2300 PRINT"Error Code ";VAL (RD$);
    PRINT* Check scope settings and
2310
           signal source."
++++
2320 COLOR 7,0 : PRINT*-----
        Enter 'run' to try again. -----"
++++
2330
     GOTO 2400'End Routine
    2340
2350 'Incorrect symbolic name or address
    S = HEX$ (IBSTA %) : COLOR 15,4
2360
              IBSTA = ";S$,"IBCNT
2370
    PRINT *
                                =
             ";IBCNT %, "IBERR = ";IBERR %
++++
2380 IF S$="8000" THEN PRINT"
     ";SCOPE$;" is not a valid name."
++++
++++ ELSE PRINT" ";SCOPE$;" is not
++++
            correctly addressed."
   ! _____
2390
2400 'End Routine
    V\% = O : CALL IBONL (SCOPE %, V%)
2410
2420 COLOR 7,0 : KEY ON : CALL
++++
         IBLOC (SCOPE%)
2430 END
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10	1	Α	BASI	C Pr	rogra	am d	for	the	
++++	•		Hewl	ett	Pac	kard	98	XX	
20	!to	Adjust	; Tr	igger	r 1	hres	hold	S	for
++++		Transi	tion	Тj	me	Meas	urem	ents	:
30	ļ		with	the	Te	ktror	lix		
++++	,	24X	5B a	and 2	2467	B Os	cill	osc	opes.
40	1			30 .	June	198	6		
50		GOSUB	Set	up					
++++		!	Init	ializ	е	and	set	up	crt
60	!								
70	!Us	e thi:	s pr	ogran	n c	nly	for	sy	stem
++++		set	up a	und o	ali	brati	on.		
80	!'N(OTE:	* +++	+" :	in ŗ	lace	of	а	line
++++		num	ber	indi	cate	s 1	that		
90	! '		sepa	ratel	У	prin	ted	li	nes
++++		must	be	join	ed.	Th	ie "	++++	+ ۳

100 !'	symbols must not be entered.
110	PRINT "Execute this procedure and
++++	program to find"
120	PRINT "optimum high and low
++++	thresholds for transition"
130	PRINT " time measurements."
140	PRINT
150	PRINT "Repeat the procedure to find
+++ +	optimum thresholds"
160	PRINT " for each dissimilar signal."
170	PRINT "l. Connect oscilloscope
++++	to controller IEEE-488 bus."
180	PRINT "2. Carefully measure
++++	transition time with cursors."
190	PRINT " Use 10% and 90% or
++++	20% and 80% or other"
200	PRINT " appropriate levels."
210	PRINT "3. Manually set the scope
++++	to measure the transi-"
220	PRINT " tion of interest, with
++++	the same control setting"
230	PRINT " that will be used in
++++	the automatic test. Review"
240	PRINT " "Measuring Rise and
++++	Fall Times"" to determine"
250	PRINT " the best settings."
260	PRINT "4. Enter the transition
++ + +	time measured in step 2,"
270	PRINT " in exponential form,
++++	eg. 5.43E-9 <enter>."</enter>
280	PRINT " fall time is minus,
++++	eg29.6E-6 <enter>."</enter>
290	CALL Check_communi (D2465)
++++	!Check bus to scope
300	LOCAL D2465 !User sets
++++	up scope
310	PRINT "Transition Time: ";
320	LINPUT Actual\$!E or e
++ + +	accepted
330	Actual=VAL (UPC\$ (Actual\$))
++++	!Converts e to E

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PRINT Actual
340
350
        PRINT
       PRINT "The LOW threshold is
360
            typically 10% (.1 as
++++
            decimal)"
++++
       PRINT "If this is your low
370
            threshold, just press
++++
            <Enter>"
++++
        PRINT " Otherwise, type in a
380
            low threshold as a"
++++
390
       PRINT "
                      decimal fraction
++++
            and press <Enter>:"
400
        INPUT Low
410
        IF Low<.2 OR Low>.98 THEN
++++
            Low=.1
420
       PRINT
       PRINT "The HIGH threshold is
430
          typically 90% (.9 as decimal)"
++++
             "If this is your high
440
       PRINT
++++
          threshold, just press <Enter>"
              " Otherwise, type in a new
450
       PRINT
           high threshold
++++
                            as a"
       PRINT "
460
                  decimal fraction and
++++
            press <Enter>:"
470
       INPUT
              High
480
       IF High<.1 OR High>.98 THEN
            High=.9
++++
490
       PRINT
       PRINT "Initial low threshold =
500
++++
           ";Low
       PRINT "
510
                  Initial high
           threshold = ";High
++++
520
       CONTROL
                1,12;0
                        !Turn on soft
            key display.
++++
530
       PRINT
540
       PRINT CHR$ (129);"Use softkeys
++++
            to answer the following
        questions:";CHR$ (128)
++++
       !Color
             change - CHR$ (128-140)
++++
         are for color control
++++
      PRINT
550
```

560	Highx=False !Don't change
++++	unless required
570	Lowx=False !Don't change
++++	unless required
580	PRINT "Is the transition
++++	CLEARLYslower near"
590	PRINT " the high than near
++++	the low?";
600	GOSUB Rsponse
610	IF Answr\$="YES" THEN
620	Highx=True
630	GOTO Aberr
640	END IF
650	PRINT "Is the transition
++++	CLEARLY slower near"
660	PRINT " the low than
++++	near the high?";
670	GOSUB Rsponse
680	IF Answr\$="YES" THEN Lowx=True
690 Ab	err: !
700	PRINT "Do both levels have
++++	less than 5% overshoot,"
710	PRINT " undershoot, tilt or
++++	other aberration?";
720	GOSUB Rsponse
730	IF Answr\$="YES" THEN GOTO Measure
740	PRINT "Does the high level have
++++	less than 5% overshoot,"
750	PRINT " undershoot, tilt or
++++	other aberration?";
760	GOSUB Rsponse
770	IF Answr\$="YES" THEN
780	Lowx=True
790	GOTO Measure
800	ELSE
810	Highx=True
820	END IF
830	PRINT "Does the low level have
****	less than 5% overshoot,"
840	PRINT " undershoot, tilt or
++++	other aberration?";
850	GOSUB Rsponse
	=

860 IF Answr\$<>"YES" THEN Lowx=True 870 1 880 Measure: 1 890 REMOTE 7 !Place scope under HP control ++++ and 900 LOCAL LOCKOUT 7 !Lockout user ++++ from scope's front panel 910 FOR I=O TO Num_keys !Adjust ++++ soft keys I LABEL "" GOSUB Inactive 920 KEY 930 NEXT I ON KEY 7 LABEL "ABORT" GOTO 940 !Key 7 only will ++++ Done abort • _ _ _ _ _ _ 950 PRINT Wait for iterative ____* ++++ measurements 960 IF Highx=False AND Lowx=False AND ++++ Actual>0 THEN Highx=True Lopeak } ++++ !Get peaks 990 Pktopk=Hipeak-Lopeak ++++ !Find peak to peak OUTPUT D2465;"btr 1000 lev:" ++++ &VAL\$ (Lopeak+.5*Pktopk) !Send 50% level to b-trig ++++ 1010 Hlprev=.8 ++++ !Initialize loop variables 1020 Slope0=.25 !Ratio threshold/risetime ++++ 1030 Riseaccm=0 1040 Hlaccm=0 1050 Count=0 1060 Risetime=0 1070 LOOP !Iteration loop Count=Count+1 1080 PRINT CHR\$ (129);Count;" "; 1090 1100 OUTPUT D2465; "atr lev: "&VAL\$ (Lopeak+Low *Pktopk) ++++ !Send low to a-trig ++++ 1110 CALL Get_cttn (D2465, Delayl) ++++ !Get lst delay rdg OUTPUT D2465; "atr lev: "&VAL\$ 1120 (Lopeak+High *Pktopk) ++++ ++++ !Send high to a-trig

1130	CALL Get_cttn (D2465,Delay2)
+ +++	!Get 2nd delay rdg
1140	Riseprev=Risetime
1150	Risetime=Delay1-Delay2
++++	!Delay difference
1160	EXIT IF Risetime/Actual>.99 AND
++++	Risetime/Actual<1.01
++++	!Under 1% error
1170	EXIT IF Count>19
++++	!Can't converge under 1%
1180	IF Count>1 THEN
1190	Riseaccm=Riseaccm+ABS
++++	((Risetime-Riseprev)/Risetime)
1200	Hlaccm=Hlaccm+ABS
++++	((High-Low-Hlprev)/(High-Low))
1210	END IF
1220	IF Hlaccm>.02 THEN Slope
++++	O=Hlaccm/Riseaccm
1230	Slope=SlopeO
1240	IF Highx=True AND Lowx=True
++++	THEN Slope=Slope/2
1250	Change= (High-Low) * (Actual
++++	/Risetime-l)*Slope
1260	EXIT IF Hlprev>.95 AND High=.98
++++	AND Low=.02 !At limits
1270	Hlprev=High-Low
1280	IF Highx=True THEN High=
++++	High+Change
1290	IF Lowx=True THEN Low=
++++	Low-Change
1300	IF High>.98 THEN High=.98
1310	IF Low<.02 THEN Low=.02
1320	EXIT IF Low+.1>High
++++	Low too close to high!
