## **User's Guide**

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Ac sources can supply 425 V peak at their output. DEATH on contact may result if the output terminals or circuits connected to the output are touched when power is applied.

#### GENERAL

This product is a Safety Class 1 instrument (provided with a protective earth terminal). The protective features of this product may be impaired if it is used in a manner not specified in the operation instructions. Any LEDs used in this product are Class 1 LEDs as per IEC 825-1. This ISM device complies with Canadian ICES-001. Cet appareil ISM est conforme à la norme NMB-001 du Canada.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITONS**

This instrument is intended for indoor use in an installation category II, pollution degree 2 environment. It is designed to operate at a maximum relative humidity of 95% and at altitudes of up to 2000 meters. Refer to the specifications tables for the ac mains voltage requirements and ambient operating temperature range.

#### **BEFORE APPLYING POWER**

Verify that the product is set to match the available line voltage, the correct fuse is installed, and all safety precautions are taken. Note the instrument's external markings described under "Safety Symbols".

#### **GROUND THE INSTRUMENT**

To minimize shock hazard, the instrument chassis and cover must be connected to an electrical ground. The instrument must be connected to the ac power mains through a grounded power cable, with the ground wire firmly connected to an electrical ground (safety ground) at the power outlet. Any interruption of the protective (grounding) conductor or disconnection of the protective earth terminal will cause a potential shock hazard that could result in personal injury.

## ATTENTION: Un circuit de terre continu est essentiel en vue du fonctionnement sécuritaire de l'appareil. Ne jamais mettre l'appareil en marche lorsque le conducteur de mise ... la terre est d,branch,.

#### FUSES

Only fuses with the required rated current, voltage, and specified type (normal blow, time delay, etc.) should be used. Do not use repaired fuses or short-circuited fuseholders. To do so could cause a shock or fire hazard.

#### DO NOT OPERATE IN AN EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERE

Do not operate the instrument in the presence of flammable gases or fumes.

#### DO NOT REMOVE THE INSTRUMENT COVER

Operating personnel must not remove instrument covers. Component replacement and internal adjustments must be made only by qualified service personnel.

Instruments that appear damaged or defective should be made inoperative and secured against unintended operation until they can be repaired by qualified service personnel.

| SAFETY SYMBOLS       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|                      | Direct current   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\sim$               | Alternating current  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\sim$               | Both direct and alternating current  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $_{3}\sim$           | Three-phase alternating current  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ţ                    | Earth (ground) terminal  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | Protective earth (ground) terminal   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4                    | Frame or chassis terminal  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\perp$              | Terminal is at earth potential. Used for measurement and control circuits designed to be operated with one terminal at earth potential.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ν                    | Terminal for Neutral conductor on permanently installed equipment  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| L                    | Terminal for Line conductor on permanently installed equipment   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | On (supply)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0                    | Off (supply)   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ģ                    | Standby (supply). Units with this symbol are not completely disconnected from ac mains when this switch is off. To completely disconnect the unit from ac mains, either disconnect the power cord or have a qualified electrician install an external switch.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | In position of a bi-stable push control  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | Out position of a bi-stable push control   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4                    | Caution, risk of electric shock  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <u>ss</u>            | Caution, hot surface   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\underline{\wedge}$ | Caution (refer to accompanying documents)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WARNING              | The WARNING sign denotes a hazard. It calls attention to a procedure, practice, or the like, which, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in personal injury. Do not proceed beyond a WARNING sign until the indicated conditions are fully understood and met.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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- \* Schalldruckpegel Lp <70 dB(A)
- \* Am Arbeitsplatz
- \* Normaler Betrieb
- \* Nach EN 27779 (Typprüfung).

Manufacturer's Declaration

This statement is provided to comply with the requirements of the German Sound Emission Directive, from 18 January 1991.

- \* Sound Pressure Lp <70 dB(A)
- \* At Operator Position
- \* Normal Operation
- \* According to EN 27779 (Type Test).

## **Printing History**

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## **General Information**

## **Document Orientation**

This manual describes the operation of the Agilent 6811B/6812B/6813B AC Power Solutions. These units will be referred to as "ac sources" throughout this manual. The following documents are shipped with your ac source:

- a Quick-Start Guide, to help you quickly get started using the ac source
- a User's Guide, containing detailed installation, checkout, and front panel information
- a Programming Guide, containing detailed GPIB programming information
- a Quick Reference Card, designed as a memory jogger for the experienced user

You will find information on the following tasks in these guides. Refer to the table of contents of each guide for a complete list of the topics.

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| - voltage sensing (local and remote)    | Chapter 2 - this guide        |  |  |
| - remote inhibit (RI)                   | Chapter 2 - this guide        |  |  |

#### 1 - General Information

## **Earlier AC Source Models**

With the exception of some minor readback specification differences, information in this manual also applies to the following earlier ac source models:

| Information about this model | also applies to the following earlier models:             |
|------------------------------|---|
| Agilent 6811B                | Agilent 6811A AC Power Source/Analyzer                    |
| Agilent 6812B                | Agilent 6812A AC Power Source/Analyzer                    |
|                              | Agilent 6841A Harmonic/Flicker Test System in normal mode |
| Agilent 6813B                | Agilent 6813A AC Power Source/Analyzer                    |
| _                            | Agilent 6842A Harmonic/Flicker Test System in normal mode |

## **Safety Considerations**

This ac source is a Safety Class 1 instrument, which means it has a protective earth terminal. That terminal must be connected to earth ground through a power source equipped with a ground receptacle. Refer to the Safety Summary page at the beginning of this guide for general safety information. Before installation or operation, check the ac source and review this guide for safety warnings and instructions. Safety warnings for specific procedures are located at appropriate places in the guide.

## **Options and Parts**

#### Table 1-1. Options Option Description Model 1CM\* All Rack mount kit (Agilent p/n 5062-3977) $1CP^*$ All Rack mount kit with handles (Agilent p/n 5062-3983) 100 Agilent 6811B/6812B 87-106 Vac, 48-63 Hz (Japan only) 120 Agilent 6811B/6812B 104-127 Vac, 48-63 Hz 200 Agilent 6813B 174-106 Vac, 48-63 Hz (Japan only) 230 191-254 Vac, 48-63 Hz Agilent 6811B/6812B 831 Agilent 6812B/6813B 12 AWG, 200 to 240 Vac, unterminated 4-mm<sup>2</sup> wire size, unterminated 832 Agilent 6813B 833 Agilent 6812B 1.5-mm<sup>2</sup> wire size, 200 to 240 Vac, unterminated 10 AWG, 100 to 120 Vac, unterminated 834 Agilent 6812B 841 Agilent 6812B/6813B Line cord with NEMA 6-20P; 20A, 250 V plug 842 Agilent 6813B Line cord with IEC 309; 32A, 220 V plug Agilent 6813B Line cord with NEMA 6-30P; 30A, 250 V locking plug 844 845 Agilent 6812B Line cord with IEC 309; 16 A, 220 V plug Line cord with NEMA L5-30P; 30 A, 120 V plug 846 Agilent 6812B 847 Agilent 6812B Line cord with CEE 7/7; 16 A, 220 V plug 848 Agilent 6812B Line cord with BS 546; 15 A, 240 V plug 900 Line cord with BS 1363/A (90 deg); 10 A, 240 V plug Agilent 6811B 901 Agilent 6811B Line cord with AS 3112 (straight); 10 A, 240 V plug 902 Agilent 6811B Line cord with CEE 7/7 (straight); 10 A, 230 V plug 903 Line cord with NEMA 5-15P (straight); 13 A, 120 V plug Agilent 6811B 904 Agilent 6811B Line cord with NEMA 6-15P (straight); 10 A, 230 V plug 906 Agilent 6811B Line cord with SEV Type 12; 10 A, 220/230 V plug Line cord with SR107-2-D (straight); 10 A, 220/230 V plug 912 Agilent 6811B 917 Agilent 6811B Line cord with SABS 164-1 (90 deg); 10 A, 220-250 V plug

| 918 | Agilent 6811B | Line cord with JIS 8303 (straight); 12 A, 100/110 V plug |
|-----|---------------|--|
| 919 | Agilent 6811B | Line cord with SI 32 (90 deg); 10 A, 220 V plug          |
| 920 | Agilent 6811B | Line cord with IRAM 2073 (90 deg); 10 A, 220 V plug      |
| 921 | Agilent 6811B | Line cord with CEI 23-16; 10 A, 220 V plug               |
| 922 | Agilent 6811B | Line cord with GB 1002 (straight); 10 A, 220 V plug      |
| 927 | Agilent 6811B | Line cord with NEMA 5-15P; 10 A, 220 V plug              |

\*Support rails (Agilent p/n 1494-0059) are required when rack mounting units with options 1CM and 1CP.

| Item   | Agilent Part Number |  |  |  |
|--|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Power cord assembly                                    | see "Options"       |  |  |  |
| Rack mount kit   | see "Options"       |  |  |  |
| 4-terminal digital connector plug                      | 1252-1488           |  |  |  |
| Ac input safety cover (with strain relief and bushing) | 5040-1676           |  |  |  |
| Screw (3), ac input barrier block (6-32 x 5/16in)      | N/A                 |  |  |  |
| Ac output safety cover                                 | 5040-1704           |  |  |  |
| Line fuse for Agilent 6812B (30 AM)                    | 2110-0910           |  |  |  |
| Line fuse for Agilent 6813B (25 AM)                    | 2110-0849           |  |  |  |
| Line fuse for Agilent 6811B (20 AM)                    | 2110-0098           |  |  |  |
| Screw (2), ac output safety cover (m4 x 0.7in)         | 0515-0053           |  |  |  |
| Screw (5), ac output barrier block (6-32 x 5/16 in)    | N/A                 |  |  |  |
| User's Guide (this manual)                             | 5962-0829           |  |  |  |
| Programming Guide                                      | 5962-0889           |  |  |  |
| Quick Start Guide                                      | 5962-0883           |  |  |  |
| Quick Reference Card                                   | 5962-0885           |  |  |  |

#### Table 1-2. Operator Replaceable Parts

## **Description**

The ac source combines three instruments in one unit as shown in the following figure. The function generator produces waveforms with programmable amplitude, frequency, and shape. The power amplifier amplifies the function generator signal to produce the ac power for your application. The measurement functions range from a simple readback of rms voltage and current, to sophisticated capabilities such as waveform analysis.

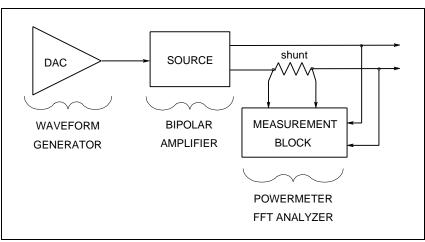


Figure 1-1. AC Source Functional Elements

#### 1 - General Information

The following model ac power sources are described in this User's Guide:

| Model         | Description                                  |
|---------------|--|
| Agilent 6811B | 0-300 V rms; 375 VA (425 V peak; 40 A peak)  |
| Agilent 6812B | 0-300 V rms; 750 VA (425 V peak; 40 A peak)  |
| Agilent 6813B | 0-300 V rms; 1750 VA (425 V peak; 80 A peak) |

### Capabilities

- Programmable ac voltage, dc voltage, frequency, phase, and current limit.
- Sine, square, clipped sine, and user-definable waveforms.
- Programmable output impedance.
- Voltage and frequency slew control.
- Synthesized waveform generation for high resolution and accuracy in frequency, low waveform distortion, and glitch-free phase transitions.
- Step and pulse output transients for generating surge, sag, dropout, and other line disturbance simulations.
- Nonvolatile list programming for generating complex output transients or test sequences.
- Nonvolatile state and waveform storage and recall.
- Extensive measurement capability:
  - Ac rms, dc, ac+dc voltage and current and peak current.
  - Real, reactive, and apparent power.
  - Harmonic analysis of voltage and current waveforms gives amplitude, phase, and total harmonic distortion results up to the 50th harmonic.
  - Triggered acquisition of digitized voltage and current with extensive post-acquisition calculations.
  - All measurements made with 16-bit resolution.
- Trigger In and Trigger Out for synchronizing transient events or measurements with external signals.
- Front panel control with 14-character vacuum flourescent display, keypad, and rotary pulse generators for voltage and frequency settings.
- Built-in GPIB and RS-232 interface programming with SCPI command language.
- Over-voltage, over-power, over-current, over-temperature, and RI/DFI protection features.
- Built-in output and sense disconnect relays.
- Output terminals floating with respect to chassis ground.
- Extensive selftest, status reporting, and software calibration.

## **Front Panel/Remote Operation**

**The front panel** has both rotary (RPG) and keypad controls for setting the output voltage and frequency. The panel display provides digital readouts of a number of output measurements. Annunciators display the operating status of the ac source. System keys let you perform system functions such as setting the GPIB address and recalling operating states. Front panel Function keys access the ac source function menus. Front panel Entry keys let you select and enter parameter values. Refer to Chapter 4 for a complete description of the front panel controls.

**Remotely programming** is accomplished from either the GPIB bus or from an RS-232 serial port. GPIB and RS-232 programming uses SCPI commands (Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments) that make the ac source programs compatible with those of other instruments. AC source status registers permit remote monitoring of a wide variety of ac source operating conditions

**NOTE:** Refer to the ac source Programming Guide for further information about remotely programming the ac source.

## **Steady-state Output Characteristic**

The ac source's steady-state output characteristic is shown in the following figure. Steady-state characteristics are defined as those output ratings that will be maintained by the ac source for an indefinite time. (The section "Peak Current Capability" describes the dynamic output capability of the unit.) The figure shows both the ac and the dc characteristics. With programmable output coupling, the ac source can supply dc as well as ac output voltages.

Ac source operation is specified from 45 to 1000 Hz (see Appendix A). However, you can operate the unit at frequencies less that 45 Hz. The operating characteristics of the ac source at autput frequencies below 45 Hz are documented in Table A-3 of Appendix A.

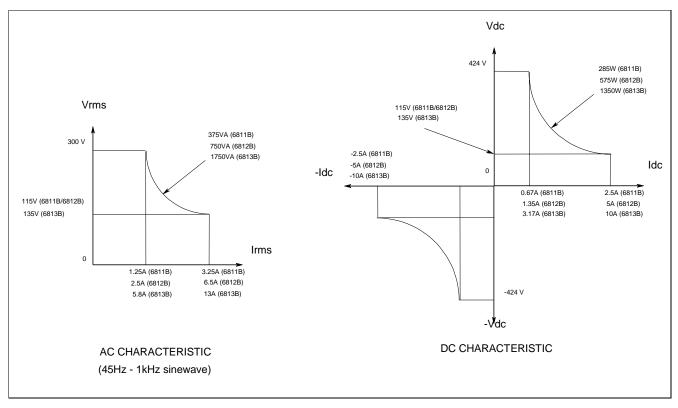


Figure 1-2. Steady-state Output Characteristic (in real-time mode)

## Peak Current/Dynamic Power Capability

The ac source can generate peak currents that exceed the rms current capability of the unit. This not only applies when operating in ac mode, but also when programming output pulses in dc mode. Although the unit will generate peak output currents up to 40A (Agilent 6811B/6812B) or 80A (Agilent 6813B), the unit can only maintain this output for a limited time. If the output of the unit exceeds the limit of the safe operating area (SOA), the unit will activate its internal protection mode and turn its output off. This SOA limit is based on output voltage, output current, output duration, and heatsink temperature.

**NOTE:** Refer to Chapter 4 on how to clear the unit when the internal protection mode has been activated.

## **Peak Current Limit**

By programming the peak current limit, you can prevent the unit from exceeding the safe operating area, activating its internal protection mode, and turning the output off. The peak current limit circuit limits the instantaneous output current. It functions by reducing the instantaneous output voltage to keep the output peak current within the programmed limit. Because the circuit acts instantly, the effect is that it will clip the peaks of the output voltage waveform. Additionally, with fast and/or large voltage transitions, the unit may momentarily go into CC operating mode due to current in the output capacitor. This serves to limit the rate of change of output voltage.

The following table gives approximate indications of how long the unit will tolerate peak output currents before the SOA limits are exceeded. Because these values are voltage dependent, the table includes various equivalent dc voltages along with the peak current values. The voltages shown in the table are NOT the programmed voltages, but the average voltage values that will appear at the output when the indicated high current condition exists. The SOA circuit becomes active at higher voltage and current values as well as at longer duration times.

| Agilent | Agilent 6811B | equivalent dc voltage when current is flowing <sup>1</sup> |         |         |         |         |         |
|---------|---------------|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 6813B   | Agilent 6812B | 25   | 75      | 125     | 190     | 250     | 360     |
| 20 A    | 10 A          | >100 ms  | >100 ms | >100 ms | >100 ms | >100 ms | >100 ms |
| 30 A    | 15 A          | >100 ms  | 100 ms  | 30 ms   | 24 ms   | 19 ms   | 15 ms   |
| 40 A    | 20 A          | 12 ms  | 9.2 ms  | 8.4 ms  | 7.6 ms  | 6.8 ms  | 5.9 ms  |
| 50 A    | 25 A          | 5.6 ms   | 5.1 ms  | 4.7 ms  | 4.4 ms  | 4 ms    | 3.5 ms  |
| 60 A    | 30 A          | 3.7 ms   | 3.4 ms  | 3.1 ms  | 2.9 ms  | 2.6 ms  | 2.3 ms  |
| 70 A    | 35 A          | 2.6 ms   | 2.4 ms  | 2.2 ms  | 2.1 ms  | 1.9 ms  | 1.7 ms  |
| 80 A    | 40 A          | 2 ms   | 1.8 ms  | 1.7 ms  | 1.6 ms  | 1.4 ms  | 1.3 ms  |

 Table 1-3. Typical Peak Current Output Capacities

<sup>1</sup>Based on 25C ambient temperature, with heatsink temperature less than 50C.

## **Peak Inrush Example**

The following table gives the recommended initial  $I_{peak}$  settings when the ac source output is a 127 Vac or 254 Vac 60 Hz sine wave, as a function of load capacitance. The load on the output is a full-wave bridge along with the indicated capacitor. The load resistance across the capacitor is infinite. The recommended  $I_{peak}$  will change as a function of changes in input as follows:

- $\bullet$  as voltage increases, the I<sub>peak</sub> setting needs to be decreased.
- $\bullet$  as frequency increases, the I<sub>peak</sub> setting can be increased.
- $\bullet$  as load resistance decreases, the I<sub>peak</sub> setting needs to be decreased.

Note that the purpose of programming the  $I_{peak}$  current is to prevent the unit from activating its internal protection mode as a result of exceeding the SOA limits, and turning the output off. These initial settings may have to be reduced if the SOA circuit trips when the output is turned on. Sometimes trial and error must be used to arrive at the proper values of  $I_{peak}$ .

| Capacita    | I <sub>peak</sub> setting |        |
|-------------|---------------------------|--------|
| 127 V 254 V |                           |        |
| ≤ 1100      | 500                       | 80 A   |
| 1200        | -                         | 60 A   |
| 1700        | 700                       | 50 A   |
| 5000        | 1000                      | 45 A   |
| > 5000      | > 1000                    | < 45 A |

Table 1-4. Recommended I<sub>peak</sub> Settings as a Function of Loop Capacitance

The following waveform illustrates the inrush current capability of the ac source. The peak current is limited during inrush in accord with table 1-3 to keep the ac source from turning its output off. Note that the output current waveform returns to its normal shape when the current drops below the peak current limit setting.

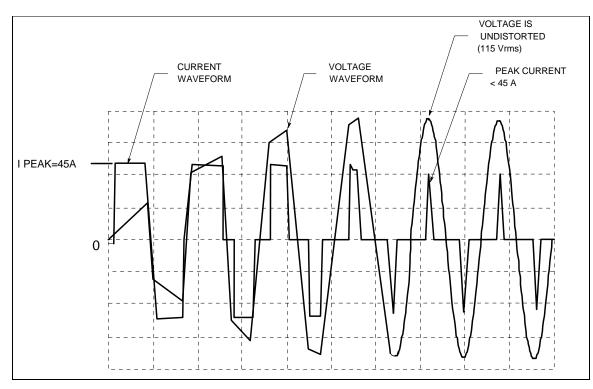


Figure 1-3. Peak Inrush Current Example

## **RMS Current Limit Circuit**

The output **rms** current limit is adjustable to any value within the range of the unit. If the load attempts to draw more current than the programmed limit, the output voltage is reduced to keep the rms current within the limit. When the output voltage is reduced, the waveform shape is preserved. In other words, all parts of the voltage cycle are reduced -- not just the peaks.

**NOTE:** The speed at which the rms current circuit operates depends on the output voltage setting and the load impedance. The circuit responds more slowly at low output voltages and at high output impedances. With constant power or negative resistance loads, the rms current limit circuit causes the output voltage to go to zero.

## Voltage Regulation

## **Real Time Regulation**

The default method of output regulation used by the ac source is real-time voltage regulation. Real-time voltage regulation tries to provide the actual programmed waveform at the output of the ac source. It offers the best overall programming response and fastest settling times. It does not have any limitations for waveforms and transients with frequency content below 45 Hz.

## **RMS Regulation**

Rms voltage regulation assists real-time regulation to level out or stabilize the rms value of the ac component of the output voltage. Use rms voltage regulation in the following situations:

- If you experience load regulation effects with heavy loads.
- If you experience frequency regulation problems with heavy loads and you require flatter programming accuracy at higher frequencies.
- In conjunction with programmable output impedance, if you wish to maintain the rms level of output voltage as the source impedance is increases. (Refer to Output Impedance for more information.)

The command to specify voltage regulation is VOLT:ALC:DET RTIM | RMS.

**NOTE:** Do not use rms voltage regulation when operating at frequencies less than 45 Hz.

## **Output Impedance**

You can program the real and/or reactive (resistive and/or inductive) part of the output impedance of the ac source. Inductive output impedances can be programmed in the range of 20 to 1000 microhenries. Resistive load impedances can be programmed in the range of 0 to 1 ohms.

When programming output impedances, the lower your load impedance, the LESS programmed impedance you can use and still maintain output voltage stability. This applies particularly for load impedances less than 1 ohm.

