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Programmable DC Power Supplies

USER MANUAL



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Safety Summary

The following safety precautions apply to both operating and maintenance personnel and must be observed during all phases of operation, service, and repair of this instrument. Before applying power, follow the installation instructions and become familiar with the operating instructions for this instrument.

If this device is damaged or something is missing, contact the place of purchase immediately.

This manual contains information and warnings that must be followed to ensure safe operation as well as maintain the meter in a safe condition.

GROUND THE INSTRUMENT

To minimize shock hazard, the instrument chassis and cabinet must be connected to an electrical ground. This instrument is grounded through the ground conductor of the supplied, threeconductor ac power cable. The power cable must be plugged into an approved three-conductor electrical outlet. Do not alter the ground connection. Without the protective ground connection, all accessible conductive parts (including control knobs) can render an electric shock. The power jack and mating plug of the power cable must meet IEC safety standards.

DO NOT OPERATE IN AN EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERE

Do not operate the instrument in the presence of flammable gases or fumes. Operation of any electrical instrument in such an environment constitutes a definite safety hazard.

KEEP AWAY FROM LIVE CIRCUITS

Instrument covers must not be removed by operating personnel. Component replacement and internal adjustments must be made by qualified maintenance personnel. Disconnect the power cord before removing the instrument covers and replacing components. Under certain conditions, even with the power cable removed, dangerous voltages may exist. To avoid injuries, always disconnect power and discharge circuits before touching them.

DO NOT SERVICE OR ADJUST ALONE

Do not attempt any internal service or adjustment unless another person, capable of rendering first aid and resuscitation, is present.

DO NOT SUBSTITUTE PARTS OR MODIFY THE INSTRUMENT

Do not install substitute parts or perform any unauthorized modifications to this instrument. Return the instrument to B&K Precision for service and repair to ensure that safety features are maintained.

WARNINGS AND CAUTIONS

WARNING and *CAUTION* statements, such as the following examples, denote a hazard and appear throughout this manual. Follow all instructions contained in these statements.

A **WARNING** statement calls attention to an operating procedure, practice, or condition, which, if not followed correctly, could result in injury or death to personnel.

A **CAUTION** statement calls attention to an operating procedure,

practice, or condition, which, if not followed correctly, could result in

damage to or destruction of part or all of the product.

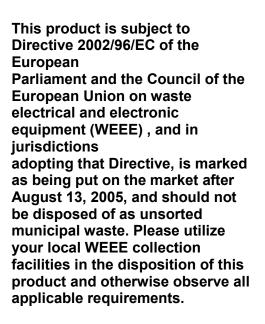
- WARNING: Do not alter the ground connection. Without the protective ground connection, all accessible conductive parts (including control knobs) can render an electric shock. The power jack and mating plug of the power cable meet IEC safety standards.
- WARNING: To avoid electrical shock hazard, disconnect power cord before removing covers. Refer servicing to qualified personnel.
- CAUTION: Before connecting the line cord to the AC mains, check the rear panel AC line voltage indicator. Applying a line voltage other than the indicated voltage can destroy the AC line fuses. For continued fire protection, replace fuses only with those of the specified voltage and current ratings.
- CAUTION: This product uses components which can be damaged by electrostatic discharge (ESD). To avoid damage, be sure to follow proper procedures for handling, storing and transporting parts and subassemblies which contain ESD-sensitive components.

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CE Declaration of Conformity

The power supplies models 9171B, 9172B, 9173B, 9174B, 9181B, 9182B, 9183B, 9184B, 9185B meet the requirements of 2006/95/EC Low Voltage Directive and 2004/108/EC Electromagnet Compatibility Directive with the following standards.

Low Voltage Directive

 EN61010-1: 2001
 Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use.
 Part 1: General requirements

EMC Directive

- EN 61000-3-2: 2006
- EN 61000-3-3: 1995+A1: 2001+A2: 2005
- EN 61000-4-2: 1995+A1: 1998+A2: 2001
- EN61000-4-3: 2006+A1: 2008
- EN61000-4-4: 2004
- EN61000-4-5: 2006
- EN61000-4-6: 2007
- EN61000-4-11: 2004
- EN 61326-1: 2006 Electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use.

Safety Symbols

Â	Refer to the user manual for warning information to avoid hazard or personal injury and prevent damage to instrument.	
\rightarrow	Chassis (earth ground) symbol.	
д	On (Power). This is the In position of the power switch when instrument is ON.	
	Off (Power). This is the Out position of the power switch when instrument is OFF.	
I	On (Supply). This is the AC mains connect/disconnect switch at the back of the instrument.	
\bigcirc	Off (Supply). This is the AC mains connect/disconnect switch at the back of the instrument.	

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1 General Information

1.1 Product Overview

The 917xB and 918xB series are high-performance dual range linear DC power supplies that provide clean and reliable power with high resolution and accuracy. All models are programmable via standard USB interface or optional RS232, GPIB and LAN interface. Interface cards and I/O cards come in a modular form factor. Selected models feature high voltage outputs or dual channels to provide series/parallel tracking functionality. All models include front and rear panel outputs for flexibility, and feature programmable list mode for storing and running customized test sequences. Additionally, a unique LED test mode function can be enabled for LED test applications requiring minimal inrush current output. These power supplies are suitable for bench or rack mount operation with the available rack mount kit option.

Features

- Single and dual output models with up to 210W output power
- High accuracy and low noise output
- Dual range output with automatic range selection (except of high voltage models 9184B and 9185B)
- Fast transient response of < 50 µs of most models
- Very low ripple and noise
- LED test mode for low inrush current output
- Programmable list mode for creating test sequences
- Front and rear remote sense terminals for single output models (except of high voltage models 9184B and 9185B)
- OVP, OCP, and OTP protection
- Two interchangeable interface slots accepting any of the following optional interface cards: LAN/GPIB, Digital I/O and Analog control, RS485, RS232
- Standard USB interface (virtual COM)
- Programmable voltage and current slew rates

1.2 Package Contents

Please inspect the instrument mechanically and electrically upon receiving it. Unpack all items from the shipping carton, and check for any obvious signs of physical damage that may have occurred during transportation. Report any damage to the shipping agent immediately. Save the original packing carton for possible future reshipment. Every power supply is shipped with the following contents:

- 917xB/918xB Power supply
- User Manual
- AC Power Cord
- USB Type A to Type B Cable
- Line fuse (for 115V or 230V operation)
- Certificate of Calibration
- Test Report

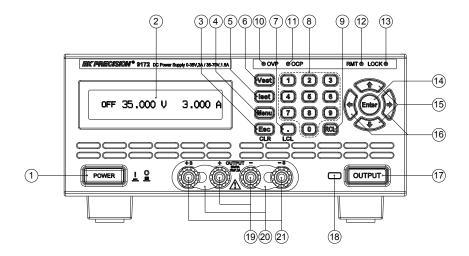
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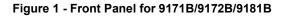
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1.3 Front Panel Overview





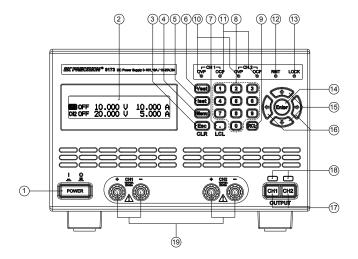
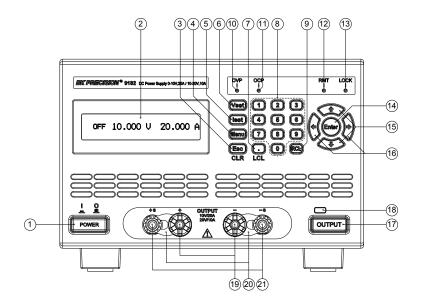


Figure 2 - Front Panel for 9173B/9174B





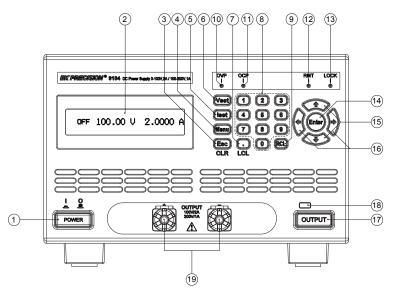


Figure 4 - Front Panel for 9184B/9185B

Front Panel Description

1	Power ON/OFF button
2	LCD display
3	Esc / CLR button
4	Menu button
5	ISET button
6	VSET button
7	Decimal/LCL(Local) button
8	Numeric keypad
9	RCL (Recall) button
10	OVP indicator
(11)	OCP indicator
(12)	RMT (Remote mode) indicator
(13)	LOCK (Key lock) indicator
(14)	Enter button
(15)	Up, Down arrow keys
(16)	Left, Right arrow keys
17	Output button (Dual channel models have CH1 and CH2 output buttons)
18	Output ON/OFF indicator light
(19)	Main output terminals (Models 9182B,9184B,9185B have larger binding post terminals for high current/voltage outputs)
20	Front terminal shorting bars
21	Front panel +S/-S sense terminals (Not available with models 9173B, 9174B, 9184B, 9185B)
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1.4 Rear Panel Overview

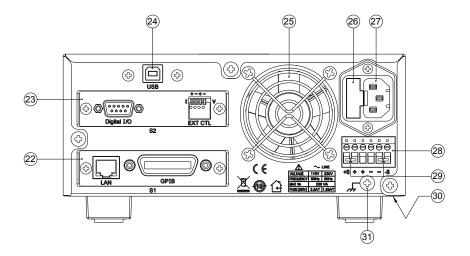


Figure 5- Rear View for 9171B/9172B/9181B

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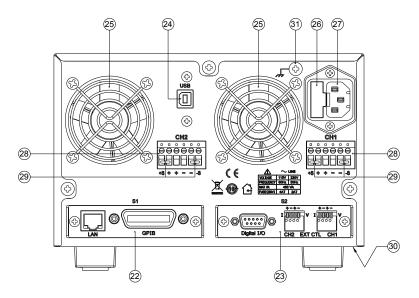


Figure 6- Rear View for 9173B/9174B

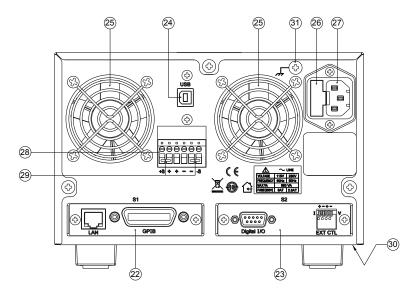


Figure 7- Rear View for 9182B/9183B

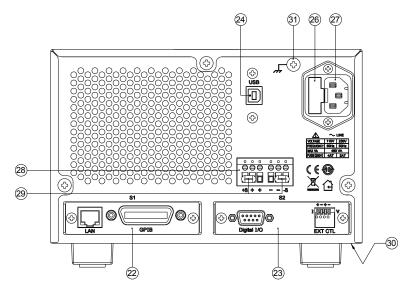


Figure 8- Rear View for 9184B/9185B

Rear Panel Description

S1 interface slot (shown with optional LAN/GPIB interface card)	
S2 interface slot (shown with optional DIO/Analog interface card)	
USB interface	
Temperature controlled cooling fan(s)	
AC input fuse box	
Line input receptacle	
Rear panel outputs (++/) and sense (+S/-S) terminals	
Shorting pins	
Line voltage selection switch (bottom of power supply) See "2.2Line Voltage Selection" for details.	

1.5 Optional Accessories

The following lists all optional accessories supported by the 917xB/918xB series power supplies.

Interface Card Options

Model	Description
DRGL	GPIB/LAN interface card
DR1DIO	Single channel digital I/O and analog control card
DR2DIO	Dual channel digital I/O and analog control card
DRRS485	RS485 interface card
DRRS232	RS232 interface card

Rack mount Options

Rackmount kits are available for all 9 models. Refer to the following to determine your power supply rack mount size.

2U size: Models 9171B, 9172B, 9181B

3U size: Models 9173B, 9174B, 9182B, 9183B, 9184B, 9185B

Model	Description	
DRRM2U1	Rackmount kit for single 2U power supply	
DRRM2U2 Rackmount kit for two 2U power supplies mounted side by side		
DRRM3U1 Rackmount kit for single 3U power supply		
DRRM3U2	Rackmount kit for two I 3U power supplies mounted side by side	

1.6 Display Overview

The main displays for single and dual channel models are shown below.

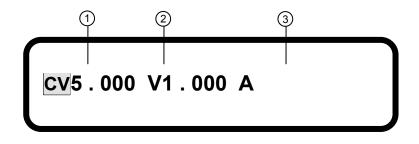


Figure 9- Main Display

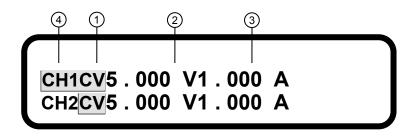


Figure 10- Dual Channel Main Display

Display Description

1	Output Mode (CV, CC, OFF)	
2	Voltage display (When output is OFF, it shows VSET voltage. When output is ON, it shows measured voltage)	
3	 Current display (When output is OFF, it shows ISET current. When output is ON, it shows measured current) 	

1.7 Installing Optional Interface Cards

Five optional interface cards are available and can be installed in either the **S1** or **S2** slots. They are:

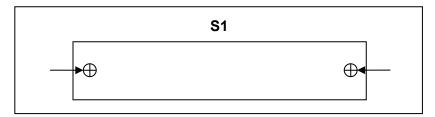
Option 1: GPIB/LAN Card

Adds GPIB and LAN interface

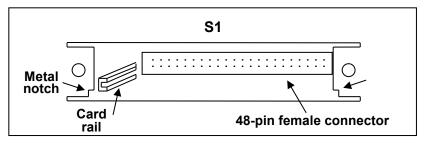
- Option2: DIO/Analog Card (Single channel) Adds digital I/O and External Analog Control
- Option 3: DIO/Analog Card (Dual channel) Adds dual channel digital I/O and External Analog Control
- Option 4: RS485 Card Adds RS-485 interface for multi power supply control
- Option 5: RS232 Card Adds RS-232 interface

How to Install Interface Cards

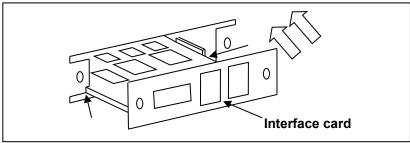
 Power off the instrument and disconnect the AC power cord in the rear panel. Remove the back faceplate covering the S1 or S2 slot in the rear panel by removing the two screws on each side.



2. Make note of the metal notches that indicate where the card should slide into. Inside the slot, there are two rails (left and right side) where the card should slide smoothly into. The very back of the slot is a 48-pin female connector that should connect with the 48-pins on the back of the interface card.



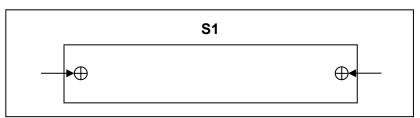
3. The interface card should go right below the metal notches on both sides and fit in between the inner card rails, also on both sides. Slide the card down carefully. When it touches the 48-pin connector, slowly push the card all the way in until the panel of the interface card aligns with the rear panel of the power supply.



- 4. Place the two screws to tighten and secure the installed card.
- Connect the power cord and turn on the power supply. The newly installed card will be detected during boot up, indicated next to S1: or S2: (depending on which slot the card is installed into).

Removing Interface Cards

 Power off the instrument and disconnect the AC power cord in the rear panel. Remove the two screws on each side of the installed interface card.



- Use a flat blade screwdriver to gently pry the left and right side of the interface card plate. When there is enough room, use the screwdriver to pry the top part of the card until the card has slid out with enough room to pull out the card by hand.
- 3. Be sure to ground yourself before pulling out or touching any parts of the printed board on the interface card.

1.8 Rackmount Installation

There are four rackmount kit options available for this series of power supplies: 2U size for single power supply, 2U size for two power supplies mounted side by side, 3U size for single power supply, 3U size for two power supplies mounted side by side. The following step by step instructions will guide you in installing these optional rackmount kits onto the power supply for a standard 19-inch rack fitting.

Models 9171B, 9172B, 9181B: Follow instructions for 2U rackmount installation.

Models 9173B, 9174B, 9182B, 9183B, 9184B, 9185B: Follow instructions for 3U rackmount installation.

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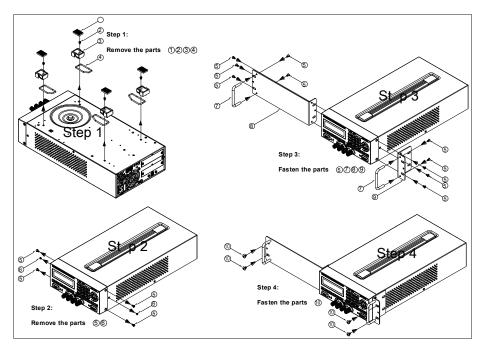


Figure 11- 2U Single Supply Rackmount Installation

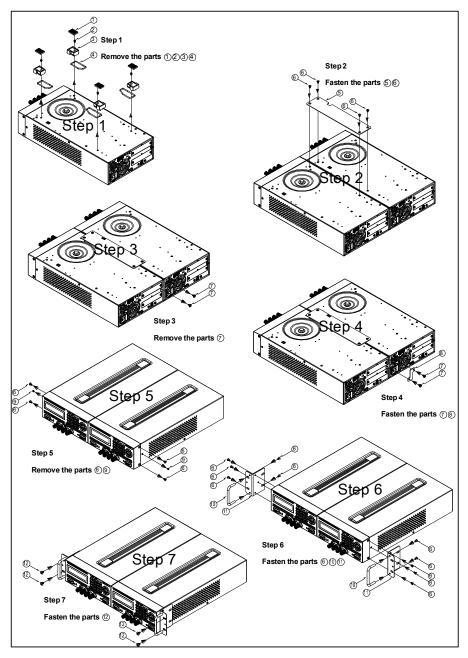


Figure 12- 2U Dual Supplies Rackmount Installation

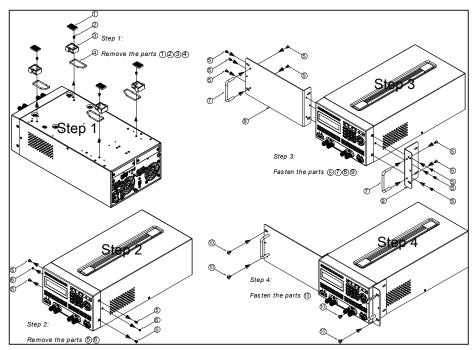


Figure 13- 3U Single Supply Rackmount Installation

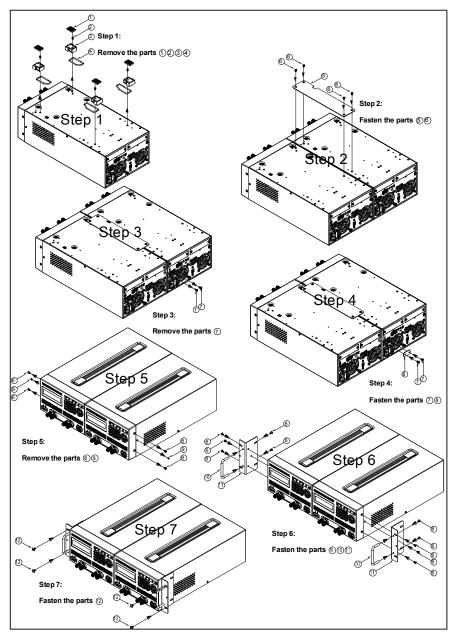


Figure 14–3U Dual Supplies Rackmount Installation

2 Getting Started

2.1 Input Power and Fuse Requirements

Input Power

The rated AC input power source for powering the supplies must be within:

115V Operation: **103.5V-126.5V** 230V Operation: **207V - 253V** Frequency: **47 Hz – 63 Hz**

Before connecting to an AC outlet or external power source, be sure that the power switch is in the OFF position and verify that the AC power cord, including the extension line, is compatible with the rated voltage/current and that there is sufficient circuit capacity for the power supply. Once verified, connect the cable firmly.

WARNING:

The included AC power cord is safety certified for this instrument operating in rated range. To change a cable or add an extension cable, be sure that it can meet the required power ratings for this instrument. Any misuse with wrong or unsafe cables will void the warranty.

Fuse Requirements

An AC input fuse is necessary when powering the instrument.

Below is a table showing the required fuses for AC line input 115V and 230V operation for all models.