1330	IF High=.98 THEN Lowx=True
1340	IF Low=.02 THEN Highx=True
1350	END LOOP
1360	!End of measurement routine
1370	PRINT CHR\$ (128);Count;"
++++	ITERATIONS"
1380	PRINT "Use these high & low
++++	values with similar signals:"

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PRINT "
                             New value
1390
            for high = ";DROUND (High, 4)
++++
1400
       PRINT
                             New value for
            low = ";DROUND (Low, 4)
++++
1410
       PRINT "Measured
                        Rișe
                              Time
++++
            (Fall Time IF negative) ="
              TAB (30); DROUND (Risetime, 4)
1420
       PRINT
1430
       IF Count>19
                     THEN
1440
       PRINT
             CHR$ (129); "Verify Risetime
++++
            Measurement Value."
1450
       END IF
1460
       PRINT CHR$ (128)
1470
       PRINT "Entered
                        (target)
           Transition Time = ";Actual
++++
1480
       IF ((High-Low<.2) OR (High=.98
           AND Low=.02))
                          THEN
++++
1490
       PRINT
       PRINT CHR$ (129); ***#**
1500
            ENTERED TRANSITION TIME OUT
++++
                      * *# * * "; CHR$ (128)
            OF RANGE
++++
1510
      PRINT CHR$ (129); "Press
                              <RUN> to
           do another threshold
++++
++++
           optimization.";CHR$ (128)
       END IF
1520
1530
       GOTO Done
       1540
          ++++
1550 Setup:
                               !Initialize
         controller
                     and GPIB
++++
       DIM Clr$(2)
1560
       Clr = CHR$ (255) & CHR$ (75)
1570
       OUTPUT 2:Clr$;
1580
                         !Clear screen
1590
       PRINT CHR$ (128)
                         !Set color
1600
       CONTROL
                1,12;1 !Turn off softkey
++++
           display
       Model$=SYSTEM$ ("SYSTEM ID")
1610
            !Find model id and define
++++
++++
            num_keys
                      to
       IF VAL (Model$)=9816
1620
                             THEN !Use
                                         in
            softkeys configuration loop
++++
             Num_keys=9
1630
       !9816 has only 10 softkeys
++++
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1640
       ELSE
          Num_keys=19
1650
++++ !Others have 20 softkeys
       END IF
1660
1670
      FOR I=O TO Num_keys
++++
         !Configure softkey menu
      ON KEY I LABEL " GOTO Wrong
1680
1690
     NEXT I
      ON KEY 5 LABEL "YES" GOTO Yes
1700
     ON KEY 6 LABEL "NO" GOTO No_
1710
      ON KEY 7 LABEL "ABORT" GOTO Done
1720
1730 D2465=701 !Default address - use
++++
         actual scope address
1740 True=1 !Initialize logical
         values
++++
     False=0
1750
1760
      RETURN
1780 Rsponse:
        !Accept and interpret softkey
++++
++++
       input
1790 Spin: GOTO Spin
1800 Yes: Answr$="YES"
     PRINT "YES"
1810
1820
     RETURN
    No : Answr$="NO"
1830
     PRINT " NO"
1840
1850
    RETURN
    Wrong: GOTO Rsponse
1860
        !Wrong key during user input
++++
1870 Inactive:
                 RETURN
         !Inactive key during
++++
         program control
++++
    !------
1880
1890
                         !End routine
    Done:
1900
         PRINT CHR$ (128)
         !Return color to normal
++++
         LOCAL 7 !Return local
1910
            control
++++
1920 END
     1930
     SUB Check_communi (D2465)
1940
++++
          !Be sure scope communicates.
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```
ON TIMEOUT 7,1 GOTO Incorrect
1950
               I=SPOLL (D2465)
1960
             OFF TIMEOUT
1970
1980
             SUBEXIT
          !Serial poll complete
++++
1990
                     Ī
     Incorrect:
       PRINT CHR$ (129); "COMMUNICATION
2000
            ERROR - Check
                            cable
++++
                connections,";CHR$ (128)
++++
              CHR$ (129); "Message
2010
       PRINT
           terminator
                      (must be LF) and
++++
                   ";CHR$ (128)
++++
           address.
       INPUT "IF incorrectly addressed,
2020
           enter correct address:",D2465
++++
2030
       IF D2465>=0 AND D2465<=31
                                     THEN
        D2465=D2465+700
2040
2050
        GOTO 1950
++++
    !Try again
       ELSE
2060
2070
        INPUT *Out of range (0 - 31)
     - enter correct address:",D2465
++++
2080
       GOTO
              2030
      END IF
2090
2100
       SUBEND
2110
      2120
       SUB Get_peaks (D2465, Hipeak,
++++
           Lopeak)
2130
          ON KEY 7 LABEL "ABORT" GOTO
       Stop_ !Activate
                        abort
++++
                               softkev
          DIM Atrd$[60],Max_mini$[60]
2140
2150
          OUTPUT D2465;"atr
                              init50"
2160
          ON DELAY 20 GOTO
                             Quit
       !Activate timer
++++
            OUTPUT
2170
     Again:
                       D2465;"atr?
2180
         ENTER D2465;Atrd$
++++
          trigd"!Ask if triggered
++++
      ="OFF"
              THEN Again
                            !Not found
2190
          IF Atrd$[POS (Atrd$,":")+1;3]
```

2200	OFF DELAY !Found trigger
2210	OUTPUT D2465;"atr? max,mini"
++++	!Ask for peaks via A-trigger
2220	ENTER D2465;Max_mini\$
2230	!
2240	Hipeak=VAL (Max_mini\$[POS
++++	$(Max_mini\$, "MAX:")+4,$
++++	POS (Max_mini , "MINI:")-1)
++++	!Extract high peak
2250	Lopeak=VAL (Max_mini\$[POS (Max_mini\$,
++++	"MINI:")+5]) !Low peak
2260	SUBEXIT
2270	Quit: !Trigger not found
2280	PRINT CHR\$ (129) !Set color
2290	PRINT " *# * FAULTY PEAK VOLTAGE
++++	MEASUREMENT *# * "
2300	PRINT " 20 second timeout "
2310	PRINT "Check scope settings and
++++	signal source."
2320	PRINT " Press 'run' to try
++++	again. "
2330	Stop_: PRINT CHR\$ (128)
2340	LOCAL 7
2350	STOP
2360	SUBEND
2370	
2380	SUB Get_cttn (D2465,Delay)
2390	ON KEY 7 LABEL "ABORT"
++++	GOTO Stop_
2400	OUTPUT D2465;"ctt reset"
++++	Discard stale measurements
2410	Again: OUTPUT D2465;"ctr?"
++++	!Measurement available?
2420	ENTER D2465;Cttrset\$
2430	IF Cttrset\$=CHR\$ (255)
++++	THEN Quit

```
!Bad scope setting
++++
                                  THEN Again
2440
            IF VAL (Cttrset$)=0
++++
              !No measurement ready
2450
             OUTPUT
                     D2465;"cts?"
