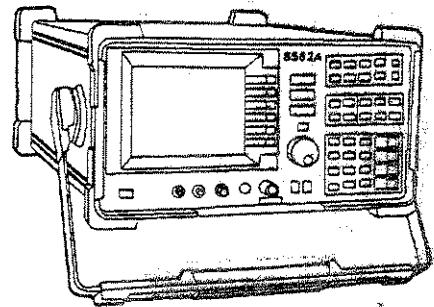
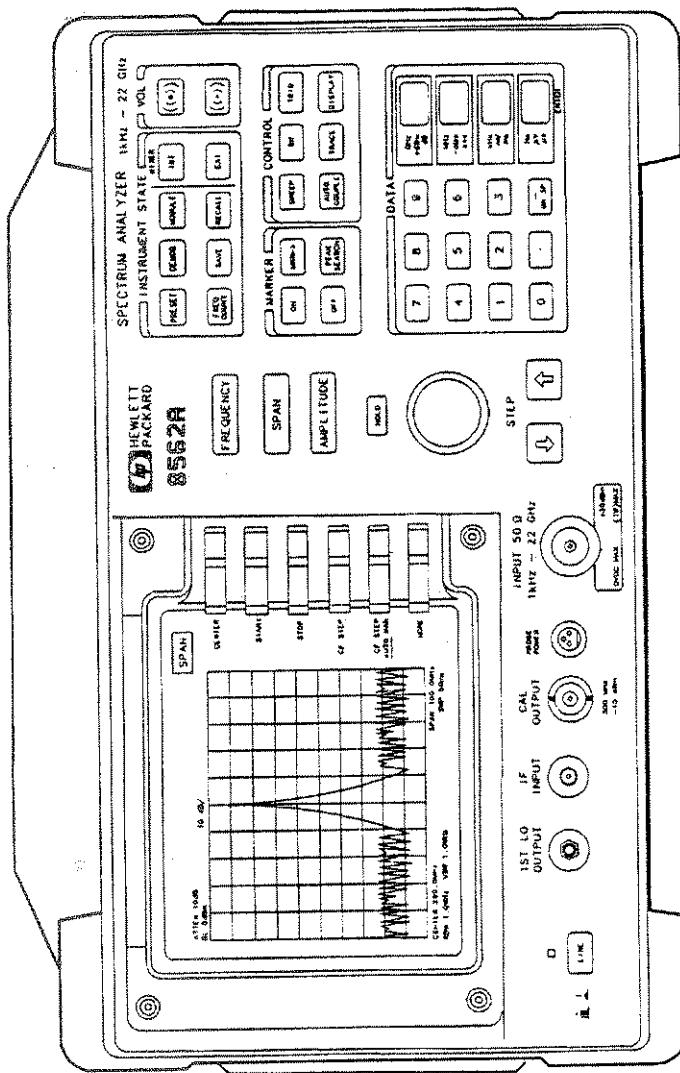


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## **Introduction**

This guide provides a quick reference for experienced spectrum analyzer users.

The HP 8560A/8561B Quick Reference Guide is a convenient reference for both manual and automated measurements. Chapter 1 gives an overview of front-panel keys and connectors, rear-panel connectors, and display annotation. Chapter 2 leads you through a simple procedure that demonstrates some general-purpose measurement techniques. Chapters 3 and 4 document softkey functions and HP-IB commands. The appendixes list error messages and cross references to front-panel functions and programming commands. Menu trees and simplified block diagrams can be found at the end of the guide.

For additional instrument information, consult the *HP 8560A/8561B Operating and Programming Manual*, the *HP 8560A Installation and Verification Manual*, or the *HP 8561B Installation and Verification Manual*.

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## Manual Operation

This chapter contains a brief explanation of some of the operating features of the HP 8561A and HP 8562A/B Spectrum Analyzers. For more information, refer to the *HP 8561A and HP 8562A/B Operation and Programming Manual*.

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**Caution**



The maximum RF INPUT level is +30 dBm with a minimum of 10 dB input attenuation. Maximum dc voltage to the RF input is 0 V. Exceeding either of these levels can damage the input attenuator and the input mixer.

**Caution**



To prevent damage to the instrument, be sure to set the rear-panel voltage selector to the appropriate value for your local line-voltage output. For more information, refer to the *Installation and Verification Manual*. The LINE input operates at nominally 115 V (47—440 Hz) or at nominally 230 V (47—66 Hz).

**Note**



In this manual the frequency range of HP 8562A/B instruments is listed as 9 kHz to 22 GHz (Option 026: 26.5 GHz). However, the frequency range of HP 8562A/B instruments serial prefixed below 2929A is 1 kHz to 22 GHz.

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## Input and Output Connectors

### Front Panel

Front panel connections provide an RF input, active-probe power, 300 MHz calibrator signal, 310.7 MHz IF input, and a first LO output. See Figure 1-1. These connections are described in the following text and in Table 1-1. The **LINE** key turns on the spectrum analyzer. The LED above the key indicates whether or not ac power is applied to the spectrum analyzer.

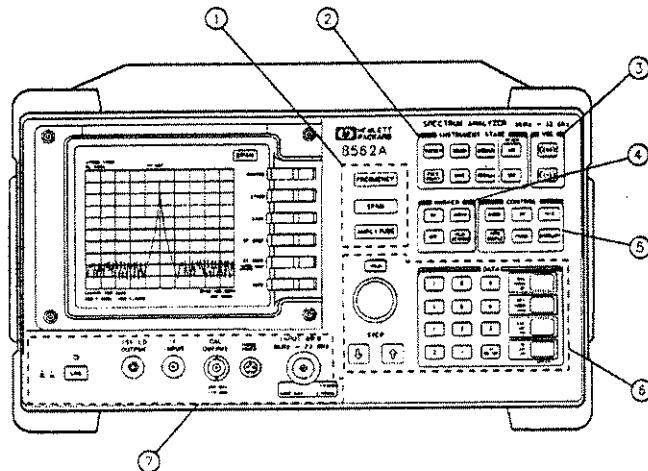


Figure 1-1. HP 8562A Front Panel

1. FREQUENCY, SPAN, and AMPLITUDE are the fundamental functions for most measurements.

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2. INSTRUMENT STATE functions generally affect the state of the entire spectrum analyzer, not just of a single function.
3. VOL functions control the volume of the speaker in the spectrum analyzer.  increases volume,  decreases it.
4. MARKER functions read out frequencies and amplitudes along the spectrum analyzer trace, allow you to make relative measurements, automatically locate the signal of highest amplitude on a trace, and tune the analyzer to track a signal automatically.
5. CONTROL functions allow you to adjust the resolution and video bandwidths, the sweep time, and the display, and to vary other functions that control spectrum analyzer measurement capabilities.
6. Data keys, step keys, and the knob allow you to change the numeric value of an active function. Use the data keys to enter an exact value or to move quickly from one end of the frequency range to the other. The step keys vary a value in predefined increments or, for some functions, in increments that you choose. The knob allows you to fine-tune most numeric values. The  key freezes the active function and holds it at a set value until the function key is pressed again.  also blanks the key menu.
7. The signal connections provide an RF input, active-probe power, a 300 MHz calibrator signal, a 310.7 MHz IF input, and a first LO output. These functions are described more fully in Table 1-1. The  button turns on the spectrum analyzer. The LED above indicates whether or not ac power is applied to the spectrum analyzer.