115 V AC	230 V AC		
2.5 A	1.25 A		
2.5 A	1.25 A		
4 A	2 A		
4 A	2 A		
3.15 A	1.6 A		
5 A	2.5 A		
4 A	2 A		
4 A	2 A		
4 A	2 A		
	2.5 A 2.5 A 4 A 4 A 3.15 A 5 A 4 A 4 A		

Table 1- Input Fuse Table

Note: All fuses listed have the specifications: T250V, slow blow (slow acting), 5 x 20mm.

2.2 Line Voltage Selection

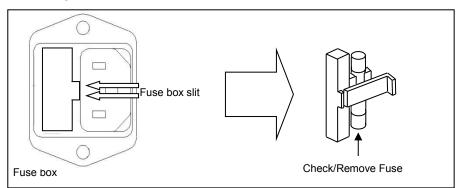
The power supplies can be selected to operate with 115V input or 230 V input. To ensure that your instrument is properly configured to operate at the desired AC line voltage, please follow the steps below:

CAUTION:

For safety, no power should be applied to the instrument while changing line voltage operation. Disconnect all cables connected to the instrument before proceeding.

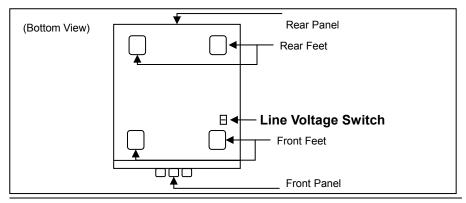
Step 1 - Check and/or Change Fuse

- Locate the fuse box next to the AC input connector in the rear panel.
- With a small flat blade screwdriver, insert into the fuse box slit to pull and slide out the fuse box as indicated below.
- Check and replace fuse (if necessary) for the desired line voltage operation (see Table 1).



Step 2 - Check and/or Change Line Voltage Switch

- Carefully lift and turn the instrument upside down.
- Locate the red Line Voltage Switch, which has markings that indicate "115" for 115V or "230" for 230V line operation. Set the switch to the desired line voltage operation.

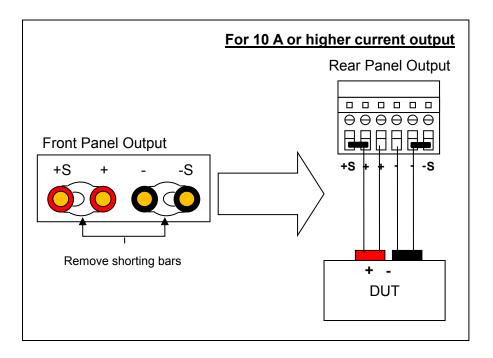


WARNING:

Do not connect power to the instrument until the line voltage selection is setup correctly. Applying an incorrect line voltage or configuring the line voltage selection improperly may damage the instrument and void all warranty.

2.3 Output Connections

These power supplies have both front panel binding posts and rear panel terminals for output connections, and they are paralleled together. The two (+) and two (-) (per channel for dual channel models) rear output terminals can accept wire sizes AWG 24 to AWG 12 (See Table 2).<u>However, we recommend using 12 AWG if current output is between 5 to 10 A.</u> For current output above 10 A, remove the shorting bars from the front panel, but do not remove the shorting pins on the rear panel. Use two separate wires/leads to connect both (+) terminals and (-) terminals as shown below:



WARNING:

DO NOT output 10 A or more with only one pair of (+) and (-) terminals. Both (+) and (-) terminals must all be connected for applications requiring more than 10 A output. Each terminal can only accept a maximum of 10 A. Exceeding this may damage the power supply.

AWG	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28
Imax(A)	40	25	20	13	10	7	5	3.5	2.5	1.7
mΩ/meter	3.3	5.2	8.3	13.2	21	33.5	52.8	84.3	133.9	212.9

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WARNING:

Before connecting wires to the front or rear panel output terminals, turn OFF the power supply to avoid damage to the instrument and the device under test (DUT). For safety, load wires must have a wire gauge size large enough to prevent overheating when the power supply operates at maximum short circuit output current. It will also prevent large voltage drops from resistances in the wires.

2.4 Preliminary Check

Complete the following steps to verify that the power supply is ready for use.

1. Verify Line Voltage Selection

Complete the steps as described in "2.2 Line Voltage Selection" to make sure the supply is correctly setup to operate with the line voltage source to be used.

2. Connect Power and Self Test

Connect AC power cord to the AC receptacle in the rear panel and press **POWER** turn on the instrument. It will run through a self test procedure, as well as check for installed interface cards. The following screens will display before it's ready for use (Display will vary based on the model and installed interface cards)

SRAM TEST OK MAIN TESTOK
CHECKING FOR EEPROM DATA
CHECKING FOR OPTION CARD S1 : GPIB/LAN CARD
S2 : RS485 B&K PRECISION

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Output Check

Voltage Check

Follow the steps below to check basic voltage output with no load connected.

- Turn on the power supply. The display will show the **OFF** annunciator next to the setting voltage on the left side of the display.
- Enable the output by pressing OUTPUT (or CH1 and CH2 for dual channel models). The output indicator light will be lit and display will show the measured output voltage. The OFF annunciator will change to CV.
- Using the numeric keypad, press Vset and enter a voltage value. Then press the Enter key. For dual channel models, select the channel first before setting the voltage. The selected channel is indicated by a flashing CH1 or CH2 annunciator on the display. Press or voltage to select the channel.
- The measured output voltage should change to a value close to or exactly what you entered (For example, if voltage value is 30.000 V, it may show 29.998 V).
- (Optional) You may also verify the output voltage by connecting either the (+) and (-) terminals on the front panel or the rear panel to an external voltmeter. The measured value should match or be close to the entered voltage value.

Current Check

Follow the steps below to check basic current output of the power supply.

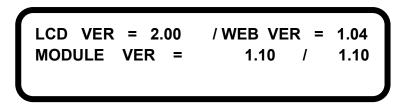
- Turn on the power supply. The display will show the **OFF** annunciator next to the setting voltage on the left side of the display.
- Short the (+) and (-) output terminals with test leads, shorting bar, or clip. (Refer to Table 2 to select appropriate test leads)
- Enable the output by pressing **О**UTPUT (or CH1 and CH2 for dual channel models). The output indicator light will be lit and display will show the measured output voltage. The **OFF** annunciator will change to **CC**.
- 4. Using the numeric keypad, press Iset and enter a current value. Then press the Enter key. For dual channel models, select the channel first before setting the voltage. The selected channel is indicated by a flashing CH1 or CH2 annunciator on the display. Press or to select the channel.
- 5. The measured output current should change to a value close to or exactly what you entered (For example, if current value is 5.0000 A, it may show 4.9998 A).
- 6. (Optional) You may also verify the output current by connecting either the (+) and (-) terminals on the front panel or the rear panel to an external current meter capable of measuring the current that you set. The measured value should match or be close to the entered current value.

7. Press **POWER** to turn off the power supply and remove the short on the output terminals.

Check Model and Firmware Version

The model and firmware version can be verified from one of the boot up screens, or from using the ***IDN?** query remote command, described in "4.2 Remote Commands". Additionally, other system version and information can be found by following the steps below:

Press Menu, then 8 to enter INFORMATION. The following screen will be displayed.



- There are multiple version numbers shown. However, the firmware version is displayed under **MODULE VER**. In the example screen above, firmware version is shown as 1.10.
- 3. Press **Esc** twice to exit the menu.

3 Front Panel Operation

3.1 Menu Options

All settings and parameters can be configured from the built-in menu system of the power supply. To access the menu, press Menu . The menu system is divided into 8 categories and organized as follows:

- 1. SYSTEM SETTING
 - REMOTE(USB,ETHERNET,GPIB,RS232 (optional))
 - GPIB ADDR(1-30)
 - KEY LOCK(ON, OFF)
 - IP CONFIG(STATIC)
 - IP ADDRESS(*xxx.xxx.xxx*, where *x* = 0-9)
 - BEEP(ON,OFF)
 - LCD BACKLIT (ALWAYS ON, 1,5,10,30 MINS OFF)
 - RECALL DEFAULT(NO, YES)
 - POWER ON STATE (OFF,LAST)
 - OUTPUT MODE (MULTI, SINGLE)*
 - TRACKING MODE (ON, OFF)*
 - EXTERN CONTROL (VOLT, RES, OFF) (optional)
 - EXTERN LEVEL (5V,10V) (optional)
 - EXTERN TRIG (ON, OFF) (optional)
- 2. OUTPUT SETTING
 - 1. VOLT LIMIT SETTING
 - VOLT LIMIT MAX (0 Max. Voltage)
 - VOLT LIMIT MIN (0 Max. Voltage)
 - 2. CURR LIMIT SETTING
 - CURR LIMIT MAX (0 Max. Current)
 - CURR LIMIT MIN (0 Max. Current)
 - 3. VOLT SLEWRATE SETTING
 - V SLEWRATE
 - 4. CURR SLEWRATE SETTING
 - I SLEWRATE
 - 5. MEASURE AVERAGE(1-10)
 - 6. LED MODE SETTING
 - LED MODE (ON,OFF)

- Low Current Mode (ON,OFF)**
- 3. PROTECTION
 - 1. OVP SETTING
 - OVP (ON,OFF)
 - SET (0 Max. Voltage)
 - 2. OCP SETTING
 - OCP (ON,OFF)
 - SET (0 Max. Current)
- 4. MEMORY SETTING (0-9)
- 5. PROGRAM MODE
- 6. TIMER FUNCTION
 - TIMER (ON, OFF)
 - TIME (hr:min:sec)
- 7. CALIBRATION
- 8. INFORMATION
- 9. CHAIN SETTING (optional)
 - CHAIN ON/OFF (ON, OFF)
 - CHAIN ADDRESS(1-31)

*Dual channel models 9173B and 9174B only.

**Models 9184B and 9185B only.

Note: All optional menu items appear only when their respective optional interface cards are installed inside the power supply.

How to Access the Menu

Before using the instrument, it is important to be familiarized with its menu structure and how to view or change settings and parameters. Follow the steps below to guide you in selecting menu options.

Note: The menu cannot be accessed when the output(s) is turned ON or when it is in remote mode (indicated by **RMT** light).

- From the front panel, press Menu to enter the main menu and the below screen will display. The ▼ on the bottom right indicates that there are more categories below that can be displayed.
 - 1. SYSTEM SETTING
 - 2. OUTPUT SETTING
 - 3. PROTECTION
- Press → to display those categories. The ▲ on the upper right indicates that there are categories above the current displayed categories shown. Press → and the screen will display the previous menu categories.
 - 4. MEMORY SETTING
 - 5. PROGRAM MODE
 - 6. TIMER FUNCTION
- 3. Each main category, as well as some submenu items within the category, has a number next to their respective category heading. Whenever you see a number next to a menu item (i.e. 1. SYSTEM SETTING, 4. MEMORY SETTING), use the numeric keypad to enter that number to access that category's menu or submenus. For example, press 1 to access the **SYSTEM SETTING** menu.
- 4. Within the category menus or submenus, adjustable settings and parameters will have a cursor (indicated by an underline of a digit or character) to indicate the current selection. Use

the And keys to select the setting you want to change. Below is an example of the **Remote** settings being selected. Note the underline below the first character of the setting "USB".

REMOTE	= <u>U</u> SB	
GPIB ADDR	= 1	
KEY LOCK	= OFF	▼

 Settings have selectable options that are not numeric (i.e. REMOTE settings shown above). To change them, press

- Parameters have numerical set values (i.e. GPIB ADDR parameter shown above). To change them, use the numeric keypad to enter the value you want to change to. To save the changes, press the Enter key.
- Note: Changes to settings and parameters apply only when the Enter key is pressed to confirm the changes. Otherwise, they will default to previous set option or value.

3.2 Remote Interface Setup

The standard remote interface available on all models in the series is the USB (virtual COM) interface. Other optional supported interfaces such as GPIB, Ethernet (LAN), RS-232, and RS-485are available, but dependent on the interface card(s) installed on the instrument. This section will describe how to setup all the supported interfaces.

Note: The **RMT** LED will automatically light up when the power supply is successfully connected to a PC remotely through any remote interface. Keys on the front panel will be locked until (LCL) is pressed to set the instrument back to LOCAL mode.

USB Interface (virtual COM)

The USB interface comes standard on every power supply in the series. A **USB Type A to Type B cable** (i.e. USB printer cable) is required to connect the USB port (in the rear panel to a PC. Follow the steps below to setup the power supply for USB (virtual COM) remote communication.

Press Menu, then 1 to enter SYSTEM SETTING. Select REMOTE and verify that it shows USB, which is the default option. If not, press or verify or verify until "USB" is displayed. Press Enter to save changes.

 Install the USB driver. Visit <u>www.bkprecision.com</u> to download the driver. Run the setup executable after unzipping the downloaded file.

Note: Do this before connecting the USB cable from the power supply to the PC.

- 3. Once the installation is successful, connect the USB cable between the power supply and the PC. Drivers should be automatically recognized. To verify, go to "Device Manager" in Windows, and under "Ports (COM & LPT)", a new device listed as "210x USB to UART Bridge (COM#)" will be listed. The "#" is the COM port number assigned by your computer to interface with the instrument via USB virtual COM.
- 4. The serial (virtual COM) settings to use are:

BAUDRATE: 57600 PARITY: NONE DATA BITS: 8 STOP BIT: 1 FLOW CONTROL: NONE

GPIB Interface

GPIB interface is available when the LAN/GPIB card is installed in the "S1" or "S2" slots in the rear panel. To setup the power supply for GPIB interface, follow the steps below:

- Press Menu, then 1 to enter SYSTEM SETTING. Select
 REMOTE and press or until "GPIB" is displayed.
 Press Enter to save changes.
- 2. Select **GPIB ADDR** and use the numeric keypad to enter the GPIB address (1 30). Press (Enter) to save changes.

Ethernet (LAN) Interface

LAN interface is available when the LAN/GPIB card is installed in the "S1" or "S2" slots in the rear panel. To setup the power supply for LAN interface, follow the steps below:

- Press Menu, then 1 to enter SYSTEM SETTING. Select
 REMOTE and press or until "ETHERNET" is displayed. Press Enter to save changes.
- 2. Select **IP CONFIG** and choose **STATIC**. Press Enter to save changes.
 - **STATIC** Allows you to configure a static IP address for the power supply.

3. If STATIC is selected, then select IP ADDRESS and use the numerical keypad to enter the static IP. After entering each group of 3 digits, press Enter to go to the next group. The cursor will automatically move to the next group. Do this until all 12 digits are entered. Be sure to press Enter one more time after entering the last 3 digits for the complete IP address entry to be saved.

RS-232 and RS-485 Interface (Optional)

Both RS-232 and RS-485 interface are supported by the power supply through an optional RS-232 or RS-485 interface card. Both of these card options must be properly installed before they can be used. See "1.7 Installing Optional Interface Cards" for details.

RS-232 Interface

The setup for remote control via RS-232 interface is very similar to the same for USB virtual COM interface. To setup the power supply for RS-232 operation:

- Press Menu, then 1 to enter SYSTEM SETTING. Select
 REMOTE and press or until "RS232" is displayed.
 Press (Enter) to save changes.
- 2. The settings used for RS232 communication are:

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BAUDRATE: 57600
PARITY: NONE
DATA BITS: 8
STOP BIT: 1
FLOW CONTROL: NONE
```

RS-485 Interface

Multiple power supplies (up to 31) can be connected together in series and be controlled via USB (virtual COM) interface. Here is an illustration of how the setup will look like:

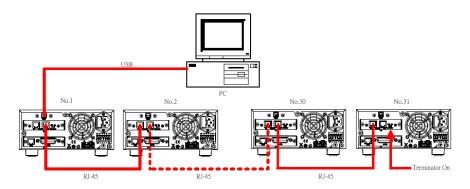


Figure 15- RS-485 Setup to Control Multiple Supplies (USB)

To setup and configure the power supplies, follow these steps:

Requirements:

- Optional RS485 cards must be installed on each power supply
- For N number of power supplies, you will need N-1 number of Ethernet CAT5 straight (pin-to-pin) cables. (Example: To connect 5 power supplies, 4 cables are required)

Note: The cables are used to link the power supplies together. It is recommended to keep the cables as short as possible between each unit.

Communicate via USB

- Take one Ethernet CAT5 cable and connect one end to labeled "OUT" on the RS485 interface card of the <u>first</u> power supply (the one that will be connected to the PC via USB cable).
- Connect the other end to labeled "IN" on the RS485 interface card of the <u>second</u> power supply.
- To connect a <u>third</u> power supply, use another Ethernet CAT5 cable and connect one end to labeled "OUT" on the <u>second</u> power supply. Connect the other end to labeled "IN" on the interface card of the <u>third</u> power supply.
- Repeat steps 2 and 3 for each subsequent power supplies added to the multi connection, making sure the connections follow the "IN" and "OUT" scheme as described.
- After connecting to the "IN" port of the <u>last</u> power supply in the connection, if there are more than 10 units connected, set the physical switch labeled "Terminator" on the RS485 interface card of this last unit to "On".

Note: The terminator switch should only be set to "**On**" for the last power supply in the chain. All other power supplies should have the terminator switch set to "**Off**".

 With a USB Type A to Type B cable, connect one end to the USB interface of the <u>first</u> power supply. Connect the other end to a PC to be used to control all the supplies. Refer to Figure 15 to verify your connections.

- With the connections setup properly, on the <u>first</u> power supply, press <u>Menu</u>, then <u>1</u> to enter SYSTEM SETTING. Select REMOTE and verify that "USB" is selected. Press Enter to save changes.
- Press Esc once to go back to the main menu and press 9 to enter CHAIN SETTING.
- 9. Select CHAIN ON/OFF and press or to set it to "ON".
 Press (Enter) to save changes.
- 10. Select **CHAIN ADDRESS** and set it to "**1**". Press Enter to save changes and then press Esc twice to exit the menu.
- 11. Repeat steps 7 thru 10 for each of the power supplies in the chain. However in step 10, set the CHAIN ADDRESS of each power supply to a different number. (i.e. Set to 1 for power supply #1, 2 for power supply #2, 3 for power supply #3, ...etc.) The address is used to reference the power supply during remote operation.
- 12. Refer to "4.2 Remote Commands" for the list of remote commands specific for RS485 communication.

3.3 Adjusting LCD Display, Key Lock, Key Sound

LCD Backlight Timer

The LCD backlight has a timer that can be set to dim its brightness within a set time from when the instrument is idle. To set this:

1. Press Menu, then 1 to enter SYSTEM SETTING. Select

LCD BACKLIT. Press (or) to change the backlight

timer setting. Selectable options are:

•	•
Options	Description
ALWAYS ON	Default – Display never dims.
1 MINS OFF	Display dims after 1 minute
5 MINS OFF	Display dims after 5 minutes
10 MINS OFF	Display dims after 10 minutes
30 MINS OFF	Display dims after 30 minutes
10 MINS OFF	Display dims after 5 minutes Display dims after 10 minutes

2. Press Enter to save changes.

Key Lock

Users can manually lock the front panel keypad. To set this:

Press Menu, then 1 to enter SYSTEM SETTING. Select
 KEY LOCK. Press or to change it. Selectable options are:

Options	Description
OFF	Default
ON	Lock keypad

- 2. Press Enter to save changes. Press Esc twice to exit the menu.
- If ON is selected, all keys from the front panel, except for

 will be locked. The Lock LED indicator will be lit.
- To unlock, press and the Lock LED indicator will turn off. The KEY LOCK option under SYSTEM SETTING category will automatically default back to OFF.

Disabling Key Sound

To disable the beep from key presses:

1. Press Menu, then 1 to enter SYSTEM SETTING. Select

BEEP. Press or to change it. Selectable options

are:

Options	Description
ON	Default
OFF	Disable key beep

- 2. Change it to **OFF**, and press (Enter) to save changes. All key presses will no longer beep.
- 3. To enable it again, set **BEEP** to **ON**.

3.4 Restore to Factory Default

All instrument settings can be reset back to their factory default values by doing the following:

I	WARNING:	
	change all cur	instrument to factory default will rent instrument settings and ck to their default values.
1.		hen 1 to enter SYSTEM SETTING . Select
	RECALL DEFA	AULT. Press or to change it.
	Selectable optic	ons are:
	Options	Description
	OFF	Default
	ON	Resets instrument with factory default settings and parameters
2.	Change it to OI display:	N , and press $\overline{E_{nter}}$. The following prompt will
	ARE YOU	SURE TO RECALL DEFAULT? (YES/NO) <u>N</u> O

3. To cancel this action, press Enter with **NO** marked by the cursor. To confirm resetting the instrument to factory default,

press to select **YES** and press Enter.

 After approximately 5 seconds, the instrument will automatically jump back to the normal display. All settings are now set back to their factory default values.

REMOTE	USB	
GPIB ADDR	1	
KEY LOCK	OFF	
IP CONFIG	STATIC	
IP ADDRESS	255.255.255.255	
BEEP	ON	
LCD BACKLIT	ALWAYS ON	
VOLT LIMIT MAX	Max. rated voltage of model	
VOLT LIMIT MIN	0.000V	
CURR LIMIT MAX	Max. rated current of model	
CURR LIMIT MIN	0.0005A	
MEASURE AVERAGE TIME	2	
LED MODE	OFF	
OVP SETTING	OFF, SET = Max. rated voltage	
	of model	
OCP SETTING	OFF, SET = Max. rated current	
	of model	
TIMER FUNCTION	OFF	

Table 3 Factory Default Settings

3.5 Configure Voltage and Current Output

Voltage and Current Limit Settings

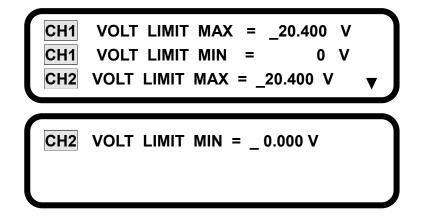
The power supply has software voltage and current limit protection settings that can be configured to limit the settable range for output from front panel or remote operation. Follow the steps in this section to adjust these settings.

Voltage Limit Set

- Press Menu, then 2 to enter OUTPUT SETTING. Press 1 to select VOLT LIMIT SETTING.
- VOLT LIMIT MAX should be selected. Use the keypad to enter the maximum voltage set limit and press (Enter) to save changes. The maximum voltage that can be set depends on the power supply's maximum output voltage.
- 3. **VOLT LIMIT MIN** is now selected. Again, use the keypad to enter the minimum voltage set limit and press Enter to save changes.
- 4. Press **Esc** once to return to previous menu items, or press three times to exit the menu when finished.

Dual Channel Models

For models with dual channels, the display will look different, with **CH1** and **CH2** indicators on the left side of the display to indicate their respective **VOLT LIMIT MAX/MIN** parameters.

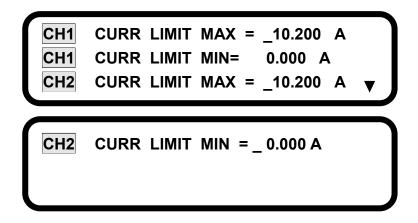


Current Limit Set

- 1. Press Menu, then 2 to enter OUTPUT SETTING. Press 2 to select CURR LIMIT SETTING.
- CURR LIMIT MAX should be selected. Use the keypad to enter the maximum current set limit and press (Enter) to save changes. The maximum current that can be set depends on the power supply's maximum output current.
- CURR LIMIT MIN is now selected. Again, use the keypad to enter the minimum current set limitand press (Enter) to save changes.
- 4. Press **Esc** once to return to previous menu items, or press three times to exit the menu when finished.

Dual Channel Models

For models with dual channels, the display will look different, with **CH1** and **CH2** indicators on the left side of the display to indicate their respective **CURR LIMIT MAX/MIN** parameters.



Configure Voltage and Current Output

Voltage and current can be set and output from the front panel and the rear panel terminals. Refer to "3.7 Remote Sense" for setup instructions if remote sense will be used for voltage compensation at the output.

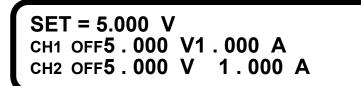
Setting Voltage

Follow the steps below to set the output voltage:

- For single channel models, skip to step 2 below. For dual channel models, from the main display press or voto select the channel for setting voltage. The channel indicators CH1 or CH2 will flash to indicate the selected channel.
- With the main display shown, press Vset se the numeric keypad to enter your set voltage. Then press Enter. Below is an example screen for setting 5 V.

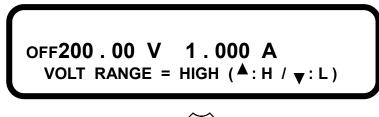


For Dual Channel models:



 Models 9184B and 9185B do not have auto ranging available. The range must be selected manually and can be set as HIGH or LOW range.

9184B: HIGH range – 200 V / 1 A
LOW range – 100 V / 2 A
9185B: HIGH range – 600 V / 0.35 A
LOW range – 400 V / 0.5 A
To select HIGH range, press from the normal display where VOLT RANGE is indicated.



To select **LOW** range, press instead.

Note: The voltage setting range is dependent on the unit's maximum voltage output specification as well as the voltage limits set from the system menu. Verify VOLT LIMIT MAX and VOLT LIMIT MIN settings if you are unable to set a voltage within the specifications of the power supply.

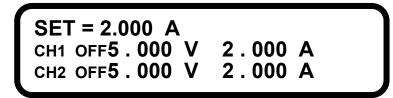
Setting Current

Follow the steps below to set the output current:

- For single channel models, skip to step 2 below. For dual channel models, from the main display press or voto select the channel for setting current. The channel indicators CH1 or CH2 will flash to indicate the selected channel.
- With the main display shown, press Iset and use the numeric keypad to enter your set current. Then press Enter.
 Below is an example screen for setting 2 A.



For Dual Channel models:



 Models 9184B and 9185B do not have auto ranging available. The range must be selected manually and can be set as **HIGH** or **LOW** range.

9184B: HIGH range – 200 V / 1 A
LOW range – 100 V / 2 A
9185B: HIGH range – 600 V / 0.35 A
LOW range – 400 V / 0.5 A
To select HIGH range, press from the normal display
To select LOW range, press instead.

Note: The current setting range is dependent on the unit's maximum current output specification as well as the current limits set from the system menu. Verify CURR LIMIT MAX and CURR LIMIT MIN settings if you are unable to set a current within the specifications of the power supply.

WARNING:

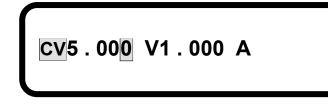
Before connecting wires to the front or rear panel output terminals, output should remain OFF to avoid shocks and damage to the device under test (DUT), especially when setting the supply for high voltage output. For safety, load wires must have a wire gauge size large enough to prevent overheating when the power supply operates at maximum short circuit output current. It will also prevent large voltage drops from resistances in the wires.

The OUTPUT button is used to enable or disable the supply output from both the front panel and the rear panel output terminals. A green LED light next to the button will be lit when OUTPUT is pressed to turn ON (enable), and the OFF annunciator will disappear from the display. This will reappear when output is OFF (disable) upon pressing OUTPUT again, and the green LED light will disappear. For dual channel models, CH1 and CH2 are used in place of OUTPUT as output ON/OFF for CH1 and CH2 respectively. Dual channel models can also be configured so that both channels' output states (ON or OFF) can be synchronized. See "3.6Dual Channel Configurations" under "Multi/Single Output Control" for setup instructions.

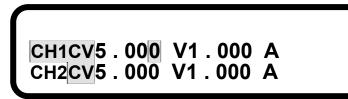
Controlling Voltage/Current Output with Keys

When the output is ON (enabled), the voltage (CV mode) or current (CC mode) output can be controlled incrementally by key presses.

To do this, press \bullet or \bullet and a cursor will appear, highlighting the last digit of the measured voltage or current display. Use \bullet or \bullet to change and select the digit you want to change, and press \bullet or \bullet to increase or decrease that digit. The output voltage or current will change immediately as you change the digits. Press Enter at any time or allow the supply to idle for 10 seconds (without any key presses) to go back to the normal display.



For Dual Channel models:



Note: The voltage setting range is dependent on the unit's maximum voltage output specification as well as the voltage limits set from the system menu. Verify VOLT

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LIMIT MAX and **VOLT LIMIT MIN** settings if you are unable to set a voltage within the specifications of the power supply.

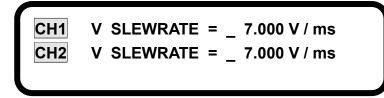
Slew Rate Configuration

Voltage and current slew rate of the output can be configured by doing the following:

 Press Menu, then 2 to enter OUTPUT SETTING. Press 3 to select VOLT SLEWRATE SETTING. The following will be displayed:

V SLEWRATE = _ 7.000 V / ms

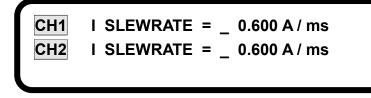
For Dual Channel models:



 Use the keypad to enter the voltage slew rate. (Refer to Table 4) Then press (Enter) the save the changes. Press Esc once to return to the previous menu items, and press 4 to select CURR SLEWRATE SETTING. The following will be displayed:

I SLEWRATE = _ 0.600 A / ms

For Dual Channel models:



- 4. Use the keypad to enter the current slew rate, then press Enter to save changes.
- 5. Press **Esc** once to return to previous menu items, or press three times to exit the menu when finished.

Model	V Slew Rate (V/ms)	I Slew Rate (A/ms)
9171B	0.001 - 2.500	0.001 – 1.250
9172B	0.001 - 7.000	0.001 – 0.300
9173B	0.001 – 2.500	0.001 – 1.250
9174B	0.001 - 7.000	0.001 – 0.300
9181B	0.001 - 4.500	0.001 – 1.000
9182B	0.001 - 2.500	0.001 – 2.500
9183B	0.001 – 7.000	0.001 – 0.600
9184B	0.001 - 6.666	0.001 – 0.066

Table 4- V	/oltage ar	d Current Slew	Rate Ranges
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9185B	0.001 – 15.00	0.001 – 0.0125

Output Timer Function

The power supply has a built-in output timer function that can be enabled to allow setting a time in which output is remained ON. Follow the steps below to setup this function:

Press Menu, then 6 to select TIMER FUNCTION. The following screen will be displayed:



- While the cursor is selecting TIMER, press So that ON is selected, then press Enter to set and select TIME. This will be the time for which the output will remain ON.
- Use the numeric keypad to enter the Hr (hour) for the output to remain ON. Press Enter to select Min (minute). Enter a value and press Enter again to select Sec (second).
- The acceptable ranges are:
 Hr: 0 999, Min: 0 59, Sec: 0 59
- 5. Press **Esc** once to return to previous menu items, or press three times to exit the menu when finished.
- 6. Upon returning to the main display, it will show the following:

TIMER = 000:00:00 Sec OFF10.000 V1.000 A

For Dual Channel models:



 Press OUTPUT (CH1 or CH2 for dual channel models) to turn the output ON, and the TIMER on the display will start running. The ON annunciator will display, and the output will remain ON until the configured time period (from step 3) ends.

Note: For dual channel models, the timer function will work only with both channels ON (enabled) simultaneously regardless of the **OUTPUT MODE** setting configured in **SYSTEM SETTING** menu. The internal timer is shared by both channels.

Measurement Average Setting

The averaging measurements used to display a reading can be adjusted by following the steps below:

 Press Menu, then 2 to enter OUTPUT SETTING. Press 5 to select MEASURE AVERAGE. The following will display:

AVERAGE TIME = 2

- Use the numeric keypad to enter the number of measurements the instrument will average out prior to displaying the value. Valid numbers are from 1 to 10.
- 3. Press (Enter) to save changes, then press (Esc) three times to exit the menu.

3.6 Dual Channel Configurations

Features described in this section pertain to dual channel models 9173B and 9174B only. They are not available for all other models.

Multi/Single Output Control

Dual channel outputs can be configured so that pressing the output buttons can turn ON (enable) or OFF (disable) both channels' outputs simultaneously. **Note:** When multiple output control is setup, there will be a maximum of 3 ms delay between channel 1 and channel 2 when both channels change output from OFF (disable) state to ON (enable) state.

Follow the steps below to configure this setting:

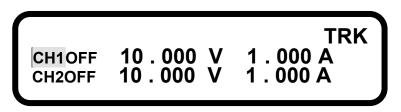
- Press Menu, then 1 to enter SYSTEM SETTING. Go down the list of settings and select OUTPUT MODE.
- Press to select MULTI. Press Enter to confirm the changes, and press Esc twice to exit the menu. If SINGLE is selected, output control of the two channels will not be simultaneous; their output states can be controlled independently.

Series/Parallel Tracking Mode

Tracking mode can be enabled so that both channels can be synchronized, especially when connected together in series or parallel. To turn on tracking mode, follow the steps here:

- Press Menu, then 1 to enter SYSTEM SETTING. Go down the list of settings and select TRACKING MODE.
- Press to select ON. Press Enter to confirm the changes, and press Esc twice to exit the menu. To disable it, select OFF.

 The TRK annunciator will appear on the display to indicate tracking mode is enabled. Both channels are now synchronized.



3.7 Remote Sense

Single channel models 9171B, 9172B, 9181B, 9182B, and 9183B have both front and rear panel remote sense terminals. Dual channel models 9173B and 9174B, and high voltage single channel models 9184B and 9185B have rear panel remote sense terminals only. Remote sense can be used to compensate for voltage drops due to resistance from test leads connected to your device under test (DUT), thus providing more accurate output voltage. The power supply is initially setup to local sense mode by default. Refer to the following sections for details of local and remote sense setup.

Local Sense

All power supplies are setup with local sense by default. In local sense mode, shorting bars between the sense terminals and output terminals are connected on the front panel (if available) and rear panel outputs. Refer to Figure 16 below (Note: Some models do not have front panel sense terminals, indicated by +S and -S):

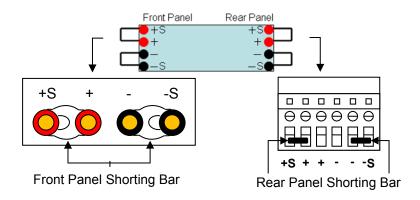


Figure 16-Local Sense with Shorting Bar

For front panel, +S and + terminals are shorted together, and -S and – terminals are shorted together with shorting bars. For rear panel, +S and + (next to +S) are shorted together, and -S and – (next to -S) are shorted together with small metal shorting bars.

Note: For calibration, local sense should be used.

Remote Sense

To setup and use remote sense from the front panel (if available), both the front panel and rear panel shorting bars must be removed. The front +S and –S sense ports are then connected directly to the DUT, like Figure 17 below:

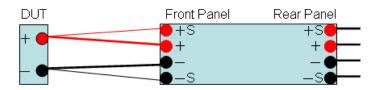


Figure 17- Front Panel Remote Sense Setup

To use remote sense from the rear panel, both front panel (if available) and rear panel shorting bars must also be removed. The rear +S and –S ports are connected directly to the DUT, like Figure 18 below:

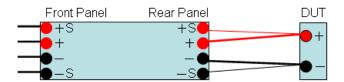
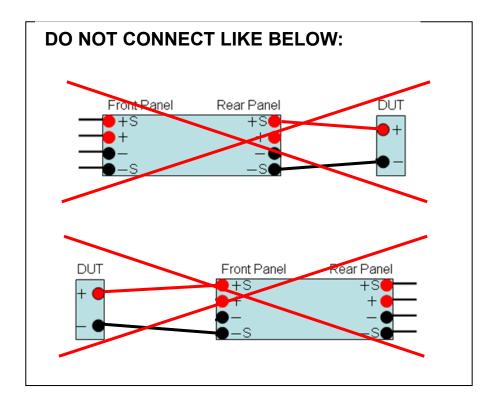