# **CAUTION:** Programming the ac source output impedance into a load with a low impedance can cause output voltage instability, which may damage the ac source. Stability MUST be maintained when operating the ac source with programmable resistance or inductance.

To check for stability, monitor the output voltage with an oscilloscope. Instability exists if a 5kHz to 20kHz oscillation, which is dependent upon the ac source's programmed inductance and the capacitance of the load, is present at any time during the following procedure.

- 1. When programming inductance, it is recommended that you first add a series resistance either by programming the output resistance to 1 ohm or by adding an equivalent external resistor.
- 2. Slowly program the inductance to the desired level while monitoring the output for any voltage instability. Do not proceed any further if the output shows any signs of instability.
- 3. If less output resistance is required, slowly start lowering the resistance while monitoring the output for any voltage instability. Do not proceed any further if the output shows any signs of instability.

If you cannot achieve satisfactory results with this procedure, disable the output impedance control and use an external impedance network.

Rms voltage regulation can be used in conjunction with programmable output impedance to regulate the rms value of the ac component of the output voltage when programmed impedances cause distortion with nonlinear loads or reduced output voltage due to regulation effects.

Note that real-time voltage regulation will permit the load current to cause output voltage degradation based on the programmed impedance and current drawn from the source, whereas rms regulation will reestablish the rms value at the programmed level.

## **Output Coupling**

Ac output coupling mode mimics a transformer-coupled output, working to maintain zero average output voltage. This means that the output tries to remove any dc content on the output, whether the dc content is generated from a programmed offset or results from transients with dc content. The ac output coupling has a corner frequency of about 2 Hz, which will not prevent transient waveforms that may have short-term dc content, but will regulate the waveform back to an average value of zero volts in the steady state.

**Dc output coupling mode** is used to generate dc offset voltages or output transients that have net dc components. In either mode of operation, the maximum voltage that the ac source can output is limited to 425 V peak.

The ac capability of the output is limited by VA (volt-amperes) rather than power (watts). The amount of VA available to a load can be determined by examining figure 1-2. Full output VA is available with no limitations except for the boundaries imposed by the maximum rms voltage of 300V, and the maximum rms current, which is model-dependent. Note that large peak power transients can be delivered by the ac source as earlier described under "Peak Current Capability" (Appendix A documents the ac source's specifications and supplemental characteristics.)

## Installation

## Inspection

#### Damage

When you receive your ac source, inspect it for any obvious damage that may have occurred during shipment. If there is damage, notify the shipping carrier and the nearest Agilent Sales and Support Office immediately. The list of Agilent Sales and Support Offices is at the back of this guide. Warranty information is printed in the front of this guide.

## **Packaging Material**

Until you have checked out the ac source, save the shipping carton and packing materials in case the unit has to be returned. If you return the ac source for service, attach a tag identifying the model number and the owner. Also include a brief description of the problem.

## **Items Supplied**

Check that the following items are included with your ac source. Some items are installed in the unit.

| Power Cord        | A power cord appropriate for your location. The cord may or may not be<br>terminated in a power plug (see "Options" in Chapter 1). If the cord is not<br>included, contact your nearest Agilent Sales and Support Office (refer to the<br>list at the back of this guide). |
|-------------------|--|
| Digital connector | 4-terminal digital plug that connects to the back of the unit.   |
| Safety covers     | Ac input cover with strain relief<br>Ac output cover   |
| Manuals           | User's Guide<br>Programming Guide<br>Quick Start Guide<br>Quick Reference Card   |
| Change page       | If applicable, change sheets may be included with this guide. If there are change sheets, make the indicated corrections in this guide.  |

## Cleaning

Use a dry cloth or one slightly dampened with water to clean the external case parts. Do not attempt to clean internally.

| WARNING: | To prevent electric shock, unplug the unit before cleaning. |
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## Location

Refer to the Safety Summary page at the beginning of this manual for safety-related information about environmental conditions.

CAUTION: Agilent 6811B/6812B units weigh 28.2 kg (62 lbs). Agilent 6813B units weigh 32.7 kg (72 lbs). Obtain adequate help when moving or mounting the unit in the rack.

## **Bench Operation**

The outline diagram in figure 2-1 gives the dimensions of your ac source. The feet may be removed for rack mounting. Your ac source must be installed in a location that allows sufficient space at the sides and back of the unit for adequate air circulation. Minimum clearances are 1 inch (25 mm) along the sides. **Do not block the fan exhaust at the rear of the unit**.

## **Rack Mounting**

The ac source can be mounted in a standard 19-inch rack panel or cabinet. Rack mounting kits are available as Option 1CM or 1CP. Installation instructions are included with each rack mounting kit. **Agilent ac sources also require instrument support rails** in addition to the rack mount kit. Support rails are normally ordered with the cabinet and are not included with the rack mounting kits.

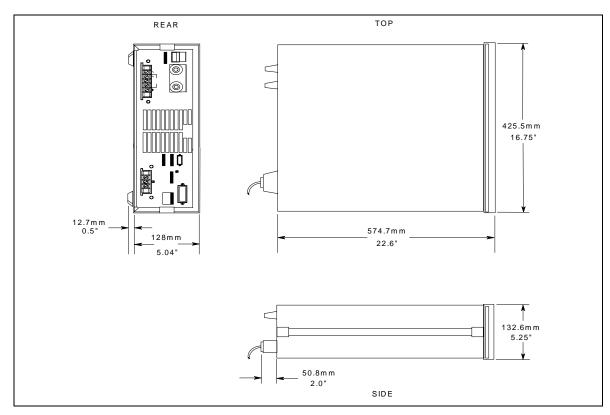


Figure 2-1. Outline Diagram

## **Input Connections**

#### Input Source and Line Fuse

You can operate your ac source from a single-phase ac power source as indicated on the rear panel Line Rating label. See "ac Input Voltage Range" in Table A-2 of Appendix A for details.

**WARNING SHOCK HAZARD** The power cord provides a chassis ground through a third conductor. Be certain that your power outlet is of the three-conductor type with the correct pin connected to earth ground.

NOTE: The ac source must be on a dedicated line with no other devices consuming current from it.

The line fuse is located inside the ac source. Refer to "In case of Trouble" in Chapter 3 for instructions on fuse replacement.

## Installing the Power Cord

The power cord supplied with the ac source may or may not include a power plug at one end of the cord. Refer to Table 1-1 for detailed information.

**For Model 6811B**, refer to Figure 2-2 and connect the power cord to the IEC 320 connector on the rear of the unit. If your unit does not have this connector, refer to the procedure for models 6812B and 6813B.

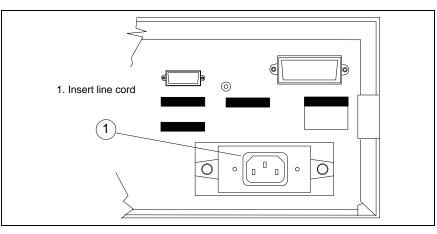


Figure 2-2. Connecting the Power Cord (6811B)

For Models 6812B and 6813B, refer to Figure 2-3 while performing the following procedure.

**WARNING:** Installation of the power cord must be done by a qualified and licensed electrician and must be in accordance with local electrical codes.

- a. If they are not already in place, position the strain relief connector (9), safety cover (5), rubber boot (8) and connector nut (7) on the power cord (6).
- b. Secure the ground wire (2) to the chassis earth ground stud.
- c. Connect the neutral wire (1) to the N power input terminal.
- d. Connect the line (3) to the L1 power input terminal.
- e. Position the safety cover over the power input terminals, tighten the cover and strain relief screws.

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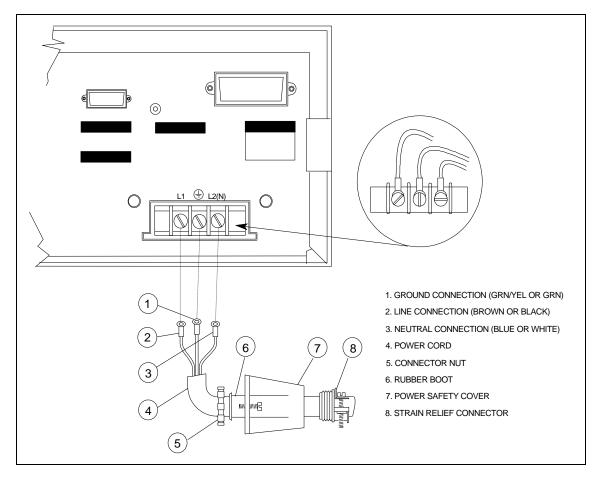


Figure 2-3. Connecting the Power Cord (6812B, 6813B, and earlier 6811B units)

## **Output Connections**

The power output terminal block has a floating output terminal connection and a floating neutral line for the return connection. A separate earth ground terminal is located on the extreme right of the terminal block.

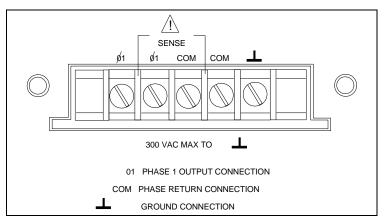


Figure 2-4. Output Connections

#### Wire Considerations

| NOTE: | To minimize the possibility of instability on the output, keep load leads as short as |
|-------|---|
|       | possible bundle or twist the leads tightly together to minimize inductance            |

#### **Current Ratings**

# **Fire Hazard** To satisfy safety requirements, load wires must be large enough not to overheat when carrying the maximum short-circuit current of the ac source. If there is more than one load, then any pair of load wires must be capable of safely carrying the full-rated current of the ac source.

Table 2-1 lists the characteristics of AWG (American Wire Gage) copper wire.

| AWG No.  | Ampacity <sup>1</sup>  | $\frac{\text{Resistance}^2}{(\Omega/m)}$ | AWG No.   | Ampacity <sup>1</sup> | Resistance <sup>2</sup><br>(Ω/m) |
|--|--|--|-----------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 14   | 25   | 0.0103                                   | 6         | 80                    | 0.0016                           |
| 12   | 30   | 0.0065                                   | 4         | 105                   | 0.0010                           |
| 10   | 40   | 0.0041                                   | 2         | 140                   | 0.00064                          |
| 8  | 60   | 0.0025                                   | 1/0       | 195                   | 0.00040                          |
|  |  | NOT                                      | TES:      |                       |                                  |
| 1 *  | 1. Ampacity is based on 30°C ambient temperature with conductor rated at 60°C. For ambient |  |           |                       |                                  |
| temperature other than 30°C, multiply the above ampacities by the following constants: |  |  |           |                       |                                  |
| Temp. (°   | C)   | Constant                                 | Temp. (°C | C) '                  | Temp. (°C)                       |
| 21-25  |  | 1.08                                     | 41-45     |                       | 0.71                             |
| 26-30  |  | 1.00                                     | 46-50     |                       | 0.58                             |
| 31-35  |  | 0.91                                     | 51-55     |                       | 0.41                             |
| 36-40  | 36-40 0.82   |  |           |                       |                                  |
| 2. Resistance is nominal at 75 °C wire temperature.                                    |  |  |           |                       |                                  |

#### Table 2-1. Ampacity and Resistance of Stranded Copper Conductors

## **Voltage Drops**

The load wires must also be large enough to avoid excessive voltage drops due to the impedance of the wires. In general, if the wires are heavy enough to carry the maximum short circuit current without overheating, excessive voltage drops will not be a problem. Refer to Table 2-1 to calculate the voltage drop for some commonly used AWG copper wire. If load regulation becomes a problem refer to the section "Remote Sense Connections".

## **Remote Sense Connections**

Under normal operation, the ac source senses the output voltage at the output terminals on the back of the unit. External sense terminals are available on the **back** of the unit that allow the output voltages to be sensed at the load, compensating for impedance losses in the load wiring. As shown in the following figure:

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- Connect the phase 1 (1) sense terminals to the side of the load that connects to the corresponding output terminal.
- Connect the Neutral (COM) sense terminal connector to the neutral side of the load.
- Twist and shield all signal wires to and from the sense connectors.

The sense leads are part of the ac source's feedback path and must be kept at a low resistance in order to maintain optimal performance. Connect the sense leads carefully so that they do not become open-circuited.

**CAUTION:** If the sense leads are left unconnected or become open during operation, the ac source will regulate at the output terminals, but with a 40% increase in output voltage over the programmed limit. The meter circuit cannot read back this increase in output voltage when the sense lead is disconnected.

Set the ALC command to EXT (external) to enable remote sensing. The ALC command is located under the Voltage key as explained in Chapter 4. Set the ALC command to INT (internal) to disable remote sensing.

**NOTE:** If you are using external relays to connect and disconnect the load and sense connections, do NOT permit the sense connections to open when remote sensing is enabled. First disable remote sensing, then open the sense and load connections.

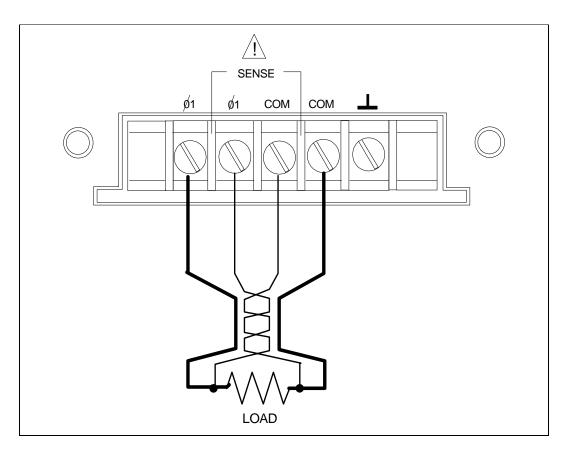


Figure 2-5. Remote Sense Connections

## **Remote Sensing and OVP Considerations**

In remote sense applications, the voltage drop in the load leads subtracts from the available load voltage (see "Remote Sensing Capability" in appendix A). As the ac source increases its output to overcome this voltage drop, the sum of the programmed voltage and the load-lead drop may exceed the ac source's maximum voltage rating. This may trip the OV protection circuit, which senses the voltage at the output terminals, not at the load. When using remote sensing, you must program the OVP trip voltage high enough to compensate for the voltage drop between the output terminals and the load.

**NOTE:** If the load causes the peak current limit circuit to become active, voltage transitions on the output may cause nuisance tripping of the OVP circuit.

## **Trigger Connections**

The BNC trigger connectors on the rear panel let you apply trigger signals to the ac source as well as generate trigger signals from the ac source. The electrical characteristics of the trigger connectors are described in appendix A. More information on programming external triggers is found in Chapter 4 of the ac source Programming Guide.

**Trigger IN** Allows negative-going external trigger signals to trigger the ac source.

**Trigger OUT** Generates a negative-going pulse when the selected transient output has occurred.

## **Digital Connections**

This connector, which is on the rear panel, is for connecting the fault and the inhibit signals. The fault (FLT) signal is also referred to as the DFI signal in the front panel and SCPI commands. The inhibit (INH) signal is also referred to as the RI signal in the front panel and SCPI commands.

The connector accepts wires sizes from AWG 22 to AWG 12. Disconnect the mating plug to make your wire connections. The electrical characteristics of the digital connectors are described in appendix A. More information on programming the digital connectors is found in Chapter 4 of the ac source Programming Guide.

**NOTE:** It is good engineering practice to twist and shield all signal wires to and from the digital connectors

The following examples show how you can connect the FLT/INH circuits of the ac source.

In example A, the INH input connects to a switch that shorts pin + to pin  $\perp$  whenever it is necessary to disable output of the unit. This activates the remote inhibit (RI) circuit, which turns off the ac output. The front panel Prot annunciator comes on and the RI bit is set in the Questionable Status Event register. To re-enable the unit, first open the connection between pins + and  $\perp$  and then clear the protection circuit. This can be done either from the front panel or over the GPIB/RS-232.

#### 2 - Installation

In example B, the FLT output of one unit is connected to the INH input of another unit. A fault condition in one of the units will disable all of them without intervention either by the controller or external circuitry. The controller can be made aware of the fault via a service request (SRQ) generated by the Questionable Status summary bit.

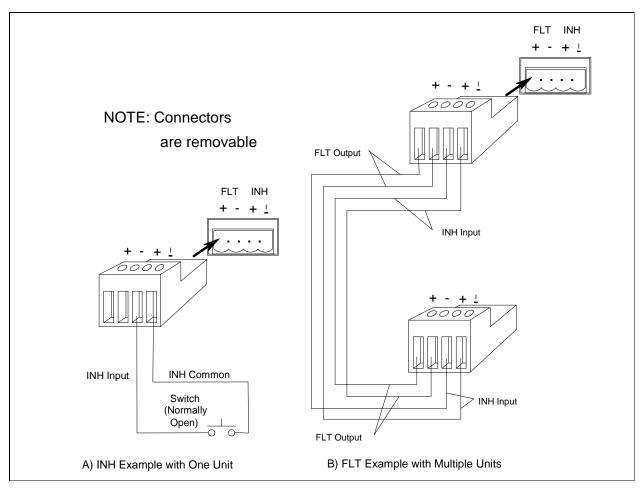


Figure 2-6. FLT/INH Examples

## **Controller Connections**

The ac source connects to a controller either through a GPIB or an RS-232 connector.

## **GPIB Connector**

Each ac source has its own GPIB bus address. AC sources may be connected to the bus in series configuration, star configuration, or a combination of the two. You may connect from 1 to 15 ac sources to a controller GPIB interface.

**NOTE:** The ac source is shipped from the factory with its GPIB address set to 5. This address can be changed as described in Chapter 4 of this guide.

## **RS-232 Interface**

The ac source provides an RS-232 programming interface, which is activated by commands located under the front panel Address key. When the RS-232 interface is selected, the GPIB interface is disabled.

| NOTE: | Sending or receiving data over the RS-232 interface when not configured for REMOTE      |
|-------|---|
|       | operation can cause unpredictable results. Always make sure the ac source is configured |
|       | for remote operation when using the RS-232 interface.                                   |

#### **Interface Commands**

All SCPI commands are available through RS-232 programming. The SYSTem:LOCal, SYSTem:REMote, and SYSTem:RWLock commands are only available through the RS-232 interface.

| SYSTem:LOCal  | Places the ac source in local mode during RS-232 operation. The front panel keys are functional.                        |
|---------------|---|
| SYSTem:REMote | Places the ac source in remote mode during RS-232 operation. All front panel keys except the LOCAL key are disabled.    |
| SYSTem:RWLock | Places the ac source in remote mode during RS-232 operation. All front panel keys including the LOCAL key are disabled. |

#### **RS-232 Data Format**

- constant 11-bit data format
- one start bit
- seven data bits plus a parity bit (even or odd parity), or eight data bits without parity (parity bit is "0")
- two stop bits

You can specify one of the following baud rates: 300 600 1200 2400 4800 9600

**NOTE:** The ac source always uses one start bit and two stop bits regardless of the baud rate. The number of start and stop bits is not programmable.

#### **RS-232 Connector**

The RS-232 connector is a DB-9, male connector. You can connect the ac source to any computer or terminal with a properly configured DB-25 connector. You can use a standard Agilent 24542G or 24542H interface cable.

#### Table 2-2. RS-232 Connector

| 1 2 3 4 5  | <b>Pin</b><br>1<br>2 | <b>Input/Output</b><br>Output<br>Input | <b>Description</b><br>Reserved for service use<br>Receive Data (RxD) |
|--|----------------------|--|--|
| 00000  | 3                    | Output                                 | Transmit Data (TxD)  |
| $ \langle 0 \rangle   0$ | 4                    | Output                                 | Data Terminal Ready (DTR)  |
|  | 5                    | Common                                 | Signal ground  |
| 6789   | 6                    | Input                                  | Data Set Ready (DSR)   |
| 0789   | 7                    |  | no connection  |
|  | 8                    |  | no connection  |
|  | 9                    | Output                                 | Reserved for service use   |

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#### Hardware Handshake

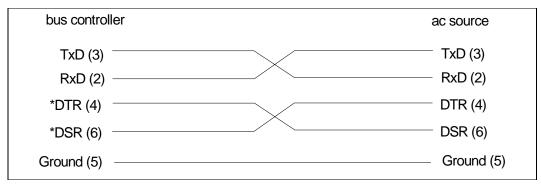
The RS-232 interface uses the DTR (data terminal ready) line as a holdoff signal to the bus controller. When DTR is true, the bus controller may send data to the ac source. When DTR goes false, the bus controller must stop sending data within 10 characters, and must not send any more data until DTR goes true again. The ac source sets DTR false under two conditions.

- 1. When the input buffer is full (approximately 100 characters have been received), it will set DTR false. When enough characters have been removed to make space in the input buffer, DTR will be set to true, unless condition 2 (see below) prevents this.
- 2. When the ac source wants to "talk", which means that it has processed a query, and has seen a <newline> message terminator, it will set DTR false. This implies that once a query has been sent to the power source, the bus controller should read the response before attempting to send more data. It also means that a <newline> must terminate the command string. After the response has been output, the ac source will set DTR true again, unless condition #1 prevents this.

The ac source monitors the DSR (data set ready) line to determine when the bus controller is ready to accept data. It checks this line before each character is sent, and the output is suspended if DSR is false. When DSR goes true, transmission will resume. The ac source will leave DTR false while output is suspended. A form of deadlock exists until the bus controller asserts DSR true to allow the ac source to complete the transmission.

Control-C is the equivalent to the GPIB device clear command. It clears the operation in progress and discards any pending output. For the control-C character to be recognized by the power source while it holds DTR false, the bus controller must first set DSR false.

Null modem RS-232 interface cables swap the DTR and DSR lines as shown in the following figure. For other bus controllers or languages, you must determine what form of hardware handshake is used. You may have to build a customized cable to connect the holdoff lines as necessary. If your bus controller does not use hardware handshaking, tie the DSR input to the ac source to a signal that is always true. This implies that your bus controller must always be ready to accept data. You may want to set the baud rate to either 2400 or 4800 baud to ensure that this is true.



#### Figure 2-7. Null Modem Interface Lines

#### **Response Data Terminator**

All RS-232 response data sent by the ac source is terminated by the ASCII character pair <carriage return><newline>. This differs from GPIB response data which is terminated by the single character <newline>.