**Table 1-1. Front-Panel Connector Data**

Connector	Frequency Range	Amplitude/ Voltage Limits
INPUT 50Ω	HP 8561A: 1 kHz to 6.5 GHz HP 8562A/B: 9 kHz to 22 GHz (External mixers supported)	+10 dBm Max. 0 V dc Max.
PROBE POWER	— —	+15 V (150 mA max.) -12.6 V (150 mA max.)
CAL OUTPUT	300 MHz	-10 dBm
IF INPUT (for use with external mixers)	310.7 MHz	0 V dc max.
1ST LO OUTPUT	3.0 GHz to 6.81 GHz	+16.5 dBm ±2.0 dB

#### Rear Panel

- J1 provides a 4Ω impedance earphone jack.
- J2 is the Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus (HPIB) connector.
- J3 allows you to connect optional modules, such as the HP 85629B Test and Adjustment Module or the HP 85620A Mass Memory Module.
- J4 provides a detected video output that is proportional to the vertical deflection of the CRT trace. The output range is 0 V to 1 V when terminated in 50Ω, and can only be used in 10 dB/div mode.
- J5 provides an external trigger input. The input signal range is 0—5 V (TTL). When the trigger is in external mode, the instrument sweep triggers on the rising, positive edge of the signal (about 1.5 V).
- J6 provides a blanking output from 0—5 V (TTL) that is low (0 V) during spectrum analyzer sweeps. The output is used when operating the spectrum analyzer with a tracking generator such as an HP 85640A. The output is high (5 V) when the instrument is relocking between bands in multiband sweeps. Use this output for pen lift when plotting

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with nondigital plotters. This output is also useful for synchronizing instruments.

- J8 provides a 0—10 V ramp corresponding to the sweep ramp that tunes the local oscillator or provides a sweeping dc output having the following values:

HP 8562A/B: ..... 0.5 V/GHz from 0—22 GHz  
HP 8562A/B (Option 026): .... 0.5 V/GHz from 0—26.5 GHz  
HP 8561A: ..... 0.5 V/GHz from 0—6.5 GHz

The output can be selected from the keys **0—10 V LO SWP** and **.5 V/GHZ (FAV)**, respectively, which are under the **SWEEP** menu.

- J9 provides a 10 MHz, 0 dBm minimum, time-base reference signal. This connector can be switched to an input, in order to connect an external reference. An external reference must be 10 MHz  $\pm$ 100 Hz at a nominal amplitude of 0 dBm (-2 to +10 dBm). To select the external reference mode, use the key **10 MHZ EXT INT** under the **FREQUENCY** menu.

X POSN, Y POSN, and TRACE ALIGN allow you to align the spectrum analyzer CRT using a special CRT pattern. Refer to **CRT ADJ PATTERN** in this chapter, or consult the *Installation and Verification Manual*.

### Screen Annotations

Figure 1-2 illustrates the display annotation.

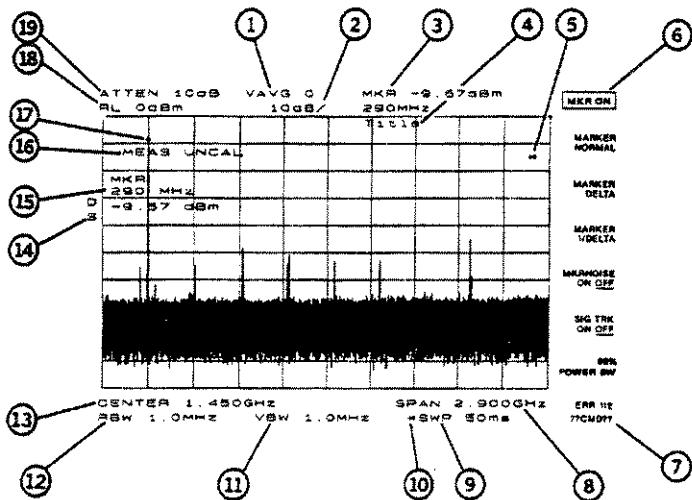


Figure 1-2. Display Annotation

1. Number of video averages.
2. Logarithmic or linear amplitude scale.
3. Marker amplitude and frequency.
4. Title area.
5. Data invalid indicator, displayed when analyzer settings are changed before completion of a sweep.

6. Menu title and key menu.
7. Error code.
8. Frequency span or stop frequency.
9. Sweep time.
10. Indicator of uncoupled function such as sweep time, resolution bandwidth, video bandwidth, or input attenuation.
11. Video bandwidth
12. Resolution bandwidth.
13. Center or start frequency.
14. Active special functions:

T = Trigger mode set to line, video, or external  
D = Detector mode set to sample, negative peak, or positive peak  
S = Single-sweep mode  
F = Frequency Offset  $\neq$  0 Hz  
X = External Frequency Reference Active  
R = Reference level offset  $\neq$  0 dB  
A = IF adjust turned OFF  
K = Signal track is ON  
M = Trace math is ON  
+ = Positive External Mixer Bias On (>0 mA)  
- = Negative External Mixer Bias On (<0 mA)

15. Active function area.
16. Measurement uncalibrated message.
17. Marker indicator.
18. Reference level.
19. Input attenuation or conversion loss.

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### Making a First Measurement

A basic measurement involves tuning the spectrum analyzer to place a signal on the screen, then measuring the frequency and amplitude of the signal with a marker.

You can measure an input signal in four simple steps.

1. Set the center frequency.
2. Set the frequency span.
3. Set the amplitude.
4. Activate the marker.

As an example, measure the 300 MHz calibration signal. First, power on the spectrum analyzer (for maximum accuracy, allow for a 5-minute warm-up). Next, connect the CAL OUT output to the INPUT 50Ω connector and complete the four steps as described below.

1. Set the center frequency. Press **FREQUENCY**. This activates the center frequency function, indicated by **CENTER** appearing in the active function block on the left side of the display (see Figure 1-3). To set the center frequency to 300 MHz, use the keys in the data section of the front panel and press 300 **(MHz)**. These data keys allow you to select the exact numeric value of the active function, which in this case is the center frequency. The step keys and knob also allow you to select function values.

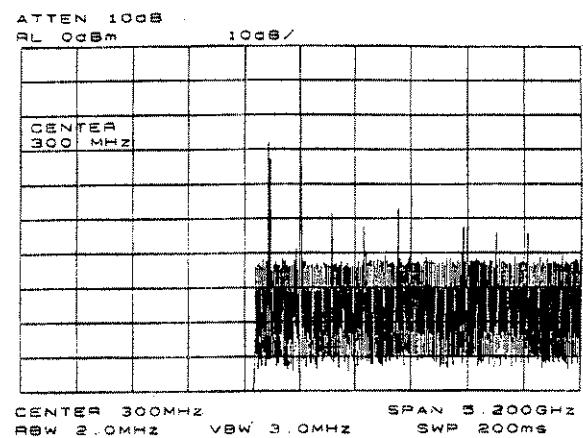
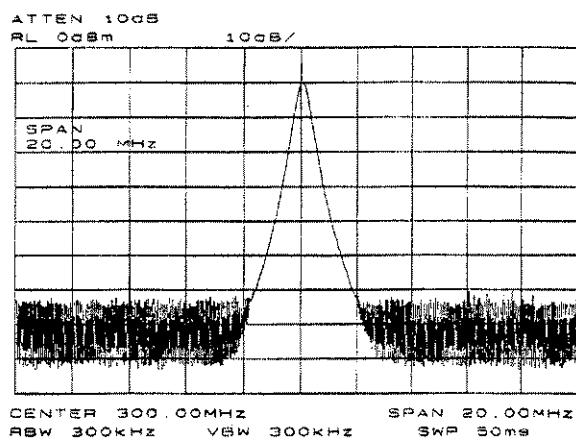


Figure 1-3. Center Frequency Set to 300 MHz

2. Set the frequency span. Press **SPAN**. Note that **SPAN** is now displayed in the active function block, identifying it as the current active function. To reduce the frequency span—for example, to 20 MHz—either key in 20 **MHz**, or use the step down-arrow key to “step down” to this value. (Like data keys, step keys can also be used to change the numeric value of the active function.) The resulting display is shown in Figure 1-4. Note that the resolution and video bandwidths are coupled to the frequency span; they are automatically adjusted to appropriate values for a given span. Sweep time is also a coupled function.