++++
          !Get
                reading
                         from
                              scope
2460
             ENTER
                    D2465;Delay
2470
          IF Delay<1.E+9
                            THEN
                                  SUBEXIT
          !>=1.E+9
++++
                    indicates
                               error
2480
     Quit:
                    !Print
                            error message
2490
          PRINT CHR$ (128)
2500
          PRINT CHR$ (129)
          PRINT " **#** FAULTY TIME
2510
                                        OR
    COUNTING MEASUREMENT
                              **#***
++++
               н
2520
          PRINT
                       Check scope settings
++++
       and signal source.
2530
          PRINT
                ____
                                Press
                                     <RUN>
       to try again. -----
++++
2540
     Stop_:
                  PRINT CHR$ (128)
                 7
2550
          LOCAL
2560
          STOP
2570
     SUBEND
```

Tektronix 4041 Subroutine to Measure Frequency, Count, and Time

1640	Sub getcttn (var	ctt	count)	
1650	Long cttcount	!To	accept	up to
++++	le99 error	cod	e	
1660	Print #scope:"c	tt	reset"	
++++	!Discard st	ale	measuren	ients
1670	Waiting: in	nput	#scope	prompt
++++	"ctr?":cttcount	11	ís scope	ready?

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1680	If cttcount=0 then goto waiting
++++	!Hang until ready
1690	Input #scope prompt "cts?"
++++	cttcount !Get reading from scope:
1700	If cttcount<1.0E+9 then return
++++	<pre>!>1E9 count indicates error</pre>
1710	!Else
1720	Print "*** FAULTY TIME OR
++++	COUNTING MEASUREMENT *** Error
++++	Code: ";cttcount
1730	Print "Check scope settings and
++++	signal source."
1740	Stop " Enter ""run"" to try again."
1750	End
2030	'Get Count Subroutine (equivalent
++++	to GETCTTN subroutine)
2040	CTTRSET\$ = "ctt reset" 'These 4
++++	lines should appear early in
2050	CTRQUER\$ = "ctr?"
++++	'the main program; they are
++++	shown here
2060	CTSQUER\$ = "cts?" 'to
++++	indicate the actual string values
2070	EVENT\$ = "event?"
++++	'required by the scope.
2080	CALL IBWRT (SCOPE%,CTTRSET\$)
++++	'Discard stale measurements
2090	IF IBSTA% < O THEN 2360
2100	CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, CTRQUER\$)
++++	'Measurement available?
2110	IF IBSTA% < O THEN 2360
2120	RD\$=SPACE\$ (95)
2130	CALL IBRD (SCOPE %, RD\$)
2140	IF IBSTA% < O THEN 2360
2150	CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, EVENT\$)
++++	'Event query
2160	IF IBSTA% < O THEN 2360

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2170
       EV$=SPACE$ (20)
       CALL IBRD (SCOPE %, EV$)
2180
2190
       IF IBSTA% < O THEN 2360
2200
       IF VAL (MID$ (EV$, INSTR (1, EV$, "
                                       •)
            +1)) <> 0 THEN 2280
++++
2210
       IF VAL (RD\$) = 0 THEN 2100
            'No measurement available
++++
2220 CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, CTSQUER$)
2230 IF IBSTA% < 0 THEN 2360
2240 RD$=SPACE$ (95)
2250 CALL IBRD (SCOPE %, RD$)
++++
         'Get reading from scope
     IF IBSTA% < O THEN 2360
2260
     IF VAL (RD$) < 1E+09 THEN
2270
++++ RETURN '>= 1.0e+9 indicates
++++
         error
2280 COLOR 15,4
                   'Print error
++++
         message
                 **#** FAULTY TIME
2290
     PRINT"
         OR COUNTING MEASUREMENT
++++
          **#***
++++
2300 PRINT"Error Code ";VAL (RD$);
     PRINT* Check scope settings
2310
++++
         and signal source."
     COLOR 7,0 : PRINT"---- Enter
2320
         'run' to try again.
                             ----
++++
     GOTO 2400'End Routine
2330
    !-----.
2340
2350
     'Incorrect symbolic name or
          address
++++
2360 S = HEX$ (IBSTA%) : COLOR 15,4
```

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2370	PRINT " IBSTA = ";S\$,"IBCNT =
++++	";IBCNT %, "IBERR = ";IBERR %
2380	IF S\$="8000" THEN PRINT"
++++	";SCOPE\$;" is not a valid
++++	name. "ELSE PRINT" ";SCOPE\$;"
++++	is not correctly addressed."
2390	·
2400	'End Routine
2410	V % = O : CALL IBONL (SCOPE %, V %)
2420	COLOR 7,0 : KEY ON :
++++	CALL IBLOC (SCOPE %)
2430	END
2380	SUB Get_cttn (D2465,Delay)
2390	ON KEY 7 LABEL "ABORT"
++++	GOTO Stop_
2400	OUTPUT D2465;"ctt reset"
++++	!Discard stale measurements
2410	Again: OUTPUT D2465;"ctr?"
++++	!Measurement available?
2420	ENTER D2465;Cttrset\$
2430	IF Cttrset\$=CHR\$ (255) THEN
++++	Quit !Bad scope setting
2440	IF VAL (Cttrset)=0 THEN
++++	Again !No measurement ready
2450	OUTPUT D2465;"cts?"
++++	!Get reading from scope
2460	ENTER D2465;Delay
2470	IF Delay<1.E+9 THEN SUBEXIT
++++	!>=1.E+9 indicates error
2480	Quit: !Print error message
2490	PRINT CHR\$ (128)
2500	PRINT CHR\$ (129)
2510	PRINT " **#** FAULTY TIME OR
++++	COUNTING MEASUREMENT **#**"
2520	PRINT " Check scope
++++	settings and signal source. "
2530	PRINT " Press
++++	<run> to try again "</run>
2540	Stop_: PRINT CHR\$ (128)
2550	LOCAL 7
2560	STOP
2570	SUBEND

```
1420
     Sub getpeaks (var hipeak, lopeak)
          local timeref,result$
++++
1430
      !Set A-trigger to INIT
                               @ 50%
           for peak measurement
++++
                                  cycle
1440
      Print #scope:"atr
                         init50"
1450 Timeref=ask ("time")
           !Starting
++++
                     time
                input #scope prompt
1460
     Waitpks:
       "atr? trigd":result$
++++
        !Triggered?
++++
1470 If result$="ATR TRIGD:ON;" then
++++
          goto found !Peaks found
1480
      If timeref+20>ask("time")
                                  then
++++
         goto waitpks !Loop if < 20
        sec since start
++++
1490
      !Else
1500 Print "*** FAULTY PEAK VOLTAGE
++++
       MEASUREMENT
                    *** 20 SECOND
       TIMEOUT"
++++
      Print "Check scope settings and
1510
++++
          signal source."
      Stop "-- Enter ""run"" to
1520
++++
         try again."
1530
      1
     Found: !Ask instrument for
1540
++++
         peaks by A-trigger query
1550
     Input
             #scope prompt
                           "atr?
          mini,max":result$
++++
1560 !
1570
      !Typical result string--
        ATR MINI:-489E-3, MAX:496E-3:
++++
1580 !Extract
                low peak from result
++++
           string
```

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```
1590 Lopeak=val (result$)
1600 !Extract high peak from result
++++ string
1610 Hipeak=valc (result$,pos (result$,
++++ "MAX",1))
1620 Return
1630 End
```

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```
1680 'Subroutine
                   Get peaks
1690
     ATRINIT50$
                  = "atr
                           init50"
     ATRQUER$ = "atr? trigd"
1700
1710
     ATRPEKS$
               = "atr? max.mini"
     1
1720
1730 'Set A-trigger
                      to INIT
                                @ 50% for
++++
          peak measurement
                              cycle
1740
     CALL
           IBWRT (SCOPE %, ATRINIT50$)
1750
        IBSTA% < O THEN
                            2360
     IF
                        'START
1760
     SENTLEV=TIMER
                                 TIMER
           IBWRT (SCOPE %, ATRQUER$ )
1770
     CALL
++++
          'Ask if trigger found
        IF IBSTA% < O THEN 2360
1780
        RD\$ = SPACE\$ (95)
1790
        CALL IBRD (SCOPE %, RD$)
1800
                   < O THEN
1810
        IF IBSTA%
                             2360
        IF MID$ (RD$, INSTR (1, RD$, ":")
1820
          +1,2)="ON"
                       THEN 1890
++++
          'Found
++++
                  trg
                  +20>TIMER
1830
     IF SENTLEV
                              THEN 1770
++++
        'Under 20 seconds, try again
     COLOR
1840
             15,4
                  **#**
1850 PRINT"
                          FAULTY
                                  PEAK
                                 **#***
          VOLTAGE MEASUREMENT
++++
```

```
20 SECOND TIMEOUT"
1860 PRINT"
1870 PRINT"Check settings and
         'run' to try again."