Figure 18- Rear Panel Remote Sense Setup

WARNING:

In remote sense where both the front and/or rear panel shorting bars are removed, never connect a device directly to the front (if applicable) and/or back +S and –S terminals only. Always connect the + and – terminals first, then connect the +S and – S terminals. Otherwise, the sense lines will burn out internally and cause damage to the supply.



For operating with output current higher than 10 A, the connection is the same as Figure 18 above, with the addition of connecting the second pair of (+) and (-) terminals in the rear panel, like below:

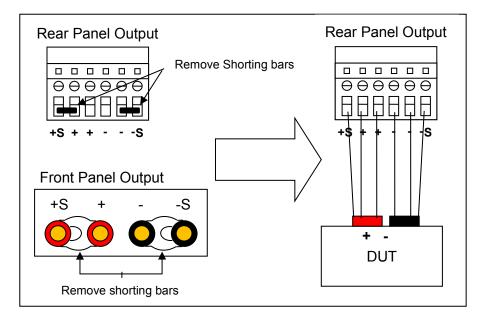


Figure 19- Remote Sense Setup for 10A or Higher Current Output Operation

WARNING:

DO NOT output 10A or more with only one pair of (+) and (-) terminals in the rear panel. Both (+) terminals and both (-) terminals must all be connected for applications requiring more than 10A output. Each terminal can only accept maximum of 10A. Exceeding this may damage the power supply. Test Equipment Depot - 800.517.8431 - 99 Washington Street Melrose, MA 02176 TestEquipmentDepot.com

3.8 LED and Low Current Test Modes

LED Mode

All of these power supplies have LED mode, which enables them to function specifically for LED test applications. When this mode is ON (enabled), the power supply can operate in such a way as to minimize or almost eliminate the inrush current drawn by the LED load, which normally exists when the output switches from an OFF state to an ON state.

To enable LED mode, follow these steps:

- Press Menu, then 2 to enter OUTPUT SETTING. Press 6 to select LED MODE SETTING.
- Press to select ON, then press Enter to confirm the changes. Press Esc twice to exit the menu. For dual channel models, both channels will have LED mode enabled.



Consider the following example for 9184B with setup in Figure 20:

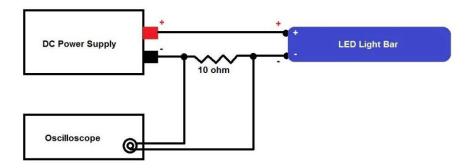


Figure 20- LED Testing Example

The 9184B supply output is initially OFF (disabled). The LED light bar is rated for 170 V. A 10 Ω resistor is placed in series with the LED light bar. The power supply current setting (ISET) is 20 mA. Using an oscilloscope to probe between the resistor to measure current, the power supply's output is then turned ON. The measured results are shown in Figure 21, which compares the measured results with and without LED mode ON (enabled):

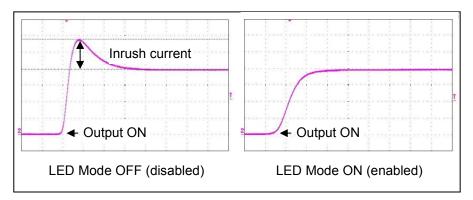


Figure 21 - Inrush Current With and Without LED Mode Enabled

With LED mode ON (enabled), the power supply can minimize or eliminate any inrush current from turning the output ON, which in turn will minimize damage or life of the LEDs under test.

Note: For LED mode to function correctly, the output must be turned OFF when connecting between the power supply and the LEDs under test. Turn ON the output after LED mode is enabled and all other settings are configured.

WARNING:

For models 9184B and 9185B, Low Current MODE must be set to OFF when using LED mode. If both are ON, the supply may produce inrush current.

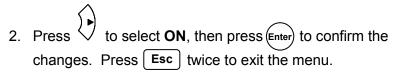
Low Current Mode

Available on models 9184B and 9185B only.

Low current mode is a unique function that enables the power supply to minimize voltage rise times when operating with low current (< 1 A) output with a high voltage change.

To enable Low current mode, follow these steps:

 Press Menu, then 2 to enter OUTPUT SETTING. Press 6 to select Low Current MODE.





Consider the following example screenshots measuring a voltage chance from 0 V to 60 V with a load of 100 mA connected to the output.

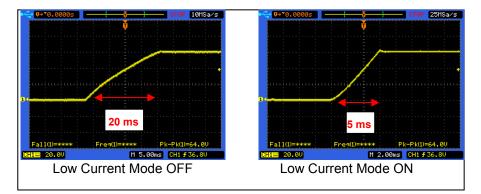


Figure 22 - Inrush Current With and Without Low Current Mode Enabled

When operating with low current output, enabling Low Current mode can reduce the voltage rise time upon a change in the voltage output. Test Equipment Depot - 800.517.8431 - 99 Washington Street Melrose, MA 02176 TestEquipmentDepot.com

3.9 Output Protection

Configure OVP

Overvoltage protection (OVP) is available to limit the voltage output and to protect a connected DUT from an overvoltage condition. When the power supply trips the OVP, a short beep will sound and the OVP (OVP1/OVP2 for dual channel models) LED indicator on the front panel will be lit. The green output light will also disappear and output will turn OFF (disable) immediately. To clear the OVP trip, press any key and the OVP (OVP1/OVP2 for dual channel models) LED indicator will turn OFF. To activate OVP, follow the steps below:

 Press Menu, then 3 to enter PROTECTION, and press 1 to select OVP SETTING.

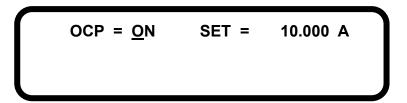
For Dual Channel models:

- 2. Press to select **ON**. Press Enter to confirm the changes, and use the numeric keypad to set the voltage limit for the protection to trip. Press Enter again to save changes. When the power supply voltage output reaches this limit, the OVP will trip.
- 3. Press Esc twice to exit the menu. To disable it, select **OFF**.

Configure OCP

Overcurrent protection (OCP) is available to limit the current output and to protect a connected DUT from an overcurrent condition. When the power supply trips the OCP, a short beep will sound and the OCP (OCP1/OCP2 for dual channel models) LED indicator on the front panel will be lit. The green output light will also disappear and output will turn OFF (disable) immediately. To clear the OCP trip, press any key and the OCP (OCP1/OCP2 for dual channel models) LED indicator will turn OFF. To activate OCP, follow the steps below:

 Press Menu, then 3 to enter PROTECTION, and press 2 to select OCP SETTING.



For Dual Channel models:

CH1 OCP = <u>O</u>N SET = 10.000 A CH2 OCP = OFF SET = 10.000 A

- 2. Press to select **ON**. Press Enter to confirm the changes, and use the numeric keypad to set the current limit for the protection to trip. Press Enter again to save changes. When the power supply current output reaches this limit, the OCP will trip.
- 3. Press **Esc** twice to exit the menu. To disable it, select **OFF**.

3.10 Save/Recall Output Settings

The power supply has internal memory to store up to 10 settings, and each setting includes the set voltage (VSET) and set current (ISET) values.

Save Output Settings

Follow these steps to save settings:

Press Menu, then 4 to enter MEMORY SETTING. The following screen will be displayed:

$$MEM = 0 V = 0.000 V I = 0.000 A$$

For Dual Channel models:

- 2. Press \checkmark or \checkmark or use the keypad to select the memory location to store settings into. Choose between 0 9.
- Press Enter to set, and use the keypad to enter a value for voltage. Afterwards, press Enter and enter a value for current Enter ess once more and the voltage and current values will be stored into the selected memory location.
- The cursor will then automatically move back to select MEM, and the location number will automatically increment to the next, except if number 9 (last memory location) was previously selected.

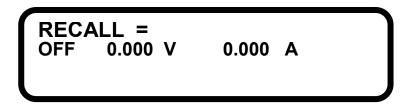
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 For dual channel models, repeat step 3 twice, once for CH1 and for CH2. Each memory location will store both channels' voltage and current settings.

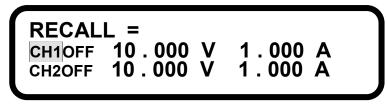
Recall Output Settings

To recall a saved setting:

1. Press **RCL** the screen will display as follows:



For Dual Channel models:



 Use the keypad to enter the memory location that contains the voltage and current values to recall. The voltage and current settings will change immediately to the recalled settings.

Configure Power-On State

The power supply can be powered up to a last known state, which can be useful in the case of power interruption. To configure this, follow the steps below: 1. Press Menu, then 1 to enter SYSTEM SETTING. Select

POWER ON STATE. Press or to change it to **LAST** for setting the power on state to last known configuration. Select **OFF** to turn it off.

2. Press (E_{nter}) to confirm the change.

3.11 Sequence Program Mode

Up to 10 (1 – 10) programmed sequences can be stored into the internal memory of the power supply and be executed from the front panel or via remote commands. A sequence consists of various steps of voltage and current values with a user defined time to hold at each step. This allows the user to change the voltage and current output of the power supply at different timings in a sequence. The maximum number of steps per sequence is 150, and the minimum timing in between steps is 10 ms. For dual channel models, the programmed sequence will control both channels per every step. Programming a sequence for each channel independently is not supported.

Sequences must be programmed into the memory via remote interface (i.e. USB, GPIB, Ethernet) before it can be executed from the front panel. See "4 Remote Operation" for details.

Assuming that sequences are already programmed into the internal memory, follow these steps to execute a program.

Press Menu, then 5 to enter PROGRAM MODE. The following screen will be displayed:

PROGRAM NUMBER = <u>0</u> PROGRAM OFF

- Use the keypad to select the program number where the sequence is stored. Valid number is 1 10. Press Enter to confirm the program.
- Press оитрит (Сн1 or Сн2 for dual channel models) to enable the output and execute the programmed sequence. For dual channel models, both outputs will turn ON.
- To disable the sequence at any time, press оитрит

 (Сн1) or Сн2 for dual channel models) again. This will also turn OFF the output. For dual channel models, both outputs will be OFF.

3.12 External Analog Control

The power supply output(s) can be controlled by external DC voltage sources $(0 - 5 \vee or 0 - 10 \vee)$ or resistances $(0 - 5k\Omega)$. The optional DIO/Analog Card must be installed for this function to be available.

Note: The external control circuit uses a 12-bit D/A converter, thus resolution for voltage and current is limited to 10 mV and 10 mA respectively.

WARNING:

The terminals for external analog control of voltage and current have no input protection. Therefore take caution when connecting to a DC source or a resistance. For voltage source control, do not input a voltage outside of the range -0.7 V to 5.7 V for the 0-5 V scale, or -0.7 V to 10.7 V for 0-10 V scale. This will damage the supply. For resistance control, do not connect with resistance greater than 5 k Ω . Doing so may damage the instrument and cause it to go out of calibration.

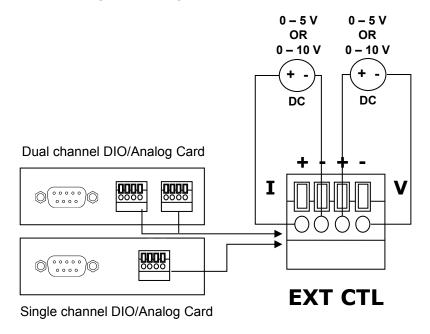
WARNING:

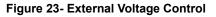
External analog control inputs do not have reverse polarity protection. Therefore, for external voltage control, do not connect to a live DC source until verifying that the positive side is connected properly to the (+) terminal and negative side to the (-) terminal for both current and voltage. Never short the (+) and (-) terminals together as it may damage the instrument.

Voltage Control

You can select the voltage control scale between $0 - 5 \vee \text{or } 0 - 10 \vee$, with 5 V and 10 V setting the maximum voltage/current output respectively, and 0 V being the minimum voltage/current output, which is 0 V/0 A(The scale factor is linear to the full scale voltage/current output). With model 9172B (rated 35V/3A, 70V/1.5A) as an example, using the $0 - 10 \vee$ scale and applying 0 V input for **V** Test Equipment Depot - 800.517.8431 - 99 Washington Street Melrose, MA 02176 TestEquipmentDepot.com

will output 0 V. Applying 10 V input for **V** will output 35 V or 70 V depending on the range. Likewise, 10 V for **I** will set current to 3A or 1.5 A depending on the range. See the setup below:





Note: Two separate DC voltage sources must be used for the setup. One for controlling voltage and one for current. Using one for either voltage or current will not operate correctly. If source is used for voltage, current setting will remain 0. If source is used for current, voltage setting will remain 0.

Resistance Control

You can externally control the voltage/current output with variable resistances $0 - 5 k\Omega$. $5k\Omega$ sets the maximum voltage/current output,

and 0 k Ω will set the minimum voltage/current output, which is 0 V/0 A (The scale factor is linear to the full scale voltage/current output).

See the setup below:

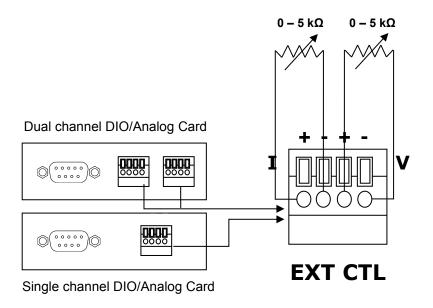


Figure 2	4- External	Resistance	Control
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Note: Two separate variable resistances must be used for the setup. One for controlling voltage and one for current. Using one for either voltage or current will not operate correctly. If resistance is used for voltage, current setting will remain 0. If resistance is used for current, voltage setting will remain 0.

Follow the steps below to setup the supply for external analog control:

- 1. Press Menu, then 1 to enter SYSTEM SETTING.
- 2. Go down to EXTERN CONTROL (this option is only

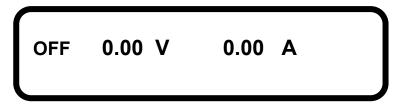
available with DIO/Analog Card installed) and press \bigvee or

to select between OFF, VOLT, or RES. Select VOLT for external voltage control or RES for external resistance control. Select OFF to disable external analog control.

3. Press Enter to save the change. If **VOLT** is selected in the previous step, go to **EXTERN LEVEL** setting right below

EXTERN CONTROL and press or \checkmark to select between **5V** or **10V**. Selecting **5V** means a 0 – 5V source will be used to control the full range of the voltage/current. Similarly, **10V** means a 0 – 10V source will be used.

Press Enter again to save the change, and press Esc twice to go to the main screen, which will look like the following below (Note that voltage and current resolution will be 10 mV and 10 mA for external analog control):



For Dual Channel models:



- 5. Press **OUTPUT** to turn the output ON (enabled), and output voltage and current will change as your external DC voltage sources or resistances change.
- Note: When external analog control is enabled, all front panel keys are locked except for Menu and OUTPUT (CH1) or CH2 for dual channel models). Output voltage and current is locked to be controlled with the connected external voltage sources or resistances only. To return to normal control and display mode, follow the steps above to disable external analog control.

3.13 Digital I/O

Digital I/O functions are supported with the DIO/Analog card installed.

The instrument uses a DB-9 9-pin interface for digital I/O operations. A total of 9 pins are available, 8 of which can be configured as **INPUT** or **OUTPUT** and 1 for ground (GND) via remote commands (Refer to Table 5). The maximum voltage for input is **5** V, and maximum voltage for output from the supply is also **5** V.

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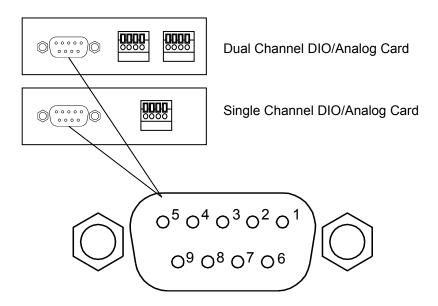


Figure 25- Digital I/O Interface

Below are the pin assignments for each of the 9 pins.

Pin#	9	8	7	6	5	4	ა	2	1
Туре	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	GND	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O
Binary Bit #	7	6	5	4	-	3	2	1	0
Decimal Representation	128	64	32	16		8	4	2	1
I/O – Can be set to either input or output. GND – Ground pin									

Table 5- Digital I/O Pin Assignment

WARNING:

Do not input more than 5 V to any of the digital I/O pins. Doing so may damage the instrument and void its warranty.

INPUT

Digital input for representing logic high (1) is 5 V, and for logic low (0) is 0 V.

Minimum voltage for logic high (1) must be at least 3.15 V. Maximum voltage for logic low (0) must not exceed 1.35 V.

To setup any of the 8 pins (except pin 5) as input pins, the remote command **GPIO:DIR** is used. All pins (except pin 5) are represented as 8-bits binary, according to Table 5 above. A "**1**" represents **OUTPUT**, and a "**0**" represents **INPUT**. When using the **GPIO:DIR** command, the decimal representation of the 8-bits binary is used.

For example, to set pins 7, 4, 2 and 1 as **INPUT** pins, their values must be set to **0**, and the rest **1**. Send:

GPIO:DIR 212

212 is used to represent**11010100** in binary. Only pins 7, 4, 2, and 1 have the value "**0**", which represents **INPUT**.

Pin	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
	1	1	0	1	-	0	1	0	0

To check the status of the input pins to be either 5 V (1) or 0 V (0),

use the **GPIO?** query command. It will return the decimal representation of the 8-bits binary that represents all the pins. The pins with bit value "**1**" have 5 V at the input, and "**0**" for 0 V at input.

For example, suppose all pins are set as **INPUT** pins, but only pin 2 and 1 have a 5 V logic high (1) signal, then only these two pins return "**1**" and the rest "**0**". Sending **GPIO?** command will return: **3**. The complete 8-bit binary would be **00000011**.

Pin	. 9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	1	1

Note if there are output pins configured, those pins are ignored and will have the value "**0**".

OUTPUT

To setup any of the 8 pins (except pin 5) as output pins, the remote command **GPIO:DIR** is used. All pins (except pin 5) are represented as 8-bits binary, according to Table 5 above. A "**1**" represents **OUTPUT**, and a "**0**" represents **INPUT**. When using the **GPIO:DIR** command, the decimal representation of the 8-bits binary is used.

For example, to set pins 8, 6, and 3 as **OUTPUT** pins, their values must be set to **1**, and the rest **0**. Send:

GPIO:DIR 84

84 is used to represent 01010100 in binary. Only pins 8, 6, and 3

Pin	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
	0	1	0	1	-	0	1	0	0

Digital output for representing logic high (1) is 5 V, and for logic low (0) is 0 V. To set an output pin's logic level, use the **GPIO** remote command. Again, all pins (except pin 5) are represented as 8-bits binary, according to Table 5 above. When using the **GPIO** command, the decimal representation of the 8-bits binary is used.

Taking the example above with pins 8, 6, and 3 set as **OUTPUT** pins, if pins 8 and 3 are to be set with logic high (5 V) and pin 6 set with logic low (0 V), send the following command:

GPIO 68

68 is used to represent **01000100** in binary. Only pins 8 and 3 have the value "**1**" to represent logic high and output 5 V. Pin 6 has the value "**0**" to represent logic low and output 0 V. All other pins should be "**0**" as they are input pins and thus, are ignored.

Pin	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
	0	1	0	0	-	0	1	0	0

3.14 Display Errors

The following errors may be displayed under certain operating conditions. Their descriptions are shown in the table below.

Error Message	Description
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INPUT RANGE ERROR!	The input value is out of the settable range of the power supply.
TURN OFF OUTPUT FIRST	Disable output first before accessing menu.

3.15 Connecting in Series and Parallel

Some of the models in the series are capable of connecting to another model of the same kind in series or in parallel to double the voltage output or current output respectively. While these are possible for some models, some models cannot be connected in such a way. Please see the below list of warnings pertaining to such connections.

WARNING:

- Do not connect multiple units of models 9184B or 9185B in series or in parallel. Due to their high voltage output design, these cannot be configured to increase voltage or current in a series connection or parallel connection setup respectively.
- Only connect multiples units in series or parallel <u>of the</u> <u>same model</u>. Do not mix models together. For example, you can connect two 9171B together, but not 9171B and 9172B together.