**Figure 1-4. Frequency Span Reduced to 20 MHz**

**Note**

The low band of the HP 8562A/B ranges from 9 kHz to 2.9 GHz. The upper band ranges from 2.75 GHz to 22 GHz. The frequency span cannot be set to overlap both bands at the same time in continuous sweep. For example, to sweep a range from 2.0 GHz to 3.5 GHz, use the low band to sweep from 2.0 GHz to 2.9 GHz and use the upper band to sweep from 2.75 GHz to 3.5 GHz. The frequency span can be set to overlap both bands in single sweep mode.

3. Set the amplitude. Generally, placing the signal peak at the reference level provides the best measurement accuracy. To adjust the signal peak to the reference level (Figure 1-5), press [AMPLITUDE], then key in 10  $\text{dBm}$ , or use either the step keys or the knob. Using the knob is the easiest way of fine-tuning the signal peak to the reference level, which is at the top of the screen.

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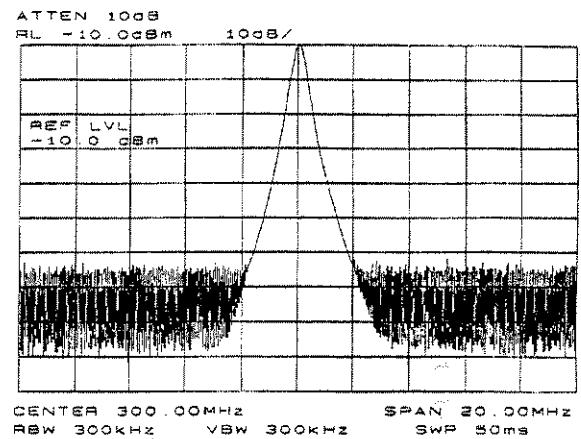


Figure 1-5. Signal Peak Set to Reference Level

4. Activate the marker. Press **ON** which is located in the MARKER section of the front panel. This places a marker at the center of the trace (in this case, at the peak of the signal) and completes the measurement. The marker reads both the frequency and the amplitude and displays these values in the active function block. In this case, the marker reads 300.00 MHz and -10.00 dBm, as shown in Figure 1-6.

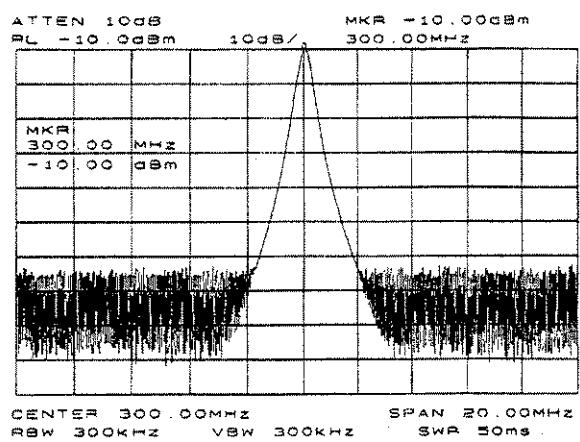


Figure 1-6. Activated Normal Marker

Many measurements require only these four steps. To return the instrument to its initial power-on state, press **[RESET]**.

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## Calibration Routines

**Note** If the spectrum analyzer has just powered on, allow for a 5-minute warm-up before calibration.

The spectrum analyzer's reference-level-calibration function is stored under the key REF LVL CAL in the AMPLITUDE menu. To calibrate the instrument, perform the following steps.

1. Use a short BNC cable to connect the front panel's CAL OUT and INPUT  $50\Omega$  connectors.
2. Set the center frequency to 300 MHz, the span to 20 MHz, and the reference level to -10 dBm. See Figure 1-7.

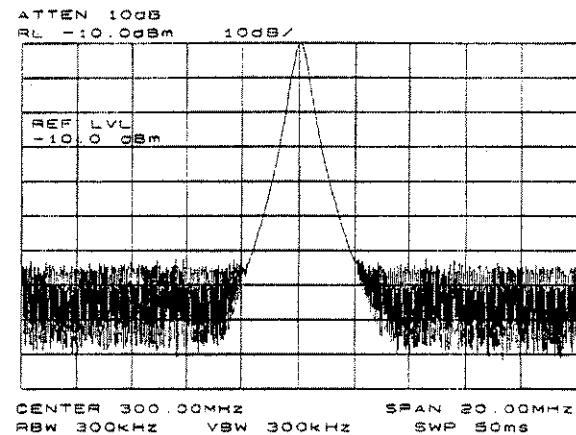
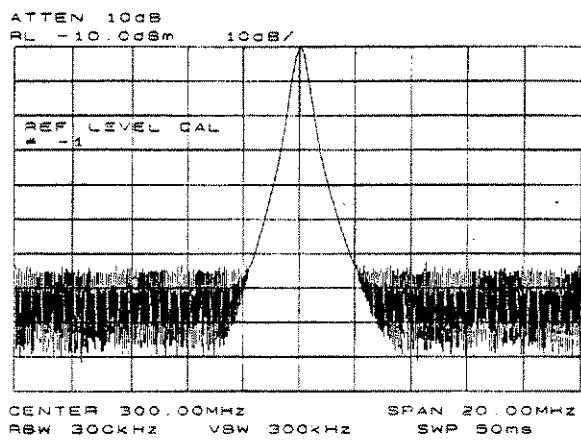


Figure 1-7. Frequency, Span, and Amplitude Set for Calibration

3. Press **AMPLITUDE**, **MORE**, and then **REF LVL CAL**.
4. Using the front-panel knob, adjust the peak of the signal to the reference level as shown in Figure 1-8. Note the number that appears in the active function block. This number, which ranges from -33 to 33, is a relative number indicating how much amplitude correction was required to calibrate the spectrum analyzer. The number is usually around 0.
5. To store the value, press **STORE REF LVL**.



**Figure 1-8. Signal Peak Calibrated to the Reference Level**

**Note**



Recalibrating the reference level is usually necessary only when the ambient temperature changes more than 10 degrees Celsius. Because the HP 8561A and HP 8562A/B continually monitor and reduce any IF errors, executing the IF calibration is seldom necessary.

## **Analyzer Functions**

This section lists the HP 8561A and 8562A/B front-panel functions in alphabetical order. Next to each key is a brief description of its operation. For detailed descriptions, refer to the *HP 8561A and HP 8562A/B Portable Spectrum Analyzers Operating and Programming Manual*.

**0-10VLD-SWP**

Selects as output for J8 (on the rear panel) the 0 to 10 V ramp corresponding to the sweep ramp that tunes the local oscillator.

**0.5V/GHZ(FAV)**

Specifies a 0.5 V per GHz sweep output (the "frequency-analog voltage") at the rear-panel sweep output J8; primarily used with external tracking generators.

**10MHz EXT INT**

Selects an external (EXT) or internal (INT) frequency reference. When external mode is selected an X appears on the left side of the display.

**99% POWER-BW**

Integrates the power displayed and returns the bandwidth containing 99% of the total displayed power.

**A+B→A**

Adds the contents of trace A with those of trace B and places the result in trace A.

**A-B→A ON OFF**

When it is ON, this function continuously subtracts the contents of trace B from those of trace A, and places the result in trace A. An M appears on the left side of the display when this function is on.