## **Turn-On Checkout**

## Introduction

Successful tests in this chapter provide a high degree of confidence that the ac source is operating properly. For verification tests, see appendix B. Complete performance tests are given in the Service Guide.

## **Preliminary Checkout**

## WARNING: *LETHAL VOLTAGES.* Ac sources can supply 425 V peak at their output. DEATH on contact may result if the output terminals or circuits connected to the output are touched when power is applied.

- 1. If you have not already done so, connect the power cord to the ac source and plug it in.
- 2. Turn the front panel power switch to ON (1).
- 3. The ac source undergoes a self-test when you turn it on. The following items appear on the display:

**a.** A brief pattern that lights all display segments, followed by the model number and the software revision number.

**b.** The display then goes into the meter mode with the **Dis** annunciator on, and all others off. "Meter mode" means that the VOLTS digits indicate the output voltage and the FREQ digits indicate the output frequency. The voltage will be at or near zero and the frequency will be at 60 Hertz.

**Note:** If the ac source detects an error during self-test, the **Err** anunciator on the display will be lit. Pressing the **Shift** and **Error** keys will show the error number. Go to "In Case of Trouble" at the end of this chapter.

- 4. Check that the ac source fan is on. You should be able to hear the fan and feel the air coming from the unit.
- 5. Press **Output on/off** once. The Dis annunciator will go off and the CV annunciator will go on.
- 6. Turn the unit off.

**NOTE:** This chapter provides a preliminary introduction to the ac source front panel. See Chapter 4 for more details.

## Using the Keypad

| (shift)      | Some of the front panel keys perform two functions, one labeled in black and the other in blue. You access the blue function by first pressing the blue shift key. Release the key after you press it. The <b>Shift</b> annunciator will be on, indicating that you have access to any key's shifted function.  |
|--------------|---|
| ▲ and ▼      | These keys let you scroll up and down through the choices in the presently selected function menu. All menu lists are circular; you can return to the starting position by continuously pressing either key.  |
| ▲ and ▲      | These keys let you select the previous or the next parameter for a specific command. If the command has a numeric range, these keys increment or decrement the existing value.  |
| <del>(</del> | The backspace key is an erase key. If you make a mistake entering a digit and have not yet pressed <b>Enter</b> , you can delete the digit by pressing <b>←</b> . Delete more digits by repeatedly pressing this key.   |
| Enter        | Executes the entered value or parameter of the presently accessed command.<br>Until you press this key, the parameters you enter with the other keys are<br>displayed but not entered into the ac source. After pressing <b>Enter</b> , the ac<br>source returns to Meter mode in most cases. In Harmonic or List mode, the ac<br>source displays the next point in the list. |

## **Checkout Procedure**

## **WARNING:** *LETHAL VOLTAGES.* Ac sources can supply 425 V peak at their output. DEATH on contact may result if the output terminals or circuits connected to the output are touched when power is applied.

The output test requires that you connect light bulbs to the output of the unit and apply a potentially hazardous voltage of 120 Vac. Properly shield all connections and wires.

The test in this section checks for output voltage and current on the ac source by having you connect light bulbs to the output of the unit. The following equipment is recommended for performing this output checkout procedure:

- ♦ 1 100 W light bulb
- 1 light bulb socket
- wires for connecting socket to the unit
- **NOTE:** When the ac source is turned on as shipped from the factory, it asserts the \*RST state. You can subsequently program the unit to turn on according to the state stored in \*RCL location 0, as explained in Chapter 4. The following procedures assume that the unit turns on in the \*RST state.

Make sure that the unit is turned off, and make the following connections to the output.

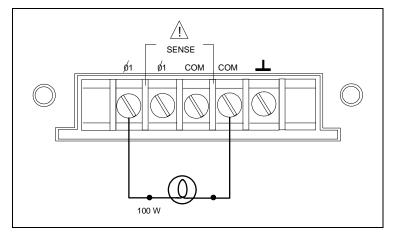


Figure 3-1.Verification Connections

|    | Procedure   | Display       | Explanation   |
|----|---|---------------|---|
| 1. | Turn the unit on.   | Meter mode    | Meter mode is active and the <b>Dis</b> annunciator should be on.   |
| 2. | Press the Voltage key.  | VOLT 0.00     | Display indicates the default settings.   |
| 3. | Press <b>1, 2, 0, Enter</b>   | VOLT 120      | Programs the output voltage to 120 Vrms. After<br>the value is entered, the display returns to Meter<br>mode, which indicates that no voltage is applied to<br>the output.                      |
| 4. | Press Output On/Off   | 120 V 60 Hz   | Turns the output on and applies 120 volts to the light bulb. The <b>Dis</b> annunciator should be off and <b>CV</b> should be on.   |
| 5. | Press <b>Protect</b> , scroll to<br>VOLT:PROT ON/OFF.<br>Press ↓ to select ON.<br>Then press <b>Enter</b> .           | VOLT:PROT ON  | You have enabled the overvoltage protection circuit.  |
| 6. | Press <b>Protect</b> , scroll to the VOLT:PROT item.  | VOLT:PROT 500 | Display shows the overvoltage protection trip<br>voltage for your unit. The overvoltage protection<br>voltage is programmed in <b>peak</b> , not rms volts.                                     |
| 7. | Press 1, 6, 0, Enter  | VOLT:PROT 160 | Programs the OVP to 160 Vpeak, the rms value of which is less than the previously set rms voltage.  |
|    |   | 0 V 60 Hz     | Because the peak OVP voltage entered was less<br>than the rms output voltage, the OVP circuit<br>tripped. The output dropped to zero, <b>CV</b> turned<br>off, and <b>Prot</b> turned on.       |
| 8. | Press <b>Protect</b> , scroll<br>to the VOLT:PROT<br>item, and press <b>3</b> , <b>2</b> , <b>0</b> ,<br><b>Enter</b> | VOLT:PROT 320 | Programs the OVP to a peak value that is greater<br>than the rms output voltage value.<br><b>Note:</b> You cannot clear an OVP trip until you<br>have first removed the cause of the condition. |
| 9. | Press <b>Protect</b> , and <b>Enter</b>   | 120 V 60 Hz   | Executes the PROT:CLEAR command, restoring the output. <b>Prot</b> turns off and <b>CV</b> turns on.  |

|     | Procedure   | Display       | Explanation   |
|-----|---|---------------|---|
| 10. | Press Shift, and Current  | CURR:LEV 5    | Indicates the default output current limit setting.   |
| 11. | Press . 5 Enter   | CURR:LEV .5   | Sets the current limit to .5 amperes. The <b>CC</b> annunciator is on, indicating that the unit is in current limit mode and the light bulbs are dimmer because the output voltage has dropped in its attempt to limit output current.              |
| 12. | Press <b>Protect</b> , scroll to CURR:PROT ON/OFF.<br>Press <b>↓</b> to select OFF, then press <b>Enter</b> .       | CURR:PROT ON  | You have enabled the overcurrent protection<br>circuit. The circuit then tripped because of the<br>output short. The <b>CC</b> annunciator turns off and<br>the <b>OCP</b> and <b>Prot</b> annuciators come on. The<br>output current is near zero. |
| 13. | Press Output On/Off   | 0.5 V 60 Hz   | The output is off and the <b>Dis</b> annunciator turns on.  |
| 14. | Press <b>Protect</b> , scroll to<br>CURR:PROT ON/OFF.<br>Press <b>↓</b> to select OFF,<br>then press <b>Enter</b> . | CURR:PROT OFF | You have disabled the overcurrent protection circuit. The <b>Prot</b> annunciator turns off.  |
| 15. | Turn the unit off.  |               | The next time the unit turns on it will be restored<br>to the *RST or factory default state   |

## In Case of Trouble

### **Error Messages**

Ac source failure may occur during power-on selftest or during operation. In either case, the display may show an error message that indicates the reason for the failure.

#### **Selftest Errors**

Pressing the **Shift** and **Error** keys will show the error number. Selftest error messages appear as: ERROR <n>, where "n" is a number listed in the following table. If this occurs, turn the power off and then back on to see if the error persists. If the error message persists, the ac source requires service.

| Error No.      | Failed Test                                       |  |
|----------------|---|--|
| Error 0        | No error  |  |
| Error 1        | Non-volatile RAM RD0 section checksum failed      |  |
| Error 2        | Non-volatile RAM CONFIG section checksum failed   |  |
| Error 3        | Non-volatile RAM CAL section checksum failed      |  |
| Error 4        | Non-volatile RAM WAVEFORM section checksum failed |  |
| Error 5        | Non-volatile RAM STATE section checksum failed    |  |
| Error 6        | Non-volatile RAM LIST section checksum failed     |  |
| Error 10       | RAM selftest                                      |  |
| Error 11 to 18 | DAC selftest 1 to 8                               |  |

Table 3-1. Power-On Selftest Errors

#### **Runtime Error Messages**

## Line Fuse

If the ac source appears "dead" with a blank display and the fan not running, first check your power source to be certain line voltage is being supplied to the ac source. If the power source is normal, the ac source line fuse may be defective. If the ac source has a defective fuse, replace it only once. If it fails again, investigate the reason for the failure. Proceed as follows:

# **WARNING:** Hazardous voltages can remain active inside the ac source even after it has been turned off. Fuse replacement should be done only by a qualified electronics technician.

The line fuse is located inside the ac source. To change it, refer to Figure 3-2 and proceed as follows:

- 1. Turn off the front panel power switch and unplug the line cord from the ac source.
- 2. Remove the ac cover as follows:

a. Remove the four screws securing the carrying straps and dustcover (use a T25 Torx drive).b. Spread the bottom rear of the cover and pull it back to remove it.

- 3. Observe the two LEDs on each side of the unit. If either LED is ON, there is still hazardous voltages present inside the ac source. Wait until the LEDs are out before proceeding (it may take several minutes for the LEDs to go out.)
- 4. Replace the fuse with one of the same type. Do not use a slow-blow type fuse
- 5. Replace the cover.
- 6. Connect the line cord to the ac source.
- 7. Turn on power and verify operation.

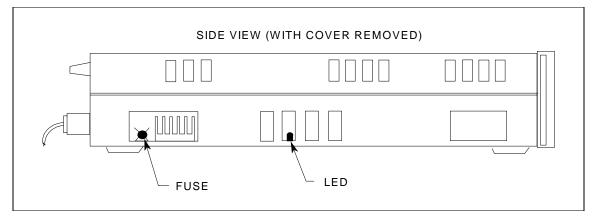


Figure 3-2. AC Source Fuse Location

### Introduction

Here is what you will find in this chapter:

- a complete description of the front panel controls
- front panel programming examples that describe:
  - how to program the output voltage and frequency how to measure the output how to program the output pulses and lists
    - how to trigger output changes

### **Front Panel Description**

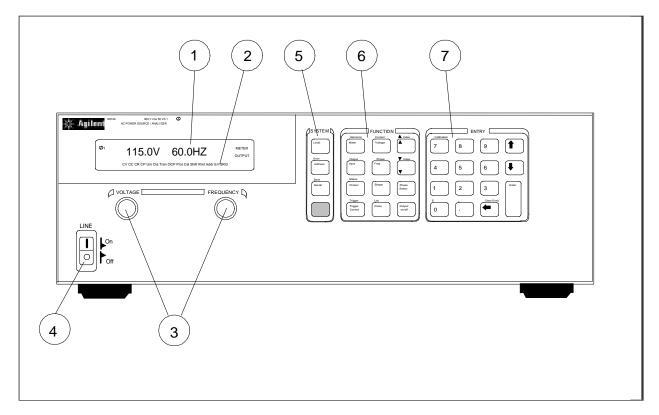


Figure 4-1. Front Panel, Overall View

| ① Display                | 14-character vacuum fluorescent display for showing programmed commands and measured values.  |  |  |
|--------------------------|---|--|--|
| ② Annunciators           | <ul> <li>Annunciators light to indicate operating modes and status conditions:</li> <li>Ø1 Phase 1 is being controlled or metered.</li> <li>CV The ac source output is in constant-voltage mode.</li> <li>CC The ac source output is in constant-current mode.</li> <li>Unr The ac source output is in an unregulated state.</li> <li>Dis The ac source output is disabled (off).</li> <li>Tran The ac source output is initialized to output a transient.</li> <li>OCP The overcurrent protection state is enabled.</li> <li>Prot One of the ac source's output protection features is activated.</li> <li>Cal The ac source is in calibration mode.</li> <li>Shift The Shift key is pressed to access an alternate key function.</li> <li>Rmt The selected interface (GPIB or RS-232) is in a remote state.</li> <li>Addr The interface is addressed to talk or to listen.</li> <li>Err There is a message in the SCPI error queue.</li> <li>SRQ The interface is requesting service from the controller.</li> <li>Meter Front panel measurement functions are: ac only, dc only, or ac+dc AC+DC</li> <li>Output The ac source output coupling is: ac only, or ac+dc AC+DC</li> </ul> |  |  |
| ③ Voltage/<br>Frequency  | The rotary pulse generators let you set the output voltage and frequency when the ac source is in local mode. Their response is rate sensitive.<br>Turning a control rapidly provides coarse control of the value.<br>Turning a control slowly provides fine control of the value.  |  |  |
| <b>⑤</b> Line            | This turns the ac source on or off.   |  |  |
| <sup>©</sup> System Keys | The system keys let you:<br>Return to Local mode (front panel control)<br>Set the ac source GPIB address<br>Set the RS-232 interface communication baud rate and parity bit<br>Display SCPI error codes and clear the error queue<br>Save and recall up to 4 instrument operating configurations  |  |  |
| ⑦ Function Keys          | <ul> <li>Function access command menus that let you:</li> <li>Program output voltage, current limit, frequency, and output waveforms</li> <li>Turn the ouput on and off</li> <li>Select metering functions</li> <li>Send immediate triggers from the front panel</li> <li>Program transient output functions</li> <li>Set and clear protection functions</li> <li>Select output phases</li> <li>Select the coupling for output and meter functions</li> <li>Monitor instrument status</li> </ul>  |  |  |
| ⑧ Entry Keys             | Entry keys let you:<br>Enter programming values<br>Increment or decrement programming values<br>Calibrate the ac source   |  |  |

### System Keys

System Local Error Address Save Recall

Refer to the examples later in this chapter for more details on the use of these keys.

Figure 4-2. System Keys

|             | Pressing this key acce   | beled key, which is also shown as <sup>Shift</sup> in this guide.<br>esses the alternate or shifted function of a key (such as<br>e key after you press it. The <b>Shift</b> annunciator is lit,<br>fted keys are active.      |
|-------------|--|--|
| Local       | Press to change the ac source's selected interface from remote operation to local (front panel) operation. Pressing the key will have no effect if the interface state is already Local, Local-with-Lockout, or Remote-with-Lockout. |  |
| Address     | Press to access the system address menu. This menu lets you configure the ac source's interface. Address Menu entries are stored in non-volatile memory.   |  |
|             | Display<br>ADDRESS <value><br/>INTF <char><br/>BAUDRATE<value><br/>PARITY <char><br/>LANG <char></char></char></value></char></value>  | Command Function<br>Sets the GPIB Address<br>Selects an interface (GPIB or RS232)<br>Selects baud rate (300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600)<br>Message parity (NONE, EVEN, ODD, MARK, SPACE)<br>Selects language (SCPI or E9012) |
|             | value = a numeric value<br>char = a character string parameter<br>Use $\land$ and $\lor$ to scroll through the command list.<br>Use $\land$ and $\lor$ to scroll through the parameter list.   |  |
| Recall      | Press to place the ac source into a previously stored state. You can recall up to 16 (0 through 15) previously stored states.  |  |
| Shift Error |  | ystem error codes stored in the SCPI error queue. This queue. If there is no error in the queue, 0 is displayed.   |
| Shift Save  |  | ing ac source state in non-volatile memory. The parameters<br>*SAV in the ac source Programming Guide. You can   |

save up to 16 states (0 through 15).

### **Function Keys**

Refer to the examples later in this chapter for more details on the use of these keys.

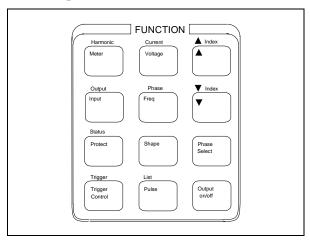


Figure 4-3. Function Keys

### **Immediate Action Keys**

Immediate action keys **immediately** execute their corresponding function when pressed. Other function keys have commands underneath them that are accessed when the key is pressed.

| Output |  |
|--------|--|
| On/Off |  |

This key toggles the output of the ac source between the on and off states. It immediately executes its function as soon as you press it. When off, the ac source output is disabled and the **Dis** annunciator is on.

| Phase<br>Select |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| Shift           | Trigger |

This key only applies to three-phase ac sources

Sends an immediate trigger to the ac source

### **Scrolling Keys**

Scrolling keys let you move through the commands in the presently selected function menu.

|  |  | ▼ |  |
|--|--|---|--|
|--|--|---|--|

These scroll keys let you move through the choices in a command list. Press  $\checkmark$  to bring up the next command in the list. Press  $\blacktriangle$  to go back to the previous command in the list. Function menus are circular; you can return to the starting position by continuously pressing either key. The following example shows the commands in the Input function menu:



These shifted scroll keys apply only to the Harmonic and List functions. Press these keys to step through integers 0 through 50 when specifying the desired harmonic number, or 0 through 99 when specifying the desired list point. Hold down these keys to rapidly access any harmonic or list point.

These Entry keys let you scroll through choices in a **parameter** list that apply to a specific command. Parameter lists are circular; you can return to the starting position by continuously pressing either key. If the command has a numeric range, these keys increment or decrement the existing value.

### **Meter Display Keys**

Metering keys control the metering functions of the ac source.

Meter

Press this key to access the meter menu list.

| Display                                    | Measurement                              |
|--|--|
| <reading>V <reading>Hz</reading></reading> | rms voltage and frequency (the default)  |
| <reading>V <reading>A</reading></reading>  | rms voltage and rms current              |
| <reading>A <reading>Hz</reading></reading> | rms current and frequency (the default)  |
| <reading>V <reading>W</reading></reading>  | rms voltage and power                    |
| <reading> CREST F</reading>                | current crest factor                     |
| <reading>A PK REP</reading>                | peak current, repetitive                 |
| <reading>A PK NR</reading>                 | peak current, nonrepetitive <sup>1</sup> |
| <reading> VA</reading>                     | apparent power                           |
| <reading> VAR</reading>                    | reactive power                           |
| <reading> PFACTOR</reading>                | power factor                             |

Input

Press this key to specify the following metering functions.

| Display                  | Command Function   |
|--------------------------|--|
| INP:COUP <char></char>   | Choose meter coupling (AC, DC or ACDC)                   |
| CURR:RANGE <char></char> | Current measurement range (HIGH or LOW)                  |
|                          | HIGH = for measuring rms currents $> 5.7$ A              |
|                          | LOW = for measuring rms currents < 5.7 A                 |
| WINDOW <char></char>     | Select harmonic measurement window meter (KBESSEL, RECT) |

Shift Harmonic

Press this key to access the harmonic menu list

| Dis | play |
|-----|------|
|-----|------|

#### Measurement

| nonic magnitude        |
|------------------------|
| nonic phase            |
| nonic magnitude        |
| nonic phase            |
| ent harmonic magnitude |
| ent harmonic phase     |
|                        |
| % harmonic distortion  |
|                        |

#### Notes:

<sup>1</sup>Displays the highest peak current since it was last cleared. The value is cleared when you scroll into this selection or press Enter or Clear Entry reading = the returned measurement

index = a numeric value that represents the harmonic number from 0 to 50

char = a character string parameter

 $\blacktriangle$  and  $\bigtriangledown$  scroll through the command list.

and scroll through the parameter list.

▲Index and ▼Index specify the desired harmonic.