++++
1880 GOTO 2400'End Routine
1890 '
         Found
1900
                     ' Ask instrument
       for peaks by A-trigger query
++++
1910 CALL IBWRT (SCOPE %, ATRPEKS$)
1920 IF IBSTA% < 0 THEN 2360
1930 RD$=SPACE$ (95)
1940 CALL IBRD (SCOPE %, RD$)
1950 IF IBSTA% < 0 THEN 2360
1970 IF IBSTA% < 0 THEN 2360
1980
        'Extract high and low peaks
1990 HIPEAK = VAL (MID$ (RD$, INSTR
          (1,RD$,":")+1,10))
++++
2000 \text{ LOPEAK} = \text{VAL} (\text{MID} (\text{RD} ),
++++
        INSTR (10,RD$, ":")+1))
2010 RETURN
2340 '------
2350
     'Incorrect symbolic name or
++++
          address
2360 S$ = HEX$ (IBSTA%) : COLOR 15,4
2370 PRINT " IBSTA = ";S$,"IBCNT =
         ":IBCNT %, "IBERR = ";IBERR %
++++
2380 IF S$≃"8000"
                  THEN PRINT"
+++
      ";SCOPE$;"
                  is not a valid name."
      ELSE PRINT" ";SCOPE$;" is not
++++
++++ correctly addressed."
2390 '------
2400 'End Routine
2410 V\% = 0 : CALL IBONL (SCOPE %, V%)
2420 COLOR 7,0 : KEY ON : CALL
++++
         IBLOC (SCOPE%)
2430 END
```

HP 98XX Subroutine to Measure Peak Voltages

```
2120
         SUB Get_peaks (D2465, Hipeak,
++++
           Lopeak)
2130
          ON KEY 7 LABEL
                             "ABORT"
                                       GOTO
++++
            Stop_ !Activate abort
++++
               softkev
2140
           DIM Atrd$[60],Max_mini$[60]
2150
                    D2465;"atr
           OUTPUT
                                  init50"
2160
           ON DELAY
                      20 GOTO
                                 Quit
++++
        !Activate
                    timer
2170
     Again:
                   OUTPUT
                           D2465;"atr?
++++
           trigd"
                              !Ask
                                    if
++++
           triggered
2180
           ENTER
                   D2465;Atrd$
2190
           IF Atrd$[POS (Atrd$,":")
                       THEN Again
++++
        +1:3]="OFF"
++++
           !Not
                 found
2200
           OFF DELAY
                               !Found trigger
2210
           OUTPUT
                   D2465;"atr?
                                   max, mini"
++++
        !Ask
              for
                   peaks via A-trigger
2220
           ENTER
                   D2465;Max_mini$
2230
      1
2240
        Hipeak=VAL (Max_mini$[POS (Max_mini$,
           "MAX:")+4,POS (Max_mini$, "MINI:")
++++
++++
        -l])!Extract
                        high
                              peak
2250
           Lopeak=VAL (Max_mini$(POS (Max_mini$,
++++
               "MINI:")+5]) !Low
                                      peak
2260
           SUBEXIT
2270
      Quit:
                         !Trigger
                                    not found
2280
                                        !Set
               PRINT
                      CHR$ (129)
                                              color
2290
                      * *#*
               PRINT
                              FAULTY
                                       PEAK
++++
                  VOLTAGE
                            MEASUREMENT
                                           *#*
2300
               PRINT
                           20
                              second
                                        timeout
2310
                      "Check
               PRINT
                               scope
                                       settings
                                                  and
++++
                 signal
                         source."
```

2320		PRINT	M		Press	,	run'	to
++++		try	aga	in.		Ħ		
2330	Stop_:	PR	INT	CHR\$	(128)			
2340		L00	CAL	7				
2350		ST	ΟP					
2360	SUBEND							

NOTES

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Appendix B

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Status and Error Reporting

The oscilloscope interrupts the bus controller by asserting the Service Request (SRQ) line on the GPIB. The SRQ indicates that a significant event has occurred, either a change in status or an error. To service a request, the controller performs a Serial Poll. In response, the instrument returns a Status Byte (STB), which indicates the type of event that occurred.

Bit 4 of the Serial-Poll Status Byte is true if a command is executing when the event occurs and false if it is not. The other bits in the Status Byte encode other information about the specific cause of the SRQ. The various status events and errors are grouped in categories defined in Table B-1. The dual entries in the Status Byte column are for the cases of no command executing and a command executing.

When more than one type of event is reportable, the status byte indicates the most serious error. A serial poll clears the most serious error indicator and the SRQ. If more events are reportable, SRQ is asserted again.

An EVENT? query can reveal more detail about an event generating an SRQ. When more than one event is reportable, the query returns the most serious error and clears the most serious error indication. When all events have been EVENT? queried, the event code is cleared and further queries will return 0.

The RQS OFF and WARNING OFF commands inhibit SRQ generation, but the controller can test for events by EVENT? query only. The program also could respond to SRQ and neglect the event query. If the program uses both SRQ and EVENT? query, a query should be given after each serial poll to keep the status byte and query response consistent with each other.

The Device Clear (DCL) message clears all event conditions except power-on. The INIt SRQ command clears all event conditions including power-on.

Category	Serial-Poli Status Byte	Description
Command Error	97 or 113	The instrument received a command that it cannot understand.
Execution Error	98 or 114	The instrument received a command that it cannot execute. This is caused by either out-of-range arguments or settings that conflict.
Internal Error	99 or 115	The instrument detected a hardware condition or a firmware problem that prevents operation.
Routine Events	65-67, 81-83	Normal events of significance to a system (e.g., Power-on and User Request).
Execution Warning	101 or 117	The instrument is executing a command, but the result is questionable. For example, the instrument is out-of-range, but is sending a reading anyway.
Internal Warning	102 or 118	The instrument detected a problem that permits operation, but should be corrected (e.g., out of calibration).
Instrument Status	0 or 16, 193-238, and 209-254	Significant operational events, defined only for these oscilloscopes.

Table B-1Status Event and Error Categories

Serial-Poll Status Byte	EVENT? Code	Instrument Status
00, 16	0	No status to report
65, 81	401	Power on
66, 82	402	Operation complete
67, 83	403	User request
97, 113	101	Command header error
97, 113	102	Header delimiter error
97, 113	103	Command argument error
97, 113	104	Argument delimiter error
97, 113	105	Non-numeric argument, numeric expected
97, 113	106	Missing argument
97, 113	107	Invalid message-unit delimiter
97, 113	108	Checksum error
97, 113	109	Byte-count error
98, 114	201	Remote-only command in Local mode
98, 114	202	Pending settings lost on rtl
98, 114	203	I/O deadlock detected
98, 114	204	Setting conflict
98, 114	205	Argument-out-of-range
98, 114	250	Diagnostic in progress
98, 114	251	Diagnostic step in progress
98, 114	252	In normal mode

Table B-2 GPIB Status Codes

Table	B-2	(cont)
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Serial-Poll Status Byte	EVENT? Code	Instrument Status
98, 114	253	Option not installed
9 8 , 1 14	254	Option not in correct mode
98, 114	255	GPIB command lost to local override
99, 115	302	System error
99, 115	350	Math pack error
101, 117	550	Warning of possible conflict
102, 118	650	Warning that measurement not yet available
193, 209	750	Asynchronous option error
194, 210	751	Overrange error
195, 211	752	No probe installed
196, 212	753	Fifty-ohm overload
200, 216	770	Oscilloscope test/cal/exer complete, passed
201, 217	779	Oscilloscope test complete, failed

NOTE

The following option numbers are internal codes unrelated to product designation or ordering codes.