**A-B+DL→A ON OFF**

When it is ON, this function subtracts the contents of trace B from those of trace A, adds the display line to the result, then places the result in trace A. An M appears on the left side of the display when this function is on.

**Auto. IF Pass STATE**

Adjusts various parameters in the IF bandwidth currently in use, producing optimum amplitude accuracy.

<b>A↔EXCH-B</b>	Exchanges the contents of trace A with those of trace B, then places traces A and B in view mode.
<b>AGC UN-OFF</b>	Switches automatic gain control on or off and keeps the volume relatively constant during AM demodulation.
<b>ALE</b>	Couples all AUTO functions: resolution bandwidth, video bandwidth, sweep time, input attenuation, center frequency step-size, and amplitude units.
<b>AM DEMOD ON-OFF</b>	Turns AM demodulation on and off.
<b>DEMOD</b>	Accesses functions for AM or FM demodulation.
<b>AMPLITUDE</b>	Activates the reference level function and accesses a menu of amplitude related functions.
<b>AMPDI CORRECT</b>	Accesses functions that set conversion loss and flatness data for external mixer measurements.
<b>UNITS</b>	Accesses a menu of amplitude units.
<b>ANNOT UN-OFF</b>	Switches the display annotation on and off.
<b>ATTEN</b>	Activates the attenuation level.
<b>ATTEM-AUTO-MAN</b>	Adjusts the spectrum analyzer input attenuator, which is either coupled to the reference level (AUTO) or adjusted manually (MAN).
<b>AUTO COUPLE</b>	Accesses a menu of couple-mode functions.
<b>AVERAGE-CNV-LOSS</b>	Displays the mean conversion loss for the current harmonic and allows you to enter new conversion loss data. Any change to the average conversion loss also affects flatness data.
<b>B-DL-B</b>	Subtracts the display-line value from the contents of trace B, then places the result in trace B.
<b>BACK SPACE</b>	Deletes the last character placed in the current title.
<b>BIAS</b>	Displays a menu of functions for selecting external-mixer bias.

<b>BIAST OFF</b>	Turns external-mixer bias off.
<b>BLANK A</b>	Blanks the contents of trace A from the display.
<b>BLANK B</b>	Blanks the contents of trace B from the display.
<b>BW</b>	Activates the resolution bandwidth and accesses a menu of bandwidth related functions.
<b>CENTER FREQ</b>	Activates the center frequency function and sets the spectrum analyzer to center frequency/span mode.
<b>CF STEP</b>	Adjusts the center frequency step-size so that when a STEP key is pressed, the center frequency shifts by the selected step size.
<b>CF STEP AUTO MAN</b>	Adjusts the center frequency step-size so that when a STEP key is pressed, the center frequency shifts by the selected step size. This function may be coupled to the frequency span function (AUTO), or set manually (MAN).
<b>CHAR SET 1-2</b>	Accesses character sets used for creating titles.
<b>CLR WRT A</b>	Clears trace A and sets it to accept and display new input-signal data continuously.
<b>CLR WRT B</b>	Clears trace B and sets it to accept and display new input-signal data continuously.
<b>CNV LOSS VS FREQ</b>	Displays the conversion loss for a specific frequency in the current band. For use with external mixers; see Table 1-2.

**Table 1-2. Conversion-Loss Flatness Data**

Band	Frequency Range	Number of Flatness Points	Point Spacing	Conversion Loss
6 (K)	18.6 — 26.5 GHz	6	2 GHz	30 dB
7 (A)	26.5 — 40.0 GHz	8	2 GHz	30 dB
8 (Q)	33.0 — 50.0 GHz	7	3 GHz	30 dB
9 (U)	40.0 — 60.0 GHz	6	4 GHz	30 dB
10 (V)	50.0 — 75.0 GHz	6	5 GHz	30 dB
11 (E)	60.0 — 90.0 GHz	7	5 GHz	30 dB
12 (W)	75.5 — 110.0 GHz	8	5 GHz	30 dB
13 (F)	90.0 — 140.0 GHz	6	10 GHz	30 dB
14 (D)	110.0 — 170.0 GHz	7	10 GHz	30 dB
15 (G)	140.0 — 220.0 GHz	9	10 GHz	30 dB
16 (Y)	170.0 — 260.0 GHz	7	15 GHz	30 dB
17 (J)	220.0 — 325.0 GHz	8	15 GHz	30 dB

**COLOR**

Selects the HP PaintJet or similar color printer configuration for use with **COPY**.

**COLOR PRINT**

Prints entire contents of display (except menus and error codes) in color on an HP 3630A PaintJet printer.

**CONT**

Activates continuous-sweep mode.

**COUNTER ON/OFF**

Switches the precision frequency counter ON and OFF (activating a marker if none is present), and displays counter results when the counter is on.

**COUNTER RES**

Adjusts the resolution of the frequency counter readout.

**COUPLING AC/DC**

Selects ac or dc coupling to the input; ac coupling protects the input of the analyzer from damaging dc signals. When dc coupling is selected, a C appears on the left edge of the display. *HP 8561A only*.

**CRT ADJ PATTERN**

Displays an alignment pattern which is used in conjunction with X POSN, Y POSN, and TRACE ALIGN adjustments (located on the rear panel).

<b>dBm</b>	Selects absolute decibels relative to 1 milliwatt as the amplitude units.
<b>dBmV</b>	Selects absolute decibels relative to 1 millivolt as the amplitude units.
<b>dBµV</b>	Selects absolute decibels relative to 1 microvolt as the amplitude units.
<b>DEMOD TIME</b>	Selects the duration of demodulation between successive sweeps.
<b>DETECTOR MODES</b>	Accesses a menu of detector modes.
<b>DETECTOR NEG PEAK</b>	Selects negative-peak detection of the video signal and places a D on the left side of the display.
<b>DETECTOR NORMAL</b>	The normal-detector mode alternately displays positive and negative-peaks when the presence of noise is detected, and displays positive peaks otherwise.
<b>DETECTOR POS PEAK</b>	Selects positive-peak detection of the video signal and places a D on the left side of the display.
<b>DETECTOR SAMPLE</b>	Samples the video signal and places a D on the left side of the display.
<b>DISPLAY</b>	Accesses a menu of display-related functions.
<b>DISPLAY LINE</b>	Activates the display line. Adjust the display line using the data keys, step keys, or front-panel knob.
<b>DSPL LIN ON OFF</b>	Switches the display line on and off.
<b>ELAPSED TIME</b>	Displays the cumulative operating time of the spectrum analyzer.
<b>ERASE TITLE</b>	Erases the current title from the display.
<b>EXT</b>	Accesses a menu of external-mixer functions.
<b>EXTERNAL</b>	Sets the trigger to external mode; connect external trigger sources to J5 (EXT TRIG INPUT) on the rear panel. When this mode is selected a T appears on the left side of the display.

<b>FACTORY PRSEL PK</b>	Restores the factory preselector-peaking data as the current preselector data.
<b>FFT</b>	Performs a discrete Fourier transform on the input signal, converting zero-span information into the frequency domain.
<b>FM DEMOD ON/OFF</b>	Switches FM demodulation ON and OFF.
<b>FOCUS</b>	Permits focusing of the display using the data keys, the step keys, or the knob.
<b>FREQ RUN</b>	Sets the trigger to free-run mode; sweep triggers occur as rapidly as the spectrum analyzer will allow.
<b>FREQ COUNT</b>	Turns on the frequency counter (and a marker if none is present) and accesses a menu of counter and marker functions.
<b>FREQ DIAGNOSE</b>	Accesses a menu of diagnostic functions which allow various internal parameters to be retrieved.
<b>FREQ DSP OFF</b>	Turns off all frequency related annotation.
<b>FREQ OFFSET</b>	Adds an offset value to displayed frequency values, including marker frequency values. The range of the sweep (that is, the span) is not affected. When this function is active, an F appears on the left edge of the display.
<b>FREQUENCY</b>	Activates the center frequency (or the start frequency) and accesses a menu of frequency functions.
<b>FULL BAND</b>	Selects commonly-used frequency bands above 18 GHz and activates the harmonic-lock function. See Table 1-3.