- Do not connect more than 2 units of models 9174B when series/parallel tracking is used.
- Do not connect more than 3 units of models 9172B and 9183B.
- Never connect more than 4 units at a time in series or parallel.
- Total voltage output can never exceed maximum 240 V.
- Do not use rear output terminals when connecting multiple units in series or in parallel. Use front panel output terminals only.

• When increasing the total output current by connecting multiple units in parallel, be sure that the connecting wires have enough thickness to handle the amount of current. Otherwise, they may overheat and/or drop voltage levels significantly.

4 Remote Operation

4.1 Interface Connection

USB (Virtual COM) & RS-232

All models have a standard USB interface (virtual COM) that can be used for remote communication. Optionally, an RS232 interface card is available for remote control via RS-232 interface. Both USB (virtual COM) and RS-232 have the same serial settings listed below:

> BAUDRATE: 57600 PARITY: NONE DATA BITS: 8 STOP BIT: 1 FLOW CONTROL: NONE

For RS-232 connectivity, refer to the diagram below for pin out information:

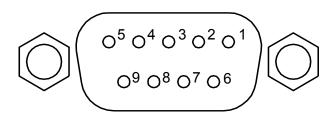


Figure 26- RS-232 Interface

PIN	Description
1	-
2	Transmit Data
3	Receive Data
4	-
5	GND
6	-
7	-
8	-
9	-

Table 6- RS-232 Pin Out

A straight pin-to-pin DB9female to DB9male serial cable is required for using RS-232 interface. Do not use a null modem or crossover DB9 serial cable.

GPIB

GPIB option is available when the supply is installed with the optional LAN/GPIB interface card. Each model can be configured with a GPIB address from 1 - 30. To communicate via GPIB, connect a GPIB cable to the GPIB interface of the LAN/GPIB interface card, as illustrated below.

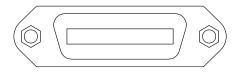


Figure 27- GPIB Interface

Ethernet (LAN)

Ethernet (LAN) option is available when the supply is installed with the optional LAN/GPIB interface card. There are three ways to control the power supply via LAN interface: Web server, Telnet connection, Socket connection.

Web Server

There is an embedded web server GUI that can access the power supply via LAN interface using a java enabled web browser. The GUI provides a simple way of setting voltage and current, as well as monitoring the output, using a web browser from a computer connected to the same local area network as the power supply. To access this, do the following:

- 1. On the computer, open up a java-enabled web browser.
- From the power supply menu, copy down the IP ADDRESS that you or the server configured and type in that address in the URL bar of your browser with http:// prefix (i.e. http://192.168.1.150 for IP Address 192.168.1.150)
- 3. If correctly configured, the following screen will be shown:

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Home	91XXB Web Login Page
Configuration Status Web Control Logout	Please key in the password to get in the web control page PASSWORD : ●●●●●● LOGN
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4. A password is required to login and access any of the menu items on the page.

DEFAULT ADMIN PASSWORD: 123456

Menu Items

This table describes each of the menu items available on the left frame of the web browser GUI.

Home	Provides general information of the power supply: Model Number, Manufacturer, Short Description, MAC Address, IP Address, Firmware Version.
Configuration	Allows users to configure: OVP Setting, OCP
	Setting, LCD Backlight, *Change Password.
	*Be sure to remember the new password if
	changed because it cannot be override.
Status	Shows last error or warning messages from the power
	supply. It should normally be 0, which means no
	error(s).
Web Control	Allows the user to manually send remote commands
	(see "4Remote Operation" for details) and control:

Table 7- Web Brows	ser Menu Description
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Vset, Iset, Output state, Output On Timer.

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CH1 : ○ ON ◎ OFF OCP1 Value = 10000 (0 ~ 3.0600 A) CH2 : ○ ON ◎ OFF OCP2 Value = 10000 (0 ~ 3.0600 A)
ON O1 MIN OFF O5 MINS OFF O10 MINS OFF O30 MINS OFF
O MULTI ⊙ SINGLE
O ON OFF
OLD : CONFIRM NEW:

Figure 28 Configuration Page Screenshot

	WEB CONTROL	^
Home Configuration Status Web Control Logout	OFF 13.000 V 1.0000 A OFF 10.000 V 0.2000 A CH1: Vset=[1000] (0-71.400 V) Iset=[1000] (0-3.0600 A) CH2: Vset=[1000] (0-71.400 V) Iset=[0000] (0-3.0600 A) SCPI Command SCPI Response	
< >	SCPI Response.	>

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Figure 29 Web Control Page Screenshot

Telnet Connection

The power supply can be connected via Ethernet (LAN) interface using Telnet client with the following port:

Telnet Port: 5024

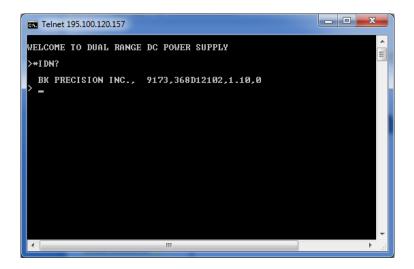
Windows XP Users

- Open a command prompt window, which can be found by going to Start > All Programs > Accessories > Command Prompt. Alternatively, you can click on Start, select Run..., and type in cmd in the Open: input box. Click OK to open Command Prompt.
- At the prompt, type in Telnet<sp><device IP><sp>5024 where:

<sp>is a space.

<device IP>is the IP address you have configured for the power supply.(see "Ethernet (LAN) Interface" for details) **Example:** Telnet 192.168.1.150 5024

 The following screen will be displayed, and users can enter remote commands at the prompt, such as *IDN?.



Windows Vista/7 Users

By default, Telnet client is not installed on the system. There are two ways to install it manually:

- 1. Open command prompt:
 - a. Select Windows Start > All Programs > Accessories > Command Prompt
 - Select Windows Start and type in cmd in the Search programs and files box and click on cmd.exe in the search list.

Then, type the following in the prompt (Note: there is only 1 space in between "pkgmgr" and "/iu"):

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pkgmgr /iu:"TelnetClient"
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This will install the Telnet Client, which should take about 20-30 seconds. When finished, close and re-open Command prompt and follow the same steps 2 and 3 for "Windows XP users" instructions above. Alternatively, go to Control Panel, select Programs, and select Turn Windows features on or off. Wait until the list gets populated. Then, Click the box next to Telnet Client. When finished, follow steps 1a or 1b to open Command Prompt and follow the same steps 2 and 3 from "Windows XP users" instructions above.

Socket Connection

Socket connection is available for communication via Ethernet (LAN) interface. The socket port is:

Socket Port: 5025

Users can use this port to open a raw socket connection for sending remote commands.

4.2 Remote Commands

The instrument supports some SCPI commands and some instrument specific commands. These commands enable a computer to remotely communicate and control the power supply over any of the supported remote interfaces: USB (virtual COM), RS-232, GPIB, LAN, and RS-485 (specific subset only).

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Parameter Definitions

Unless otherwise noted, the following table of parameter definitions applies to all supported remote commands. Commands that have [] around them are optional. For example, [SOURce] is not required for the SOURCE subsystem.

Parameter	Description
<boolean></boolean>	"ON" or "1", "OFF" or 0
<nr1></nr1>	Data format for integers. Zero, positive, and negative integer numeric values are valid data.
<nrf></nrf>	Data format for floating numeric representation. Zero, positive, and negative floating point numeric values are all valid data.
<lf></lf>	Line feed character (0x0A) used for termination of a string
<cr></cr>	Carriage return character (0x0D))used for termination of a string
<sp></sp>	Space character

Remote Commands

All commands are terminated with both a <CR> and <LF>or just <LF>character. For example, to query the instrument's ID, this command is sent:

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*IDN?<CR><LF>
*IDN?<LF>
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Commands sent without correct termination will return an error

and/or will not have a response. All commands listed in this section do not have the termination character shown, but it is required for successful communication with the power supply.All returned strings after a query command will terminate with both <CR> and <LF> characters. For example, sending VOLT?command may return:

1.234<CR><LF>

Common SCPI Commands

The following commands are standard SCPI commands (1995) supported by the instrument.

Query the instrument ID, which includes manufacturer name, model #, serial #, and firmware version all separated by commas. The last parameter is a "0" and is unused.
*IDN?
B&K PRECISION,9172B,1234567,1.10,0
<manufacturer>,<model>,<serial number="">,<firmware version="">,0</firmware></serial></model></manufacturer>
Clears status and errors
*CLS
Resets the power supply to its power on state. *RST

*SAV Description: Syntax: Example:	Saves power supply settings into a memory location *SAV <sp><location> <location> - Memory location number to save settings into. 0 – 9 are valid numbers. *SAV 2</location></location></sp>
·	Saves instrument settings into memory location 2.
*RCL	
Description: Syntax:	Recalls power supply settings *RCL <sp><location></location></sp>
Example:	<pre><location> - Memory location number to recall settings from. 0 – 9 are valid numbers. *RCL 3</location></pre>
	Recalls instrument settings from memory location 3.

SCPI Command Subsystem

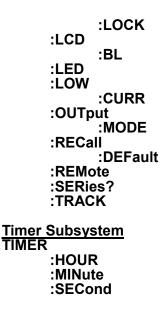
The following list of commands under each subsystem is supported by the power supply. Some of them cannot be used without optional interface cards installed, such as the GPIO subsystem. See the notes under the command (if available) for details.

GPIO Subsystem GPIO :DIRection <u>Measure Subsystem</u> MEASure :CURRent? :CURR2? :VOLTage? :VOLT2? <u>Memory Subsystem</u> MEMory :VSET

:VSET2 :ISET :ISET2 :SAV **Output Subsystem** OUTput :ALL :LIMit :VOLTage :VOLT2 :CURRent :CURR2 :MAX :VOLTage :VOLT2 :CURRent :CURR2 :MIN :VOLTage :VOLT2 :CURRent :CURR2 :SR :VOLTage :VOLT2 :CURRent :CURR2 :STATE? :PROTection :CLEar Channel 2 Output Subsystem (dual channel models only) OUT2 :STATe? Program Subsystem PROGram :CLEar :ALL :NEXT :REPeat :RUN :SAV :STEP :CURRent

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:CURR2 :ONTime :VOLTage :VOLT2 :TOTAI **Protection Subsystem** PROTection :CLEar :OCP :LEVel :OCP2 :LEVel :OVP :LEVel :OVP2 :LEVel Source Subsystem [SOURce] :CURRent :PROTection :LEVel :CURR2 :PROTection :LEVel :VOLTage **PROTection** :LEVel :RANGe :VOLT2 :PROtection :LEVel System Subsystem SYStem :AVErage :BEEP :ERRor? :EXTernal :LEVel :GPIB :ADDRess :IP :ADDRess :CONFig :KEY



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GPIOSubsystem

Note: The optional Analog/DIO interface card must be installed to use all GPIO commands.

Pin#	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Туре	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	GND	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O
Binary Bit #	7	6	5	4	-	3	2	1	0
Decimal Representation	128	64	32	16		8	4	2	1
I/O – Can be set t GND – Ground pi		r inpu	t or ou	tput.					

Table 9- Digital I/O Representation

Configures digital I/Opins level to high (1) 5V or low (0) 0V for output pins. Nothing happens if the pin is an input.
GPIO < SP >< decimal > < decimal > - Decimal representation of the binary value representing the GPIO pins. 0 – 255 are valid.
GPIO 46 Sets pins 7, 4, 3, and 2 to logic high(1) 5 V output if these pins are configured as output pins using GPIO:DIRection command (See "Table 9" to convert the binary representation). Refer to section "3.13Digital I/O" for more details.
Queries the voltage levels 1 (5 V) or 0 (0 V) of digital I/O input pins. Output pins return 0.
GPIO? 130 Pins 9 and 2 have 5 V input if these pins are configured as input pins using GPIO:DIRection command (See "Table 9" to convert the binary representation). Refer to section "3.13Digital I/O" for more details. <nr1></nr1>

GPIO:DIRection

Description: Syntax:	Configures the digital I/O pins as inputs or outputs. GPIO <sp><decimal> <decimal> - Decimal representation of the binary</decimal></decimal></sp>
	value representing the GPIO pins. 0 – 255 are valid. Binary value of 1 is output and 0 is input.
Example:	GPIO:DIR 82 Sets pins 8, 6, and 2 as outputs and the rest as inputs (See "Table 9" to convert the binary representation). Refer to section "3.13Digital I/O" for more details.

GPIO:DIRection?

Description:	Queries the digital I/O pins as outputs or
	inputs.Binary value of 1 is output and 0 is input.
Query:	GPIO:DIR?
Return String:	237
	Pins 9, 8, 7, 4, 3, and 1 are outputs and the rest are
	inputs. (See "Table 9" to convert the binary
	representation). Refer to section "3.13Digital I/O" for
	more details.
Format:	<nr1></nr1>

Measure Subsystem

MEASure:CURRent?

Description:	Queries the measured current value
Query:	MEAS:CURR?
	MEASure:CURRent?
Return String:	1.234
	The measured current is 1.234 A.
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

MEASure:CURR2?

Note:	For dual channel models only.
Description:	Queries the measured current value of channel 2
Query:	MEAS:CURR2?
Return String:	1.234
-	The measured current is 1.234 A.
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

MEASure:VOLTage?

Description:	Queries the measured voltage value.
Query:	MEAS:VOLT?
	MEASure:VOLT?
Return String:	1.234
	The measured voltage is 1.234 V.
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

MEASure:CURR2?

Note: Description:	For dual channel models only. Queries the measured voltage value of channel 2
Query:	MEAS:VOLT2?
Return String:	1.234 The measured current is 1.234 V.
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

Memory Subsystem

MEMory

Description:	Selects the memory location/Returns the selected memory location.
Syntax:	MEMory <sp><decimal></decimal></sp>
-	<decimal> - Memory location. 0 – 9 are valid.</decimal>
Example:	MEM 2
	Selects memory location 2.
Query:	MEM?
Return String:	8
-	Currently selected memory location is 8.
Format:	<nr1></nr1>

MEMory:VSET

Description:	Configures/Queries the voltage value to store at the selected memory location (use "MEM" command to select memory location first)
Syntax:	MEMory:VSET <sp><decimal></decimal></sp>
-	<decimal> - Voltage value. 0 – max. rated voltage value are valid.</decimal>
Example:	MEM:VSET 4.132
·	Sets 4.132 V as voltage for the selected memory location.
Query:	MEM:VSET?
Return String:	4.132
Ū	Voltage is currently set to 4.132 V in the selected memory location.
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

MEMory:VSET2

Note: For dual channel models	only.
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Description:	Configures/Queries the second channel voltage value to store at the selected memory location (use "MEM" command to select memory location first)
Syntax:	MEMory:VSET2 <sp><decimal></decimal></sp>
-	<decimal> - Voltage value. 0 – max. rated voltage value are valid.</decimal>
Example:	MEM:VSET2 4.132
-	Sets 4.132 V as voltage for the selected memory
	location.
Query:	MEM:VSET2?
Return String:	4.132
-	Voltage is currently set to 4.132 V in the selected memory location for channel 2.
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

MEMory:ISET

Description:	Configures/Queries the current value to store at the selected memory location (use "MEM" command to select memory location first)
Syntax:	MEMory:ISET <sp><decimal> <decimal> - Current value. 0 – max. rated current value are valid.</decimal></decimal></sp>
Example:	MEM:ISET 2.159 Sets 2.159 A as current for the selected memory location.
Query:	MEM:ISET?
Return String:	2.159
Format:	Current is currently set to 2.159 A in the selected memory location. <nrf></nrf>

MEMory:ISET2

Note: Description:	For dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the second channel current value to store at the selected memory location (use "MEM" command to select memory location first)
Syntax:	MEMory:ISET2 <sp><decimal> <decimal> - Current value. 0 – max. rated current value are valid.</decimal></decimal></sp>
Example:	MEM:ISET2 2.159 Sets 2.159 A as current for the selected memory

Query: Return String:	location. MEM:ISET2? 2.159 Current is currently set to 2.159 A in the selected memory location for channel 2
Format:	memory location for channel 2. <nrf></nrf>
MEMory:SAV	
Description:	Saves the configured voltage and current (using MEM:VSET and MEM:ISET commands) values into the selected memory location (using MEM command).
Syntax: Example:	MEMory:ŚAV MEM:SAV

Output Subsystem

OUTput Description: Syntax:	Configure/Query the state of the output. OUTput <sp><boolean> OUTput?</boolean></sp>
Example:	OUT 1 OUT ON Enables the output. For dual channel models, it enables output on channel 1.
Query:	OUT?
Return String:	ON
Format:	ON or OFF
OUTput:ALL	
Note: Description:	For dual channel models only. Enables/Disables all channel output. This will override the OUTPUT MODE settings in the SYSTEM SETTINGS menu.
Syntax: Example:	OUTput:ALL <sp><boolean> OUT:ALL 1 Enables both channels' outputs.</boolean></sp>

OUTput:LIMit:VOLTage

Description:	Configures/Queries the voltage maximum limit. For dual channel models, this will configure voltage limit for channel 1.
Syntax:	OUTput:LIMit:VOLTage <sp><voltage></voltage></sp>
	OUTput:LIMit:VOLTage?
	<voltage> - Voltage value. 0 – max. rated voltage value are valid.</voltage>
Example:	OUT:LIM:VOLT 70.123
•	Sets the voltage maximum limit to 70.123 V.
Query:	OUT:LIM:VOLT?
Return String:	70.123
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

OUTput:LIMit:VOLT2

Note:	For dual channel models only.
Description:	Configures/Queries the voltage maximum limit for channel 2.
Syntax:	OUTput:LIMit:VOLT2 <sp><voltage></voltage></sp>
	OUTput:LIMit:VOLT2?
	<voltage> - Voltage value. 0 – max. rated voltage value are valid.</voltage>
Example:	OUT:LIM:VOLT2 70.123
	Sets the voltage maximum limit to 70.123 V for channel 2.
Query:	OUT:LIM:VOLT2?
Return String:	70.123
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

OUTput:LIMit:CURRent

Description:	Configures/Queries the current maximum limit. For dual channel models, this will configure current limit for channel 1.
Syntax:	OUTput:LIMit:CURRent <sp><current> OUTput:LIMit:CURRent? <current> - Current value. 0 – max. rated current value are valid.</current></current></sp>
Example:	OUT:LIM:CURR 3.456 Sets the current maximum limit to 3.456 A.

Query:OUT:LIM:CURR?Return String:3.456Format:<NRf>

OUTput:LIMit:CURR2

Note:	For dual channel models only.
Description:	Configures/Queries the current maximum limit for channel 2.
Syntax:	OUTput:LIMit:CURR2 <sp><current></current></sp>
	OUTput:LIMit:CURR2?
	<current> - Current value. 0 – max. rated current</current>
	value are valid.
Example:	OUT:LIM:CURR 3.456
	Sets the current maximum limit to 3.456 A.
Query:	OUT:LIM:CURR?
Return String:	3.456
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

OUTput:MAX:VOLTage

Note: See OUTput:LIMit:VOLTage command.

OUTput:MAX:VOLT2

Note: See OUTput:LIMit:VOLT2 command.

OUTput:MAX:CURRent

Note: See OUTput:LIMit:CURRent command.

OUTput:MAX:CURR2

Note: See OUTput:LIMit:CURR2 command.

OUTput:MIN:VOLTage

Description:Configures/Queries the voltage minimum limit. For
dual channel models, this will configure voltage limit
for channel 1.Syntax:OUTput:MIN:VOLTage<SP><voltage>

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	OUTput:MIN:VOLTage? <voltage> - Voltage value. Less than max. voltage set limit</voltage>	
Example:	OUT:MIN:VOLT 0	
_	Sets the voltage minimum limit to 0 V.	
Query:	OUT:MIN:VOLT?	
Return String:	0	
Format:	<nrf></nrf>	
OUTput:MIN:VOLT2		