Category	Serial-Poll Status Byte	Description
231, 247	771	Option 01 measurement complete.
232, 248	772	Option 02 measurement complete.
233, 249	773	Option 03 measurement complete.
234, 250	774	Option 04 measurement complete.
235, 251	775	Option 05 measurement complete.
236, 252	776	Option 06 measurement complete.
237, 253	777	Option 07 (DMM) measurement complete.
238, 254	778	Option 08 (CTT) measurement complete.

Table B-2 (cont)

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Appendix C

Message Command Character Translations

Character translations performed by the MESsage command and query, when sending data to or receiving data from the CRT readout, are indicated in Table C-1. The following notes apply:

- 1. ASCII values that are not specified in Table C-1 (i.e., those less than 20 Hex) are ignored when sent to the readout.
- 2. Values in Table C-1 that have no CRT equivalent are translated into spaces when sent to the display.
- 3. Lowercase characters are translated into uppercase equivalents.
- 4. Character pairs (i.e., digits followed by periods) sent to the readout are translated into single characters with embedded decimal points. The embedded decimal points are displayed as carets. Single characters with embedded decimal points read from the display are received as character pairs.
| ASCII | | CRT | Description |
|-------|------|------------|-----------------|
| Hex | Char | Readout | |
| 20 | | | space |
| 21 | ! | р | pico |
| 22 | 23 | , | |
| 23 | # | μ | micro |
| 24 | \$ | m | milli |
| 25 | % | % | percent |
| 26 | & | k | kilo |
| 27 | 1 | | |
| 28 | (| 1/ | one-over symbol |
| 29 |) | Δ | delta |
| 2A | * | Δt | delta t |
| 2B | + | + | plus symbol |
| 2C | , | 1 | comma |
| 2D | _ | _ | minus symbol |
| 2E | | | period |
| 2F | / | 1 | slash |
| 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 31 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 32 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 33 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| 34 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| 35 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| 36 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| 37 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| 38 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| 39 | 9 | 9 | 9 |
| 3A | : | : | colon |
| 3B | ; | | |
| 3C | < | < | less than |
| 3D | - | = | equal to |
| 3E | > | > | greater than |
| 3F | ? | ? | question mark |

Table C-1MESsage Command Character Translations

ASCII		CRT	Description
Hex	Char	Readout	
40	@	0	degrees
41	Ā	А	A
42	В	В	В
43	С	С	С
44	D	D	D
45	Е	E	E
46	F	F	F
47	G	G	G
48	Н	н	н
49	ł	I	I
4A	J	J	J
4B	К	к	к
4C	L	L	L
4D	М	Μ	М
4E	N	N	N
4F	0	0	0
50	Р	Р	Р
51	Q	Q	Q
52	R	R	R
53	S	S	S
54	Ť	Т	Т
55	U	U	U
56	V	V	V
57	W	w	W
58	Х	x	x
59	Y	Y	Y
5A	Z	Z	Z
5B	[Ω	omega
5C		h h	ground symbol
5D]	v	volts ac
5E	Î	ţ	up arrow

 Table C-1 (cont)

 MESsage Command Character Translations

ASCII		CRT	Description
Hex	Char	Readout	
5F			underscore
60		•	degrees
61	а	A	A
62	b	в	В
63	с	С	с
64	d	D	D
65	е	E	E
66	f	F	F
67	g	G	G
68	h	Н	н
69	i		I
6A	j	J	J
6B	k	к	к
6C	1	L	L
6D	m	M	M
6E	n	N	N
6F	о	0	0
70	р	Р	Р
71	q	Q	Q
72	r	R	R
73	S	S	S
74	t	т	Т
75	u	U	U
76	v	V	v
77	w	w	w
78	x	×	x
79	у	Y	Y
7A	Z	z	z
7B			
7C	_		
7D			
7E	~	~	ac symbol
7F			

Table C-1 (cont) MESsage Command Character Translations

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Appendix D

Sweep Speed Command Considerations

Table D-1 shows the results of various sweep speed commands. Left column entries indicate what would happen if the commands were carried out. The headings for the right three columns reflect the oscilloscope's Horizontal mode just prior to receiving the command. Each block in the table shows "NV" if the new sweep speed is the value in the command or "PV" if the sweep retains the previous speed.

Command Implies	Horizontal Mode Before Command		
	A Only	A ALT B	B Only
A faster than B	A = NV $B = NV$	A = NV $B = NV$	A = NV $B = NV$
	A only	A INTEN	A only
A = B and faster than 0.1 s	A = NV	A = NV	A = NV
	B = NV	B = NV	B = NV
	A only	AINTEN	A only
A slower than B	A = NV	A = NV	A = NV
	B = NV	B = PV	B = PV
	A only	A ALT B	B only
B faster than A	A = PV	A = PV	A = PV
	B = NV	B = NV	B = NV
	B only	A ALT B	B only
B = A	A = NV	A = NV	A = NV
	B = NV	B = NV	B = NV
	A only	A INTEN	A only
B slower than A and			
B equal to or faster	A = NV	A = NV	A = NV
than 50 ms	B = NV	B = NV	B = NV
	A only	A INTEN	A only
B slower than 50 ms	B = 50 ms	B = NV	B = 50 ms
and	A = 50 ms	A = 50 m	A = NV
B faster than 0.15 s	A only	A INTEN	A only
B slower than 0.15 s	A = 50 ms	A = 50 ms	A = 50 ms
	B = 50 ms	B = 50 ms	B = 50 ms
	A only	A INTEN	A only

Table D-1Sweep Speed Command Results



Appendix E

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GPIB Command Reference

Header	Argument	Argument
	Vertical Commands	;;
CH1	COUpling:	AC
		DC
		FIFty
		GND
	POSition:	<nrx></nrx>
	VARiable:	<nrx></nrx>
	VOLts:	<nrx></nrx>
CH1?	COUpling	
	POSition	
	VARiable	
	VOLts	
	PRObe	
CH2	INVert:	ON
		OFF
CH2?	INVert	
СНЗ		
CH3?		
CH4		
CH4?		

Table E-1 GPIB Command Summary

Header	Argument	Argument
	Vertical Comman	ds (cont)
VMOde	BWLimit:	ON
		OFF
	CHOp:	ON
		OFF
	CH 1:	ON
		OFF
	CH2:	ON
		OFF
	CH3:	ON
		OFF
	CH4:	ON
		OFF
	ADD:	ON
		OFF
	INVert:	ON
		OFF
VMOde?	СНОр	
	CH1	
	CH2	
	СНЗ	
	CH4	
	ADD	
	INVert	
	BWLimit	

-	Table	E-1 (cont)
GPIB	Comr	nand	Summary

Header	Argument	Argument
	Horizontal Com	mands
HORizontal	ASEcdiv:	<nrx></nrx>
	BSEcdiv:	<nrx></nrx>
	MAGnify:	ON
		OFF
	POSition:	<nrx></nrx>
	TRAcesep:	<nrx></nrx>
HORizontal?	ASEcdiv	
	BSEcdiv	
	MAGnify	
	POSition	
	TRACEsep	
HMOde	ALTernate	
	ASWeep	
	BSWeep	
	XY	
HMOde?		
	Trigger Comm	ands
ATRigger	MODe:	AUTOBaseline
		AUTOLevel
		NORmal
		SGLseq
	SOUrce:	CH1
		CH2
		СНЗ
		CH4
		LINe
		VERtical

	Table	E-1 (cont)
GPIB	Comr	nand	Summary

Header	Argument	Argument		
	Trigger Commands (cont)			
ATRigger	COUpling:	AC		
(cont)		DC		
		HFRej		
		LFRej		
		NOlserej		
		FLD1		
		FLD2		
		ALTernate		
		LINES		
	LEVel:	<nrx></nrx>		
	INIt50			
	SLOpe:	MINUs		
		PLUs		
	BENdsa:	ON		
		OFF		
	HOLdoff:	<nrx></nrx>		
ATRigger?				