**Table 1-3.**  
**External Frequency Bands and Recommended Harmonics**

Band	Frequency Range	Mixing Harmonic	Conversion Loss
6 (K)	18.6 — 26.5 GHz	6— (External)	30 dB
7 (A)	26.5 — 40.0 GHz	8— (External)	30 dB
8 (Q)	33.0 — 50.0 GHz	10— (External)	30 dB
9 (U)	40.0 — 60.0 GHz	10— (External)	30 dB
10 (V)	50.0 — 75.0 GHz	14— (External)	30 dB
11 (E)	60.0 — 90.0 GHz	16— (External)	30 dB
12 (W)	75.5 — 110.0 GHz	18— (External)	30 dB
13 (F)	90.0 — 140.0 GHz	24— (External)	30 dB
14 (D)	110.0 — 170.0 GHz	30— (External)	30 dB
15 (G)	140.0 — 220.0 GHz	36— (External)	30 dB
16 (Y)	170.0 — 260.0 GHz	44— (External)	30 dB
17 (J)	220.0 — 325.0 GHz	54— (External)	30 dB

**FULL IF ADJ**

Executes a complete adjustment of the IF system for optimum measurement accuracy.

**FULL SPAN**

Sets the spectrum analyzer span to its maximum frequency range.

**GRAT ON OFF**

Turns the display graticule ON and OFF.

**HOLD**

Holds the active function to its present value, blanks the softkeys from the display, and expands the remaining display.

**HP-IB ADDRESS**

Displays the current HP-IB address of the spectrum analyzer, which can be changed, entered, and then stored using **STORE HP-IB**.

**IF ADJUST**

Activates the automatic IF adjustment. Various IF parameters are adjusted during retrace to ensure amplitude accuracy within specifications.

<b>IF ADJ ON/OFF</b>	Switches the automatic IF adjustment ON and OFF. When it is ON, various IF parameters are adjusted during retrace to ensure amplitude accuracy within specifications. If this function is turned off an A appears on the left side of the display.
<b>INTEN</b>	Permits changing the display intensity using the data keys, step keys, or the knob.
<b>INT</b>	Accesses a menu of signal-identification functions or returns the spectrum analyzer from external-mixer mode to its internal frequency coverage.
<b>LAST SPAN</b>	Sets the spectrum analyzer to the previously-selected span.
<b>LAST STATE</b>	Recalls the state that existed before preset was pressed or power was turned off.
<b>LINE</b>	Sets the trigger to line mode; sweep triggers occur at intervals synchronized to the line frequency. When this mode is selected a T appears on the left side of the display.
<b>LINEAR</b>	Selects the linear amplitude scale.
<b>LOCK HARMONIC</b>	Displays the number of the harmonic currently used to sweep the selected frequency band. Only frequencies and spans that fall within the frequency band of the current harmonic may be entered. See Table 1-3.
<b>LOCK ON/OFF</b>	Turns the harmonic lock on and off. When it is on, it performs the same function as <b>LOCK HARMONIC</b> .
<b>LO FREQ</b>	Displays the first local-oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency.
<b>LOG-DB/DIV</b>	Selects a 1, 2, 5, or 10 dB logarithmic amplitude scale.
<b>MAIN ROLLER</b>	Displays the main-roller-oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency.

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<b>MARKER→CF</b>	Sets the center frequency equal to the marker frequency.
<b>MKRA→CF</b>	Sets the center frequency equal to the delta frequency value.
<b>MARKER→CF STEP</b>	Sets the center frequency step-size equal to the marker frequency; the step keys change the center frequency in increments equal to the delta value.
<b>MKRA→CF STEP</b>	Sets the center frequency step-size equal to the delta frequency value.
<b>MARKER DELTA</b>	Reads the difference in amplitude and in frequency (or time when the span equals 0 Hz) and displays these values.
<b>MARKER 1/A</b>	Sets the marker readout to a frequency equal to the reciprocal of the delta value. For use with zero-span mode.
<b>MARKER NORMAL</b>	Activates a single marker and places it at the center of the trace.
<b>MARKER→REF LVL</b>	Sets the reference level equal to the amplitude of the marker.
<b>[OFF]</b>	Turns all markers off, blanks the softkey menu, and expands the display.
<b>MKRA→SPAN</b>	Sets the frequency span equal to the delta frequency value.
<b>MAX HOLD A</b>	Displays and holds the maximum responses of the input signal in trace A.
<b>MAX HOLD B</b>	Displays and holds the maximum responses of the input signal in trace B.
<b>MAX MXR LEVEL</b>	Selects the maximum mixer level seen at the input mixer for signals at or below the reference level.
<b>MAX NO VID AVGS</b>	Selects the number of sweeps used in video averaging. Range is from 1 through 999. Turn video averaging on with VID AVG ON/OFF.

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<b>MKR→</b>	Activates a marker and accesses a menu of marker functions.
<b>MKR=1/Δ-SCF</b>	Sets the center frequency equal to the reciprocal of the delta value. For use in zero-span mode.
<b>MKR=1/Δ-STEP</b>	Sets the center frequency step-size equal to the reciprocal of the delta value. For use in zero span mode.
<b>MKRNOISE ON/OFF</b>	Turns the marker noise function on or off. When it is on, it normalizes the equivalent amplitude of the measured noise to a 1 Hz bandwidth. Not for use with tracking generators.
<b>MODULE</b>	Accesses the functions of an optional, rear panel module when it is present.
<b>MORE</b>	Displays next page of current menu.
<b>MORE TRC MATH</b>	Accesses a menu of additional trace math functions.
<b>NEGATIVE BIAS</b>	Selects negative bias for an external mixer. When this function is selected a - appears on the left side of the display.
<b>NEXT PEAK</b>	Moves the active marker to the next-highest trace peak relative the current marker position.
<b>NEXT PK LEFT</b>	Finds the next peak to the left of the current marker position.
<b>NEXT PK RIGHT</b>	Finds the next peak to the right of the current marker position.
<b>OFFSET ROLLER</b>	Displays the offset-roller-oscillator frequency corresponding to the start frequency.
<b>ON</b>	Activates a marker and accesses a menu of marker functions.
<b>PEAK EXCURSN</b>	Defines what constitutes a peak on a trace. The selected value specifies the amount that a trace must increase monotonically then decrease monotonically in order to be a peak.