### **Output Control Keys**

Output control keys control the output functions of the ac source.

| Voltage       | Press this key to access the           | he voltage menu list.  |
|---------------|--|--|
|               | Display                                | Command Function   |
|               | VOLT <value></value>                   | Set immediate rms output voltage                                       |
|               | VOLT:T <value></value>                 | Set triggered rms output voltage                                       |
|               | VOLT:M <char></char>                   | Select the voltage mode (FIXED, STEP, PULSE or LIST)                   |
|               | OFFSET <value></value>                 | Set immediate dc offset voltage  |
|               | OFFSET:T <value></value>               | Set triggered dc offset voltage  |
|               | OFFSET:M <char></char>                 | Select the dc offset voltage mode (FIXED, STEP, PULSE or LIST)         |
|               | SLEW <value></value>                   | Set immediate voltage slew rate in volts/second                        |
|               | SLEW:T <value></value>                 | Set triggered voltage slew rate in volts/second                        |
|               | SLEW:M <char></char>                   | Select the voltage slew mode (FIXED, STEP, PULSE or LIST)              |
|               | OFF:SLW <value></value>                | Set immediate dc offset voltage slew in volts/second                   |
|               | OFF:SLW:T <value></value>              | Set triggered dc offset voltage slew in volts/second                   |
|               | OFF:SLW:M <char></char>                | Select the dc offset voltage slew mode (FIXED, STEP, PULSE or LIST)    |
|               | ALC <char></char>                      | Select the voltage sense source (INT or EXT)                           |
|               | ALC:DET <char></char>                  | Select the voltage sense detector (RTIME or RMS)                       |
| Shift Current | Press this key to access the           | he current menu list.  |
|               | Display                                | Command Function   |
|               | CURR:LEV <value></value>               | Set immediate rms output current limit                                 |
|               | CURR:PEAK <value></value>              | Set immediate peak output current limit                                |
|               | CURR:PEAK:T <value></value>            | Set triggered peak output current limit                                |
|               | CURR:PEAK:M <value></value>            | Select the peak output current limit mode (FIXED, STEP, PULSE or LIST) |
| Freq          | Press this key to access the           | he frequency menu list.  |
|               | <b>Display</b><br>FREO <value></value> | <b>Command Function</b><br>Set immediate output frequency              |

| Display                | Command Function                                      |
|------------------------|---|
| FREQ <value></value>   | Set immediate output frequency                        |
| FREQ:T <value></value> | Set triggered output frequency                        |
| FREQ:M <char></char>   | Select the frequency mode (FIXED, STEP, PULSE or      |
|                        | LIST)   |
| SLEW <value></value>   | Set immediate frequency slew rate in volts/second     |
| SLEW:T <value></value> | Set triggered frequency slew rate in volts/second     |
| SLEW:M <char></char>   | Select the frequency slew mode (FIXED, STEP, PULSE or |
|                        | LIST)   |
| Nataa                  |   |

#### Notes:

value = a numeric value

<u>char</u> = a ch<u>aracter</u> string parameter

and ▼ and ▼ scroll through the command list. scroll through the parameter list. ▲ **↑** 

| Shift Phase  | Press this key to access t                    | he phase menu list.  |
|--------------|---|--|
|              | Display                                       | Command Function   |
|              | PHASE <value></value>                         | Set immediate output phase   |
|              | PHASE:T <value></value>                       | Set triggered output phase   |
|              | PHASE:M <char></char>                         | Select the phase mode (FIXED, STEP, PULSE or LIST)                                       |
|              |   |  |
| Shape        | Press this key to access t                    | he shape menu list.  |
|              | Display                                       | Command Function   |
|              | SHAPE <char></char>                           | Select the immediate output wave shape (SINE,  |
|              |   | SQUARE, or CSINE) CSIN = clipped sine wave   |
|              | SHAPE:T <char></char>                         | Select the triggered output wave shape (SINE, SQUARE, or CSINE) CSIN = clipped sine wave |
|              | SHAPE:M <char></char>                         | Select the shape mode (FIXED, STEP, PULSE or LIST)                                       |
|              | CLIP <value></value>                          | Set the clipping level of the CSIN wave shape. This                                      |
|              |   | specifies the point where clipping starts as a percentage of                             |
|              |   | the peak amplitude or percentage of THD.   |
|              |   |  |
| Pulse        | Press this key to access the pulse menu list. |  |
|              | Display                                       | Command Function   |
|              | WIDTH <value></value>                         | Set the pulse width  |
|              | COUNT <value></value>                         | Set the number of output pulses  |
|              | DCYCLE <value></value>                        | Set the pulse duty cycle as a percentage of the pulse period                             |
|              | PER <value></value>                           | Set the pulse period   |
|              | HOLD <char></char>                            | Set the parameter that will be held constant as the other                                |
|              |   | parameters change (WIDTH or DCYCLE)  |
| Shift Output | Press this key to access t                    | he output menu list.   |
|              | Display                                       | Command Function   |
|              | OUTP:COUP <char></char>                       | Select output coupling (AC or DC)  |
|              | *RST  | Execute *RST command to place the ac source in the                                       |
|              |   | factory-default state  |
|              | TTLT:SOUR <char></char>                       | Select Trigger Out source coupling (BOT, EOT or LIST)                                    |
|              |   | BOT = beginning of trensient   |
|              |   | EOT = end of transient<br>LIST = TTLT trigger (see Programming Guide)                    |
|              | TTLT:STATE <value></value>                    | Set Trigger Out state (ON or OFF)  |
|              | IMP:STATE <value></value>                     | Set output impedance programming (ON or OFF)   |
|              | IMP:REAL <value></value>                      | Set real part of output impedance  |
|              | IMP:REAC <value></value>                      | Set reactive part of output impedance  |
|              | PON:STATE <char></char>                       | Select power-on state command (RST or RCL0)  |
|              | RI <char></char>                              | Sets remote inhibit mode (LATCHING, LIVE, or OFF)  |
|              | DFI <char></char>                             | Sets discrete fault indicator state (ON or OFF)  |
|              | DFI:SOUR <char></char>                        | Select the DFI source (QUES, OPER, ESB, RQS, or OFF)                                     |
|              |   | (see Chapter 4 of Programming Guide)   |
|              | Notes:  |  |
|              | value = a numeric value                       |  |
|              | char = a character string par                 |  |
|              | ▲ and ▼ scroll three                          | bugh the command list.   |
|              |   | ough the parameter list.   |

### **Protection and Status Control Keys**

The Protect and Status keys control the protection functions and status registers of the ac source. Refer to Chapter 4 of the Programming guide for more information on the status registers.

Protect

Press this key to access the protection menu list.

| Display                   | Command Function  |
|---------------------------|---|
| PROT:CLEAR                | Clear the status registers of all activated protection signals. |
|                           | The fault causing a signal must be corrected or removed         |
|                           | before the register can be cleared.                             |
| CURR:PROT <char></char>   | Set overcurrent protection function (ON or OFF).                |
| VOLT:PROT <value></value> | Set the overvoltage protection level <sup>1</sup>               |
| DELAY <value></value>     | Set the time delay for activating a protection fault after      |
|                           | programming the output  |

Shift Status

Press this key to access the status menu list. Note that in the following list, commands ending in ? clear the registers when they are read. For this reason the registers are read only after you press Enter , not when you scroll to the command

| Display                    | Command Function                         |
|----------------------------|--|
| *CLS                       | Executes the clear status (*CLS) command |
| STATUS:PRESET              | Execute the STATus:PRESet command        |
| *ESR? <value></value>      | Return Event Status register value       |
| *STB <value></value>       | Return Status Byte register value        |
| OPER:EVEN? <value></value> | Return STAT: OPER: EVENT? value          |
| OPER:COND <value></value>  | Return STAT: OPER: COND? value           |
| QUES:EVEN? <value></value> | Return STAT:QUES:EVENT? value            |
| QUES:COND <value></value>  | Return STAT:QUES:COND? value             |

#### Notes:

<sup>1</sup>Programmed in peak volts. (Other voltage parameters are programmed in rms volts) value = a numeric value

char = a character string parameter

and **v** scroll through the command list. **1** 

and scroll through the parameter list.

### **Trigger and List Control Keys**

The Trigger Control key controls output transient triggers. The List key controls the generation of output lists. A list can contain up to 100 points, each of which can specify an output change (or transient). Refer to Chapter 4 of the Programming Guide for more information about programming triggers and lists.

| Trigger<br>Control | Press this key to access the trigger control menu list. |  |  |
|--------------------|---|--|--|
|                    | Display   | Command Function                                     |  |
|                    | INIT:IMMED  | Initiate the transient trigger sequence immediately. |  |
|                    | INIT:CONT <char></char>                                 | Set continuous trigger initiation (ON or OFF).       |  |
|                    | TRIG:SOUR <char></char>                                 | Select transient trigger source (BUS, EXT, TTLT or   |  |
|                    |   | IMM).  |  |
|                    | DELAY <value></value>                                   | Set trigger delay in seconds.                        |  |
|                    | ABORT   | Abort all trigger sequences.                         |  |
|                    | SYNC:SOUR <char></char>                                 | Select trigger sync source (PHASE or IMM).           |  |
|                    | SYNC:PHASE <value></value>                              | Set synchronous phase reference angle in degrees.    |  |
| Shift List         | Press this key to access the                            | he list commands                                     |  |
|                    | Display   | Command Function                                     |  |
|                    | COUNT <value></value>                                   | Specifies the number of times a list repeats.        |  |
|                    | DWEL: <index> <value></value></index>                   | List of output dwell times.                          |  |
|                    | FREQ: <index> <value></value></index>                   | List of output frequencies.                          |  |
|                    | FSLW: <index> <value></value></index>                   | List of output frequency slew rates                  |  |
|                    | IPK: <index> <value></value></index>                    | List of output peak current limits.                  |  |
|                    | OFFS: <index> <value></value></index>                   | List of dc output voltages.                          |  |

Notes:

<sup>1</sup>User-defined waveshapes will also appear in this list when created.

value = a numeric value

OSLW:<index> <value> PHASE:<index> <value>

SHAP:<index> <char>

TTLT:<index> <value>

VOLT:<index> <value>

VSLW:<index> <value>

STEP<char>

char = a character string parameter

index = a numeric value that represents a list point from 0 to 99

and 🔻 scroll through the command list. 

and 耳 scroll through the parameter list.

▲Index and ▼Index scroll through the desired list points. EOL is displayed when the end of the list is reached. When a value is edited, pressing Enter automatically advances to the next list point. Pressing Clear Entry truncates or clears the list at the presently displayed list point.

Dc offset voltage slew rate list

List of output voltage phase angles.

(SINE, SQUARE or CSIN) CSIN = clipped sine wave

Response of list to triggers (ONCE or AUTO).

List of Trigger Out pulses (0=no pulse; 1=pulse).

List of output waveform shapes.<sup>1</sup>

List of output voltage slew rates.

List of ac output voltages.

### Entry Keys

ENTRY Calibration 1 9 7 8 Ļ 5 6 4 Enter 2 3 1 Clear Entry 0 .

Refer to the examples later in this chapter for more details on the use of these keys.

Figure 4-4. Entry Keys

| <ul> <li>♠</li> <li>●</li> <li>&gt;</li></ul> | These keys let you scroll through choices in a <b>parameter</b> list that apply to a specific command. Parameter lists are circular; you can return to the starting position by continuously pressing either key. If the command has a numeric range, these keys increment or decrement the existing value.          • </td |
|--|---|
| ·  | point. For example, to enter 55.0 press. <b>55.0 Ente</b> r.  |
| <b></b>  | The backspace key deletes the last digit entered from the keypad. This key lets you correct one or more wrong digits before they are entered.   |
| Enter  | This key executes the entered value or parameter of the presently accessed command. Until you press this key, the parameters you enter with the other Entry keys are displayed but not entered into the ac source. Before pressing<br>Enter you can change or abort anything previously entered into the display. After Enter is pressed, the ac source returns to Meter mode in most cases. In Harmonic or List mode, the ac sourse displays the next point in the list.   |
| Shift E  | This key specifies an exponential power of 10. For example, the the value for $100\mu s$ can be entered as either <b>. 0 0 0 1</b> , or as <b>1 E</b> – <b>4</b>  |
| Shift –  | This key – is the minus sign.   |
| Shift<br>Clear Entry   | This key aborts a keypad entry by clearing the value. This key is convenient for correcting a wrong value or aborting a value entry. The display then returns to the previously set function. When editing a list, pressing Clear Entry truncates or clears the list at the presently displayed list point.   |
| Shift<br>Calibration   | This key accesses the calibration menu (Refer to Appendix B to calibrate your ac source).   |
|  |   |

### **Examples of Front Panel Programming**

You will find these examples on the following pages:

- 1 Setting the output voltage amplitude
- 2 Setting the output frequency
- 3 Setting the dc offset
- 4 Setting a protection feature
- 5 Clearing a protection feature
- 6 Generating step, pulse, and list transients
- 7 Programming trigger delays and phase synchronization
- 8 Programming slew rates
- 9 Measuring peak inrush current
- 10 Setting the GPIB address or RS-232 parameters
- 11 Saving and recalling operating states

The examples in the ac source Programming Guide are similar to the ones in this section, except that they use SCPI commands.

### 1 - Setting the Output Voltage Amplitude

**NOTE:** The maximum voltage that the ac source can output is limited by the peak value of the waveform, which is 425  $V_{peak}$ . Since the output is programmed in units of rms volts, the maximum value that can be programmed is dependent on the peak-to-rms ratio of the selected waveform. For a sinewave, the maximum ac voltage that can be programmed is 300  $V_{rms}$ . For other waveforms the maximum may be different.

When you turn on the ac source, the default output shape is a 60 Hz sinewave at 0 Vrms. There is no output from the ac source because the default output state is OFF, as indicated by the **Dis** annunciator. **Set the output to 120 V rms as follows:** 

|     | Action  | Disp  | olay  |
|-----|---|-------|-------|
| You | a can set the voltage in any of three ways:   |       |       |
| 1.  | On the Function keypad, press <b>Voltage</b> . On the Entry keypad, press <b>1 2 0 Enter</b> . This is the easiest way to enter an accurate value.  | VOLT  | 120   |
| 2.  | On the Function keypad, press <b>Voltage</b> . On the Entry keypad, press $\blacklozenge$ or $\clubsuit$ to increment or decrement the existing value. This technique is useful when you are making minor changes to an existing value. | VOLT  | 127   |
| 3   | Rotate the front panel <b>Voltage</b> knob to obtain 120 V. This method is best when you want to enter a value without using the voltage menu.  | 120 V | 60 Hz |
|     | <b>Note:</b> You will not see the new voltage on the front panel meter unless the output is enabled.  |       |       |
| То  | To enable the output:   |       |       |
| 4.  | On the Function keypad, press <b>Output On/Off</b> . The <b>Dis</b> annunciator will go off, indicating that the voltage is now applied to the output terminals.  | 120 V | 60 Hz |

### 2 - Setting the Output Frequency

When you turn on the ac source, the default output frequency is a 60 Hz. Assuming the voltage output from example 1 is in effect (120 Vrms sinewave), change the frequency to 50 Hz as follows:

|     | Action  | Display     |
|-----|---|-------------|
| You | a can set the frequency in the same way that you set the voltage:   |             |
| 1.  | On the Function keypad, press <b>Freq</b> . On the Entry keypad, press <b>5 0 Enter</b> .   | FREQ 50     |
| 2.  | On the Function keypad, press <b>Freq</b> . On the Entry keypad, press $\clubsuit$ or $\clubsuit$ to increment or decrement the existing value.   | FREQ 50     |
| 3.  | Rotate the front panel <b>Frequency</b> knob to obtain 50 Hz.   | FREQ 50     |
| То  | verify the output, use the meter menu:  |             |
| 4.  | The Meter menu is presently displaying the measured voltage and frequency of the selected output phase. Press $\blacktriangle$ and $\checkmark$ to scroll through all of the measurement functions in the Meter Menu. | 120 V 50 Hz |

### 3 - Setting the DC Offset

**NOTE:** Because the maximum voltage that the ac source can output is limited to 425  $V_{peak}$ , you cannot program a dc offset that will cause a previously programmed ac voltage to exceed the 425  $V_{peak}$  limit (ac<sub>peak</sub> + offset  $\leq$  425 V).

The dc output capability of the ac source lets you independently control the dc and ac components of the output voltage. **Program a dc offset of 100 V as follows:** 

|     | Action   | Display                    |
|-----|--|----------------------------|
| 1.  | On the Function keypad, press <b>Voltage</b> and then press $\checkmark$ until you access the OFFSET command.  | OFFSET 0                   |
| 2.  | On the Entry keypad, press <b>100 Enter</b> .  | OFFSET 100                 |
| 3.  | On the Function keypad, press <b>Shift Output</b> to access the output coupling command.   | OUTP:COUP AC               |
|     | <b>Note:</b> When the output coupling is set to ac, the ac source regulates the dc output voltage to 0, regardless of any programmed voltage offset.   |                            |
| 4.  | Press $\blacksquare$ and <b>Enter</b> to change the output coupling to DC.   | OUTP:COUP DC               |
| 5.  | The ac source output now combines the previously programmed ac rms voltage and the dc offset voltage. This is indicated by the <b>OUTPUT AC+DC</b> annunciator. The front panel meter is measuring a 120 Vrms sinewave offset by 100 Vdc. This is indicated by the <b>METER AC+DC</b> annunciator. | 156 V 50 Hz                |
| Тот | neasure just the ac or just the dc portion of the output:  |                            |
| 6.  | On the Function keypad, press <b>Input</b> to access the metering functions.   | INP:COUP ACDC              |
| 7.  | Press ♥ until you access the <b>DC</b> parameter and press <b>Enter</b> . This changes the metering function to dc, which measures just the dc portion of the output in volts. The meter annunciator indicates <b>METER AC</b>   | INP:COUP DC<br>100 V 50 Hz |
| 8.  | Press <b>Input</b> again. Press ↓ until you access <b>AC</b> and press <b>Enter</b> . This changes the metering function to ac, which measures just the ac portion of the output in rms volts. The meter annunciator indicates <b>METER DC</b>   | INP:COUP AC<br>120 V 50 Hz |

### 4 - Setting a Protection Feature

You can set the ac source to disable its output if it detects an overvoltage or overcurrent fault condition. Other automatic fault conditions (such as overtemperature) also will disable the output. **Set the overcurrent protection feature as follows:** 

|    | Action  | Display       |
|----|---|---------------|
| 1. | On the Function keypad, press <b>Protect</b> .  | PROT:CLEAR    |
| 2. | Press $\clubsuit$ to obtain the overcurrent command.  | CURR:PROT OFF |
| 3. | On the Entry keypad, press once to scroll to the ON parameter and press <b>Enter</b> . The OCP annunciator will light, indicating that the overcurrent protection circuit is on. CURR:PROT ON                                 | CURR:PROT ON  |
|    | If you wish to set a time delay between the detection of the fault and the disabling of the output, scroll to the delay command on the protection menu. The default delay is 100 milliseconds.                                | DELAY .1      |
|    | Enter the delay from the Entry keypad, such as . 2 5 0 Enter.   | DELAY .250    |
| 4. | When you want to restore normal operation <b>after the cause of the overcurrent condition has been removed</b> , scroll to the protection clear command and press <b>Enter</b> . The <b>OCP</b> annunciator then will go off. | PROT:CLEAR    |

### **5 - Clearing Protection Conditions**

When the output **Prot** annunciator is on, the output of the ac source has turned off due to one or more of the following conditions:

| Annunciator | Description                                    | Bit Number | Bit Weight |
|-------------|--|------------|------------|
| OV          | overvoltage protection has tripped             | 0          | 1          |
| OCP         | rms overcurrent protection has tripped         | 1          | 2          |
| SOA         | safe operating area has tripped                | 2          | 4          |
| OT          | overtemperature protection has tripped         | 4          | 16         |
| RI          | an external remote inhibit signal has occurred | 9          | 512        |
| Rail        | rail protection has tripped                    | 11         | 2048       |

|    | Action  | Display      |
|----|---|--------------|
| 1. | You must first identify the cause of the protection shutdown, and then eliminate its cause before you can continue operating the unit.  |              |
| 2. | To identify the problem, press Shift Status.  | *CLS         |
| 3. | Press $\checkmark$ to obtain the Questionable Event command.  | QUES:EVEN?   |
| 4. | Press <b>Enter</b> to find out which bits have been set in the Event Register.  | QUES:EVEN 20 |
|    | <b>Note:</b> The value returned is the sum of all of the binary weights of the bits that have been set. For example, a value of 20 indicates that bit 2 (bit weight=4) and bit 4 (bit weight=16) have been set. Refer to the previous table for the bits and bit weights that are assigned to the protection conditions. Refer to the following table for information |              |

on eliminating the couse of the protection condition. Refer to Chapter 4 in the ac source Programming Guide for a complete discussion of the status system.

| Condition      | Action   |
|----------------|--|
| OV Condition   | Usually overvoltage conditions are caused by an external source forcing voltage into the output of the ac source. Remove this external source to eliminate the overvoltage. You can also program the overvoltage level to a higher value, or turn the overvoltage protection off.  |
|                | In other cases the output voltage may have exceeded the user-programmed overvoltage level. In this case the unit may have inadvertently been programmed to a voltage that exceeded the programmed overvoltage level. The VOLTage:PROTection command sets the overvoltage protection level.   |
|                | Note: The overvoltage protection level is programmed in peak, not rms volts.   |
| OCP Condition  | If the CURRent:PROTection:STATe command has been programmed to to disable the output<br>when rms current limit is activated, the unit will shut down. The rms current limit threshold is<br>set by the CURRent command. In this case you must check to see why the load is drawing more<br>current than the limit that has been programmed by the CURRent command. |
| SOA Condition  | Protection circuits in the ac source let the load draw peak currents for short periods of time that exceed the continuous capability of the unit. This allows loads that require large inrush currents to turn on. The ac source will shut down if a combination of peak current duration and internal component temperature exceeds a predetermined limit.        |
|                | When this occurs, it means that the load has been drawing peak output currents that are beyond the capability of the ac source to supply for extended periods. Slower output slew rates and reduced peak current limit settings can be used to control the conditions that cause SOA shutdowns.  |
| OT Condition   | When the internal operating temperatures of the ac source exceed predetermined thresholds, the output turns off. If this happens, you must let the unit cool down before continuing operation.   |
| RI Condition   | If the Remote Inhibit input has been programmed to to disable the output when it receives an external signal, the unit will shut down. The Remote Inhibit input is set by the OUTPut:RI:MODE command. In this case you must check to what external event produced a signal on the RI input.  |
| Rail Condition | The internal high voltage rail that provides power for the ac source's output is continuously monitored for proper voltage level. If this voltage is not maintained within predetermined levels, the output will shut down. This can happen if an extenal source forces too much power into the ac source or if too much power is drawn from the ac source.        |
|                | Remove the external source to eliminate the rail condition. Slower output slew rates and reduced peak current limit settings can also be used to control the conditions that cause rail shutdowns.   |

### 6 - Using Transient Voltage Modes

The ac source voltage can be programmed in the following transient operating modes:

- STEP causes the output to permanently change to its triggered value.
- PULSE causes the output to change to its triggered value for a specific time, as determined by the Pulse menu parameters.
- LIST causes the output to sequence through a number of values, as determined by points entered in the List menu.
- FIXED disables transient operation for the selected function.

### **Step Transient**

The Voltage Menu lets you specify an alternate or triggered voltage level that the ac source will apply to the output when it receives a trigger. Because the default transient voltage level is zero volts, you must first enter a triggered voltage before you can trigger the ac source to change the output amplitude. Refer to Chapter 4 of the Programming Guide for more information about programming triggers.