	BENdsa			
	COUpling			
	HOLdoff			
	LEVel			
	MODe			
	SLOpe			
	SOUrce			
	MAXimum			
	MINImum			
	READY			
	TRIGD			

Header	Argument	Argument		
	Trigger Commands (cont)			
BTRigger	MODe:	RUN		
		TRIGGERAble		
		DRTRigger		
		DTRigger		
		ALTSlope		
	SOUrce:	CH1		
		CH2		
		СНЗ		
	i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	CH4		
		VERtical		
	COUpling:	AC		
		DC		
		HFRei		
		LFRei		
		NOIserej		
	LEVel:	<nrx></nrx>		
	INIt50			
	SLOpe:	MINUs		
		PLUs		
	DLEVel:	<nrx></nrx>		
	DSLOpe:	MINUs		
		PLUs		
BTRigger?	COUpling			
	LEVel			
	MODe			
	SLOpe			
	SOUrce			
	DLEVel			
	DSLOpe			

Header	Argument	Argument
	Delay and Delta C	ommands
DELAy DELAy?	<nrx></nrx>	
DELTa	MODe: TRACKing:	OFF CPERTime CTIMe PERTime TIMe VOLts ON
DELTa?	MODe TRACKing	
DTIme	REFerence DELTa:	<nrx> <nrx></nrx></nrx>
DTIme?	REFerence DELTa	
TDELta?		
DVOIts DVOIts?	REFerence: DELTa: REFerence	<nrx> <nrx></nrx></nrx>
VDELta?	DELTa	

Header	Argument	Argument		
System Commands				
AUTOSetup				
CYCles?				
ERRor?				
EVEnt?				
HELp HELp?				
HRSon?				
ID?				
INIt	PANel SRQ			
INTEnsity INTEnsity?	SWEep: READOut: RESTore SWEep READOut	<nrx> <nrx></nrx></nrx>		
LOCk	ON OFF LLO			
LLMessage LLMessage?	% <byte><byte></byte></byte>			
LLSet LLSet?	% <byte><byte>,</byte></byte>	- - -		
LONgform	ON OFF			
LONgform?				
LOAdseq LOAdseq?	% <binary data="">,</binary>			
MESsage MESsage?	"string"			

Header	Argument	Argument	
System Commands (cont)			
OPC	ON OFF		
OPC?			
PATh	ON OFF		
PID	ON OFF		
READOut	ON OFF		
RECall	<nrx></nrx>		
RECall	NEXT		
RQS RQS?	ON OFF		
SAVe	<nrx> STEP BEGIN END STIMe STIME STIME STIME STIME STIME STIME STIME STIME STIME STIME STIME STIME STIME STIME STEP STEP STEP STEP STEP STEP STEP STE</nrx>	ency	
SETtings?			
SWRQS	ON OFF		

Header	Argument		Argument
	System Commands (c	ont)	
UNLock	POT: <nr1> SWItch:<nr1></nr1></nr1>		
			POT TABLE
		1	Holdoff
		2	Trigger Level
		3	Sec/Div Variable
		4	Horizontal Position
		5	Delta Control
		6	Delta Reference or
			Delay Position
		7	CH1 Variable
		8	CH2 Variable
		9	CH1 Position
		10	CH2 Position
		11	CH3 Position
		12	CH4 Position
		13	Trace Separation
		14	Readout Intensity
		15	Intensity
			SWITCH TABLE
		1	Trigger Coupling
		2	Measurement
		3	CH1 Input Coupling
	4	4	CH4 Volts/Div
		5	CH3 Volts/Div
		6	Init@50%
		7	CH2 Input Coupling
		8	CH1 Volts/Div
		9	CH2 Invert
		10	CH2 Volts/Div

Header	Argument		Argument
	System Commands (co	ont)	
			SWITCH TABLE (cont)
		11	A/B Sec/Div
		12	A/INT/ALT/B Horz. Mode
		13	CH1 Vertical Mode
		14	CH2 Vertical Mode
		15	ADD Vertical Mode
		16	CH3 Vertical Mode
		17	CH4 Vertical Mode
		18	Auto/Step
		19	Save
		20	Recall
		21	CHOP/ALT Vertical Mode
		22	20 MHz BWLIMIT
		23	X10 MAG
		24	TRACK/INDEP
		25	Delta Time
		26	Delta Volts
		27	Trigger Slope
		28	Trigger Source
		29	Trigger Mode
		30	A/B Trigger Select
WARning	ON		
-	OFF		
WARning?			

Header	Argument	Argument
	Parametric Measurement Co	ommands
MEAsure	FREquency WIDth VOLts AVGVolts RISe FALI TIMe	
MSETup	UNITs:	PERCent VOLts
	AUTOSetup:	FREquency WIDth VOLts RISe FALI TIMe AUTOSetup
	MINFreq:	HZ50 HZ10
	START:	CH1Pos: <nrx> CH1Neg:<nrx> CH2Pos:<nrx> CH2Pog:<nrx></nrx></nrx></nrx></nrx>
	STOP:	CH1Pos: <nrx> CH1Neg:<nrx> CH2Pos:<nrx> CH2Neg:<nrx></nrx></nrx></nrx></nrx>

Header	Argument	Argument		
	Parametric Measurement Commands (cont)			
MSETup?	UNITs AUTOSetup MINFreq START STOP			
VALue?	FREquency:	FREquency PERIod		
	WIDth:	HTIme LTIme HDCycle LDCycle		
	VOLts:	PK2pk AVGvolts MINImum MAXimum		
	RISe			
	FALI			
	TIMe			

Header	Argument	Argument		
	Calibration and Diagnostic Commands			
CALibrate	<nrx>:</nrx>	<nrx></nrx>		
GO				
LOOping	ON OFF			
LOOping?				
NORmal				
STEp STEp?				
STOp				
TESt TESt?	<nrx>: <nrx>:</nrx></nrx>	<nrx> <nrx></nrx></nrx>		



Appendix F

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LLMessage Command Character Translations

Character translations performed by the LLMessage command and query, when sending data to or receiving data from the CRT readout, are indicated in Tables F-1 and F-2. The following notes apply:

1. Most large size characters are formed with a left half and a right half.

2. Code for the right half of large size characters is given first, followed by the code for the left half of the character.

3. Not all codes are assigned. Use of the unlabeled (not assigned) codes will result in a nonsensical display.

4. The two tables cross-reference each other.

5. Character pairs (i.e., digits followed by periods) sent to the readout are translated into single characters with embedded decimal points. For normal-size characters, the decimal points are displayed as carets. For large characters, the decimal points are displayed as periods. Single characters with embedded decimal points read from the display are received as character pairs.

Decimal	Hex	Character Description
0	00	1
1	01	large 0
2	02	large 0
3	03	
4	04	4
5	05	large 1
6	06	large 1
7	07	
8	08	7
9	09	large 2
10	0A	large 2
11	0B	
12	00	t
13	0D	large 3
14	0E	large 3
15	0F	k
16	10	Z
17	11	large 4
18	12	large 4
19	13	Horizontal cursor 1
20	14	n (nano)
21	15	large 5
22	16	large 5
23	17	
24	18	m (micro)
25	19	large 6
26	1A	large 6
27	1B	
28	1C	
29	1D	large 7
30	1E	large 7
31	1F	Horizontal cursor 2

 Table F-1

 LLMessage? Query Character Set (Code-Sequenced)

Decimal	Hex	Character Description
32	20	Δ (delta)
33	21	large 8
34	22	large 8
35	23	
36	24	t ·
37	25	large 9
38	26	large 9
39	27	
40	28	0
41	29	
42	2A	2
43	2B	Ļ
44	2C	3
45	2D	<
46	2E	5
47	2F	
48	30	6
49	31	>
50	32	8
51	33	
52	34	9
53	35	\widetilde{v} (volts ac)
54	36	1.
55	37	large 0 dot
56	38	large 0 dot
57	39	
58	3A	4.
59	3B	large 1 dot
60	3C	large 1 dot
61	3D	
62	3E	7.