<b>PEAK SEARCH</b>	Places a marker at the highest point on a trace and accesses a menu of marker functions.
<b>PEAK SEARCH</b>	Places a marker on the highest point on a trace and displays the marker frequency and amplitude.
<b>PEAK THRESHLD</b>	Sets the minimum amplitude level from which a peak on a trace can be detected.
<b>PLOT</b>	Plots the entire contents of the display except for menus and error codes.
<b>PLOT ANNOT</b>	Plots only the display annotation. To halt plotting before it is complete, press <b>STOP ANNOT</b> .
<b>PLOT GRATICUL</b>	Plots only the graticule. To halt plotting before it is complete, press <b>STOP GRAT</b> .
<b>PLOT ORG DSP GRAT</b>	Selects either the display (DSP) or the graticule area (GRAT) for plotting. In either case, the plot fills the entire area defined by the P1 and P2 plot parameters.
<b>PLOT TRACE A</b>	Plots only the contents of trace A and any markers associated with the trace. To halt plotting before it is complete, press <b>STOP TRACE A</b> .
<b>PLOT TRACE B</b>	Plots only the contents of trace B and any markers associated with the trace. To halt plotting before it is complete, press <b>STOP TRACE B</b> .
<b>POSITIVE BIAS</b>	Selects positive mixer bias for an external mixer. When this function is selected a + appears on the left side of the display.
<b>PRESEL AUTO PK</b>	Automatically peaks the preselector for the desired signal on a trace.
<b>PRESEL MAN ADJ</b>	Permits manual adjustment of the preselector. Peak the preselector using the data keys, the step keys, or the knob.
<b>RESET</b>	Presets the spectrum analyzer.

<b>PREV-MENU</b>	Displays previous menu level.
<b>PRINT</b>	Prints entire contents of display except for menus and error codes.
<b>PRINT-PILOT</b>	Accesses a menu for printing and plotting the display.
<b>PWR-ON-STATE</b>	Saves the current state in the power-on register; the spectrum analyzer is set to this state whenever <b>LINE</b> is turned on or when <b>POWER-ON</b> is pressed.
<b>RBW-SPAN</b>	Displays the current coupling ratio between the resolution bandwidth and the frequency span.
<b>REALIGN-LO-&amp;-IF</b>	Activates the LO and IF alignment routines for a complete LO and IF alignment.
<b>RECALL</b>	Accesses a menu of functions that recall instrument data.
<b>RECALL-ERRORS</b>	Displays the last error that has occurred. Use the step keys to cycle through accumulated errors.
<b>RECALL-PSEL-PK</b>	Recalls the preselector data initially stored in the user table using <b>SAVE-PSEL-PK</b> .
<b>RECALL-STATE</b>	Displays a menu of 10 registers from which instrument states can be recalled and displayed.
<b>RECALL-TO-TRC-A</b>	Displays a menu of 8 registers from which data can be recalled and placed in trace A.
<b>RECALL-TO-TRC-B</b>	Displays a menu of 8 registers from which data can be recalled and placed in trace B.
<b>REAR-PND-CAL</b>	Accesses a menu for selecting the signal available at J8 (LO SWP 0.5V/GHz OUTPUT) and at J9 (10 MHz REF IN/OUT).
<b>RECALC-PWR-ON</b>	Sets the instrument state to the same state that occurred when <b>LINE</b> was switched on. Initially set by <b>PWR-ON-STATE</b> .
<b>REF-LVL</b>	Activates the reference-level function.

**REF LVL ADJ**

Permits adjusting the spectrum analyzer's internal gain so that when the calibrator signal is connected to the input, the reference level at top-screen equals the calibrator amplitude.

**REF LVL OFFSET**

Introduces an offset to all amplitude readouts, but does not change the position of the on-screen trace. When this function is active, an R appears on the left side of the display.

**RES BW**

Activates the resolution bandwidth of the spectrum analyzer.

**RES BW AUTO MAN**

Adjusts the resolution bandwidth of the spectrum analyzer. The resolution bandwidth may be coupled to other functions (AUTO) or adjusted manually (MAN).

**SAMPLER FREQ**

Displays the sampling-oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency.

**SAMPLER HARMONIC**

Displays the sampler harmonic number corresponding to the current start frequency.

**SAVE****SAVELOCK ON OFF**

Accesses a menu for storing instrument data.

When this function is on, the data in the state and trace registers cannot be erased or overwritten; no new data may be entered into the registers until this function is turned off.

**SAVE PRSEL PK**

Saves the current preselector-peak data in a user data table.

**SAVE STATE**

Displays a menu of ten registers for storing the current instrument state.

**SAVE TRACE A**

Displays a menu of nine registers for storing trace contents.

**SAVE TRACE B**

Displays a menu of nine registers for storing trace contents.

**SCREEN TITLE**

Accesses a menu of functions for creating on-screen titles.

<b>SELECT CHAR</b>	Causes the currently selected character in the active block to appear in the next available position of the title.
<b>SIG ID AT MKR</b>	Locates the frequency and harmonic number of the mixer response where a marker has been positioned.
<b>SIG ID CFC</b>	Sets the center frequency to the frequency obtained from executing <b>SIG ID AT MKR</b> .
<b>SIG ID ON/OFF</b>	Switches manual signal identification on and off. Signals that are correct for the selected band are shifted less than 50 kHz. Limit frequency spans to less than 20 MHz for best performance.
<b>SIGNAL IDENT</b>	Accesses a menu of signal-identification functions.
<b>SIG TRK ON/OFF</b>	Switches the signal-tracking function ON and OFF. When it is ON, it keeps the active marker on the peak of the signal where it was initially placed and sets the center frequency to the marker value. A K appears on the left side of the display to indicate this function is active.
<b>SINGLE</b>	Activates the single-sweep mode. Pressing <b>SINGLE</b> initiates one sweep. When this function is active, an S appears on the left side of the display.
<b>SPACE</b>	Places a blank space in the next available character position in the title.
<b>SPAN</b>	Activates the frequency span, sets the spectrum analyzer to center-frequency/span mode, and accesses a menu of span-related functions.
<b>SPAN WIDTH</b>	Activates the span-width function and sets the spectrum analyzer to center-frequency/span mode.
<b>SQUELCH</b>	Adjusts the squelch level for demodulation.
<b>SQUELCH ON/OFF</b>	Switches the squelch function for demodulation ON and OFF.

<b>START FREQ</b>	Activates the start frequency and sets the spectrum analyzer to start/stop mode.
<b>STATE #</b>	Selects one of 10 registers used to store instrument states.
<b>STOP FREQ</b>	Activates the stop frequency and sets the spectrum analyzer to start/stop mode.
<b>STORE REF LVL</b>	Stores amplitude constant set with <b>REF LVL CAL</b> function.
<b>SWEET</b>	Activates the sweep-time function and accesses a menu of sweep-related functions.
<b>SWEEP TIME</b>	Activates the sweep-time function.
<b>SWP TIME AUTO MAN</b>	Adjusts the sweep time of the spectrum analyzer. The sweep time may be coupled to bandwidth and span settings (AUTO) or adjusted manually (MAN).
<b>THRESHLD</b>	Adjusts the threshold that determines the lower limit of an active trace. Adjust the threshold using the data keys, step keys, or front-panel knob.
<b>THRESHLD ON OFF</b>	Sets a threshold that determines the lower limit of an active trace. Adjust the threshold using the data keys, the step keys, or the knob. Turns the threshold ON and OFF.
<b>TITLE DONE</b>	Freezes the current title.
<b>TRACE</b>	Accesses a menu of trace functions.
<b>TRACE A</b>	Accesses trace-related functions for traces A.
<b>TRACE B</b>	Accesses trace-related functions for traces B.
<b>TRACE #</b>	Selects one of 8 registers used to store traces.
<b>TRANSFER ROLLER</b>	Displays the transfer-roller oscillator frequency corresponding to the start frequency.
<b>TRIG</b>	Accesses a menu of trigger functions.