In the following example, the voltage output is set to 120 Vrms and then stepped down to 102 Vrms.

|    | Action   | Display     |
|----|--|-------------|
| 1. | On the Function keypad, press <b>Output On/Off</b> to enable the output. The <b>Dis</b> annunciator will go off.   | 0 V 60 Hz   |
| 2. | Press Voltage to access the Voltage Menu. On the Entry keypad, press 1 2 0 Enter.  | VOLT 120    |
| 3. | Access the Voltage Menu again and press $\checkmark$ to access the triggered voltage command.  | VOLT:T 0    |
| 4. | On the Entry kepad, press 1 0 2 Enter.   | VOLT:T 102  |
| 5. | Access the Voltage Menu again and press $\checkmark$ to access the voltage mode command. It should be in the default FIXED mode. An ac source function in the FIXED mode does not respond to triggers. On the Entry keypad, press $\clubsuit$ or $\clubsuit$ to scroll through the mode parameters. When you have STEP, press <b>Enter</b> . | VOLT:M STEP |
| 6. | Press <b>Trigger Control</b> and <b>Enter</b> . This initiates (or enables) one immediate trigger action.  | INIT:IMMED  |
| 7. | Press <b>Shift Trigger</b> . This sends the ac source an immediate trigger signal to change the output voltage. The triggered voltage value now becomes the VOLT value.  | 102 V 60 HZ |

#### **Pulse Transient**

In the following example, the output is four 83.3-millisecond, 120 Vrms pulses at 60 Hz. The figure shows the trigger, pulse count, pulse period, and duty cycle.

**NOTE:** From the Output Menu, execute the \*RST command to reset the ac source. This is necessary because any previously programmed functions remain in effect until cleared.

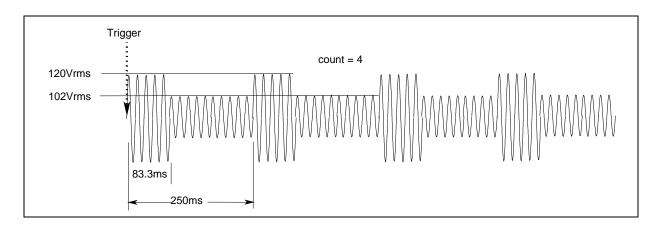


Figure 4-5. Pulse Transients

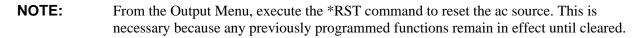
|    | Action  | Display      |
|----|---|--------------|
| 1. | Press Voltage to access the Voltage Menu. On the Entry keypad, press 1 0 2 Enter.   | VOLT 102     |
| 2. | Press $\checkmark$ to access the triggered voltage command. On the Entry keypad, press <b>1 2 0 Enter</b> .   | VOLT 120     |
| 3. | Access the Voltage Menu again and press $\checkmark$ to access the voltage mode command. On the Entry keypad, press $\blacklozenge$ or $\clubsuit$ to scroll through the mode parameters to obtain PULSE and press <b>Enter</b> . | VOLT:M PULSE |
| 4. | Press <b>Pulse</b> to access the Pulse Menu. From the Entry keypad, press<br>. <b>0 8 3 3 Enter</b> to enter a pulse width of 83.3 milliseconds.  | WIDTH .0833  |
| 5. | Access the Pulse Menu and press $\checkmark$ to access the duty cycle command. From the Entry keypad, press <b>3 3 Enter</b> to change the duty cycle to 33%.   | DCYCLE 33    |
| 6. | Access the Pulse Menu and press $\checkmark$ to access the pulse count. On the Entry keypad, press <b>4</b> and <b>Enter</b> .  | COUNT 4      |
| 7. | Press Trigger Control and Enter to initiate the transient trigger sequence.   | INIT:IMMED   |
| 8. | Press <b>Shift Trigger</b> . This sends the ac source an immediate trigger signal to generate the four output pulses.   | 102 V 60 HZ  |
|    |   |              |

Note: The ac source output returns to 102 V at the completion of the output pulses.

#### **List Transient**

Lists are the most flexible means of generating multiple or synchronized transient outputs. The following figure shows a voltage output generated from a list. The output shown represents three different ac voltage pulses (160 volts for 33 milliseconds, 120 volts for 83 milliseconds, and 80 volts for 150 milliseconds) separated by 67-millisecond, 0-volt intervals.

The list specifies the pulses as three voltage points (point 0, 2, and 4), each with its corresponding dwell point. The intervals are three zero-voltage points (point 1, 3, and 5) of equal intervals. The count parameter causes the list to execute twice when started by a single trigger.



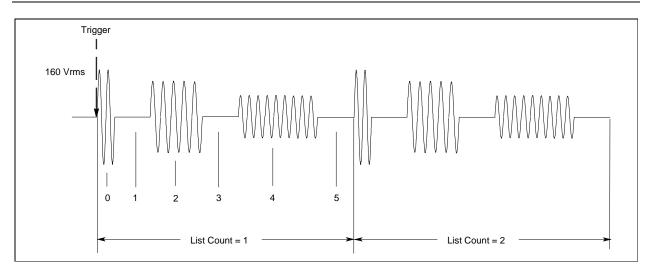


Figure 4-6. List Transients

|     | Action  | Displ                      | lay          |
|-----|---|----------------------------|--------------|
| 1.  | Press <b>Voltage</b> to access the Voltage Menu. Then press $\checkmark$ to access the voltage mode command.  | VOLT:M                     | FIXED        |
| 2.  | On the Entry keypad, press $\clubsuit$ or $\clubsuit$ to scroll through the mode parameters to obtain LIST and press <b>Enter</b> .   | VOLT:M                     | LIST         |
| 3.  | Access the List Menu by pressing <b>Shift List</b> . The first menu command is the count. From the Entry keypad, change the list count from the default (1) to 2. Press <b>Enter</b> .  | COUNT                      | 2            |
| 4.  | Access the List menu again and press $\checkmark$ until you access the dwell time. This specifies the "on" time for each voltage point, which is effectively the output pulse width. The first dwell point (0) appears in the display. On the Entry keypad, press <b>. 0 3 3</b> and <b>Enter</b> . | DWEL 0                     | .033         |
| 5.  | Pressing the Enter key automatically advances to the step in the list. Enter the following values for dwell list points 1 through 5: .067, .083, .067, .150, .067. Press <b>Enter</b> to enter each value. When you finish, you will be at point 6, which is the end of the list.                   | DWEL 1<br>DWEL 2<br>DWEL 3 | .083<br>.067 |
|     | Note: Press Shift $\blacktriangle$ Index or Shift $\checkmark$ Index to access and edit any list point.   | DWEL 4<br>DWEL 5<br>DWEL 6 | .067         |
| 6.  | Press $\checkmark$ until you access the voltage list. This specifies the amplitude of each output point during its corresponding dwell period. The first voltage list point (0) appears in the display. On the Entry keypad, press <b>1 6 0</b> and <b>Enter</b> .                                  | VOLT 0                     | 160          |
| 7.  | Pressing the Enter key automatically advances to the step in the list. Enter the following values for voltage list points 1 through 5: 0, 120, 0, 80, 0. Press <b>Enter</b> to enter each value. When you finish, you will be at point 6, which is the end of the list.                             | VOLT 1<br>VOLT 2<br>VOLT 3 | 120<br>0     |
|     | <b>Note:</b> Press <b>Shift ▲Index</b> or <b>Shift ▼Index</b> to access and edit any list point.  | VOLT 4<br>VOLT 5<br>VOLT 6 | 0            |
| 8.  | Press $\checkmark$ until you access the step command. Check that it is at the default mode (AUTO). This lets a single trigger run your list for the specified count.  | STEP A                     | UTO          |
| 9.  | Press Output On/Off to enable the output. The Dis annunciator will go off.  | 0 V 6                      | 0 Hz         |
| 10. | Press <b>Trigger Control</b> and <b>Enter</b> to initiate the transient trigger sequence.   | INIT:IM                    | MED          |
| 11. | Press <b>Shift Trigger</b> . This sends the ac source an immediate trigger to generate the four output pulses. The output returns to the immediate value at the end of the list.  | 0 V 60                     | ) Hz         |

**Note: To clear a list**, press **Clear Entry**. This truncates or clears the list at the presently displayed list point. Each list must be accessed and cleared separately.

### 7 - Trigger Delays and Phase Synchronization

The ac source trigger system also lets you program trigger delays as well as synchronize output changes to a specific phase angle of the output waveform.

In example ①, the output transient is triggered immediately at the receipt of the trigger signal. In example ②, a delay time of approximately 16.7 milliseconds elapses between the occurence of the trigger and the start of the output transient. In example ③, the trigger source is programmed for phase synchronization, which means that the transient occurs at the first occurrence of the specified phase angle after the trigger signal is received.

Note that phase synchronization is referenced to an internal phase signal. The output of the unit is normally offset by  $0^{\circ}$  with respect to this internal reference. Because synchronized transient events always occur with respect to the internal reference, the output will normally be in phase with the value programmed for phase synchronization. (The Phase command can be used to change the offset of the output with respect to the internal phase reference.)

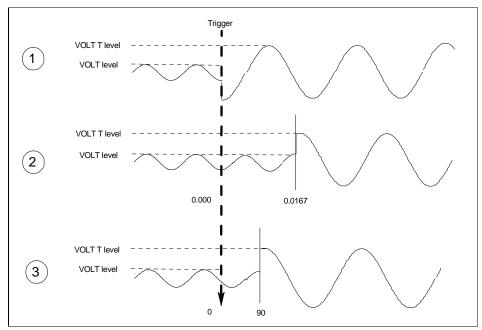


Figure 4-7. Trigger Delays and Phase Synchronization

|   | Example  | Display                               |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | This example uses the default trigger parameters. First, access the Voltage menu and program the immediate and triggered voltage levels, followed by the voltage transient mode.   | VOLT 120<br>VOLT:T 150<br>VOLT:M STEP |
|   | Then press Trigger Control and Enter, followed by Shift Trigger.   | INIT:IMMED                            |
| 2 | In this example, you will set a trigger delay. First, access the Voltage menu<br>and program the immediate and triggered voltage levels, followed by the<br>voltage transient mode.  | VOLT 120<br>VOLT:T 150<br>VOLT:M STEP |
|   | Press <b>Trigger Control</b> . Then press ▼ until you access the delay parameter. On the Entry keypad, press <b>. 0 1 6 7 Enter</b> .  | DELAY 0<br>DELAY .0167                |
|   | Then press Trigger Control and Enter, followed by Shift Trigger.   | INIT:IMMED                            |
| 3 | This example uses the phase sync mode with no delay, but synchronized at 90.<br>First, access the Voltage menu and program the immediate and triggered<br>voltage levels, followed by the voltage transient mode.            | VOLT 120<br>VOLT:T 150<br>VOLT:M STEP |
|   | Press <b>Trigger Control</b> . Press ▼ until you access the delay parameter. If necessary, set it to 0. Press ▼ until you access the sync source command. On the Entry keypad, press ♥ to obtain PHASE. Press <b>Enter</b> . | DELAY 0<br>SYNC:SOUR PHASE            |
|   | Access the Trigger Control menu again and press $\checkmark$ to access the sync phase reference parameter. On the Entry keypad, program a 90° phase reference by entering <b>9 0 Enter</b> .                                 | SYNC:PHAS 90                          |
|   | Then press Trigger Control and Enter, followed by Shift Trigger.   | INIT:IMMED                            |

### 8 - Using Slew Rates to Generate Waveforms

As shown in the previous examples there are a number of ways that you can generate custom waveforms. Programmable slew rates provide additional flexibility when customizing waveforms. The following figure illustrates how programmable slew rates are applied in the transient operating modes.

In example ①, an immediate slew rate of 50 volts/second is used whenever a new output voltage is programmed. In example ②, a triggered slew rate of 50 volts/second steps the voltage level to its new value. 50 volts/second becomes the new immediate slew rate in step mode. In example ③, a triggered slew rate of 50 volts/second is used at the start of the pulse. The immediate slew rate of infinity applies at the trailing edge of the pulse. In example ④, the slew rates are set by the values in the voltage slew list.

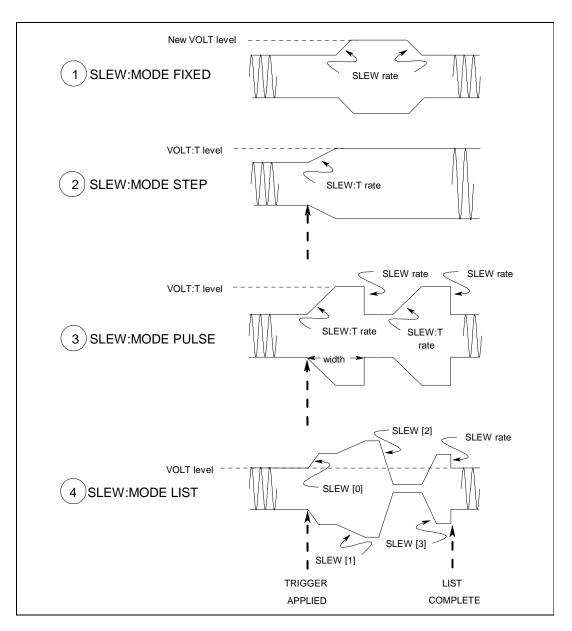


Figure 4-8. Programming Slew Rates

| <ul> <li>w rate. First, access the Voltage menu de command. On the Entry keypad, press</li> <li>✓ until you access the slew command. On o program a slew rate of 50 volts/second. value is entered, the output will slew to</li> <li>te. First, access the Voltage menu, d voltage levels, and set the slew mode to</li> <li>✓ to access the immediate slew er a value that equals infinity.</li> <li>✓ until you access the triggered slew er a value such as 5 0 Enter, which sets cond.</li> </ul> | VOLT:M FIXED<br>SLEW 50<br>VOLT 120<br>VOLT:T 150<br>SLEW:M STEP<br>SLEW: 9.9+E37<br>SLEW:T 50<br>INIT:IMMED   |
|---|--|
| <ul> <li>o program a slew rate of 50 volts/second.</li> <li>value is entered, the output will slew to</li> <li>ate. First, access the Voltage menu,</li> <li>d voltage levels, and set the slew mode to</li> <li>▼ to access the immediate slew</li> <li>er a value that equals infinity.</li> <li>▼ until you access the triggered slew</li> <li>er a value such as 5 0 Enter, which sets cond.</li> </ul>   | VOLT 120<br>VOLT:T 150<br>SLEW:M STEP<br>SLEW: 9.9+E37<br>SLEW:T 50  |
| <ul> <li>te. First, access the Voltage menu,<br/>d voltage levels, and set the slew mode to</li> <li>★ to access the immediate slew<br/>er a value that equals infinity.</li> <li>★ until you access the triggered slew<br/>er a value such as 5 0 Enter, which sets<br/>cond.</li> <li>Enter, followed by Shift Trigger.</li> </ul>  | VOLT:T 150<br>SLEW:M STEP<br>SLEW: 9.9+E37<br>SLEW:T 50  |
| <ul> <li>✓ to access the immediate slew mode to</li> <li>✓ to access the immediate slew er a value that equals infinity.</li> <li>✓ until you access the triggered slew er a value such as 5 0 Enter, which sets cond.</li> <li>Enter, followed by Shift Trigger.</li> </ul>  | VOLT:T 150<br>SLEW:M STEP<br>SLEW: 9.9+E37<br>SLEW:T 50  |
| er a value that equals infinity.<br>▼ until you access the triggered slew<br>er a value such as <b>5 0 Enter</b> , which sets<br>cond.<br>Enter, followed by Shift Trigger.   | SLEW:T 50  |
| er a value such as <b>5 0 Enter</b> , which sets cond.  |  |
|   | INIT:IMMED   |
|   |  |
| ep mode, the triggered value becomes the  |  |
| rate at the leading edge of the pulse, and<br>ag edge of the pulse. First, access the<br>ate and triggered voltage levels, and set  | VOLT 120<br>VOLT:T 150<br>SLEW:M PULSE   |
| the pulse count, duty cycle, and pulse  | COUNT 2<br>DCYCLE 33<br>PER .0166  |
| ▼ to access the immediate slew<br>er a value that equals infinity.  | SLEW: 9.9+E37  |
| ▼ until you access the triggered slew<br>er a value such as <b>5 0 Enter</b> , which sets<br>cond.  | SLEW:T 50  |
| nter, followed by Shift Trigger.  | INIT:IMMED   |
| o LIST, the slew rates are set by the   |  |
|   | ter a value such as <b>5 0 Enter</b> , which sets econd.<br>Enter, followed by <b>Shift Trigger</b> .<br>to LIST, the slew rates are set by the<br>r to the List Transient example for more<br>s. You must program the voltage values<br>example. You must also program a slew |

## **NOTE:** When specifying a dwell time, you must take the slew time into consideration. If the dwell time at any given list point is less than the slew time at the same point, the voltage will never reach its programmed level before the next list point becomes active.

### 9 - Measuring Peak Inrush Current

Peak inrush current is a non-repetitive measurement in the sense that peak inrush current occurs only when the unit under test is first turned on. In order to repeat the measurement, you must turn the unit off and wait for any input filter capacitors to discharge completely.

This example shows you how you can measure the peak inrush current using the front panel meter. The voltage is set to 120 V rms and the output is triggered at an output phase of  $75^{\circ}$ , which optimizes the conditions under which inrush current is applied to the unit under test.

|     | Action   | Display                      |
|-----|--|------------------------------|
| 1.  | Set the immediate voltage to 0. Press <b>Voltage</b> , then press <b>0</b> and <b>Enter</b> .  | VOLT 0                       |
| 2.  | Set the triggered voltage to 120 V rms. In the Voltage menu, press $\checkmark$ to access the triggered voltage command. Then press <b>1 2 0 Enter</b> .   | VOLT:T 120                   |
| 3.  | Set the voltage mode to step. In the Voltage menu, press $\checkmark$ to access the mode command. Press $\clubsuit$ to scroll to STEP and press <b>Enter</b> .   | VOLT:M STEP                  |
| 4.  | Make sure the triggered voltage slew rate is set to the fastest possible speed.<br>In the Voltage menu, access the triggered slew command. If necessary, reset<br>the slew rate to a faster speed.   | SLEW:T 9.9000+E37            |
| 5.  | Make sure the peak current and rms current limits are set to high values. In the<br>Current menu, access the rms current limit and then the peak current limit<br>commands. If necessary, reset the rms current and the peak current limits to<br>higher values.<br>(Agilent 6811B units have an rms current limit of 3.25 A. Agilent 6813B units<br>have an rms current limit of 13 A and a peak current limit of 80 A) | CURR:LEV 6.5<br>CURR:PEAK 40 |
| 6.  | Synchronize the trigger source with a reference phase angle. In the Trigger Control menu, press $\checkmark$ to access the sync source command. Press $\clubsuit$ to obtain PHASE and press <b>Enter</b> .   | SYNC:SOUR PHASE              |
| 7.  | Set the reference phase angle to 75°. In the Trigger Control menu, press $\checkmark$ to access the sync phase command. Then press <b>7 5 Enter</b> .  | SYNC:PHAS 75                 |
| 8.  | Initiate (or enable) the unit for one immediate trigger from the front panel.<br>Press <b>Trigger Control</b> and <b>Enter</b> .   | INIT:IMMED                   |
| 9.  | Set the meter function to measure nonrepetitive peak inrush current. In the Meter menu, press $\mathbf{\nabla}$ to access the peak inrush current display.   | 0 A PK NR                    |
| 10. | Enable the output by pressing Output On/Off.   | 0 V 60 HZ                    |
| 11. | Send the trigger to step the output from 0 V to 120 V. Press <b>Shift Trigger</b> . The inrush current is displayed on the Meter.  | 48 A PK NR                   |
| NO  | <b>TE:</b> With fast and/or large voltage transitions, the CC annunciator in the output capacitor. This is normal and will limit the rate o  |                              |

**NOTE:** With fast and/or large voltage transitions, the CC annunciator may turn on due to current in the output capacitor. This is normal and will limit the rate of change of output voltage. To prevent the CC operating mode from limiting the rate of change of output voltage, program the peak current limit to a higher value.