Note:	For dual channel models only.	
Description:	Configures/Queries the voltage minimum limit for	
	channel 2.	
Syntax:	OUTput:MIN:VOLT2 <sp><voltage></voltage></sp>	
	OUTput:MIN:VOLT2?	
	<voltage> - Voltage value. Less than max. voltage</voltage>	
	set limit value are valid.	
Example:	OUT:MIN:VOLT2 0	
-	Sets the voltage set minimum limit to 0 V for channel	
	2.	
Query:	OUT:MIN:VOLT2?	
Return String:	0	

Format: <NRf>

OUTput:MIN:CURRent

Description:	Configures/Queries the current minimum limit. For dual channel models, this will configure current limit for channel 1.
Syntax:	OUTput:MIN:CURRent <sp><current></current></sp>
•	OUTput:MIN:CURRent?
	<current> - Current value. Less than max.</current>
	currentlimit value are valid.
Example:	OUT:MIN:CURR 0
-	Sets the current minimum limit to 0 A.
Query:	OUT:MIN:CURR?
Return String:	0
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

OUTput:MIN:CURR2

Note:	For dual channel models only.
Description:	Configures/Queries the current minimum limit for
	channel 2.

Syntax:	OUTput:MIN:CURR2 <sp><current> OUTput:MIN:CURR2? <current> - Current value. Less than max. current limit value are valid.</current></current></sp>	
Example:	OUT:MIN:CURR2 0 Sets the current minimum limit to 0 A.	
Query:	OUT:MIN:CURR2?	
Return String: Format:	0 <nrf></nrf>	
OUTput:SR:VOLTage		
Description:	Configures/Queries the voltage slew rate in unit of V/ms. For dual channel models, this will configure the slew rate for channel 1.	
Syntax:	OUTput:SR:VOLTage <sp><voltage> OUTput:SR:VOLTage?</voltage></sp>	
	<voltage> - Voltage value. 0 – max. voltage slew rate value. See "Slew Rate Configuration" in section 3.5.</voltage>	
Example:	OUT:SR:VOLT 7.000	
Query: Return String: Format:	Sets the voltage slew rate to 7.000 V/ms OUT:SR:VOLT? 7.000 <nrf></nrf>	

OUTput:SR:VOLT2

Note: Description:	For dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the voltage slew rate for channel 2.
Syntax:	OUTput:SR:VOLT2 <sp><voltage> OUTput:SR:VOLT2?</voltage></sp>
	<voltage> - Voltage value. 0 – max. voltage slew rate value. See "Slew Rate Configuration" in section 3.5.</voltage>
Example:	OUT:SR:VOLT2 7.000
	Sets the voltage slew rate to 7.000 V/ms
Query:	OUT:SR:VOLT2?
Return String:	7.000
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

OUTput:SR:CURRent

Description:	Configures/Queries the current slew rate in unit of A/ms. For dual channel models, this will configure the slew rate for channel 1.
Syntax:	OUTput:SR:CURRent <sp><current></current></sp>
	OUTput:SR:CURRent?
	<current> - Current value. 0 – max. current slew rate value. See "Slew Rate Configuration" in section 3.5.</current>
Example:	OUT:SR:CURR 1.000
•	Sets the current slew rate to 1.000 A/ms.
Query:	OUT:SR:CURR?
Return String:	1.000
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

OUTput:SR:CURR2

Note:	For dual channel models only.
Description:	Configures/Queries the current slew rate for channel
	2.
Syntax:	OUTput:SR:CURR2 <sp><current></current></sp>
	OUTput:SR:CURR2?
	<current> - Current value. 0 – max. current slew rate</current>
	value. See "Slew Rate Configuration" in section 3.5.
Example:	OUT:SR:CURR2 1.000
-	Sets the current slew rate to 1.000 A/ms.
Query:	OUT:SR:CURR2?
Return String:	1.000
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

OUTput:STATe?

Description:	Queries the output mode. For dual channel models,
	this will query for channel 1.
Syntax:	OUTput:STATe?
Query:	OUT:STAT?
Return String:	CV
Format:	CV or CC

OUT2 Subsystem

The commands in this subsystem are for dual channel models only.

OUT2

Description: Syntax:	Configure/Query the state of the output for channel 2. OUT2 <sp><boolean> OUT2?</boolean></sp>
Example:	OUT2 1 OUT2 ON
	Enables the output for channel 2.
Query:	OUT2?
Return String:	ON
Format:	ON or OFF

OUT2:STATe?

Description:	Queries the output mode for channel 2.
Syntax:	OUT2:STATe?
Query:	OUT2:STAT?
Return String:	CV
Format:	CV or CC

Program Subsystem

The commands in this subsystem are for the program sequence function. Examples on how to use these commands to create sequences can be found in "4.3Sequence Programming".

PROGram

Description:	Selects the program location/Returns the selected	
•	program location for storing programming sequence.	
Syntax:	PROG <sp><decimal></decimal></sp>	
	<decimal> - Program location. 1 – 10 are valid.</decimal>	
Example:	PROG 2	
-	Selects program location 2.	
Query:	PROG?	
Return String:	5	
•	Currently selected program location is 5.	121

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Format: </ style="text-align: center;"></ style="text-align: c

PROGram:CLEar

Description:	Clears all programmed sequences stored in the selected program location (Select using PROG command)
Syntax: Example:	PROGram:CLEar PROG:CLE
	Clears the programmed sequence at the selected program location.

PROGram:CLEar:ALL

Description:Clears all programmed sequences stored in all 10
program locations.Syntax:PROGram:CLEar:ALL
PROG:CLE:ALL
Clears all the programmed sequences in all 10
program locations.

PROGram:NEXT

Configures/Queries the next program location's sequence to run.
PROGram:NEXT <sp><location> PROGram:NEXT? <location> - 1 – 10 are valid program locations. Use 0 to end if no further sequences will be run after the</location></location></sp>
current sequence. PROG:NEXT 5 Runs the set of sequences in program location 5 after the current sequence is finished.
PROG:NEXT?
3
Currently configured to run sequence in program location 3 after current sequence ends. <nr1></nr1>

PROGram:REPeat

Description: Configures/Queries the number of times to repeat the

Syntax:	selected programmed sequence. PROGram:REPeat <sp><number></number></sp>
	PROGram:REPeat?
	<number> - 1 – 50000 (max.)</number>
Example:	PROG:REP 10
	Runs the set of sequences in the selected program location 10 times.
Query:	PROG:REP?
Return String:	300
	Currently set to repeat the sequence 300 times.
Format:	<nr1></nr1>

PROGram:RUN

Description:	Configure/Query the state of the program.
Syntax:	PROGram:RUN <sp><boolean></boolean></sp>
	PROG:RUN?
Example:	PROG 1
	PROG ON
	Enables the programmed sequence to start.
Query:	PROG:RUN?
Return String:	OFF
	Currently the selected program sequence is not
	running.
Format:	ON or OFF

PROGram:SAV

Description:	Saves the programmed sequence into the selected
	memory location (Select using the PROG command)
Syntax:	PROGram:SAV
Example:	PROG:SAV

PROGram:STEP

Description:	Configures/Queries the step number in the sequence to setup.
Syntax:	PROGram:STEP <sp><number> PROGram:STEP?</number></sp>
Example:	<number> - 1 – 150 (max.) PROG:STEP 10 Selects step number 10 for setup.</number>

Query: Return String:	PROG:STEP? 30
Retain Ouring.	Currently selecting step 30 in the sequence for setup.
Format:	<number></number>

PROGram:STEP:CURRent

Description:	Configures/Queries the current setting for the selected step (use PROGram:STEP command to select step). For dual channel models, this will be for channel 1.
Syntax:	PROGram:STEP:CURRent <sp><current></current></sp>
-	PROGram:STEP:CURRent?
	<current> - 0 – max. rated current.</current>
Example:	PROG:STEP:CURR 1.234
	Set 1.234 A as current setting for the selected step in
	the program sequence.
Query:	PROG:STEP:CURR?
Return String:	1.234
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

PROGram:STEP:CURR2

Note: Description:	For dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the current setting for the selected step (use PROGram:STEP command to select step) for channel 2.
Syntax:	PROGram:STEP:CURR2 <sp><current> PROGram:STEP:CURR2? <current> - 0 - max. rated current.</current></current></sp>
Example:	PROG:STEP:CURR2 1.234 Set 1.234 A as current setting for the selected step in the program sequence for channel 2.
Query: Return String: Format:	PROG:STEP:CURR2? 1.234 <nrf></nrf>

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PROGram:STEP:ONTime

Description:	Configures/Queries the step timing (the length of period to hold the settings) of the selected sequence. Unit is in seconds.
Syntax:	PROGram:STEP:ONTime <sp><seconds></seconds></sp>
Syntax.	PROGram:STEP:ONTime <sf> Seconds></sf>
	<seconds> - 0.010 – 2000 (max.)</seconds>
Example:	PROG:STEP:ONT 0.050
-	Set the selected step time to 0.050 seconds (50 ms).
Query:	PROG:STEP:ONT?
Return String:	0.050
Format:	<seconds></seconds>

PROGram:STEP:VOLTage

Description:	Configures/Queries the voltage setting for the selected step (use PROGram:STEP command to select step). For dual channel models, this will be for channel 1.
Syntax:	PROGram:STEP:VOLTage <sp><voltage> PROGram:STEP:VOLTage? <voltage> - 0 - max. rated voltage.</voltage></voltage></sp>
Example:	PROG:STEP:VOLT 1.234 Set 1.234 V as voltage setting for the selected step in the program sequence.
Query: Return String: Format:	PRÓG:ŠTEP:VÓLT? 1.234 <nrf></nrf>

PROGram:STEP:VOLT2

Note: Description:	For dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the voltage setting for the
Description.	selected step (use PROGram:STEP command to select step) for channel 2.
Syntax:	PROGram:STEP:VOLT2 <sp><voltage></voltage></sp>
-	PROGram:STEP:VOLT2?
	<voltage> - 0 – max. rated voltage.</voltage>
Example:	PROG:STEP:VOLT2 1.234
	Set 1.234 V as voltage setting for the selected step in
	the program sequence.
Query:	PROG:STEP:VOLT2?
Return String:	1.234

Format: <NRf>

PROGram:TOTAI

Description:	Configures/Queries the total number of step numbers
	for the program sequence.
Syntax:	PROGram:TOTAI <sp><number></number></sp>
	PROGram:TOTAI?
	<number> - 2 -150 (max.)</number>
Example:	PROG:TOTA 100
	Setup a program sequence with 100 steps.
Query:	PROG:TOTĂ?
Return String:	30
•	Currently the sequence will have 30 steps for setup.
Format:	<nr1></nr1>

Protection Subsystem

PROTection

Note:	See STATUS command in the next section.
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PROTection:CLEar

Description:	Clears/resets all latched protection (when protection
	is flagged/tripped)
Syntax:	PROTection:CLEar
Example:	PROT:CLE

PROTection:OCP

Description:	Configure/Query the state of OCP (over current protection).
Syntax:	PROTection:OCP <sp><boolean></boolean></sp>
	PROT:OCP?
Example:	PROT 1
	PROT ON
	Enables OCP
Query:	PROT:OCP?
Return String:	OFF
•	Currently OCP is disabled.
Format:	ON or OFF

PROTection:OCP:LEVel

Description: Syntax:	Configures/Queries the current level for OCP. PROTection:OCP:LEVel <sp><current> PROTection:OCP:LEVel?</current></sp>
Example:	<current> - 0 – max. rated current. PROT:OCP:LEV 3.000</current>
Example:	Set 3.000 A as the OCP current level.
Query:	PROT:OCP:LEV?
Return String:	3.000
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

PROTection:OCP2

For dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the state of OCP channel 2. PROTection:OCP2<sp><boolean></boolean></sp>
PROT:OCP2?
PROT 1
PROT ON
Enables OCP on channel 2.
PROT:OCP?
OFF
Currently OCP for channel 2 is disabled.
ON or OFF

PROTection:OCP2:LEVel

Note: Description:	For dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the current level for OCP for channel 2.
Syntax:	PROTection:OCP2:LEVel <sp><current> PROTection:OCP2:LEVel? <current> - 0 – max. rated current.</current></current></sp>
Example:	PROT:OCP2:LEV 3.000 Set 3.000 A as the OCP current level for channel 2.
Query:	PROT:OCP2:LEV?
Return String: Format:	3.000 <nrf></nrf>

PROTection:OVP

Description:	Configure/Query the state of OVP (over voltage protection).
Syntax:	PROTection:OVP <sp><boolean> PROT:OVP?</boolean></sp>
Example:	PROT 1 PROT ON Enables OVP
Query:	PROT:OVP?
Return String:	OFF Currently OVP is disabled.
Format:	ON or OFF

PROTection:OVP:LEVel

Description: Syntax:	Configures/Queries the voltage level for OVP. PROTection:OVP:LEVel <sp><voltage> PROTection:OVP:LEVel? Cycleare></voltage></sp>
Example:	<voltage> - 0 – max. rated voltage. PROT:OVP:LEV 20.000 Set 20.000 V as the OVP voltage level.</voltage>
Query: Return String: Format:	PROT:OVP:LEV? 20.000 <nrf></nrf>

PROTection:OVP2

Note: Description:	For dual channel models only. Configure/Query the state of OVP (over voltage protection) for channel 2.
Syntax:	PROTection:OVP2 <sp><boolean> PROT:OVP2?</boolean></sp>
Example:	PROT 1 PROT ON Enables OVP for channel 2.
Query:	PROT:OVP2?
Return String:	OFF Currently OVP is disabled for channel 2.
Format:	ON or OFF

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PROTection:OVP2:LEVel

Note: Description:	For dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the voltage level for OVP for channel 2.
Syntax:	PROTection:OVP2:LEVel <sp><voltage> PROTection:OVP2:LEVel? <voltage> - 0 - max. rated voltage.</voltage></voltage></sp>
Example:	PROT:OVP2:LEV 20.000 Set 20.000 V as the OVP voltage level for channel 2.
Query:	PROT:OVP2:LEV?
Return String: Format:	20.000 <nrf></nrf>

Source Subsystem

[SOURce]:CURRent

Description:	Configures/Queries the ISET current setting. For dual channel models, use [SOURce]:CURR2 command for channel 2.
Syntax:	[SOURce]:CURRent <sp><current></current></sp>
-	[SOURce]:CURRent?
	<pre>current> - 0 - max. rated current.</pre>
Example:	SOUR:CURR 1.456
-	Set current to 1.456 A.
Query:	SOUR:CURR?
Return String:	1.456
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

[SOURce]:CURRent:PROTection

Note: See PROTection:OCP command.

[SOURce]:CURRent:PROTection:LEVel

Note: See PROTection:OCP:LEVel command.

[SOURce]:CURR2

Note: For dual channel models only.

Description:	Configures/Queries the ISET current setting for channel 2.
Syntax:	[SOURce]:CURR2 <sp><current> [SOURce]:CURR2? <current> - 0 – max. rated current.</current></current></sp>
Example:	SOUR:CURR21.456 Set current of channel 2 to 1.456 A.
Query: Return String:	SOUR:CURR2? 1.456
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

[SOURce]:CURR2:PROTection

Note: See PROTection:OCP2 command.

[SOURce]:CURR2:PROTection:LEVel

Note: See PROTection:OCP2:LEVel command.

[SOURce]:VOLTage

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Description:	Configures/Queries the VSET voltage setting. For dual channel models, use [SOURce]:VOLT2
	command for channel 2.
Syntax:	[SOURce]:VOLTage <sp><voltage></voltage></sp>
	[SOURce]:VOLTage?
	<voltage> - 0 – max. rated voltage.</voltage>
Example:	SOUR:VOLT20.000
	Set voltage to 20.000 V.
Query:	SOUR:VOLT?
Return String:	20.000
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

[SOURce]:VOLTage:PROTection

Note: See PROTection:OVP command.

[SOURce]:VOLTage:PROTection:LEVel

Note: See PROTection:OVP:LEVel command.

[SOURce]:VOLTage:RANGe

Note: Description:	This command is for models 9184B and 9185B only. Configures/Queries the voltage range.
Syntax:	[SOURce]:VOLTage:RANGe <sp><range></range></sp>
-	[SOURce]:VOLTage:RANGe?
	<range> - 0 or 1 / LOW or HIGH</range>
Example:	SOUR:VOLT:RANG LOW
	SOUR:VOLT:RANG 0
	Set the supply to the low voltage range.
Query:	SOUR:VOLT:RANG?
Return String:	LOW
Format:	<range></range>

[SOURce]:VOLT2

Note: Description:	For dual channel models only. Configures/Queries theVISET voltage setting for channel 2.
Syntax:	[SOURce]:VOLT2 <sp><voltage> [SOURce]:VOLT2? <voltage> - 0 – max. rated voltage.</voltage></voltage></sp>
Example:	SOUR:VOLT220.000 Set voltage of channel 2 to 20.000 V.
Query:	SOUR:VOLT2?
Return String: Format:	20.000 <nrf></nrf>

[SOURce]:VOLT2:PROTection

Note: See PROTection:OVP2 command.

[SOURce]:VOLT2:PROTection:LEVel

Note: See PROTection:OVP2:LEVel command.

System Subsystem

SYStem:AVErage

Description: Configures/Queries the measurement average

Syntax:	setting. [SYStem]:AVErage <sp><number> [SYStem]:AVErage?</number></sp>
Example:	<number> - 1 – 10 are valid numbers. SYS:AVE2 Set measurement average to 2.</number>
Query: Return String: Format:	SYS:AVE? 2 <nr1></nr1>

SYStem:BEEP

Description:	Configure/Query the state of the key sound.
Syntax:	SYStem:BEEP <sp><boolean></boolean></sp>
	SYStem:BEEP?
Example:	SYS:BEEP 0
	SYS:BEEP OFF
	Disables the key sound.
Query:	SYS:BEEP?
Return String:	OFF
•	Key sound is disabled.
Format:	ON or OFF

SYStem:ERRor?

Description:	Queries the error from the error queue.
Syntax:	SYStem:ERRor?
Return Syntax:	<number> -</number> $0 - 4$. Refer to their description in the
	table below.
Query:	SYS:ERR?
Return String:	0
-	No errors.
Format:	<number></number>

Error Code	Description	
0	No Error	132

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1	Command Error
2	Execution Error
3	Query Error
4	Input Range Error

SYStem:EXTernal

Description:	Configure/Query the state/type of the analog external control.
Syntax:	SYStem:EXTernal <sp><type> SYStem:EXTernal?</type></sp>
	<type> - 0/OFF, 1/VOLT, 2/RES</type>
Example:	SYS:EXT 1
-	SYS:EXT VOLT
	Set to use voltage source for external analog control
Query:	SYS:EXT?
Return String:	2
	Currently set to resistance external control.
Format:	<type></type>

SYStem:EXTernal:LEVel

Description:	Configure/Query voltage scale to use for external voltage control.
Syntax:	SYStem:EXTernal:LEVel <sp><scale></scale></sp>
	SYStem:EXTernal:LEVel?
	<scale> - 0/V10 or 1/V5</scale>
Example:	SYS:EXT:LEV V10
	SYS:EXT:LEV 0
	Selects 0-10 V scale to use for external voltage control.
Query:	SYS:EXT?
Return String:	0
•	0-10 V scale is selected.
Format:	<scale></scale>

SYStem:GPIB:ADDRess

Description:	Configure/Query the GPIB address.
Syntax:	SYStem:GPIB:ADDRess <sp><address></address></sp>
	SYStem:GPIB:ADDRess?
	<address> - 1 – 30 are valid numbers.</address>

Example:	SYS:GPIB:ADDR 6
	Sets the GPIB address to 6.
Query:	SYS:GPIB:ADDR?
Return String:	6
Format:	<nr1></nr1>

SYStem:IP:ADDRess

Description: Syntax:	Configure/Query the LAN IP address SYStem:IP:ADDRess <sp><ip> SYStem:IP:ADDRess? <ip> - NR1.NR1.NR1.NR1. NR1 can be from 000 – 255.</ip></ip></sp>
Example:	SYS:IP:ADDR 192.168.001.150 Sets the IP address to 192.168.1.150
Query	Sets the IP address to 192.168.1.150 SYS:IP:ADDR?
Query:	
Return String:	192.168.001.150
Format:	<nr1>.<nr1>.<nr1>.</nr1></nr1></nr1>

SYStem:IP:CONFig

Description: Syntax:	Configure/Query the configuration of the IP. SYStem:IP:CONFig <sp><config> SYStem:IP:CONfig? <config> - 0/STATic</config></config></sp>
Example:	SYS:IP:CONF STAT SYS:IP:CONF 0 Set the IP configuration to STATIC.
Query:	SYS:IP:CONF?
Return String: Format:	0 <config></config>

SYStem:KEY:LOCK

Description:	Configures/Queries the state of the key lock.
Syntax:	SYStem:KEY:LOCK <sp><boolean></boolean></sp>
-	SYStem:KEY:LOCK?
Example:	SYS:KEY:LOCK ON
-	Enables key lock.
Query:	SYS:KEY?
Return String:	ON
Format:	ON or OFF

SYStem:LCD:BL

Description:	Configures/Queries the LCD backlight state
Syntax:	SYStem:LCD:BL <sp><state></state></sp>
	SYStem:LCD:BL?
	<state> - 0/ON, 1/OFF1, 2/OFF5, 3/OFF10, 4/OFF30</state>
	(For Always ON, ON 1 minutes, ON 5 minutes, ON 10
	minutes, ON 30 minutes respectively)
Example:	SYS:LCD:BL
	Enables key lock.
Query:	SYS:KEY?
Return String:	ON
Format:	ON or OFF

SYStem:LED

Description:	Configures/Queries the state of LED test mode.
Syntax:	SYStem:LED <sp><boolean></boolean></sp>
	SYStem:LED?
Example:	SYS:LED ON
	Enables LED mode.
Query:	SYS:LED?
Return String:	ON
Format:	ON or OFF

SYStem:LOW:CURR

Description:	For models 9184B and 9185B only.
	Configures/Queries the state of Low Current mode.
Syntax:	SYStem:LOW:CURR <sp><boolean></boolean></sp>
	SYStem:LOW:CURR?
Example:	SYS:LOW:CURR ON
	Enables low current mode.
Query:	SYS:LOW:CURR?
Return String:	ON
Format:	ON or OFF

SYStem:OUTput:MODE

Note:	For dual channel models only.
Description:	Configures/Queries the state of the output mode.
Syntax:	SYStem:OUTput:MODE <sp><state></state></sp>
	SYStem:OUTput:MODE?
	<state> - 0/MULTI or 1/SINGLE</state>
Example:	SYS:OUT:MODE 0
	SYS:OUT:MODE MULTI
	Sets output mode to MULTI.
Query:	SYS:OUT:MODE?
Return String:	MULTI
Format:	SINGLE or MULTI

SYStem:RECall:DEFault

Description:	Resets back to default factory settings.
Syntax:	SYStem:RECall:DEFault