63	3F	large 2 dot
64	40	large 2 dot
65	41	

 Table F-1 (cont)

 LLMessage? Query Character Set (Code-Sequenced)

Decimal	Hex	Character Description
66	42	%
67	43	large 3 dot
68	44	large 3 dot
69	45	
70	46	s (seconds)
71	47	large 4 dot
72	48	large 4 dot
73	49	
74	4A	z
75	4B	large 5 dot
76	4C	large 5 dot
77	4D	
78	4E	Vertical cursor 2
79	4F	large 6 dot
80	50	large 6 dot
81	51	
82	52	_
83	53	large 7 dot
84	54	large 7 dot
85	55	
86	56	\sim (approximately)
87	57	large 8 dot
88	58	large 8 dot
89	59	
90	5A	,
91	5B	large 9 dot
92	5C	large 9 dot
93	5D	
94	5E	0.
95	5F	
96	60	2.
97	61	
98	62	3.
99	63	

Table F-1 (cont) LLMessage? Query Character Set (Code-Sequenced)

Decimal	Hex	Character Description
100	64	5.
101	65	
102	66	6.
103	67	
104	68	8.
105	69	
106	6A	9.
107	6B	
108	6C	U
109	6D	large R
110	6E	large R
111	6F	
112	70	V
113	71	large S
114	72	large S
115	73	
116	74	X
117	75	large T
118	76	large T
119	77	
120	78	MNL (manual)
121	79	
122	7A	large V
123	7B	large V
124	7C	Y
125	7D	DEG (degrees)
126	7E	HO (holdoff)
127	7F	
128	80	large X
129	81	large X
130	82	0 over 0
131	83	
132	84	0 over 1
133	85	

 Table F-1 (cont)

 LLMessage Query Character Set (Code-Sequenced)

Decimal	Hex	Character Description
134	86	1 over 0
135	87	
136	88	A
137	89	
138	8A	В
139	8B	
140	8C	D
141	8D	
142	8E	н
143	8F	
144	90	Μ
145	91	
146	92	N
147	93	
148	94	R
149	95	
150	96	W
151	97	
152	98	1
153	99	large F
154	9A	large F
155	9B	
156	9C	J
157	9D	large Ω (omega)
158	9E	large Ω (omega)
159	9F	
160	A0	К
161	A1	large H
162	A2	large H
163	A1	
164	A4	large d
165	A5	large d
166	A6	=
167	A7	+

Table F-1 (cont) LLMessage? Query Character Set (Code-Sequenced)

Decimal	Hex	Character Description
168	A8	
169	A9	Ω (omega)
170	AA	什 (ground symbol)
171	AB	
172	AC	0
173	AD	large L
174	AE	large L
175	AF	
176	В0	Р
177	B1	:
178	B2	1 over 1
179	В3	
180	B4	Q
181	B5	?
182	B6	0 over X
183	B7	
184	B8	S
185	B9	large O
186	BA	large O
187	BB	
188	BC	Т
189	BD	d
190	BE	x over 0
1 91	BF	
192	C0	(space)
193	C1	large A
194	C2	large A
195	C3	
196	C4	С
197	C5	large B
198	C6	large B
199	C7	
200	C8	E
201	C9	large C

 Table F-1 (cont)

 LLMessage? Query Character Set (Code-Sequenced)

Decimal	Hex	Character Description
202	CA	large C
203	СВ	
204	CC	F
205	CD	large D
206	CE	large D
207	CF	
208	D0	G
209	D1	large E
210	D2	large E
211	D3	
212	D4	
213	D5	large n (nano)
214	D6	large n (nano)
215	D7	large u (micro)
216	D8	large u (micro)
217	D9	large k
218	DA	large k
219	DB	large m (milli)
220	DC	large m (milli)
221	DD	
222	DE	large +
223	DF	large +
224	E0	low underline
225	E1	large DLY (delay)
226	E2	large DLY (delay)
227	E3	
228	E4	HLD (hold measurement)
229	E5	
230	E6	1 over x
231	E7	
232	E8	x over 1
233	E9	
234	EA	BWL (bandwidth limit)
235	EB	

 Table F-1 (cont)

 LLMessage? Query Character Set (Code-Sequenced)

Decimal	Hex	Character Description
236	EC	1/
237	ED	superscript dash
238	EE	p (pico)
239	EF	
240	F0	underline
241	F1	dotted underline
242	F2	large s (seconds)
243	F3	large s (seconds)
244	F4	large z
245	F5	large z
246	F6	Vertical cursor 1
247	F7	Logical AND symbol
248	F8	Δ t (delta t)
249	F9	
250	FA	Large minus symbol
251	FB	high underline
252	FC	x over x
253	FD FD	
254	FE	m (milli)
255	FF	

 Table F-1 (cont)

 LLMessage? Query Character Set (Code-Sequenced)

Table F-2 LLMessage Command Character Set (Character-Sequenced)

	Character Size and Code			
Character Description	Normal Size		Large Size	
	Decimal	Hex	Decimal	Hex
0	40	28	1	01
			2	02
1	0	00	5	05
			6	06
2	42	2A	9	09
			10	0A
3	44	2C	13	0D
			14	0E
4	4	04	17	11
			18	12
5	46	2E	21	15
			22	16
6	48	30	25	19
			26	1A
7	8	08	29	1D
			30	1E
8	50	32	33	21
			34	22
9	52	34	37	25
			38	26
	1	1	1	1

Table F-2 (cont) LLMessage Command Character Set (Character-Sequenced)

	Character Size and Code			
Character Description	Normal Size		Large Size	
	Decimal	Hex	Decimal	Hex
A	136	88	193	C1
			194	C2
В	138	8A	197	C5
			198	C6
с	196	C4	201	C9
			202	СА
D	140	8C	205	CD
			206	CE
E	200	C8	209	D1
			210	D2
F	204	сс	153	99
			154	9A
G	208	D0		
н	142	8E	161	A1
			162	A2
I	152	98		
J	156	9C		
к	160	A0		
L	168	A8	173 174	AD AE

Table F-2 (cont) LLMessage Command Character Set (Character-Sequenced)

	Character Size and Code			
Character Description	Normal Size		Large Size	
	Decimal	Hex	Decimal	Hex
M	144	90		
N	146	92		
0	172	AC	185	В9
			186	ВА
Р	176	В0		
Q	180	B4		
R	148	94	109	6D
			110	6E
S	184	B8	113	71
			114	72
т	188	BC	117	75
			118	76
U	108	6C		
v	112	70	122	7A
			123	7B
W	150	96		
x	116	74	128	80
			129	81
Y	124	7C		
Z	16	10		

Table F-2 (cont) LLMessage Command Character Set

(Character-Sequenced)

	Character Size and Code				
Character Description	Normal Size		Large Size		
	Decimal	Hex	Decimal	Hex	
d	189	BD	164	A4	
			165	A5	
k	15	0F	217	D9	
			218	DA	
t	12	00			
z	74	4A	244	F4	
			245	F5	
space	192	CO			
%	. 66	42			
+	167	A7	223	DF	
,	90	5A			
_	82	52	250	FA	
•	212	D4			
1	28	1C			
:	177	B1			
<	45	2D			
=	166	A6			
>	49	31			
?	181	B5			
1	36	24			
Ļ	43	2B			

Table F-2 (cont) LLMessage Command Character Set (Character-Sequenced)

	Character Size and Code			
Character Description	Normal Size		Large Size	
<u></u>	Decimal	Hex	Decimal	Hex
0.	94	5E	55	37
			56	38
1.	54	36	59	3В
			60	зс
2.	96	60	63	3F
			64	40
3.	98	62	67	43
			68	44
4.	58	ЗA	71	47
			72	48
5.	100	64	75	4B
			76	4C
6.	102	66	79	4F
			80	50
7.	62	3E	83	53
			84	54
8.	104	68	87	57
			88	58
9.	106	6A	91	5B
			92	5C

Character Size and Code Character Description **Normal Size** Large Size Decimal Hex Decimal Hex р (pico) 238 EE n (nano) 20 14 213 D5 214 D6 24 18 215 μ (micro) D7 216 D8 254 m (milli) FE 219 DB 220 DC s (seconds) 70 46 242 F2 243 F3 125 7D **DEG** (degrees) A9 Ω (omega) 169 157 9D 158 9E rh (ground symbol) 170 AA \widetilde{v} (volts ac) 35 53 86 56 \sim (approximately) 78 MNL (manual) 120 0 over 0 130 82 0 over 1 84 132 1 over 0 134 86 1 over 1 178 B2 0 over X 182 B6

Table F-2 (cont) LLMessage Command Character Set

(Character-Sequenced)
	Character Size and Code				
Character Description	Normal Size		Large Size		
	Decimal	Hex	Decimal	Hex	
x over 0	190	BE			
1 over x	230	E6			
x over 1	232	E8			
x over x	252	FC			
1/	236	EC			
Underline	240	F0			
Dotted underline	241	F1			
Low underline	224	E0			
High underline	251	FB			
Superscript dash	237	ED			
Logical AND symbol	247	F7			
Hold measurement	228	E4			
HO (holdoff)	126	7E			
BWL (bandwidth limit)	234	EA			
Horizontal cursor 1	19	13			
Horizontal cursor 2	31	1F			
Vertical cursor 1	246	F6			
Vertical cursor 2	78	4E			
∆ (delta)	32	20			
∆ (delta t) DLY (delay)	248	F8	225	E1	

Table F-2 (cont) LLMessage Command Character Set

(Character-Sequenced)



Appendix G

24X5B/2467B Instrument Interfacing Guide

Specification

Introduction

Option 10 to the 24X5B and 2467B Oscilloscopes adds the hardware and software that allows these instruments to be remotely controlled and queried using a standard interface system. The interface implemented conforms to the specifications contained in *IEEE Standard Digital Interface for Programmable Instrumentation (ANSI/IEEE Std 488-1978)*, commonly referred to as the General Purpose Interface Bus (GPIB). It also complies with a Tektronix Standard relating to GPIB Codes, Formats, Conventions and Features.