### 10 - Setting the GPIB Address and RS-232 Parameters

Your ac source is shipped with the GPIB address set to 5 This address can only be changed from the front panel using the Address menu located under the **Address** key. This menu is also used to select the RS-232 interface and specify RS-232 parameters such baud rate and parity.

|    | Action   | Display                                   |
|----|--|---|
| To | set the GPIB address, proceed as follows:  |   |
| 1. | On the System keypad, press Address.   | ADDRESS 5                                 |
| 2. | Enter the new address. For example, Press <b>7</b> , Enter.  | ADDRESS 7                                 |
| То | configure the RS-232 interface, proceed as follows:  |   |
| 1. | On the System keypad, press <b>Address</b> .   | ADDRESS 5                                 |
| 2. | Scroll through the Address menu by pressing ▼. The interface command lets you select the RS-232 interface. The baudrate command lets you select the baudrate. The parity command lets you select the parity. | INTF RS232<br>BAUDRATE 600<br>PARITY EVEN |
| -  |  |   |

3. The  $\clubsuit$  and  $\clubsuit$  keys let you select the command parameters.

### **11 - Saving and Recalling Operating States**

You can save up to 16 states (from location 0 to location 15) in non-volatile memory and recall them from the front panel. All programmable settings are saved. List data, however, cannot be saved in state storage. Only **one** list is saved in non-volatile memory.

|    | Action  | Display                    |
|----|---|----------------------------|
| To | save an operating state in location 1, proceed as follows:  |                            |
| 1. | Set the instrument to the operating state that you want to save.  |                            |
| 2. | Save this state to location 1. Press Shift Save 1 Enter.  | *SAV 1                     |
| To | recall a saved state in location 1, proceed as follows:   |                            |
| 1. | Recall the state saved in location 1 by pressing Recall 1 Enter   | *RCL 1                     |
| To | select the power-on state of the ac source, proceed as follows:   |                            |
| 1. | On the Function keypad, press <b>Shift Output</b> , and scroll through the Output menu until you get to the PON state command.  | PON:STATE RST              |
| 2. | Use the $\bigstar$ and $\clubsuit$ keys to select either RST or RCL0. RST sets the power-on state of the unit as defined by the *RST command. RCL0 sets the power-on state of the unit to the state saved in *RCL location 0. |                            |
| То | clear the non-volatile memory of the ac source, proceed as follows:   |                            |
| 1. | On the Function keypad, press <b>Shift Output</b> and scroll to the *RST com-<br>mand. Then press <b>Enter</b> . This returns the unit to the factory-default settings.   | *RST                       |
| 2. | Save these settings to location 1. Press Shift Save 1 Enter.  | *SAV 1                     |
| 3. | Repeat step #2 for memory locations 2 through 16  | *SAV 2<br>*SAV 3<br>*SAV 4 |
|    |   | *SAV 16                    |

### **Specifications**

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Table A-1 lists the specifications of the ac source. Performance specifications are warranted over the ambient temperature range of 0 to 40 °C. Unless otherwise noted, specifications are for a sinewave with a resistive load at an output frequency range of 45 Hz to 1 kHz, in ac-coupled mode after a 30-minute warmup. **Refer to table A-3 for ac source operation with output frequencies from dc to 45 Hz**.

| Parameter  |   | Agilent 6811B             | Agilent 6812B          | Agilent 6813B |
|--|---|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Phases:  |   | 1                         | 1                      | 1             |
| Maximum Output Ratings                               | Power (VA):                                 | 375 VA                    | 750 VA                 | 1750 VA       |
|  | dc Power (Watts):                           | 285 W                     | 575 W                  | 1350 W        |
|  | rms Voltage:                                | 300 V                     | 300 V                  | 300 V         |
|  | dc Voltage:                                 | ± 425 V                   | ± 425 V                | ± 425 V       |
|  | rms Current (in real-time mode):            | 3.25 A                    | 6.5 A                  | 13 A          |
|  | dc Current:                                 | 2.5 A                     | 5 A                    | 10 A          |
|  | <b>Repetitive peak Current<sup>2</sup>:</b> | 40 A                      | 40 A                   | 80 A          |
|  | Non-repetitive peak Current <sup>2</sup>    | 40 A                      | 40 A                   | 80 A          |
|  | (inrush):                                   |                           |                        |               |
|  | Crest Factor <sup>2</sup> (current):        | 12                        | 6                      | 6             |
| Output Frequency Range <sup>3</sup> :                |   |                           | dc; 45 Hz-1 kHz        |               |
| Constant Voltage Ripple                              | rms relative to full scale:                 |                           | -60 dB                 |               |
| and Noise  | rms:  | 300 mV                    |                        |               |
| (20 kHz–10 MHz):                                     |   |                           |                        |               |
| Regulation:  | Load (rms detection mode):                  | 0.5% of full scale        |                        |               |
| C  | Line:                                       |                           | 0.1% of full scale     |               |
| Maximum Total Harmonic                               |   |                           | 0.25% at 50 Hz/60 Hz   | 5             |
| Distortion:  |   | 1% worst-case 45 Hz–1 kHz |                        |               |
| Load Power Factor                                    |   |                           | 0-1                    |               |
| Capability:  |   |                           |                        |               |
| Maximum Fixed dc Offset                              |   |                           | 100 mV                 |               |
| Voltage (ac coupled):                                |   |                           |                        |               |
| Programming Accuracy                                 | <b>rms Voltage</b> (45–100 Hz):             |                           | 0.15% + 0.3 V          |               |
| (rms detection mode @ 25°C                           | (>100–500 Hz):                              |                           | 0.5% + 0.3 V           |               |
| $\pm 5^{\circ}$ C), $\pm$ (% of output+offset)       | (>500 Hz-1 kHz):                            | 1% + 0.3  V               |                        |               |
|  | Frequency:                                  |                           | $0.01\% + 10 \ \mu Hz$ |               |
|  | dc Voltage:                                 | 0.1% + 0.5 V              | 0.1% + 0.5 V           | 0.5% + 0.3 V  |
| Measurement Accuracy                                 | <b>rms Voltage</b> (45–100 Hz):             |                           | 0.03% + 100 mV         |               |
| $(@25^{\circ}C \pm 5^{\circ}C), \pm (\% \text{ of }$ | (>100–500 Hz):                              |                           | 0.1% + 100  mV         |               |
| output + offset)                                     | (>500 Hz–1 kHz):                            |                           | 0.2% + 100  mV         |               |
|  | Frequency:                                  |                           | 0.01% + 0.01  Hz       |               |
|  | dc Voltage:                                 |                           | 0.05% + 150  mV        |               |

| Table A-1 | Performance | Specifications <sup>1</sup> |
|-----------|-------------|-----------------------------|
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| Parameter   |                                  | Agilent 6811B/6812B/6813B |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Measurement Accuracy                              | rms Current High Range           | <u> </u>                  |
| (continued)                                       | (45–100 Hz):                     | 0.05% + 10  mA            |
|   | (>100–500 Hz):                   | 0.05% + 15 mA             |
|   | (>500 Hz–1 kHz):                 | 0.05% + 30 mA             |
|   | rms Current Low Range            |                           |
|   | (45–100 Hz):                     | 0.05% + 1.5 mA            |
|   | (>100–500 Hz):                   | 0.05% + 8  mA             |
|   | (>500 Hz–1 kHz):                 | 0.05% + 25  mA            |
|   | repetitive pk current High Range |                           |
|   | (45 Hz–1 kHz):                   | 0.05% + 150 mA            |
|   | repetitive pk current Low Range  |                           |
|   | (45 Hz–1 kHz):                   | 0.03% + 150 mA            |
|   | Power (VA) Low Range             |                           |
|   | (45–100 Hz):                     | 0.1% + 1.5 VA + 1.2 mVA/V |
|   | (>100-500 Hz):                   | 0.1% + 2 VA + 1.2 mVA/V   |
|   | (>500 Hz-1 kHz):                 | 0.1% + 6 VA + 1.2 mVA/V   |
|   | Power (VA) High Range            |                           |
|   | (45–100 Hz) <b>:</b>             | 0.1% + 1.5 VA + 12 mVA/V  |
|   | (>100–500 Hz):                   | 0.1% + 2 VA + 12 mVA/V    |
|   | (>500 Hz–1 kHz):                 | 0.1% + 6 VA + 12 mVA/V    |
|   | Power (Watts) Low Range          |                           |
|   | (45–100 Hz) <b>:</b>             | 0.1% + 0.3  W + 1.2  mW/V |
|   | (>100–500 Hz):                   | 0.1% + 1.2  W + 1.2  mW/V |
|   | (>500 Hz-1 kHz):                 | 0.1% + 2.5  W + 1.2  mW/V |
|   | Power (Watts) High Range         |                           |
|   | (45–100 Hz):                     | 0.1% + 0.3  W + 12  mW/V  |
|   | (>100–500 Hz):                   | 0.1% + 1.2  W + 12  mW/V  |
|   | (>500 Hz-1 kHz):                 | 0.1% + 2.5  W + 12  mW/V  |
|   | Power Factor:                    | 0.01                      |
| Harmonic Measurement                              | Voltage Magnitude:               | 0.03% + 100 mV + 0.2%/kHz |
| Accuracy  |                                  |                           |
| (50/60 Hz, @25 <sup>o</sup> C ±5 <sup>o</sup> C), | Current Magnitude (Low Range)    |                           |
| $\pm$ (% of output + offset)                      | Fundamental:                     | 0.03% + 1.5 mA            |
|   | Harmonics 2–49:                  | 0.03% + 1 mA + 0.2%/kHz   |
|   | Current Magnitude (High Range)   | 0.050/ 5 1                |
|   | Fundamental:                     | 0.05% + 5  mA             |
|   | Harmonics 2–49:                  | 0.03% + 3 mA + 0.2%/kHz   |

Table A-1. Performance Specifications (continued)

<sup>1</sup>Specifications subject to change without notice. <sup>2</sup>These specifications are subject to the restrictions of Table 1-3. <sup>3</sup>Product may be operated between dc and 45 Hz subject to operating conditions described in Table A-3.

### **Supplemental Characteristics**

Table A-2 lists the supplemental characteristics, which are not warranted but are descriptions of typical performance determined either by design or type testing.

| Table A-2. Suppl  |                              |                              | A . 9              |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Parameter   | Agilent 6811B                | Agilent 6812B                | Agilent 6813B      |
| ac Input Voltage Range (Vac):   |                              | (100 Vac nom.)               | 174–220 Vac        |
|   |                              | (120 Vac nom.)               | (200/208 Vac nom.) |
|   | 174–220 Vac (2               | 00/208 Vac nom.)             | 191–254 Vac        |
|   | 191–254 Vac                  | (230 Vac nom.)               | (230 Vac nom.)     |
| Maximum Input Current (rms):  | 12 A (100 Vac),              | 28 A (100 Vac),              | 20 A (230 Vac)     |
| -   | 10 A (120 Vac),              | 24 A (120 Vac),              | 22 A (200/208 Vac) |
|   | 7.5 A (200/208 Vac),         | 15 A (200/208 Vac),          |                    |
|   | 6.5 A (230 Vac)              | 13A (230 Vac)                |                    |
| Maximum Input Power:  | 1000 VA/700 W                | 2500 VA/1400 W               | 3800 VA/2600 W     |
| ac Input Frequency:   |                              | 47–63 Hz                     |                    |
| Isolation to Ground:  |                              | 300 Vrms/425 Vdc             |                    |
| Output Voltage Risetime:  |                              | 50 µs                        |                    |
| (output change from 10 to 90% or 90 to 10% of its total               |                              |                              |                    |
| excursion with full resistive load)                                   |                              |                              |                    |
| Remote Inhibit Response Time:   |                              | 15 ms                        |                    |
| Remote Sense Capability:  | Up to 1 Vrms                 | s can be dropped across ea   | ch load lead.      |
| Programmable Output Impedance Ranges                                  |                              |                              |                    |
| Resistance:   |                              | 0-1 Ω                        |                    |
| Inductance:   |                              | 20 µH–1 mH                   |                    |
| Average Programming Accuracy  |                              |                              |                    |
| rms Current:  | 1.2% of output + 50 mA       |                              |                    |
| OVP:  |                              | 2% of output + 5 Vpeak       |                    |
| ac Voltage Slew Rate (rms):   | 0.1 V/s                      |                              |                    |
| Frequency Slew Rate:  | $\pm 0.01\%$                 |                              |                    |
| Average Programming Resolution  |                              |                              |                    |
| rms Voltage:  |                              | 125 mV                       |                    |
| dc Voltage:   |                              | 250 mV                       |                    |
| ac Voltage Slew Rate (rms):   |                              | 6 mV/s                       |                    |
| dc Voltage Slew Rate:   |                              | 20 mV/s                      |                    |
| Frequency Slew Rate:  |                              | 0.05 Hz/s                    |                    |
| <b>Overvoltage Programming</b> (OVP):                                 | 2                            | 2 Vpeak                      | 1 4 4              |
| rms Current:  | 2 mA                         | 4 mA                         | 4 mA               |
| peak Current:   | 12.5 mA                      | 25 mA                        | 25 mA              |
| Output Frequency:<br>Output Impedance                                 |                              | 10 µHz                       |                    |
| Output Impedance<br>Resistive Component:                              |                              | 0.01 Ω                       |                    |
| Inductive Component:  |                              |                              |                    |
|   |                              | 10 µH                        |                    |
| Average Measurement Resolution  |                              | 10  mV                       |                    |
| rms Voltage:<br>rms Current:  | 10 mV<br>2 mA                |                              |                    |
|   | 2 mA<br>5% of reading + 0.1% |                              |                    |
| <b>THD</b> (for a fundamental amplitude $\geq 5\%$ of full scale):    |                              | $5.0$ of reading $\pm 0.1\%$ |                    |
| Measurement System<br>Measurement Buffer Longth:                      |                              | 1006 points                  |                    |
| Measurement Buffer Length:<br>Measurement/Generation Synchronization: |                              | 4096 points                  |                    |
|   | ≤ 50 μs                      |                              |                    |
| Measurement Acquisition Sampling Rate Range:                          | 25–250 µs                    |                              |                    |
| Voltage/Current Digitization Accuracy:                                | 12 bits                      |                              |                    |
| Voltage/Current Digitization Resolution:                              |                              | 16 bts                       |                    |
| Harmonic Measurement Time(amplitude):<br>Meas:Curr:Harm? <n></n>      |                              | 400 ms                       |                    |
| Meas:Curr:Harm? <n><br/>Meas:Array:Curr:Harm?</n>                     |                              | 400 ms<br>10 s               |                    |
| wieas:Array:Curr:marin:   |                              | 10.8                         |                    |

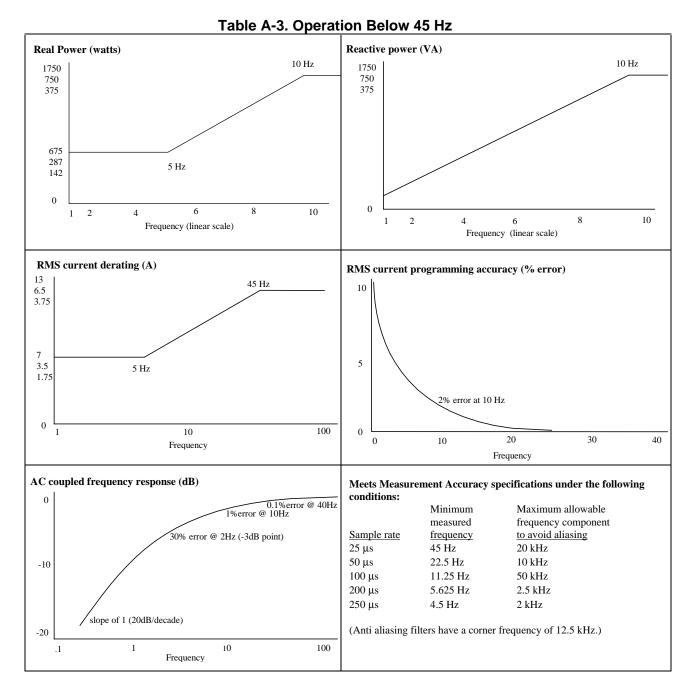
### Table A-2. Supplemental Characteristics

| Table A-2. Suppleme                             |                     |  | ſ                    |  |  |
|---|---------------------|--|----------------------|--|--|
| Parameter                                       | Agilent 6811B       | Agilent 6812B                                | Agilent 6813B        |  |  |
| Transient System                                |                     |  |                      |  |  |
| Phase Synchronization:                          |                     | $\pm 100 \ \mu s$                            |                      |  |  |
| Pulse Width Range:                              |                     | 200 $\mu$ s to 4.3 x 10 <sup>5</sup> seconds |                      |  |  |
| Pulse/Dwell Timing Accuracy:                    |                     | $\pm 0.01\%$                                 |                      |  |  |
| Pulse Duty Cycle Range:                         |                     | 0 to 100 %                                   |                      |  |  |
| Pulse Count Range:                              |                     | 1 to Infinity Pulses                         |                      |  |  |
| LIST Length:                                    |                     | 1 to 100 steps                               |                      |  |  |
| Minimum LIST Dwell Time:                        |                     | 200 µs                                       |                      |  |  |
| LIST Count Range:                               |                     | 1 to Infinity LIST repe                      | ote                  |  |  |
| External Trigger Response Time:                 |                     |  | ais                  |  |  |
|   |                     | 200 µs                                       |                      |  |  |
| Maximum External Trigger Rate:                  |                     | 1 kHz  |                      |  |  |
| Waveform Table Voltage Resolution:              |                     | 1024 points                                  |                      |  |  |
| RS-232 Interface Capabilities                   |                     | 00 (00 1000 0400 400)                        | 0.000                |  |  |
| Baud Rates:                                     |                     | 00, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800                    |                      |  |  |
| Data Format:                                    |                     | ven or odd parity; 8 bits v                  |                      |  |  |
| Language:                                       | SCPI (Standard      | d Commands for Program                       | mable Instruments),  |  |  |
|   |                     | Elgar 9012 PIP                               |                      |  |  |
| Trig In/Trig Out Characteristics                |                     |  |                      |  |  |
| Trig Out (HC TTL output):                       |                     | $V_{ol} = 0.8 \text{ max.} @ 1.25$           |                      |  |  |
|   |                     | $V_{oh} = 3.3 V max. @ 1.25$                 | 5 mA                 |  |  |
| Trig In (10k pullup):                           |                     | $V_{il} = 0.8 V max.$                        |                      |  |  |
|   |                     | $V_{ih} = 2 V max.$                          |                      |  |  |
| INH/FLT Characteristics                         |                     |  |                      |  |  |
| Maximum Ratings:                                | 16.5 Vdc betwee     | n INH terminals; FLT ter                     | minals; and from INH |  |  |
|   |                     | terminals to chassis ground                  |                      |  |  |
| INH Terminals:                                  |                     | $I_{ol} = 1.25 \text{ mA max}.$              |                      |  |  |
|   |                     | $V_{ol} = 0.5$ Vmax.                         |                      |  |  |
| FLT Terminals:                                  |                     | $V_{il} = 0.8 V \text{ max.}$                |                      |  |  |
|   |                     | $V_{ih} = 2 V min.$                          |                      |  |  |
|   |                     | $tw = 100 \ \mu s \ min.$                    |                      |  |  |
|   |                     | td = 4 ms typical                            |                      |  |  |
| Saveable Data (nonvolatile)                     |                     |  |                      |  |  |
| Instrument States:                              |                     | 16 (0 to 15)                                 |                      |  |  |
| User-defined waveforms                          | 12                  | 2 (with 1024 data points in                  | n each)              |  |  |
| List data:                                      |                     | 100 steps (for each list f                   |                      |  |  |
| GPIB Interface Capabilities                     | 10                  | 100 steps (for each list I                   |                      |  |  |
| Language:                                       |                     | SCPI, Elgar 9012 PI                          | P                    |  |  |
| Interface:                                      |                     | 1, DT1, E2, LE1, PP0, RI                     |                      |  |  |
| Programming Time:                               | AIII, CU, DC        | 1, D11, E2, LE1, FF0, KI<br>10 ms            | 21, 5111, 5K1, 1E0   |  |  |
| Recommended Calibration Interval:               |                     |  |                      |  |  |
|   |                     | 1 year                                       |                      |  |  |
| Regulatory Compliance                           |                     | TH 0111 1                                    |                      |  |  |
| Listed to:                                      |                     | UL 3111-1                                    | 1                    |  |  |
| Certified to:                                   |                     | CSA 22.2 No. 1010-1                          |                      |  |  |
| Conforms to:                                    |                     | IEC 1010                                     |                      |  |  |
| RFI Suppression Complies with:                  |                     | CISPR-11, Group 1, Cla                       | ss A                 |  |  |
| Dimensions                                      |                     |  |                      |  |  |
| <b>Height</b> (add 12.7 mm or 0.5 in. for feet) |                     | 132.6 mm (5.25 in.)                          |                      |  |  |
| Width:  |                     | 425.5 mm (16.75 in.)                         |                      |  |  |
| Depth:  | 574.7 mm (22.6 in.) |  |                      |  |  |
| Net Weight:                                     | 28.2 k              | xg (62 lb)                                   | 32.7 kg (72 lb)      |  |  |
| Shipping Weight:                                | 31.8 k              | (70 lb)                                      | 36.4 kg (80 lb)      |  |  |

### Table A-2. Supplemental Characteristics (continued)

### **Operation Below 45 Hz**

The following operating characteristics apply for output frequencies between 45Hz and 1Hz. Below 1 Hz, instantaneous values meet the dc specifications. The ac source output is set to: sinewave, dc coupled, real-time regulation, and is connected to a linear load.



### **Verification and Calibration**

### Introduction

This appendix includes verification and calibration procedures for the Agilent 6811B/6812B/6813B AC Power Solutions. Instructions are given for performing the procedures either from the front panel or from a controller over the GPIB.

The verification procedures do not check all the operating parameters, but verify that the ac source is performing properly. Performance Tests, which check all the specifications of the ac source, are given in the applicable ac source Service Manual.

Because the output of the ac source must be enabled during verification or calibration, proceed with caution, since voltages and currents will be active at the output terminals.

| Important | Perform the verification procedures before calibrating your ac source. If the ac source     |
|-----------|---|
|           | passes the verification procedures, the unit is operating within its calibration limits and |
|           | does not need to be recalibrated.   |

**WARNING:** *LETHAL VOLTAGES.* Ac sources can supply 424 V peak at their output. DEATH on contact may result if the output terminals or circuits connected to the output are touched when power is applied. These procedures must be performed by a qualified electronics technician or engineer trained on this equipment.

### **Equipment Required**

The equipment listed in the following table, or the equivalent to this equipment, is required for verification and calibration.

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| Equipment                             | Characteristics   | Recommended Model               |
|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Digital Voltmeter                     | Resolution: 10 nV @ 1 V<br>Readout: 8.5 digits<br>Accuracy: >20 ppm | Agilent 3458A                   |
| <b>Current Monitor</b> <sup>1</sup>   | 0.01 Ω, ±200 ppm, 10 Watts  | Guildline 7320/0.01             |
| <b>Ratio Transformer</b> <sup>2</sup> | 30:1 ratio, 50 ppm, 45 Hz to 1 kHz                                  |                                 |
| Load Resistor                         | 20 Ω, 10 A, 1800 Watts min.   |                                 |
| Impedance Resistor                    | 1 Ω, 100 Watts min.   |                                 |
| <b>GPIB</b> Controller                | Full GPIB capabilities  | HP Series 200/300 or equivalent |

### Table B-1. Equipment Required

<sup>1</sup>The 4- terminal current shunt is used to eliminate output current measurement error caused by voltage drops in the load leads and connections. It has special current-monitoring terminals inside the load connection terminals. Connect the voltmeter directly to these current-monitoring terminals.

 $^{2}$ A ratio transformer is required only when verifying output voltage readback to MIL-STD-45662A 4:1 test equipment ratio requirements.

### **Test Setup**

Figure B-1 shows the setup for the tests. Be certain to use load leads of sufficient wire gauge to carry the **full** output current (see Chapter 2).