Example:	SYS:REC:DEF

SYStem:REMote

Description:	Configures/Queries the selected remote interface
Syntax:	SYStem:REMote <sp><interface></interface></sp>
	SYStem:REMote?
	<interface> - USB, GPIB, ETHERNET</interface>
Example:	SYS:REM GPIB
	Changes remote interface to GPIB.
Query:	SYS:REM?
Return String:	GPIB
Format:	<interface></interface>

SYStem:SERies?

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Description:	Queries the serial number of the instrument.
Syntax:	SYStem:SERies?
Query:	SYS:SER?
Return String:	123D12101
-	Serial number of the instrument is 123D12101.

SYStem:TRACK

Note: Description:	For dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the state of tracking mode.
Syntax:	SYStem:TRACK <sp><boolean></boolean></sp>
	SYStem:TRACK?
Example:	SYS:TRACK 1
	SYS:TRACK ON
	Enables tracking mode.
Query:	SYS:TRACK?
Return String:	ON
Format:	ON or OFF

Timer Subsystem

TIMER

Description:	Configures/Queries the state of the output timer function. The timer starts once output is enabled.
Syntax:	TIMER <sp><boolean> TIMER?</boolean></sp>
Example:	TIMER ON TIMER 1 Enables timer output.
Query: Return String: Format:	TIMER? ON ON or OFF
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TIMER:HOUR

Description:	Configures/Queries the output timer hours.
Syntax:	TIMER:HOUR <sp><hour></hour></sp>
-	TIMER:HOUR?

	<hour> -</hour> 0 - 999
Example:	TIMER:HOUR 100
-	Sets the output timer to 100 hours.
Query:	TIMER:HOUR?
Return String:	100
Format:	<nr1></nr1>

TIMER:MINute

Description: Syntax:	Configures/Queries the output timer hours. TIMER:MINute <sp><hour> TIMER:MINute?</hour></sp>
	<hour> - 0 - 59</hour>
Example:	TIMER:MIN 40
•	Sets the output timer to 40 minutes.
Query:	TIMER:MIN?
Return String:	40
Format:	<nr1></nr1>

TIMER:SECond

Description: Syntax:	Configures/Queries the output timer seconds. TIMER:SECond <sp><hour> TIMER:SECond?</hour></sp>
	<hour> - 0 – 59</hour>
Example:	TIMER:SEC 20
-	Sets the output timer to 20 seconds.
Query:	TIMER:SEC?
Return String:	20
Format:	<nr1></nr1>

Standard Commands

The following commands are instrument specific and apply to all models, with the exception of some that apply to dual channel models only (see the notes under some of the commands for details). Most of these commands function the same way as most of the SCPI commands described in the previous section. For example, **MEASure:CURRent?** functions the same as **IOUT?**.

ADDRess

Description: Syntax:	Configures/Queries the GPIB address ADDRess <sp><address> ADDRess? <address> - GPIB address. 0 – 30 are valid addresses.</address></address></sp>
Example:	ADDR 10 Sets the GPIB address to 10.
Query:	ADDR?
Return String:	10
Format:	<nr1></nr1>

BEEP

Description: Syntax:	Configures/Queries the key sound state BEEP <sp><state> BEEP?</state></sp>
	<state> - ON or 1 to turn ON</state>
	 OFF or 0 to turn OFF
Example:	BEEP ON
-	Turns on key beep.
Query:	BEEP?
Return String:	ON
Format:	<state></state>

CLR

Description:	Clear protection status
Example:	CLR

CHANnel

Note:

This command is for dual channel models only.

Description: Syntax:	Selects the channel to configure. CHANnel <sp><channel> CHANnel?</channel></sp>
	<channel> - 1 or 2.</channel>
Example:	CHAN 2
-	Selects channel 2.
Query:	CHAN?
Return String:	1
Format:	<channel></channel>

CURRent/CURR2

Note: Description:	CURR2 command is for dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the ISET current setting. For dual channel models, use CURR2 command for channel 2.
Syntax:	CURRent <sp><current></current></sp>
	CURR2 <sp><current></current></sp>
	CURRent?
	CURR2?
	<current> - 0 – max. rated current output</current>
Example:	CURR2 1.234
	Sets the second channel ISET current to 1.234 A on a dual channel model.
Query:	CURR?
Return String:	1.234
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

ERRor?

Description:	Queries system errors
Syntax:	ERRor?
Example:	ERR?
Return String:	0
	Refer to the table below for error description.
Format:	<nr1></nr1>

Error Code	Description
0	No Error
1	Command Error
2	Execution Error

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3	Query Error
4	Input Range Error

IOUT?/IOUT2?

Note: Description: Syntax: Example: Return String: Format:	IOUT2 command is for dual channel models only. Queries the measured/readback current output value. For dual channel models, use IOUT2 command for channel 2. IOUT? IOUT? IOUT? 2.156 Output current measured is 2.156 A. <nrf></nrf>
Format.	
ISET/ISET2 Description: Example: Format:	This command is the same as CURRent/CURR2 command. See CURRent/CURR2 for details. ISET? ISET 1.234 <nrf></nrf>
LOCK Description: Syntax: Example:	Configures the key lock state LOCK <sp><state> <state> - ON or 1 to turn ON - OFF or 0 to turn OFF LOCK 1 Turns on key lock.</state></state></sp>

MODEL?

Description: Syntax: Example: Return String: Format:	Queries the model number MODEL? MODEL? 9174B <model></model>
OCP/OCP2	
Note:	OCP2 command is for dual channel models only.
Description:	Configures/Queries the over current protection state. For dual channel models, use OCP2 command for channel 2.
Syntax:	OCP <sp><state></state></sp>
	OCP2 <sp><state></state></sp>
	OCP?
	OCP2?
	<state> - ON or 1 to turn ON - OFF or 0 to turn OFF</state>
Example:	OCP2 ON
Examplei	Enables OCP for channel 2 on a dual channel model.
Query:	OCP?
	OCP2?
Return String:	OFF
Format:	<state></state>

OISET/OISET2

Note: Description:	OISET2 command is for dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the over current protection value. For dual channel models, use OISET2 command for channel 2.
Syntax:	OISET <sp><current></current></sp>
-	OISET2 <sp><current></current></sp>
	OISET?
	OISET2?
	<current> - 0 – max. rated current</current>
Example:	OISET 9.124
	Sets OCP protection to 9.124 A.
Query:	OISET?
	OISET2?
Return String:	9.124
	OCP is set to 9.124 A.

Format: <NRf>

OUT/OUT2

Note: Description:	OUT2 command is for dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the output state. For dual channel models, use OUT2 command to configure/query channel 2 output state.
Syntax:	OUT <sp><state></state></sp>
	OUT2 <sp><state></state></sp>
	OUT?
	OUT2?
	<state> - ON or 1 to turn ON</state>
	 OFF or 0 to turn OFF
Example:	OUT 1
•	Turns ON (enables) the output
Query:	OUT?
	OUT2?
Return String:	ON
J	Output is enabled.
Format:	<state></state>
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OUTM/OUTM?

Note: Description:	This command is for dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the output mode for multi or single output control for dual channel models.
Syntax:	OUTM <sp><mode> OUTM?</mode></sp>
	<mode> - SINGLE or 1 for single channel output control</mode>
	 MULTI or 0 for dual channel output control (control both channels' output state simultaneously)
Example:	OUTM 1
Query:	Sets the output mode to SINGLE OUTM?

Return String: SINGLE Format: <mode>

OVP/OVP2	
Note:	OVP2 command is for dual channel models only.
Description:	Configures/Queries the over voltage protection state.
	For dual channel models, use OVP2 command for
	channel 2.
Syntax:	OVP <sp><state></state></sp>
	OVP2 <sp><state></state></sp>
	OVP?
	OVP2?
	<state> - ON or 1 to turn ON</state>
	- OFF or 0 to turn OFF
Example:	OVP2 ON
•	Enables OVP for channel 2 on a dual channel model.
Query:	OVP?
•	OVP2?
Return String:	ON
Format:	<state></state>
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OVSET/OVSET2

OVSET2 command is for dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the over voltage protection value. For dual channel models, use OVSET2 command for channel 2.
OVSET <sp><voltage></voltage></sp>
OVSET2 <sp><voltage></voltage></sp>
OVSET?
OVSET2?
<voltage> - 0 – max. rated voltage</voltage>
OVSET 70.000
Sets OVP protection to 70.000 V
OVSET?
OVSET2?

Return String:	70.000
Format:	OVP is set to 70.000 V <nrf></nrf>

STATUS?

Description: Syntax: Example:	Queries the instrument status STATUS? STATUS?
Return String:	00000
Format:	No OVP, OCP, OTP, and other failure or flagged status. Outputs are off, LCD backlight always ON, and output mode set to MULTI. <byte2><byte1><byte0> Refer to the table and description below for details on the returned data.</byte0></byte1></byte2>

When **STATUS**?command is used, the power supply will return an ASCII string of 6 alphanumeric characters, which is a representation of 3-bytes data encoded in hex. The binary representation of each byte indicates different statuses of the power supply. See the table below:

Byte #	Bits	Description Bit Value Description		
2	0-7	System Reserved	System Reserved -	
	7	Channel 1 OVP flag status	1 is flag, 0 is no flag	
	6	Channel 2 OVP flag status	1 is flag, 0 is no flag	
	5	Channel 1 OCP flag status	1 is flag, 0 is no flag	
4	4	Channel 2 OCP flag status	1 is flag, 0 is no flag	
1	3	Fan failure flag status	1 is flag, 0 is no flag	
	2	AC range error flag status	1 is flag, 0 is no flag	
	1	OTP flag status	1 is flag, 0 is no flag	
	0	NTC flag status 1 is flag, 0 is no flag		

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0	7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0	Channel 1 OVP On/Off status Channel 2 OVP On/Off status Channel 1 OCP On/Off status Channel 2 OCP On/Off status Channel 1 output On/Off status Channel 2 output On/Off status LCD backlight On/Off Status Output mode Single/Multi status	1 is ON, 0 is OFF 1 is ON, 0 is OFF 0 – Always ON, 1 – Timed 0 – MULTI, 1 – SINGLE
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Example 2:

Return string: 00008C

- Byte 2: 0
- Byte 1:0
- Byte 0:8C

8C = 10001100 (bits 7 – bit 0)

Representation:

- Channel 1 OVP status is ON
- Channel 1 output is ON
- Channel 2 output is ON
- LCD backlight is ALWAYS ON
- Output mode is MULTI
- No protection flag status (instrument is operating normally)

TRACK

Note:	This command is for dual channel models only.
Description:	Configures/Queries the tracking mode state.
Syntax:	TRACK <sp><state></state></sp>
-	TRACK?
	<state> - ON or 1 to turn ON</state>
	 OFF or 0 to turn OFF

Example:	TRACK ON
-	Turns ON (enables) tracking mode.
Query:	TRACK?
Return String:	ON
Format:	<state></state>

VERsion?

Description:	Queries the firmware version
Syntax:	VERsion?
Example:	VERsion?
Return String:	1.10
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

VOLTage/VOLT2

Note: Description:	VOLT2 command is for dual channel models only. Configures/Queries the VSET voltage setting. For dual channel models, use VOLT2 command for channel 2.
Syntax:	VOLTage <sp><voltage> VOLT2<sp><voltage> VOLTage? VOLT2? <voltage> - 0 – max. rated voltage output</voltage></voltage></sp></voltage></sp>
Example:	VOLT2 12.000 Sets the second channel VSET voltage to 12.000 V on a dual channel model.
Query: Return String: Format:	VOLT? 12.000 <nrf></nrf>

VOUT?/VOUT2?

Note: Description:	VOUT2 command is for dual channel models only. Queries the measured/readback voltage output value. For dual channel models, use VOUT2 command for channel 2.
Syntax:	VOUT? VOUT2?
Example: Return String:	VOUT? 10.002 Output voltage measured is 10.002 V.

Format: <NRf>

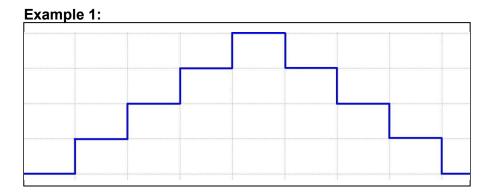
VSET/VSET2

Description:	This command is the same as VOLTage/VOLT2
	command. See VOLTage/VOLT2 for details.
Example:	VSET?
	VSET 12.345
Format:	<nrf></nrf>

4.3 Sequence Programming

The power supply has the ability to store custom programmed sequences and run them, as described in "3.11Sequence Program Mode". This section provides some examples of how to create some sequences using remote commands described in the previous section.

Examples



To create an output sequence like above, send the following list of

commands in order:

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PROG:STEP:CURR 1	
PROG:STEP:VOLT 0	
PROG:STEP:ONT 0.1	
PROG:NEXT 0	Select next program to run after program 1 is complete, 0 means Stop
PROG:SAV	After edit, use Save command to store program 1 in the hardware
PROG 1 PROG:RUN ON	Select program 1 Use RUN ON command to execute

Example 2:

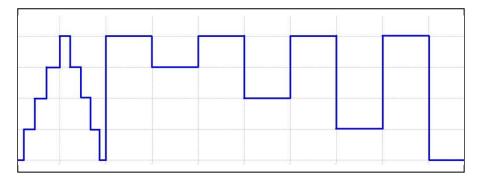
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To create an output sequence like above, send the following list of commands in order:

PROG 2	Choose program number
PROG:CLE	Clear program 2 data
PROG:REP 0	No repeat after running this program
PROG:TOTA 8	Set program 2 to have 8 steps in total
PROG:STEP 1	Settings for step 1
PROG:STEP:CURR 2	Set output current to 2 amperes
PROG:STEP:VOLT 20	Set output voltage to 20 volts
PROG:STEP:ONT 0.5	Set output ON time to 0.5 sec
PROG:STEP 2	Choose step 2
PROG:STEP:CURR 2	
PROG:STEP:VOLT 15	

PROG:STEP:ONT 0.5	
PROG:STEP 3	Settings for step 3
PROG:STEP:CURR 2	
PROG:STEP:VOLT 20	
PROG:STEP:ONT 0.5	
PROG:STEP 4	Choose step 4
PROG:STEP:CURR 2	
PROG:STEP:VOLT 10	
PROG:STEP:ONT 0.5	
PROG:STEP 5	Choose step 5
PROG:STEP:CURR 1	
PROG:STEP:VOLT 20	
PROG:STEP:ONT 0.5	
PROG:STEP 6	Choose step 6
PROG:STEP:CURR 2	
PROG:STEP:VOLT 5	
PROG:STEP:ONT 0.5	
PROG:STEP 7	Choose step 7
PROG:STEP:CURR 2	
PROG:STEP:VOLT 20	
PROG:STEP:ONT 0.5	
PROG:STEP 8	Choose step 8
PROG:STEP:CURR 2	
PROG:STEP:VOLT 0	
PROG:STEP:ONT 0.5	
PROG:NEXT 0	Select next program to run after
	program 2 is complete, 0 means stop
PROG:SAV	After edit, use Save command to store
	program 2 in the hardware
PROG 2	Select program 2
PROG:RUN ON	Use RUN ON command to execute

Example 3:



To execute example 2 sequence after example 1 sequence, then modify sequence of example 1 with NEXT 2 command. Send the following steps to modify and execute the program to generate a waveform sequence shown above.

PROG 1	Select program 1
PROG:NEXT 2	Change the NEXT command from NEXT 0 to NEXT 2
PROG:SAV	After edit is complete use Save command to store changes in the hardware
PROG 1	Select program 1
PROG:RUN ON	Use RUN ON command to execute

4.4 Multi Unit Programming

The instrument can be connected together with multiple units via RS-485 interface, as described in section "3.2Remote Interface Setup" under "RS-485 Interface" and be controlled via a single USB connection between the PC and one of the power supplies. The setup is illustrated below:

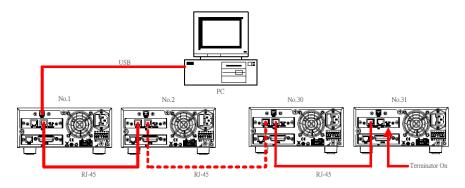


Figure 30- Multi Unit Programming

The following describes the specific commands that may be used to communicate with each connected instrument with this specific setup.

Remote Commands via USB

The following lists all the available commands to control multiple power supplies with the multi unit programming configuration illustrated in "Figure 30". For all configuration commands (except for commands listed under **Synchronous Control Commands**section), the instrument will return a string "**OK**" to indicate command sent successfully. If an error occurs, it will return an error. See the " Error List" section for details.

System Control Command

This set of commands is used to select the instrument (based on their address) to control and to obtain/set its system settings.

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CADR CCLS CRST CIDN? CREV CSN? CST? CCLR

CADR

Note:	This command must be used first prior to any other commands to control individually addressed power supplies with RS-485 connection.
Description:	Selects the address of the power supply to be controlled.
Syntax:	CADR <sp><address></address></sp>
	<address> - 1 – 31 are valid numbers.</address>
Example:	CADR 5
	This will select power supply with address = 5.

CCLS

Description:	Clears the status of the selected power supply.
Syntax:	CCLS

CRST

Description:	Resets the selected power supply to a known state.
Syntax:	CRST

CIDN?

Description: Queries the IDN information of the selected power

Query: Return String:	supply. This command functions the same as *IDN?, however this is used in a multi unit programming setup for the selected power supply. CIDN? B&K PRECISION,9171B,SN#,1.10,0
CREV?	
Description:	Queries the firmware version of the selected power supply.
Query: Return String:	CREV? 1.10
CSN?	
Description:	Queries the serial number of the selected power supply.
Query: Return String:	CSN? 123D19238 Serial number is 123D19238.
CST?	
Description:	Queries the status of the selected power supply. This command functions the same as STATUS? command, however this is used in a multi unit programming setup for the selected power supply.
Query:	CST?
CCLR	
Description:	Clears the protection flag/trip of the selected power supply.
Syntax:	CCLR

Output Control Command

This set of commands controls the outputs of the selected instrument (based on their address). Use **CADR** command(described in previous section) first to select the address of the unit you want to control before using any of these commands to control that unit's output.

CPV/CPV2 CMV?/CMV2? CPC/CPC2 CMC?/CMC2? CDVC?/CDVC2? COUT/COUT2 COUTA COV/COV2 COVP/COVP2 COC/COC2 COCP/COCP2 CMODE?/CMODE2?

CPV/CPV2

Description:	Configures/Queries the VSET voltage setting of the selected power supply. See VOLTage/VOLT2 command for similar syntax. CPV2 is for dual channel models only.
Example:	CPV 15.698 Sets the selected power supply's VSET voltage setting to 15.698 V. CPV2? Queries the selected power supply's second channel VSET voltage setting.
CMV?/CMV2?	
Description:	Queries the measured/readback voltage output value of the selected power supply. See VOUT?/VOUT2? Command for similar syntax. CMV2? is for dual channel models only.
Query:	CMV?

Return String:	1.234 V The selected power supply has a measured output voltage of 1.234 V.
CPC/CPC2	
Description:	Configures/Queries the ISET current setting of the selected power supply. See CURRent/CURR2 command for similar syntax. CPC2 is for dual channel models only.
Example:	CPC 3.123 Sets the selected power supply's ISET current setting

Queries the selected power supply's second channel

to 3.123 A. CPC2?

ISET current setting.

CMC?/CMC2?

Description:	Queries the measured/readback current output value of the selected power supply. See IOUT?/IOUT2? Command for similar syntax. CMC2? is for dual channel models only.
Query: Return String:	CMC? 1.234 A The selected power supply has a measured output current of 1.234 A.

CDVC?/CDVC2?

Description:	Queries the display voltage and current of the selected power supply. CDVC2? Is for dual channel models only.	
Example:	CDVC?	
·	Queries channel 1 for dual channel models, or single channel. CDVC2?	
	Queries channel 2 for dual channel models.	
Return String:	10.234,1.567	157
	Display voltage is 10.234 V and current is 1.567 A.	157

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Format:	<voltage>,<current></current></voltage>
COUT/COUT2 Description: Example:	Configures/Queries the output state of the selected power supply. See OUT/OUT2 command for similar syntax. COUT2 is for dual channel models only. COUT ON Sets the selected power supply's output to ON. COUT2? Queries the selected power supply's second channel output state.
COUTA	
Note: Description:	For dual channel models only. Configures the output state of both channels of the selected power supply.
Example:	COUTA ON Enables both channel outputs of the selected dual channel power supply.
COV/COV2	
Description:	Configures/Queries the over voltage protection value of the selected power supply. See OVSET/OVSET2 command for similar syntax. COV2 is for dual channel models only.
Example:	COV 70.000 Sets the selected power supply's OVP value to 70.000V. COV2? Queries the selected power supply's second channel OVP value.
COVP/COVP2	
Description:	Configures/Queries the over voltage protection state of the selected power supply. See OVP/OVP2 command for similar syntax. COVP2 is for dual channel models only.
Example:	COVP ON Sets the selected power supply's OVP state to ON. COVP2? Queries the selected power supply's second channel

OVP state.

COC/COC2	
Description:	Configures/Queries the over current protection value of the selected power supply. See OISET/OISET2 command for similar syntax. COC2 is for dual channel models only.