This manual describes GPIB operational elements only in relation to communication between the oscilloscope and the remote controller by way of the bus. For complete information regarding GPIB electrical, mechanical, and functional aspects, refer to ANSI/IEEE Std 488-1978, which is published by:

The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. 345 East 47th Street New York, New York 10017

Messages originating from a remote controlling device and transmitted over the GPIB perform one of three functions:

- 1. Set the oscilloscope operating mode.
- 2. Query the state of the oscilloscope.
- 3. Query the results of measurements made.

All oscilloscope front-panel functions are controllable through the GPIB, with these exceptions: BEAM FIND, FOCUS, TRACE ROTATION, ASTIG, SCALE ILLUM, and POWER. Structure and format of the commands and queries executable by the GPIB Option are explained in Section 5. A listing of command headers and arguments, along with concise descriptions, is provided in Section 6.

The alphanumeric CRT readout is used to display measurement results, diagnostic test messages, exercise messages, and calibration messages. Any measurement result that is displayed on the CRT readout can also be transmitted over the GPIB.

Accessories and Software

Standard Accessory

In addition to the standard accessories listed in the oscilloscope manuals, one copy of the following Option 10 accessory is provided:

24X5B/2467B Option 10 Instrument Interfacing Guide

Optional Accessories

The optional accessories for Option 10 are:

- 24X5B/2467B Options Service Manual
- GPIB Cables-1 m, 2 m and 4 m double shield, low EMC
- Protective Waterproof Vinyl Cover

Software

The following software is available for instruments with GPIB:

- EZ-TEK 2400 Test Program Generator
- EZ-TEK 2400 PC Test Program Generator (requires GURU hardware)
- GPIB User's Resource Utility (GURU)

The service manual and all other optional accessories and software can be ordered from Tektronix, Inc. A local Tektronix Field Office, representative, or the Tektronix Product catalog can provide ordering and product information.

Standard Functions, Formats, and Features

The total interface-function repertoire of an instrument on the GPIB, in terms of interface-function subsets, is identified in *ANSI/IEEE Std 488-1978*. The status of subsets applicable to 24X5B and 2467B Oscilloscopes with Option 10 are listed in Table G-1.

A Tektronix standard identifies the format and features of messages sent over the bus to communicate with other instruments equipped with a GPIB. Specific features implemented in the 24X5B and 2467B Oscilloscopes are listed in Table G-2, and specific formats are shown in Table G-3.

Function	Description	
SH1	Source Handshake. Complete capability.	
AH1	Acceptor Handshake. Complete capability.	
Т6	Basic Talker. Responds to Serial Poll. Unaddress if My Listen Address (MLA) is received.	
L3	Basic Listener. Listen Only. Unaddress if My Talk Address (MTA) is received.	
SR1	Service Request. Complete capability.	
RL1	Remote-Local. Complete capability.	
DC1	Device Clear. Complete capability.	
PP0	Parallel Poll. Does not respond to Parallel Poll.	
DT0	Device Trigger. Does not have Device Trigger capability.	
C0	Controller. Does not have Controller capabilities.	

Table G-1 ANSI/IEEE Std 488-1978 (GPIB) Functions

NOTE

Open collector bus drivers (E1) are used by this instrument.

Feature	Description		
Indicators	REM (remote), SRQ (service request), and LOCK (front-panel lockout) indicators are included.		
Parameter Selection	Selection is via diagnostic menu and CRT readout. Nonvolatile storage is in the base instrument's RAM. No hard-wired switches are provided for this feature.		
Secondary Addressing	Not implemented.		

Table G-2 Specific Features Implemented

Format Parameter	Description
Format Characters	Not transmitted; ignored on reception.
Message Terminator	Either the End-or-Identify (EOI) or the Line-Feed (LF) mode can be selected.
Measurement Terminator	Follows program message-unit syntax, which allows numeric characters in headers and alphabetic data arguments for reporting.
Link Data (Arguments)	Used in Listen and Talk modes.
Instrument Identification Query	Descriptors are added for other installed options.
SETtings Query	Extended, using LLSet commands, to allow block binary response.
INIt Command	Causes the oscilloscope to return to a power-on condition. All operating modes then agree with actual front-panel settings.
Return to Local (rtl) Message	Asserted when any front-panel control attempts to change a GPIB-controllable function.
Time/Date Commands	Not implemented.
Stored Setting Commands	30 stored setups.
Waveform Transmission	Not implemented.
Device Trigger (DT)	Not implemented.
Multiple Event Reporting	Not implemented.

Table G-3 Specific Format Choices

Performance Conditions

Except as noted in Table G-4 of this manual, the electrical, environmental, and mechanical characteristics of Option 10 instruments (including the performance conditions) are identical to those specified in the respective 24X5B and 2467B Oscilloscope Operators manuals.

Characteristics	Performance Requirements	
Vertical Position Accuracy	Position accuracy is only valid when:	
	 Positioning occurs after a BALance command is invoked at the ambient temperature in which the instrument is operating. 	
	2. The VOLTS/DIV VAR control is in the calibrated detent.	
CH 1, CH 2 (noninverted)		
+15°C to +35°C	\pm (0.3 division + 3% of distance from center screen in div + 0.5 mV/V/DIV setting).	
CH 2 Inverted	Add 0.2 div.	
−15°C to +15°C and +35°C to +55°C	Add 1.5 mV/V/DIV setting.	
CH 3 and CH 4	\pm (0.7 division + 3% of distance from center screen in divs.)	
IEEE 488 Outputs		
Volts Out for True ($I_{OT} = 48$ mA)	Max 0.5 V.	
Volts Out for False ($I_{OF} = -5.2 \text{ mA}$)	Min 2.5 V.	
Volts Out with Output Disabled	Max 3.7 V, Min 2.5 V.	
Output Leakage Current with Power OFF	Max 40 μA.	
$(0 V < V_{IN} < 2.5 V)$		
IEEE 488 Inputs		
Volts In for True	Max 0.8 V, Min 0 V.	
Volts In for False	Max 5.5 V, Min 2.0 V.	
Current In for True	Max –0.1 mA.	
$(V_{IT} = 0.5 V)$		
Current In for False (V _{IF} = 2.7 V)	Max 20 μA.	

Table G-4Option 10 Electrical Characteristics

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