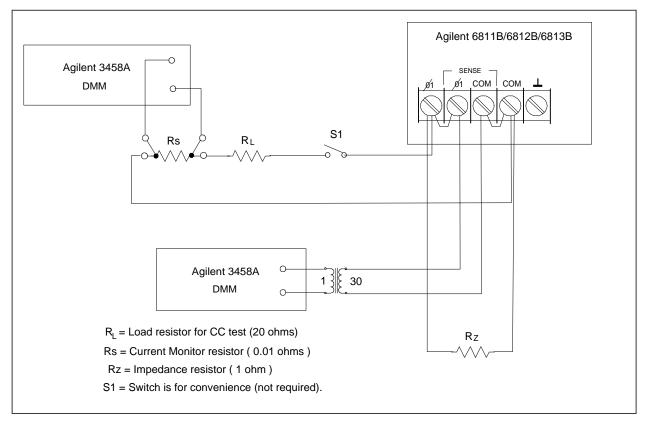


Figure B-1. Verification & Calibration Test Setup

### **Performing the Verification Tests**

The following procedures assume you understand how to operate the ac source from the front panel as explained in Chapter 4.

When performing the verification tests from a GPIB controller, you may have to consider the relatively slow settling times and slew rates of the ac source as compared to computer and system voltmeters. Suitable WAIT statements can be inserted into the test program to give the ac source time to respond to the test commands.

Perform the following tests for operation verification in the order indicated.

- 1. Turn-On Checkout
- 2. Voltage Programming and Measurement Accuracy
- 3. Current Measurement Accuracy

### **Turn-On Checkout Procedure**

Perform the Turn-On Checkout as directed in Chapter 3.

**NOTE:** The ac source must pass turn-on selftest before you can proceed with the verification tests.

### **AC Voltage Programming and Measurement Accuracy**

This test verifies the voltage programming, GPIB measurement, and front panel meter functions. Values read back over the GPIB should be the same as those displayed on the front panel.

If more than one meter or if a meter and an oscilloscope are used, connect each to the sense terminals by separate leads to avoid mutual coupling effects.

|    | Action  | Normal Result   |
|----|---|---|
| 1. | Make sure the ac source is turned off. Connect the DVM and ratio transformer as shown in the test setup in Figure B-1.  |   |
| 2. | Turn on the ac source with no load. In the Output menu, execute<br>the *RST command to reset the unit. Enable the output by<br>pressing <b>Output On/Off</b> . Program the output voltage as follows: | <b>CV</b> annunciator on.<br>Output current near 0.         |
|    | VOLT 300, FREQ 45, SHAPE:SIN, CURR 1  |   |
| 3. | Record voltage readings at the $DVM^1$ and on the front panel display.  | Readings within specified High range limits (300 V/45 Hz).  |
| 4. | Program FREQ 400  |   |
| 5. | Record voltage readings at the $DVM^1$ and on the front panel display.  | Readings within specified High range limits (300 V/400 Hz). |
| 4. | Program FREQ 1000, CURR:PEAK 40   |   |
| 7. | Record voltage readings at the $DVM^1$ and on the front panel display.  | Readings within specified High range limits (300 V/1 kHz).  |

<sup>1</sup>Multiply the DVM reading by the transformer ratio if a ratio transformer is used.

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### **DC Voltage Programming and Measurement Accuracy**

#### **CAUTION:** Disconnect the ratio transformer for this test.

This test verifies the dc voltage programming, GPIB readback, and front panel meter functions. Values read back over the GPIB should be the same as those displayed on the front panel. Connect the negative terminal of the DVM to the COM output terminal to determine the  $\pm$  dc offset voltages.

#### Action

#### Normal Result

Output voltage at +425 Vdc

Output current near 0.

Readings within specified dc voltage

programming and readback limits.

Output voltage at -425 Vdc

Readings within specified dc voltage

programming and readback limits.

- 1. Make sure the ac source is turned off. Connect the DVM directly to the sense terminals.
- 2. Turn on the ac source with no load. In the Output menu, execute the \*RST command to reset the unit. Enable the output by pressing **Output On/Off**. Program the output voltage as follows:

VOLT 0, OUTP:COUP DC, OFFSET 425

- 3. Record DC voltage readings at the DVM and on the front panel display.
- 4. Program OFFSET -425
- 5. Record DC voltage readings at the DVM and on the front panel display.

### **RMS Current Accuracy Test**

This test verifies the accuracy of the current measurement in rms detection mode.

#### Action

- 1. Turn off the ac source and connect the DVM, the 20 ohm load resistor and current shunt as shown in Figure B-1 with S1 closed. Connect the DVM across the current shunt.
- 2. Turn on the ac source. In the Output menu, execute the \*RST command to reset the unit. Enable the output by pressing **Output On/Off**. Program the output as follows:

For Agilent 6811B: VOLT 60, CURR:RANGE LOW, CURR:LEV 2.50

For all other models: VOLT 120, CURR:RANGE LOW, CURR:LEV 5.00

- 3. Record the DVM voltage reading and calculate the rms current.
- 4. Program CURR:RANGE HIGH

CC annunciator on Output current at 2.5 (Agilent 6811B) or 5.0 A (all other models).

Normal Result

Readings within specified limits.

CC annunciator on Output current at 2.5 (Agilent 6811B) or 5.0 A (all other models).

5. Record the DVM voltage reading and calculate the rms current.

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Readings within specified limits.

| Model Agilent 6811B                       | Report No                | Date                    |                          |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Test Description                          | Minimum<br>Specification | <b>Recorded Results</b> | Maximum<br>Specification |
| Voltage Prog                              | gramming and Measure     | ement Accuracy          |                          |
| 300 Vrms accuracy at 45 Hz                | 299.250 V                | V                       | 300.750 V                |
| Front Panel Measurement                   | Vrms –190 mV             | V                       | Vrms +190 mV             |
| 300 Vrms accuracy at 400 Hz               | 298.200 V                | V                       | 301.800 V                |
| Front Panel Measurement                   | Vrms –400 mV             | V                       | Vrms +400 mV             |
| 300 Vrms accuracy at 1 kHz                | 296.700 V                | V                       | 303.300 V                |
| Front Panel Measurement                   | Vrms –700 mV             | V                       | Vrms +700 mV             |
| DC Progra                                 | amming and Measuren      | nent Accuracy           |                          |
| 425 Vdc accuracy                          | 424.075 V                | V                       | 425.925 V                |
| Front Panel Measurement                   | Vdc -0.363 V             | V                       | Vrms +0.363 V            |
| -425 Vdc accuracy                         | -424.075 V               | v                       | -425.925 V               |
| Front Panel Measurement                   | Vdc -0.363 V             | V                       | Vrms +0.363 V            |
| RMS                                       | Current Measurement      | Accuracy                |                          |
| Low Range                                 | Iout -0.00275 A          | A                       | Iout +0.00275 A          |
| High Range                                | Iout -0.01125 A          | A                       | Iout +0.01125 A          |
| (Iout = calculated output current @ 60Hz) |                          |                         |                          |

### Table B-2. Agilent 6811B Verification Test Record

| Model Agilent               | Report No                | Dat                     | _ Date                   |  |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Test Description            | Minimum<br>Specification | <b>Recorded Results</b> | Maximum<br>Specification |  |
| Voltage Pro                 | ogramming and Measure    | ement Accuracy          |                          |  |
| 300 Vrms accuracy at 45 Hz  | 299.250 V                | V                       | 300.750 V                |  |
| Front Panel Measurement     | Vrms –190 mV             | V                       | Vrms +190 mV             |  |
| 300 Vrms accuracy at 400 Hz | 298.200 V                | V                       | 301.800 V                |  |
| Front Panel Measurement     | Vrms –400 mV             | V                       | Vrms +400 mV             |  |
| 300 Vrms accuracy at 1 kHz  | 296.700 V                | V                       | 303.300 V                |  |
| Front Panel Measurement     | Vrms –700 mV             | V                       | Vrms +700 mV             |  |

### Table B-3. Agilent 6812B Verification Test Record

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|  |                                  | 04/    |                                  |  |
|--|----------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|--|
| DC Programming and Measurement Accuracy                              |                                  |        |                                  |  |
| 425 Vdc accuracy<br>Front Panel Measurement                          | 424.075 V<br>Vdc –0.363 V        | V<br>V | 425.925 V<br>Vrms +0.363 V       |  |
| -425 Vdc accuracy<br>Front Panel Measurement                         | -424.075 V<br>Vdc -0.363 V       | V<br>V | -425.925 V<br>Vrms +0.363 V      |  |
| RMS Current Measurement Accuracy                                     |                                  |        |                                  |  |
| Low Range<br>High Range<br>(Iout = calculated output current @ 60Hz) | Iout -0.0040 A<br>Iout -0.0125 A | A<br>A | Iout +0.0040 A<br>Iout +0.0125 A |  |

### Table B-3 (continued)

| Model Agilent                             | Report No                | Dat                     | e                        |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Test Description                          | Minimum<br>Specification | <b>Recorded Results</b> | Maximum<br>Specification |
| Voltage Prog                              | gramming and Measure     | ement Accuracy          |                          |
| 300 Vrms accuracy at 45 Hz                | 299.250 V                | V                       | 300.750 V                |
| Front Panel Measurement                   | Vrms –190 mV             | V                       | Vrms +190 mV             |
| 300 Vrms accuracy at 400 Hz               | 298.200 V                | V                       | 301.800 V                |
| Front Panel Measurement                   | Vrms –400 mV             | V                       | Vrms +400 mV             |
| 300 Vrms accuracy at 1 kHz                | 296.700 V                | V                       | 303.300 V                |
| Front Panel Measurement                   | Vrms –700 mV             | V                       | Vrms +700 mV             |
| DC Progra                                 | amming and Measurem      | nent Accuracy           |                          |
| 425 Vdc accuracy                          | 422.575 V                | V                       | 427.425 V                |
| Front Panel Measurement                   | Vdc -0.363 V             | V                       | Vrms +0.363 V            |
| -425 Vdc accuracy                         | -422.575 V               | V                       | -427.425 V               |
| Front Panel Measurement                   | Vdc -0.363 V             | V                       | Vrms +0.363 V            |
| RMS Current Measurement Accuracy          |                          |                         |                          |
| Low Range                                 | Iout -0.0040 A           | A                       | Iout +0.0040 A           |
| High Range                                | Iout -0.0125 A           | A                       | Iout +0.0125 A           |
| (Iout = calculated output current @ 60Hz) |                          |                         |                          |

### Table B-4. Agilent 6813B Verification Test Record

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### **Performing the Calibration Procedure**

Table B-1 lists the equipment required for calibration. Figure B-1 shows the test setup.

**NOTE:** You do not have to do a complete calibration each time. You may calibrate only the voltage or current and proceed to "Saving the Calibration Constants." However, before you calibrate OVP, you must first calibrate the output voltage.

The following parameters may be calibrated:

- ac output voltage
- output voltage measurement
- overvoltage protection (OVP)
- ac output current
- output current measurement
- output impedance

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Before calibrating the output impedance, you must first calibrate the output voltage and the output curent.

### **Front Panel Calibration Menu**

The Entry keypad is used for calibration functions.

Cal Press this key to access the calibration menu.

| Display   | Command Function  |
|---|---|
| CAL ON <value></value>  | Turns calibration mode on when the correct password value is entered.   |
| CAL OFF   | Turns calibration mode off  |
| CAL:LEV <char></char>   | Advance to next step in sequence (P1, P2, P3, or P4).   |
| CAL:DATA <value></value>  | Input a calibration measurement.  |
| CAL:VOLT:OFFSET   | Begin voltage offset calibration  |
| CAL:VOLT:DC   | Begin dc voltage calibration sequence   |
| CAL:VOLT:AC   | Begin ac voltage calibration sequence   |
| CAL:VOLT:PROT   | Begin voltage protection calibration  |
| CAL:CURR:AC   | Begin ac current calibration sequence   |
| CAL:CURR:MEAS   | Begin current measurement calibration sequence  |
| CAL:IMP   | Begin output impedance calibration sequence   |
| CAL:SAVE  | Saves the calibration constants in non-volatile memory.   |
| CAL:PASS <value></value>  | Set new calibration password.   |
| CAL:DATA <value><br/>CAL:VOLT:OFFSET<br/>CAL:VOLT:DC<br/>CAL:VOLT:AC<br/>CAL:VOLT:PROT<br/>CAL:CURR:AC<br/>CAL:CURR:MEAS<br/>CAL:IMP<br/>CAL:SAVE</value> | Input a calibration measurement.<br>Begin voltage offset calibration<br>Begin dc voltage calibration sequence<br>Begin ac voltage calibration sequence<br>Begin voltage protection calibration<br>Begin ac current calibration sequence<br>Begin current measurement calibration sequence<br>Begin output impedance calibration sequence<br>Saves the calibration constants in non-volatile memory. |

Notes:

value = a numeric value

char = a character string parameter

|     | and 🔻 | to scroll through the command list.     |
|-----|-------|---|
| Use | and 🛡 | ] to scroll through the parameter list. |

### **Front Panel Calibration**

# **WARNING:** *LETHAL VOLTAGES.* Ac sources can supply 424 V peak at their output. DEATH on contact may result if the output terminals or circuits connected to the output are touched when power is applied. These procedures must be performed by a qualified electronics technician or engineer trained on this equipment.

The following procedures assume you understand how to operate front panel keys (see Chapter 4).

### **Enable Calibration Mode**

#### Action Display 1. Reset the unit by selecting **Output**, scrolling to the \*RST command and \*RST pressing **Enter**. 2. To begin calibration press Shift Cal, scroll to CAL ON and press Enter. CAL ON 0.0 3. Enter the calibration password from Entry keypad and press Enter. If the password is correct the Cal annunciator will come on. If CAL DENIED appears, then an internal switch has been set to prevent the CAL DENIED calibration from being changed. (see the Service Manual.) OUT OF RANGE If the password is incorrect, an error occurs. If the active password is lost, the calibration function can be recovered by setting an internal switch that defeats password protection. (see the Service Manual.)

### **Calibrating and Entering Voltage Offset Values**

Connect the negative terminal of the DVM to the COM output terminal. Note that some calibration points are negative; be sure to enter the CAL:DATA as negative values when required.

|     | Action  | Display         |
|-----|---|-----------------|
| 4.  | Connect the DVM (dc volts mode) directly to the ac source. Do not connect the ratio transformer or load resistor shown in Figure B-1.   |                 |
| 5.  | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL VOLT OFFSET command, and press <b>Enter</b> .  | CAL:VOLT:OFFSET |
| 6.  | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, and press <b>Enter</b> to select the first calibration point.  | CAL:LEV P1      |
| 7.  | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to CAL DATA 0.00, and use the Entry keypad to enter the dc voltage value displayed on the DVM.  | CAL:DATA 0.00   |
| 8.  | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, use $\clubsuit$ to scroll to the P2 parameter, and press <b>Enter</b> . This selects the second calibration point. | CAL:LEV P2      |
| 9.  | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to CAL DATA 0.00, and use the Entry keypad to enter the dc voltage value displayed on the DVM.  | CAL:DATA 0.00   |
| 10. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, use $\clubsuit$ to scroll to the P3 parameter, and press <b>Enter</b> .  | CAL:LEV P3      |

| 11. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to CAL DATA 0.00, and use the Entry keypad to enter the dc voltage value displayed on the DVM.     | CAL:DATA 0.00 |
|-----|--|---------------|
| 12. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, use $\clubsuit$ to scroll to the P4 parameter, and press <b>Enter</b> . | CAL:LEV P4    |
| 13. | Press <b>Shift Calibration,</b> scroll to CAL DATA 0.00, and use the Entry keypad to enter the dc voltage value displayed on the DVM.      | CAL:DATA 0.00 |

The ac source is now holding the new voltage offset calibration constants in RAM.

# **Calibrating and Entering DC Voltage Gain Values**

Connect the negative terminal of the DVM to the COM output terminal. Note that some calibration points are negative; be sure to enter the CAL:DATA as negative values when required.

|   | Action  | Display       |
|---|---|---------------|
| 14.   | Connect the DVM (dc volts mode) directly to the ac source. Do not connect the ratio transformer or load resistor shown in Figure B-1.                                       |               |
| 15.   | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL VOLT DC command, and press <b>Enter</b> .  | CAL:VOLT:DC   |
| 16.   | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, and press <b>Enter</b> to select the first calibration point.  | CAL:LEV P1    |
| 17.   | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to CAL DATA 0.00, and use the Entry keypad to enter the dc voltage value displayed on the DVM.                                      | CAL:DATA 0.00 |
| 18.   | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, use ↓ to scroll to the P2 parameter, and press <b>Enter</b> . This selects the second calibration point. | CAL:LEV P2    |
| 19.   | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to CAL DATA 0.00, and use the Entry keypad to enter the dc voltage value displayed on the DVM.                                      | CAL:DATA 0.00 |
| 20.   | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, use $\clubsuit$ to scroll to the P3 parameter, and press <b>Enter</b> .                                  | CAL:LEV P3    |
| 21.   | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to CAL DATA 0.00, and use the Entry keypad to enter the dc voltage value displayed on the DVM.                                      | CAL:DATA 0.00 |
| The   | ac source is now holding the new dc voltage gain calibration constants in   | RAM.          |
| Calibrating and Entering AC rms Voltage Gain Values |   |               |
|   | Action  | Display       |
|   |   |               |

| 22. | Connect the DVM (ac volts mode) to the ac source using the ratio transformer shown in Figure B-1.   |               |
|-----|---|---------------|
| 23. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL VOLT AC command, and press <b>Enter</b> .  | CAL:VOLT:AC   |
| 24. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, and press <b>Enter</b> to select the first calibration point.  | CAL:LEV P1    |
| 25. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to CAL DATA 0.00, and use the Entry keypad to enter the product of the transformer ratio times the ac voltage value displayed on the DVM. | CAL:DATA 0.00 |

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| 26.   | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, use $\clubsuit$ to scroll to the P2 parameter, and press <b>Enter</b> . This selects the second calibration point. | CAL:LEV P2    |
|---|---|---------------|
| 27.   | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to CAL DATA 0.00, and use the Entry keypad to enter the product of the transformer ratio times the ac voltage value displayed on the DVM.     | CAL:DATA 0.00 |
| 28.   | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, use $\clubsuit$ to scroll to the P3 parameter, and press <b>Enter</b> .  | CAL:LEV P3    |
| 29.   | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to CAL DATA 0.00, and use the Entry keypad to enter the product of the transformer ratio times the ac voltage value displayed on the DVM.     | CAL:DATA 0.00 |
| 30.   | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, use $\clubsuit$ to scroll to the P4 parameter, and press <b>Enter</b> .  | CAL:LEV P4    |
| 31.   | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to CAL DATA 0.00, and use the Entry keypad to enter the product of the transformer ratio times the ac voltage value displayed on the DVM.     | CAL:DATA 0.00 |
| The ac source is now holding the new ac rms voltage calibration constants in RAM. |   |               |

# **Calibrating the OVP Trip Point**

|       | Action  | Display       |
|-------|---|---------------|
| 32.   | Press Shift Calibration, scroll to CAL VOLT PROT, and press Enter.  | CAL:VOLT:PROT |
| 33.   | Wait for the ac source to compute the OVP calibration constant. The display returns to Meter mode when the OVP calculation is complete. |               |
| The a | The ac source is now holding the new OVP calibration constants in RAM.  |               |

# **Calibrating and Entering rms Current Values**

|     | Action  | Display       |
|-----|---|---------------|
| 34. | Connect the DVM (ac rms mode), current shunt, and load resistor as shown in figure B-1 with S1 closed.  |               |
| 35. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL CURR AC command, and press <b>Enter</b> .  | CAL:CURR:AC   |
| 36. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, and press <b>Enter</b> .   | CAL:LEV P1    |
| 37. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL DATA 0.00 command.<br>Calculate the rms current value (DVM ac rms voltage/shunt resistance), and<br>use the Entry keypad to enter the rms current. | CAL:DATA 0.00 |
| 38. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, use $\clubsuit$ to scroll to the P2 parameter, and press <b>Enter</b> .  | CAL:LEV P2    |
| 39. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL DATA 0.00 command.<br>Calculate the rms current value (DVM ac rms voltage/shunt resistance), and<br>use the Entry keypad to enter the rms current. | CAL:DATA 0.00 |
|     |   |               |

The ac source is now holding the new rms current calibration constants in RAM.

# **Calibrating and Entering rms Current Measurement Values**

|     | Action  | Display       |
|-----|---|---------------|
| 40. | Connect the DVM (ac rms mode), current shunt, and load resistor as shown in figure B-1 with S1 closed.  |               |
| 41. | Press <b>Shift Calibration,</b> scroll to the CAL CURR MEAS command, and press <b>Enter</b> .   | CAL:CURR:MEAS |
| 42. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL LEV P1 command, and press <b>Enter</b> .   | CAL:LEV P1    |
| 43. | Press <b>Shift Calibration,</b> scroll to the CAL DATA 0.00 command.<br>Calculate the rms current value (DVM ac rms voltage/shunt resistance), and<br>use the Entry keypad to enter the rms current.  | CAL:DATA 0.00 |
| 44. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to CAL LEV P1 command, use $\clubsuit$ to scroll to the P2 parameter, and press <b>Enter</b> .  | CAL:LEV P2    |
| 45. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL DATA 0.00 command.<br>Calculate the rms current value (DVM ac rms voltage/shunt resistance), and<br>use the Entry keypad to enter the rms current. | CAL:DATA 0.00 |

The ac source is now holding the new rms current measurement calibration constants in RAM.

# **Calibrating the Output Impedance**

|  | Action   | Display |
|--|--|---------|
| 46.  | Connect only the output impedance resistor across the output of the ac source. Do not connect any other equipment.                                     |         |
| 47.  | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , scroll to the CAL IMP command, and press <b>Enter</b> .   | CAL:IMP |
| 48.  | Wait for the ac source to compute the output impedance calibration<br>constant. The display returns to Meter mode when the calculation is<br>complete. |         |
| The second second building the new superior dense calibration constants in DAM |  |         |

The ac source is now holding the new output impedance calibration constants in RAM.