Example:	COC 3.000 Sets the selected power supply's OCP value to 3.000 A. COC2? Queries the selected power supply's second channel OCP value.

COCP/COCP2

Description: Example:	Configures/Queries the over current protection state of the selected power supply. See OCP/OCP2 command for similar syntax. COCP2 is for dual channel models only. COCP ON
Example.	Sets the selected power supply's OCP state to ON. COCP2? Queries the selected power supply's second channel OCP state.

CMODE?/CMODE2?

Description:	Queries the output mode (CV or CC) of the selected power supply. CMODE2? Is for dual channel models only.
Query:	CMODE? Queries channel 1 for dual channel models, or single channel. CMODE2? Queries channel 2 for dual channel models.

Return String: CV Format: CV or CC

Examples

Here are a few examples of how to configure/query an instrument connected in the RS-485 chain.

- Query the IDN information for power supply with address 3 CADR 3

CIDN?

- Configure ISET current of a dual channel supply with address 10 to 1.234 A.

CADR10

CPC2 1.234

Return String: OK

- Enable both channels' output for a dual channel supply with address 2

CADR 2

COUTA ON

Return String: OK

- Query the measured/readback current output of power supply with address 6

CADR 6

CMC?

Synchronous Control Command

This set of commands can be used to control all the power supplies connected in the RS-485 chain at once. Note that these commands will not return an "**OK**" string upon making a configuration.

GRST GCLS GCLR GPV/GPV2 GPC/GPC2 GOUT/GOUT2 GOUTA GOV/GOV2 GOVP/GOVP2 GOC/GOC2 GOCP/GOCP2

GRST Description: Syntax:	Resets all the power supplies connected in the chain to a known state. GRST	
GCLS Description: Syntax:	Clears the status of all the power supplies connected in the chain. GCLS	
GCLR Description: Syntax:	Clears the protection flag/trip of all the power supplies connected in the chain. GCLR	161

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GPV/GPV2 Description: Example:	Configures/Queries the VSET voltage setting of all the power supplies connected in the chain. See VOLTage/VOLT2 command for similar syntax. GPV2 is for dual channel models only. GPV 15.698 Sets all the power supplies' VSET voltage setting to 15.698 V.
GPC/GPC2 Description: Example:	Configures/Queries the ISET current setting of all the power supplies connected in the chain. See CURRent/CURR2 command for similar syntax. GPC2 is for dual channel models only. GPC 3.123
	Sets all the power supplies' ISET current setting to 3.123 A.

GOUT/GOUT2	
Description:	Configures/Queries the output state of all the power supplies in the chain. See OUT/OUT2 command for similar syntax. GOUT2 is for dual channel models only.
Example:	GOUT ON
	Sets all the power supplies' output to ON.
GOUTA	
Note:	For dual channel models only.
Description:	Configures the output state of both channels of the selected power supply.
Example:	GOUTA ON
	Enables both channel outputs of all the dual channel power supplies in the chain.

GOV/GOV2

Description:	Configures/Queries the over voltage protection value of all the power supplies connected in the chain. See OVSET/OVSET2 command for similar syntax. GOV2
	is for dual channel models only.
Example:	GOV 70.000
-	Sets all the power supplies' OVP value to 70.000V.

GOVP/GOVP2

GOC/GOC2

Description:	Configures/Queries the over voltage protection state of all the power supplies connected in the chain. See	
	OVP/OVP2 command for similar syntax. GOVP2 is for dual channel models only.	
Example:	GOVP ON Sets all the power supplies' OVP state to ON.	

000/0002	
Description:	Configures/Queries the over current protection value of all the power supplies connected in the chain. See OISET/OISET2 command for similar syntax. GOC2 is for dual channel models only.
Example:	GOC 3.000
Example:	Sets all the power supplies' OCP value to 3.000 A.

GOCP/GOCP2

Description:	Configures/Queries the over current protection state of all the power supplies connected in the chain. Se	
	OCP/OCP2 command for similar syntax. GOCP2 is	
Example:	for dual channel models only. GOCP ON	
	Sets all the power supplies' OCP state to ON.	

Error List

Using any of the commands for multi unit programming for

configuration, a response string is returned. If the command was sent successfully to the power supply(s) (except for **Synchronous Control Commands**), the return string will be "**OK**". If otherwise, an error message will occur. See the table below for the list of errors and their descriptions.

Return String	Description
Time out	Wait response time has timed out
Range error	Input value is out of range
Multi master	More than one master is in the chain.

Table 10- Error List for Multi Unit Programming

5 Troubleshooting Guide

Below are some frequently asked questions and answers. Please check if any applies to your power supply before contacting B&K Precision.

General

Q: I cannot power up the power supply.

- Check that the power cord is securely connected to the AC input and there is live power from your electrical AC outlet.
- Check that the correct fuse is inserted into the fuse box in the rear panel, and the line voltage switch is selected to the appropriate voltage. See section "2.1" and "2.2" for details.
- **Q:** I cannot access the menu when pressing the MENU button.
- Check that the outputs are OFF (disabled).
- Check to make sure the instrument is not in remote mode, as indicated by the RMT LED indicator.
- Q: How do I setup the supply to run in constant current mode?
- The supply is a CV/CC power supply that automatically crosses over from CV to CC upon a load which draws current at the current limit (ISET). Therefore, it is dependent on the load. For example, if ISET is configured as 1 A, the load must draw 1 A before the supply will go into CC mode.

Q: How come my display voltage is lower than the voltage I set?

- This is often because of the resistances from the test leads/wires connected between the supply and the DUT (device

under test), which causes a drop in voltage. To minimize this drop, use remote sense terminals to compensate and output a more accurate voltage to the DUT.

Q: On my dual channel power supply, how do I set a timer output for each channel?

- The two channels are dependent on the same timer function. Therefore, when used it will affect both outputs.

Q: I want to use the external analog control from the DIO/Analog interface card. However, I only want to adjust voltage.

- The external analog control requires that both voltage and current analog controls are connected to either an external DC voltage or resistance. If only the voltage input terminals are connected, current will remain set to 0 A, and thus output will be 0. Two sources (DC voltage or resistance) must be used simultaneously to function properly; one for voltage and one for current.
- **Q:** I cannot set voltage or current at the maximum rating.
- Go into the menu and check the **OUTPUT SETTINGS** to verify that the **VOLT LIMIT SETTING** and **CURR LIMIT SETTING** are configured within the range you want to adjust.
- Verify the protection settings under the **PROTECTION** menu to make sure OVP and OCP settings are configured to the maximum value or greater than the voltage and current value you want to adjust.

Remote Control

Q: I am trying to send the commands over USB/RS232, but it does not seem to respond.

- Check that you are sending ASCII strings that are terminated with a CR (carriage return) and LF (linefeed) character.
- For USB, check that the correct USB drivers are installed and that you are communicating with the right COM port, which can be verified under "Device Manager" in Windows.
- For USB and RS232, be sure to use 57600 baudrate, no parity,
 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no flow control setting.

Q: Can I use RS485 to control multiple power supplies instead of via USB if my PC has an RS485 interface port?

- Yes. Please contact B&K Precision for details.

6 Specifications

Note: All specifications apply to the unit after a temperature stabilization time of 15 minutes over an ambient temperature range of 23 °C \pm 5 °C. Specifications are subject to change without notice.

Model	9171B	9172B
Output Rating		·
Low Range	0–10V/0 -10A	0–35V/0–3A
High Range	0-20V/0-5A	0-70V/0 - 1.5A
Output Channel	1	
Output Power	100W	105W
General		
Maximum Rated Input Power	230VA	
Dimension(W*H*D)	210mmx87mmx414mm	
Weight	7kg	

Model	9173B	9174B	
Output Rating	·	·	
Low Range	0-10V/0-10A	0-35V/0-3A	
High Range	0-20V/0-5A	0-70V/0- 1.5A	
Output Channel	2		
Output Power	200W	210W	
General			
Maximum Rated Input Power	460VA	460VA	
Dimension(W*H*D)	210mmx130.5mmx415mm		
Weight	10.5kg	10.5kg	

Model	9181B	9182B
Output Rating		
Low Range	0-18V/0-8A	0–10V/0–20A
High Range	0–36V/0–4A	0–20V/0–10A
Output Channel	1	·
Output Power	144W	200W
General		
Maximum Rated Input Power	230VA	680VA
Dimension(W*H*D)	210mmx87mmx414m m	210mmx130.5mmx4 15mm
Weight	7.7kg	12kg

Model	9183B
Output Rating	
Low Range	0–35V/0–6A
High Range	0–70V/0–3A
Output Channel	1
Output Power	210W
General	
Maximum Rated Input Power	510VA
Dimension(W*H*D)	210mmx130.5mmx415mm
Weight	11kg

Model	9184B	9185B
Output Rating		
Low Range	0–100V/0–2A	0–400V/0– 0.5A
High Range	0–200V/0–1A	0–600V/0– 0.35A
Output Channel	1	
Output Power	200W	210W

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General	
Maximum Rated Input Power	510VA
Dimension(W*H*D)	210mmx130.5mmx415mm
Weight	10.5kg

Note: The specifications below apply to all models in the series. Some specifications have model number(s) in () to indicate which model(s) they apply to.

Line Regulation		
Voltage	≤0.01%+1mV	
Current	≤ 0.01%+250uA	
Load Regulation ¹		
Voltage	≤0.01%+1mV	
Current	≤ 0.01%+250uA	
Ripple and Noise (20Hz-20MHz)		
	≤ 0.35mVrms/≤ 3mVpp	
	(9171B,9173B,9181B,9182B)	
	≤ 0.5mVrms/≤ 5mVpp	
Normal Mode Voltage	(9172B,9174B,9183B)	
	≤ 1.5 mVrms/≤ 15 mVpp (9184B)	
	≤ 4.5 mVrms/≤ 45 mVpp (9185B)	
Normal Mode Current	≤ 2mA rms	
Common Mode Current	≤ 1.5uA rms	
Resolution		
	<1 mV/<1 mA	
Programming and	(9171B,9173B,9181B,9182B)	
Readback	<2 mV/<0.1 mA (9172B,9174B)	
	<2mV/<0.2mA (9183B)	

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	<10mV/<0.1mA (9184B)	
	<20mV/<0.01mA (9185B)	
Programming and Readba	ack Accuracy ±(% output+offset)	
	≤ 0.05%+5mV(9171B,9173B,9181B,	
	9182B)	
Voltage	≤ 0.05%+10mV(9172B,9174B,9183B)	
	≤ 0.05%+50 mV(9184B)	
	≤ 0.05%+100mV(9185B)	
	≤ 0.1%+2mA (9171B,9173B,9181B,9183B)	
Current	≤ 0.1%+1mA (9172B,9174B,9184B)	
Current	≤ 0.1%+5 mA (9182B)	
	≤ 0.1%+0.1 mA (9185B)	
Temperature Coefficient per °C ±(% output+offset)		
	≤ 0.005%+1mV	
Voltage	≤ 0.005%+10 mV (9184B)	
	≤ 0.005 %+20 mV (9185B)	
Current	≤ 0.01%+3mA	
Stability (8 hrs) ±(% outpu	it+offset)	
	≤ 0.02%+2mV	
Voltage	≤ 0.02 %+10 mV(9184B)	
	≤ 0.02%+20 mV(9185B)	
Current	≤ 0.1%+1mA	
Settling Time ²	≤ 30ms	
Measurement Time	≤ 5ms	
T	≤ 50µs (9171B - 9183B)	
Transient Response Time ³	≤ 100µs (9184B, 9185B)	
	≤ 0.5%+0.1V (9171B – 9183B)	
OVP Accuracy	≤ 0.5%+1V (9184B, 9185B)	
OCP Accuracy	≤ 0.5%+0.1A	
OVP/OCP Activation Time ⁴	≤ 1mS	
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Remote Sense Compensation	1V Max
Rising Time at Full Load	 ≤ 8ms (9171B,9173B,9181B,9182B) ≤ 10ms (9172B,9174B,9183B) ≤ 30ms (9184B) ≤ 40ms (9185B)
Rising Time at No Load	≤ 8ms (9171B,9173B,9181B,9182B) ≤ 10ms (9172B,9174B,9183B) ≤ 30ms (9184B) ≤ 40ms (9185B)
Falling Time at Full Load	≤ 8ms (9171B,9173B,9181B,9182B) ≤ 10ms (9172B,9174B,9183B) ≤ 30ms (9184B) ≤ 40ms (9185B)
Falling Time at No Load	≤ 250ms
Standard Interface	USB
Optional Interface Cards⁵	LAN/GPIB Card, Digital I/O and Analog Control Cards (1CH and 2CH), RS485 Card, RS232 Card
Remote Command Processing Time	≤ 10ms (typical)
General	
AC Input	115/230 VAC± 10%, 47Hz - 63Hz
Operating Temperature	0°C- 40°C
Storage Temperature	-10°C- 70°C

¹With sense terminal connected.

²Maximum time required for the output voltage to change from 1% to 99% or vice versa following the receipt of VOLTage or VSET command via direct GPIB or USB interface.

³Models 9171B – 9183B: Less than 50 μ s for output to recover to within 15 mV following a change in output current from full load to half load or vice versa. Model 9184B: Less than 100 μ s for output to recover to within 50 mV following a change in output current from full load to half load or vice versa.

Model9185B: Less than 100 µs for output to recover to within 120 mV following

a change in output current from full load to half load or vice versa. ⁴Average time for output to start to drop after OVP/OCP condition occurs. ⁵Digital I/O Analog Control Card Accuracy:±1%.

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7 Calibration

Access Calibration Menu

Follow the steps below to access the calibration menu.

Press Menu, then 7 to enter CALIBRATION. The following screen will be displayed:

PLEASE KEYIN PASSWORD : _

- 2. Enter the password: 13579 with the numeric keypad.
- There will be two options. 1. CURRENT CALIBRATION, and
 2. VOLTAGE CALIBRATION, as shown in the screen below.
 A third option 3. EXT. INPUT CALIB is available if the supply has an optional DIO/Analog Interface Card installed.

1. CURRENT CALIBRATION 2. VOLTAGE CALIBRATION

Requirements

Before calibrating, the "+"output terminal must be connected to the "+S" terminal and the "-"output terminal must be connected to the "-S" terminal using the included shorting bars/pins.

The following equipment is required for the calibration procedure:

- 6 ¹/₂ digit precision digital multimeter
- Shunt for current calibration (Necessary if the maximum output current of the power supply is greater than the maximum current the multimeter is capable of measuring)
- DC source with an output up to 10VDC and accuracy of at least ±0.1% (for external analog input calibration)
- 5 kΩ resistor with accuracy within ±0.1% or better (for external analog input calibration)

Current Calibration

- If the maximum output current of the power supply is within the current limit of the DMM, then use the wire connections shown in Figure 31 to calibrate current.
- If the maximum output current of the power supply is greater than the current limit of the DMM, then a current shunt must be used. The wire connections between the power supply and the DMM will be setup like Figure 32.

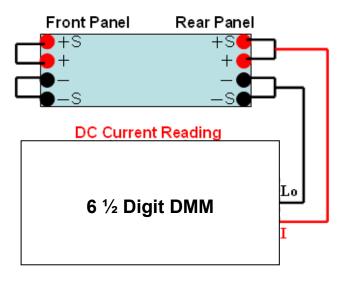


Figure 31 - Current Calibration Setup

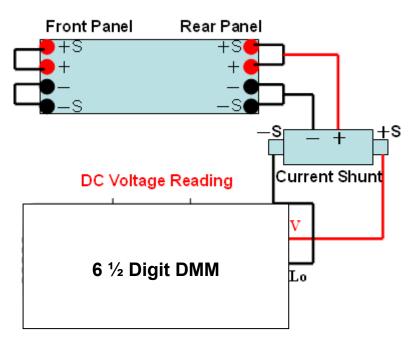
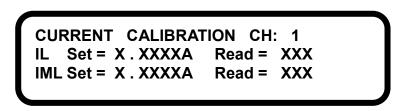


Figure 32- Current Calibration with Shunt

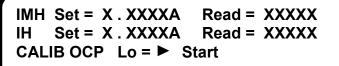
Follow the steps below to proceed with current calibration:

 From the calibration menu, press 1 to enter CURRENT CALIBRATION. The following screen will be shown.



Select the channel (for dual channel models), then press (Enter).
 The calibration process will automatically start.

- 3. The power supply will output a pre-set current to the DMM. Wait for the DMM reading to settle, then enter it into where it shows IL Set = _____A on the display. Press Enter to proceed to IML. If current shunt is used for the calibration, divide the DMM readings (in DCV) by the resistance (Rs) of the shunt. The result should be DCV/Rs. Enter this current result into IL.
- The power supply will then pre-set another current value for IML. Repeat the same process in step 3. Once finished, repeat the same process for IMH and IH, as shown below.



CALIB OCP Hi = ► Start

- Once finished, the OCP Lo calibration will begin. Press Enter to start. After it's complete, the unit will select CALIB OCP Hi for calibration. Again, after it's complete, press Enter).
- Once this calibration process is complete, the calibration data will be stored into flash memory, and the supply will return to the calibration menu.

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Voltage Calibration

- Use the setup diagram shown in Figure 33 below for voltage calibration. Connect the rear output terminals of the power supply to the DMM.

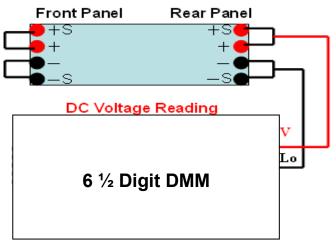


Figure 33- Voltage Calibration Setup

Follow the steps below to proceed with voltage calibration:

- 1. From the calibration menu, press 2 to enter **VOLTAGE**
 - **CALIBRATION**. The following screen will be shown.



- Select the channel (for dual channel models), then press Enter).
 The calibration process will automatically start.
- The power supply will output a pre-set voltage to the DMM. Wait for the DMM reading to settle, then enter it into where it shows
 VL Set = ____V on the display. Press Enter to proceed to the next setp.
- The power supply will then pre-set another voltage value for VML. Repeat the same process in step 3. Once finished, repeat the same process for VMH and VH, as shown below.



CALIB OVP Hi = ► Start

- Once finished, the OVP Lo calibration will begin. Press (Enter) to start. After it's complete, the unit will select CALIB OVP Hi for calibration. Again, after completion, press (Enter)
- Once this calibration process is complete, the calibration data will be stored into flash memory, and the supply will return to the calibration menu.

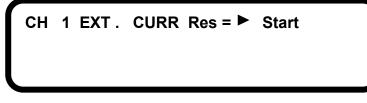
External Analog Input Calibration

This calibration option is only available if the optional **DIO/Analog Interface Card** is installed in the power supply.

Follow the steps below to proceed with external analog input calibration.

 From the calibration menu, press 3 to enter EXT. INPUT CALIB. If the single channel DIO/Analog Interface Card is installed, then Figure 34 will be shown. If the dual channel version is installed, Figure 35 will be displayed.







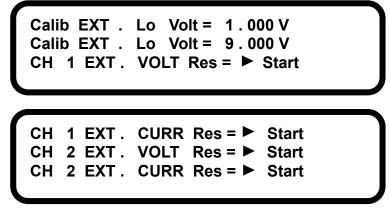


Figure 35- Dual Channel External Analog Input Calibration

 Connect the 10VDC source to the analog inputs on the DIO/Analog Interface Card as shown in Figure 36 for single channel.

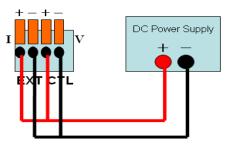


Figure 36- Single Channel Analog Control Calibration Setup

- Set the DC source to output 1.000 V and wait for approximately 5 seconds until the output voltage is stable. Press Enter to finish the first step.
- 4. Next, change the output of the DC source to 9.000 V and follow the same as step 3.

Test Equipment Depot - 800.517.8431 - 99 Washington Street Melrose, MA 02176 TestEquipmentDepot.com To begin calibration with the external resistor, remove the DC source and connect the precision resistor to the control card, as shown in Figure 37(right) below.

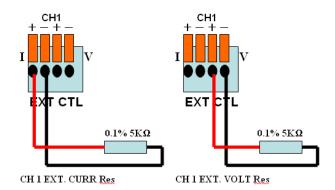


Figure 37- External Resistance Control Calibration setup (left) Current (right) Voltage

- 6. The supply will display **CH1 EXT. VOLT Res**. Press Enter to calibrate.
- Once finished, CH1 EXT. CURR Res will be selected. Connect the precision resistor as shown in Figure 37(left). Press Enter to proceed with the calibration.
- (Dual channel) The calibration process for the dual channel
 DIO/Analog Interface Card is similar to the above steps for single channel, with the exception of repeating steps 3-7 twice.
- (Dual channel) For the external voltage calibration, connect the leads like Figure 38 shown below.

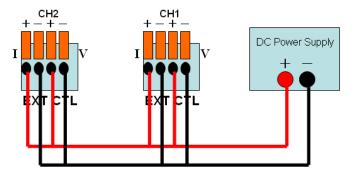
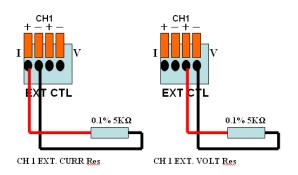


Figure 38- Dual Channel External Analog Voltage Input Calibration Setup

- (Dual channel) For the external resistor calibration, connect like for channel 1 for current and voltage, and connect like for channel 2 for current and voltage.
- 11. Once finished, the supply will return to the calibration menu. To exit and go back to the main display, press **Esc** twice.





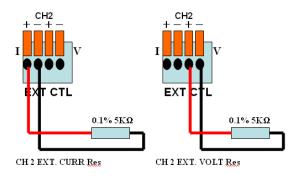


Figure 40- Channel 2 Setup for External Analog Resistor Input Calibration

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