<b>UNITS AUTO/MAN</b>	Accesses a menu of amplitude units. AUTO indicated default units for the amplitude scale are in use; MAN indicates other units have been selected.
<b>VBM/RBM</b>	Displays the coupling ratio between the video bandwidth and the resolution bandwidth.
<b>VID AVG ON/OFF</b>	Turns video averaging on and off. It smoothes the trace by averaging successive traces with each other.
<b>VIDEO</b>	Sets the trigger to video modem. Sweep triggers occur whenever the input signal passes through, with a positive slope, the video trigger level. When this mode is selected, a T appears on the left side of the display.
<b>VIDEO BW</b>	Activates the video bandwidth of the spectrum analyzer.
<b>VIDEO BW AUTO/MAN</b>	Adjusts the video bandwidth of the spectrum analyzer. The video bandwidth may be coupled to other functions (AUTO) or adjusted manually (MAN).
<b>VOLTS</b>	Selects volts as amplitude units.
<b>VOLUME</b>	Adjusts the volume of the demodulated signal. Use the VOL keys (located in the upper-right corner of the front panel) to lower or raise the volume.
<b>WATTS</b>	Selects watts as amplitude units.

## Programming

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The following pages are a compilation of all current HP 8561A and HP 8562A/B programming codes. More detailed information on each operation can be found in the *HP 8561A and HP 8562A/B Operation and Programming Manual*.

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This reference is intended for use by the experienced spectrum analyzer programmer. To find a programming code which performs a particular function, first refer to the "Command Summary" section which shows the programming codes grouped according to similar function. A brief definition of each code is provided. Once the desired programming code is found, refer to the alphabetical listing of the programming codes for further key word definition and syntax information. An example of how to use each command is also given. The examples are partial HP BASIC programs for the HP 9000 series 200/300 computers.

For further information on syntax, refer to the "Notation Conventions" and "Syntax Conventions" sections. Secondary key words are parameters appearing in capital letters within the argument of key words. Their definitions can be found in the "Secondary Key Word Summary" section.

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## Notation Conventions

The following symbols and type styles found in this guide denote the following:

**BOLD TYPE** All characters appearing in bold type are key words and must appear exactly as shown.

**CAPITAL LETTERS** All characters that are capital letters are secondary key words and appear within the key word syntax. They must appear exactly as shown and their meanings can be found in the "Secondary Key Word Summary" section.

< > Characters appearing in angular brackets are considered to be elements of the language being defined. Their meanings can be found in the section on syntax conventions unless otherwise specified with the key word definition.

[ ] Square brackets indicate that whatever occurs within the brackets is optional.

| "Or" indicates a choice of exactly one element from a list (for example, <a>|<b> indicates <a> or <b> but not both).

( ) Parentheses are used to clarify which elements are to be chosen from.

- "Underscore" indicates a space must be placed at that location (for example, A.<a> indicates there must be a space between the key word, A, and the element, <a>).

::= "Is defined as" (for example, <a> ::= <b><c> indicates that <a> can be replaced by the series of elements, <b><c> in any statement where <a> occurs).

{ } Integers appearing in braces indicate that the integer is transmitted to the analyzer as a single 8-bit byte.

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## Syntax Conventions

<A-block data field> ::= #A<length><command list><LF & END>  
(use when the length of the command list is known)

<A-block data format> ::= #A<length><command list><LF & END>

<amplitude unit> ::= DB|DM|DBM|DBMV|DBUV|V|MV|UV|W|MW

**<block data field>** ::= **<A-block data field>** | **<I-block data field>**

<command list> ::= one or more spectrum analyzer commands

<CR>::= ASCII 13 (carriage return)

<delimiter> ::= <CR> | <LF> | , ;

<END> ::= end of data transmission

<frequency unit> ::= HZ|KZ|KHZ|MZ|MHZ|GZ|GHZ

<I-block data field> ::= #I<command list>END; (use when the length of the command list is not known)

**<integer>**::= positive or negative integer number in the range of -32768 through +32767

<length> ::= two 8-bit bytes specifying the length of the command list

<LF> ::= ASCII 10 (line feed)

<numeric data format> ::= <real><LF><EOI>

**<real>**::= positive or negative real number

<string data field> ::= <string delimiter><text><string delimiter>

<string delimiter> ::= " " | %& | / | = @ | N | ^

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<terminator> ::= <amplitude unit> | <time unit> | <frequency  
unit> | <delimiter>  
<time unit> ::= S|SC|SEC|MS|MSEC|US
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## **Command Summary**

Alternate commands common to the HP 8566A/8568A are shown in parentheses.

### **Amplitude Control**

AT	Specifies input attenuation.
AT AUTO	Couples input attenuation (CA).
AUNITS	Specifies amplitude units for input, output, and display.
COUPLE	HP 8561A only. Selects ac or dc coupling of input attenuator.
LG	Selects log scale.
LN	Selects linear scale.
MKRL	Moves active marker amplitude to reference level (E4).
ML	Specifies mixer level.
RL	Specifies reference level.
RLCAL	Calibrates reference level.
ROFFSET	Specifies reference level offset.

### **Bandwidth Control**

RB	Specifies resolution bandwidth.
RB AUTO	Couples resolution bandwidth (CR).
RBR	Specifies coupling ratio of resolution bandwidth and frequency span.
VB	Specifies video bandwidth.
VB AUTO	Couples video bandwidth (CV).
VBR	Specifies coupling ratio of video bandwidth and resolution bandwidth.

### **Coupling Control**

AUTOCPL	Auto couple all controls.
AT AUTO	Auto couple the input attenuator (CA).
RB AUTO	Auto couple resolution bandwidth (CR).
SS AUTO	Auto couple center frequency step size (CS).
ST AUTO	Auto couple sweep time (CT).
VB AUTO	Auto couple video bandwidth (CV).

RBR	Specifies coupling ratio of resolution bandwidth and frequency span.
VBR	Specifies coupling ratio of video bandwidth and resolution bandwidth.

#### **Demodulation**

DEMOD	Demodulation.
DEMODAGC	Demodulation automatic gain control.
DEMODT	Demodulation time.
SQUELCH	Squelch control for demodulation.
VOL	Sets speaker volume.

#### **Display Control**

ANNOT	Turns annotation on or off.
AUNITS	Specifies amplitude units for input, output, and display.
DL	Specifies display line level in dBm.
DLE	Turns display line on and off (10).
FDSP	Turns all frequency display annotation off.
GRAT	Turns graticule on or off.
LG	Selects log scale.
LN	Selects linear scale.
TH	Specifies display threshold value.

#### **External Mixing**

CNVLOSS	Sets reference level offset to compensate for external mixer conversion loss.
FULBAND	Sets start and stop frequencies for full waveguide bands.
HNLOCK	Locks to specified harmonic number.
HNUNLK	Unlocks the specified harmonic number.
IDCF	Sets center frequency to frequency of SIGID.
IDFREQ	Returns frequency of identified signal.
MBIAS	Specifies the bias level for external mixers.
MKPx	Specifies minimum excursion for peak identification.
MXRMODE	Specifies either internal or external mixing.
SIGID	Identifies signals for external mixing frequency bands.

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#### **Frequency Control**

CF	Specifies center frequency.
SS AUTO	Couples center frequency step size (CS).
FA	Specifies start frequency.
FB	Specifies stop frequency.
FOFFSET	Specifies frequency offset.
FREF	Specifies the frequency reference source.
FS	Specifies full frequency span as defined by instrument state.
FULBAND	Sets the start and stop frequency for full waveguide band (external mixing only).
MKFCR	Specifies resolution of frequency counter.
SP	Specifies frequency span.
SS	Specifies center frequency step size.

#### **Information and Service Diagnostics**

ADJALL	Initiates power-on adjustment sequence.
ADJCRT	Initiates CRT adjustment patterns.
ADJIF	Initiates IF adjustment sequence.
ERR?	Returns list of instrument error codes.
ET?	Elapsed time.
FDIAG	Returns frequency of specified oscillator.
ID?	Returns the HP model number of analyzer used.
PSDAC	Returns preselector DAC setting at frequency of marker.
REV?	Returns analyzer revision number.
RLCAL	Used to calibrate reference level.
RQS	Returns decimal weighting of status byte bits which are enabled during service request.
SER?	Returns analyzer serial number.