# Saving the Calibration Constants

**CAUTION:** Storing calibration constants overwrites the existing ones in non-volatile memory. If you are not sure you want to permanently store the new constants, omit this step. The ac source calibration will then remain unchanged.

|     | Action  | Display  |
|-----|---|----------|
| 49. | Press Shift Calibration, scroll to CAL SAVE, and press Enter.   | CAL:SAVE |
| 50. | Press <b>Shift Calibration</b> , select CAL OFF, and press <b>Enter</b> to exit Calibration mode. *RST and *RCL will also set the calibration state to OFF. | CAL OFF  |

# **Changing the Calibration Password**

The factory default password is 0. You can change the password when the ac source is in calibration mode (which requires you to enter the existing password). Proceed as follows:

|    | Action   | Display             |
|----|--|---------------------|
| 1. | Begin by pressing <b>Shift Cal</b> and scrolling to the CAL ON command.  | CAL ON 0.0          |
| 2. | Enter the existing password from Entry keypad and press Enter  |                     |
| 3. | Press Shift Cal and scroll to the CAL PASS command.  | CAL:PASS 0          |
| 4. | Enter the new password from the keypad. You can use any number with up to six digits and an optional decimal point. If you want the calibration function to operate without requiring any password, change the password to $0$ (zero). |                     |
|    | <b>TE:</b> If you want the calibration function to operate without requiring   | any password change |

**NOTE:** If you want the calibration function to operate without requiring any password, change the password to 0 (zero).

# **Calibration Error Messages**

Errors that can occur during calibration are shown in the following table.

| Error | Meaning   |  |
|-------|---|--|
| 401   | CAL switch prevents calibration (This is a hardware disable, see the ac source Service Manual.) |  |
| 402   | CAL password is incorrect   |  |
| 403   | CAL not enabled   |  |
| 404   | Computed readback cal constants are incorrect   |  |
| 405   | Computed programming cal constants are incorrect  |  |
| 406   | Incorrect sequence of calibration commands  |  |

# Table B-5. GPIB Calibration Error Messages

# Calibration Over the GPIB

You can calibrate the ac source by using SCPI commands within your controller programming statements. Be sure you are familiar with calibration from the front panel before you calibrate from a controller. Each front panel calibration command has a corresponding SCPI command.

The SCPI calibration commands are explained in Chapter 3 of the ac source Programming Guide. Calibration error messages that can occur during GPIB calibration are shown in table B-3.

# **Agilent Calibration Program Listing**

Figure B-2, Sheets 1 through 3, lists the calibration program. This program can be run on any controller operating under Agilent BASIC. The assumed power supply address is 705 and calibration password is 0. If required, change these parameters in the appropriate statements.

```
10
20
      ! AC Source calibration program
                                                          Rev B.00.00
30
40
      ASSIGN @Ac TO 705
50
      PRINT TABXY(5,5), "This program will calibrate the 6811B/12B/13B AC Power Solutions."
60
70
      PRINT TABXY(5,7),"Equipment requirements are:
                                                          Agilent3458A or equivalent DVM"
      PRINT TABXY(37,8),"0.01 ohm <200ppm Current Shunt"
PRINT TABXY(37,9),"20 ohm >1800 watt power resistor for all models"
80
90
      PRINT TABXY(37,10), "1 ohm >100 watt impedance resistor"
PRINT TABXY(37,11), "30:1 <50ppm Ratio Transformer"
100
110
120
      PRINT TABXY(3,13), "Ratio Transformer is required to when calibrating to MIL-STD-45662A. If the"
130
      PRINT TABXY(2,14), "ratio transformer is not used the measurement uncertainty must be recalculated."
140
      DISP "Press CONT to continue"
150
160
      PAUSE
170
      CLEAR SCREEN
      PRINT TABXY(15,5),"1. Turn the AC Source off"
PRINT TABXY(15,7),"2. Disconnect all loads"
180
190
      PRINT TABXY(15,9),"3. Connect the 3458A to the rear terminal block"
200
210
      PRINT TABXY(15,11), "4. Set the 3458A to DC VOLTS"
      PRINT TABXY(15,13), "5. Turn on the AC Source'
220
230
      DISP "Press CONT to begin DC OFSET and DC GAIN calibration"
240
250
      PAUSE
260
      CLEAR SCREEN
270
      PRINT TABXY(25,5), "CALIBRATING VOLTAGE OFFSET"
      PRINT TABXY(20,7), "There are 4 points to be calibrated"
280
290
      OUTPUT @Ac;"CAL:STATE ON"
300
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL: VOLT: OFFS"
310
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:LEV P1"
      WAIT 10
320
330
      INPUT "Enter DC offset voltage reading from DVM", Off_p1
340
      PRINT TABXY(25,9), "Point 1 entered"
350
      OUTPUT @Ac;"CAL:DATA";Off_p1
360
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:LEV P2"
370
      WAIT 10
380
      INPUT "Enter DC offset voltage reading from DVM", Off_p2
      PRINT TABXY(25,11), "Point 2 entered"
390
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:DATA"; Off_p2
400
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:LEV P3"
410
420
      WAIT 10
430
      INPUT "Enter DC offset voltage reading from DVM", Off_p3
440
      PRINT TABXY(25,13), "Point 3 entered"
      OUTPUT @Ac;"CAL:DATA";Off_p3
450
      OUTPUT @Ac;"CAL:LEV P4"
460
470
      WAIT 10
      INPUT "Enter DC offset voltage reading from DVM", Off_p4
480
490
      PRINT TABXY(25,15), "Point 4 entered"
      OUTPUT @Ac;"CAL:DATA";Off_p4
500
510
      WAIT 3
520
      CLEAR SCREEN
530
      PRINT TABXY(25,5), "CALIBRATING DC VOLTAGE GAIN"
      PRINT TABXY(20,7), "There are 3 points to be calibrated"
540
550
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL: VOLT: DC"
```

Figure B-2. Calibration Program Listing (Sheet 1 of 3)

#### **B** - Verification and Calibration

```
OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:LEV P1"
560
570
      WATT 10
580
      INPUT "Enter DC voltage reading from DVM", Dc_p1
      PRINT TABXY(25,9), "Point 1 entered"
590
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:DATA"; Dc_p1
600
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:LEV P2"
610
620
      WAIT 10
630
      INPUT "Enter DC voltage reading from DVM", Dc_p2
640
      PRINT TABXY(25,11), "Point 2 entered"
      OUTPUT @Ac;"CAL:DATA";Dc_p2
650
      OUTPUT @Ac;"CAL:LEV P3"
660
670
      WAIT 10
680
      INPUT "Enter DC voltage reading from DVM", Dc_p3
      PRINT TABXY(25,13), "Point 3 entered"
690
700
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:DATA"; Dc_p3
710
      WAIT 3
720
      CLEAR SCREEN
730
      PRINT TABXY(5,10),"1. Connect the 3458A to the rear terminals via the ratio transformer"
      PRINT TABXY(18,12),"2. Set the 3458A to AC VOLTS"
740
750
760
      DISP "Press CONT to begin AC PROGRAMMING and MEASUREMENT calibration"
770
     PAUSE
      CLEAR SCREEN
780
790
      PRINT TABXY(18,5), "CALIBRATING AC POGRAMMING and MEASUREMENT"
800
      PRINT TABXY(20,7), "There are 4 points to be calibrated"
810
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:VOLT:AC"
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:LEV P1"
820
830
      WAIT 10
840
      INPUT "Enter AC rms ( transformer ratio * DVM reading)", Ac_p1
850
      PRINT TABXY(25,9), "Point 1 entered"
860
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:DATA"; Ac_p1
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:LEV P2"
870
880
      WAIT 10
890
      INPUT "Enter AC rms ( transformer ratio * DVM reading)", Ac_p2
900
      PRINT TABXY(25,11), "Point 2 entered"
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:DATA"; Ac_p2
910
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:LEV P3"
920
930
      WAIT 10
940
      INPUT "Enter AC rms ( transformer ratio * DVM reading)", Ac_p3
950
      PRINT TABXY(25,13), "Point 3 entered"
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:DATA"; Ac_p3
960
970
      OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:LEV P4"
980
      WAIT 3
990
      INPUT "Enter AC rms ( transformer ratio * DVM reading)", Ac_p4
1000 PRINT TABXY(25,15), "Point 4 entered"
1010 OUTPUT @Ac;"CAL:DATA";Ac_p4
1020
      WAIT 10
1030 CLEAR SCREEN
1040 PRINT TABXY(15,10), "CALIBRATING OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTION"
1050 OUTPUT @Ac;"CAL:VOLT:PROT"
1060 PRINT TABXY(30,15), "WAIT"
1070
      WAIT 30
1071 OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL: SAVE"
1072 OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:STATE OFF"
1080 CLEAR SCREEN
1090 PRINT TABXY(15,5),"1. Turn off the AC Source"
1100 PRINT TABXY(15,7),"2. Connect the current shunt and 20 ohm load resistor, see fig.B-1"
```

Figure B-2. Calibration Program Listing (Sheet 2 of 3)

```
1110
     PRINT TABXY(15,9),"3. Connect the 3458A across the current shunt"
1120 PRINT TABXY(15,11),"4. Set the 3458A to AC rms VOLTS"
1130 PRINT TABXY(15,13), "5. Turn on the AC Source"
1140
     1
1150 DISP "Press CONT to begin Current Program and Measurement calibration"
1160 PAUSE
1170 CLEAR SCREEN
1180 PRINT TABXY(22,5), "CALIBRATING CURRENT POGRAMMING"
1190 PRINT TABXY(20,7), "There are 2 points to be calibrated"
1191 OUTPUT @Ac;"CAL:STATE ON"
1200 OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:CURR:AC"
1210 OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:LEV P1"
1220 WAIT 10
1230 INPUT "Enter AC rms current ( DVM reading divided by shunt resistance )",Ai_pl
1240 PRINT TABXY(25,9), "Point 1 entered"
1250 OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:DATA"; Ai_p1
1260 OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:LEV P2"
1270 WAIT 10
1280 INPUT "Enter AC rms current ( DVM reading divided by shunt resistance )",Ai_p2
1290 PRINT TABXY(25,11), "Point 2 entered"
1300 OUTPUT @Ac;"CAL:DATA";Ai_p2
1310 WAIT 10
1320 CLEAR SCREEN
1330 PRINT TABXY(22,5), "CALIBRATING CURRENT MEASUREMENT"
1340 PRINT TABXY(20,7), "There are 2 points to be calibrated"
1350 OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:CURR:MEAS"
1360 OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:LEV P1"
1370 WAIT 10
1380 INPUT "Enter AC rms current ( DVM reading divided by shunt resistance )", Am_pl
1390 PRINT TABXY(25,9), "Point 1 entered"
1400 OUTPUT @Ac;"CAL:DATA";Am_p1
1410 OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:LEV P2"
1420 WAIT 10
1430 INPUT "Enter AC rms current ( DVM reading divided by shunt resistance )",Am_p2
1440 PRINT TABXY(25,11), "Point 2 entered"
1450 OUTPUT @Ac;"CAL:DATA";Am_p2
1460 WAIT 10
1470 OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:SAVE"
     OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:STATE OFF"
1480
1490 CLEAR SCREEN
1500
      1
1510
1520 PRINT TABXY(15,5),"1. Turn off the AC Source"
1530 PRINT TABXY(15,7),"2. Disconnect all equipment from the AC Source"
1540 PRINT TABXY(15,9),"3. Connect the 1 ohm impedance resistor, see fig.B-1"
1550 PRINT TABXY(15,11), "4. Turn on the AC Source"
1560
1570 DISP "Press CONT to begin Output Impedance calibration"
1580 PAUSE
1590 PRINT TABXY(15,10), "CALIBRATING OUTPUT IMPEDANCE"
1600 OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:STATE ON"
     OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL: IMP"
1610
1620 PRINT TABXY(30,15), "WAIT"
1630 WAIT 30
1640 OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL: SAVE"
1650
     OUTPUT @Ac; "CAL:STATE OFF"
1660
     CLEAR SCREEN
1670
     PRINT TABXY(25,10), "CALIBRATION COMPLETE"
1680 END
```

Figure B-2. Calibration Program Listing (Sheet 3 of 3)

# **Error Messages**

# **Error Number List**

This appendix gives the error numbers and descriptions that are returned by the ac source. Error numbers are returned in two ways:

- Error numbers are displayed on the front panel ٠
- ٠ Error numbers and messages are read back with the SYSTem:ERRor? query. SYSTem:ERRor? returns the error number into a variable and returns two parameters: an NR1 and a string.

The following table lists the errors that are associated with SCPI syntax errors and interface problems. It also lists the device dependent errors. Information inside the brackets is not part of the standard error message, but is included for clarification. When errors occur, the Standard Event Status register records them in bit 2, 3, 4, or 5:

| Error Number | Error String [Description/Explanation/Examples]                               |
|--------------|---|
|              | Command Errors -100 through -199 (sets Standard Event Status Register bit #5) |
| -100         | Command error [generic]   |
| -101         | Invalid character   |
| -102         | Syntax error [unrecognized command or data type]                              |
| -103         | Invalid separator   |
| -104         | Data type error [e.g., "numeric or string expected, got block data"]          |
| -105         | GET not allowed   |
| -108         | Parameter not allowed [too many parameters]                                   |
| -109         | Missing parameter [too few parameters]  |
| -112         | Program mnemonic too long [maximum 12 characters]                             |
| -113         | Undefined header [operation not allowed for this device]                      |
| -121         | Invalid character in number [includes "9" in octal data, etc.]                |
| -123         | Numeric overflow [exponent too large; exponent magnitude >32 k]               |
| -124         | Too many digits [number too long; more than 255 digits received]              |
| -128         | Numeric data not allowed  |
| -131         | Invalid suffix [unrecognized units, or units not appropriate]                 |
| -138         | Suffix not allowed  |
| -141         | Invalid character data [bad character, or unrecognized]                       |
| -144         | Character data too long   |
| -148         | Character data not allowed  |
| -150         | String data error   |
| -151         | Invalid string data [e.g., END received before close quote]                   |
| -158         | String data not allowed   |
| -160         | Block data error  |

| Table C-1. Error Numb | bers |
|-----------------------|------|
|-----------------------|------|

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| <b>F</b> |   |
|----------|---|
| -161     | Invalid block data [e.g., END received before length satisfied]                 |
| -168     | Block data not allowed  |
| -170     | Expression error  |
| -171     | Invalid expression  |
| -178     | Expression data not allowed   |
|          | Execution Errors -200 through -299 (sets Standard Event Status Register bit #4) |
| -200     | Execution error [generic]   |
| -221     | Settings conflict [check current device state]                                  |
| -222     | Data out of range [e.g., too large for this device]                             |
| -223     | Too much data [out of memory; block, string, or expression too long]            |
| -224     | Illegal parameter value [device-specific]                                       |
| -225     | Out of memory   |
| -270     | Macro error   |
| -272     | Macro execution error   |
| -273     | Illegal macro label   |
| -276     | Macro recursion error   |
| -277     | Macro redefinition not allowed  |
|          | System Errors –300 through –399 (sets Standard Event Status Register bit #3)    |
| -310     | System error [generic]  |
| -350     | Too many errors [errors beyond 9 lost due to queue overflow]                    |
|          | Query Errors –400 through –499 (sets Standard Event Status Register bit #2)     |
| -400     | Query error [generic]   |
| -410     | Query INTERRUPTED [query followed by DAB or GET before response complete]       |
| -420     | Query UNTERMINATED [addressed to talk, incomplete programming message received] |
| -430     | Query DEADLOCKED [too many queries in command string]                           |
| -440     | Query UNTERMINATED [after indefinite response]                                  |
|          | Selftest Errors 0 through 99 (sets Standard Event Status Register bit #3)       |
| 0        | No error  |
| 1        | Non-volatile RAM RD0 section checksum failed                                    |
| 2        | Non-volatile RAM CONFIG section checksum failed                                 |
| 3        | Non-volatile RAM CAL section checksum failed                                    |
| 4        | Non-volatile RAM WAVEFORM section checksum failed                               |
| 5        | Non-volatile RAM STATE section checksum failed                                  |
| 6        | Non-volatile RAM LIST section checksum failed                                   |
| 7        | Non-volatile RAM RST section checksum failed                                    |
| 10       | RAM selftest  |
| 11 - 31  | DAC selftest error, expected <n>, read <reading></reading></n>                  |
|          | Errors 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 apply to DAC12 1A and 1B                              |
|          | Errors 16, 17, 18 apply to DAC12 2A   |
|          | Errors 19, 20, 21 apply to DAC12 2B<br>Errors 22, 23 apply to DAC12 4A          |
|          | Errors 24, 25 apply to DAC12 4A<br>Errors 24, 25 apply to DAC12 4B              |
|          | Errors 26, 27, 28 apply to DAC12 3A and 3B                                      |
|          | Errors 29, 30, 31 apply to DAC12 5A and 5B                                      |

| 40    | Voltage selftest error output 1  |
|-------|--|
| 40    | Voltage selftest error, output 1<br>Voltage selftest error, output 2                   |
| 41 42 | Voltage selftest error, output 2<br>Voltage selftest error, output 3                   |
| 42    | Current selftest error, output 1   |
| 43    | Current selftest error, output 2   |
|       | -  |
| 45    | Current selftest error, output 3   |
| 70    | Fan voltage failure  |
| 80    | Digital I/O selftest error   |
| 200   | Device-Dependent Errors 100 through 32767 (sets Standard Event Status Register bit #3) |
| 200   | Outgrd not responding  |
| 201   | Front panel not responding   |
| 210   | Ingrd receiver framing error   |
| 211   | Ingrd uart overrun status  |
| 212   | Ingrd received bad token   |
| 213   | Ingrd receiver buffer overrun  |
| 214   | Ingrd input buffer overrun   |
| 215   | Outgrd output buffer overrun   |
| 216   | RS-232 receiver framing error  |
| 217   | RS-232 receiver parity error   |
| 218   | RS-232 receiver overrun error  |
| 219   | Ingrd inbuf count sync error   |
| 220   | Front panel uart overrun   |
| 221   | Front panel uart framing   |
| 222   | Front panel uart parity  |
| 223   | Front panel buffer overrun   |
| 224   | Front panel timeout  |
| 401   | CAL switch prevents calibration  |
| 402   | CAL password is incorrect  |
| 403   | CAL not enabled  |
| 404   | Computed readback cal constants are incorrect  |
| 405   | Computed programming cal constants are incorrect                                       |
| 406   | Incorrect sequence of calibration commands   |
| 600   | Systems in mode: list have different list lengths                                      |
| 601   | Requested voltage and waveform exceeds peak voltage capability                         |
| 602   | Requested voltage and waveform exceeds transformer volt-second rating                  |
| 603   | Command only applies to RS-232 interface   |
| 604   | Trigger received before requested number of pre-trigger readings                       |
| 605   | Requested RMS current too high for voltage range                                       |
| 606   | Waveform data not defined  |
| 607   | VOLT, VOLT:SLEW, and FUNC:SHAP modes incompatible                                      |
| 608   | Measurement overrange  |
| 609   | Output buffer overrun  |
| 610   | Command cannot be given with present SYST:CONF setting                                 |

# Line Voltage Conversion

# **WARNING:** *Shock Hazard* Hazardous voltage can remain inside the unit even after it has been turned off. This procedure should only be done by qualified electronics service personnel.

## **Open the Unit**

- Turn off the ac power to the unit and disconnect the power cord from the power outlet.
- Remove the four screws that secure the two carrying straps and outer cover (use a T25 Torx drive).
- Slightly spread the bottom rear of the cover and pull it back to remove it from the front panel.
- Observe the two LEDs that are visible in the cutouts on each side of the unit. If either LED is on, there is hazardous voltage inside the unit. Wait until the LED goes out before proceeding (this may take several minutes).

## Check the Jumper Wire (Model Agilent 6811B/6812B only)

- Locate the line voltage jumper wire in the cutout at the side of the unit by the line cord (see Figure D-1).
- For 100 V or 120 V operation, install the jumper on the lug labeled:100/120.
   For 200 V, 208 V or 230 V operation, install the jumper on the lug labeled: 200/220.

## Check the Line Jumpers (all Models)

- Locate the line jumpers in the cutout at the side of the unit by the on/off switch.
- Configure the jumpers according to the line voltage shown in the accompanying label. When configuring a unit for 208 V, use the jumper settings shown for 200 V.

## Check the Power Transformer Connector (all Models)

| NOTE: | This procedure is only required if you are changing the input voltage between |
|-------|---|
|       | 100 V and 120 V or between 200/208 V and 230 V.                               |

- Remove the screws securing the inner cover (use a T15 Torx drive).
- Remove the inner cover.
- Remove the screws securing the pc board behind the front panel (use a T15 Torx drive).

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- You need only to lift the board out of the way, you do not need to disconnect any cables.
- Locate the connector in front of the power transformer.
- For 100 V, 200 V, or 208 V operation, install the plug on the connector labeled: 200 V input.
   For 120 V or 230 V operation, install the plug on the connector labeled: 240 V input.
- Replace the pc board and inner cover.

**NOTE:** Be sure to replace all of the screws removed in steps 9 and 11.

# **Close the Unit**

- Replace the outer cover.
- Change the label on the rear panel to reflect the changed input voltage rating.
- Reconnect the power and turn on the unit.

**NOTE:** Line voltage conversion does not require any fuse changes.

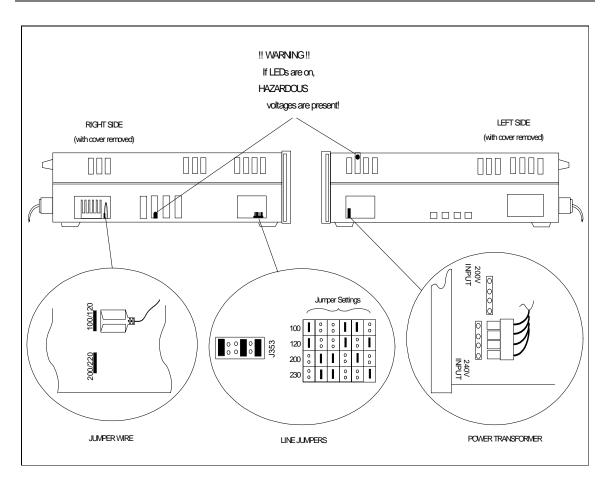


Figure D-1. Line Voltage Conversion Components

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Additional information about power cords for model 6811B has been added to chapters 1 and 2.

Corrections have been made to the rms current measurement accuracy verification procedure for all models in appendix B.

The Canada ICES/NMB-001 statement has been added to page 3.