#### **Instrument State Control**

IP	Sets instrument parameters to preset values.
RCLS	Recalls previously saved state (RC).
PSTATE	Protect saved states (save lock).
SAVES	Saves current state of the analyzer in the specified register (SV).

#### **Marker Control**

MKA	Amplitude of active marker (MA).
MKCF	Enter marker frequency into center frequency (E2).
MKD	Moves delta marker to specified frequency (M3).
MKDR	Marker delta reciprocal, readout in time.
MKF	Frequency of active marker (MF).
MKFC	Counts marker frequency for greater accuracy.
MKFCR	Specifies resolution of marker frequency counter.
MKMIN	Moves marker to minimum signal detected.
MKN	Moves marker to specified frequency or center screen (M2).
MKNOISE	Returns average noise value at marker, normalized to 1 Hz bandwidth.
MKOFF	Turns the active marker off (M1).
MKPK	Moves marker to signal peak (E1).
MKPT	Specifies marker peak threshold.
MKPX	Moves marker to signal peak (E1).
MKRL	Moves active marker to reference level (E4).
MKSP	Moves marker delta frequency into span.
MKSS	Moves marker frequency to center frequency step size (E3).
MKSWP	Marker sweep.
MKT	Positions marker at point corresponding to the time from beginning of sweep.
MKTRACE	Moves marker to same position on another trace.
MKTRACK	Turns marker signal track on (MT1) or off (MT0).

#### **Plotter Output**

OP	Returns P1 and P2 in display units.
PLOT	Sends analyzer display to a plotter.
PLOTORG	Scaling points for plot.
PLOTSRC	Specifies plot source.

#### **Preselector Control**

PP            Peaks preselector.  
PSDAC        Preselector peak data.

#### **Printer Output**

PRINT        Sends the analyzer display to a printer.

#### **Service Request**

RQS            Specifies the decimal weighting of status byte bits which are allowed during service request. Set to 0 with powerup or device clear.  
SRQ            Sets service request if operand bits are allowed by RQS.  
STB            Returns the decimal equivalent of the bits set in the status byte. Refer to Table 2-1.

**Table 2-1. Status Byte Definition**

Bit	Decimal	Definition
7	—	Not used
6	64	Request service
5	32	Error present in error register
4	16	Command complete
3	—	Not used
2	4	End of sweep
1	2	Message occurred
0	0	Cleared

### **Sweep and Trigger Control**

CONTS	Selects continuous sweep mode (S1).
ST	Specifies sweep time.
ST AUTO	Couples sweep time.
SNGLS	Selects single sweep mode (S2).
TM	Selects trigger mode: free run (T1), video (T4), line (T2), external (T3).
TS	Takes a sweep.
VTL	Video trigger level.

### **Synchronization**

TS	Takes a sweep.
DONE?	Returns a 1 when task has been completed.

### **Trace Functions**

#### **Processing**

BLANK	Stores and blanks specified trace register (A4/B4).
CLRW	Clear-writes specified trace register (A1/B1).
MINH	Holds the minimum trace register values.
MXMH	Max holds the specified trace register (A2/B2).
RCLT	Recall specified trace data.
SAVET	Save specified trace data.
TRA	Input/output trace A.
TRB	Input/output trace B.
VIEW	Views specified trace register (A3/B3).

#### **Math**

AMB	A-B into A (C1/C2).
AMBPL	A-B+DL into A.
APB	A+B into A.
AXB	Exchanges A and B (EX).
BML	B-DL into B (BL).
FFT	Performs a fast fourier transform.
TWNDOW	Selects window for FFT function.

VAVG      Turns video averaging on or off.

**Other**

AUNITS      Specifies amplitude units for input, output, and display.  
DET      Specifies detector mode.  
TITLE      Writes specified ASCII characters in title block area of display.  
PWRBW      Computes trace power bandwidth.

#### **Operator Entry**

HD      Holds or disables data entry and blanks active function CRT readout.

#### **Output Format Control**

AUNITS      Specifies amplitude units for input, output, and display.  
MKA?      Returns marker amplitude (MA).  
MKF?      Returns marker frequency (MF).  
SWPOUT      Specifies the sweep output.  
TRA?      Outputs trace A (TA).  
TRB?      Outputs trace B (TB).  
TDF      Selects trace data output as binary (B) or real numbers (P) in Hz, volts, dB, or watts. Preset is P.

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## Programming Codes

**ADJALL;**  
Initiates power-on adjustments.  
OUTPUT 718;"ADJALL;IP;"

**ADJCRT;**  
Turns on CRT adjustment pattern. Use IP to exit from adjustment.patter.  
OUTPUT 718;"ADJCRT;"  
Corresponding key: CRT ADJ PATTERN

**ADJIF\_ON|OFF|1|0|FULL|CURR?;**  
Activate constant IF adjustment sequence.  
Default is on.  
OUTPUT 718;"ADJIF OFF;"  
Query response: 1|0  
OUTPUT 718;"ADJIF?;"  
ENTER 718;Adjif  
Corresponding key: FULL IF ADJ

**AMB\_ON|OFF|1|0?;**  
Subtracts trace B from trace A and sends the result to trace A.  
OUTPUT 718;"VIEW TRA;CLRW TRB;TS;VIEW TRB;AMB ON;"  
Query response: 1|0  
OUTPUT 718;"AMB?;"  
ENTER 718;Amb  
Corresponding key: A-B—A ON OFF

**AMBPL\_ON|OFF|1|0?;**  
Subtracts trace B from trace A, adds the display line value to the difference, and sends the result to trace A.  
OUTPUT 718;"VIEW TRA;CLRW TRB;TS;VIEW TRB;DL -50DBM;"  
OUTPUT 718;"AMBPL ON;"  
Query response: 1|0  
OUTPUT 718;"AMBPL?;"  
ENTER 718;Ambpl  
Corresponding key: A-B+DL--A ON OFF

**ANNOT\_ON|OFF|1|0?;**  
Turns the display annotation on or off. IP turns on the annotation.  
OUTPUT 718;"ANNOT OFF;"  
Query response: 1|0  
OUTPUT 718;"ANNOT?;"

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ENTER 718;Annot
Corresponding key: ANNOT ON OFF
APB;
    Adds trace A and trace B and sends the result to trace A.
    OUTPUT 718;"VIEW TRA;CLRW TRB;TS;VIEW TRB;"  

    OUTPUT 718;"APB;"  

    Corresponding key: A+B→A
ATI(<integer>[DB])UFP|DN|EP|MAN|AUTO|?;  

    Specifies the RF input attenuation. Default units are dB.  

    <integer>::=0|10|20|30|40|50|60|70  

    UP/DN increment::=10 dB  

    OUTPUT 718;"AT 30 DB;"  

    OUTPUT 718;"AT UP;"  

    Query response: <numeric data format>  

        OUTPUT 718;"AT AUTO;"  

        OUTPUT 718;"AT?;"  

        ENTER 718;Atten
    Corresponding keys: ATTEN, ATTEN AUTO MAN
AUNITS_<amplitude units> |AUTO|MAN|?;  

    Specifies the amplitude units for input, output and display.  

    OUTPUT 718;"AUNITS DBUV;"  

    OUTPUT 718;"AUNITS AUTO;"  

    Query response: <amplitude units>  

        OUTPUT 718;"AUNITS?;"  

        ENTER 718;Units$  

    Corresponding key: UNITS
AUTOCPL;
    Auto couple all controls.  

    OUTPUT 718;"AUTOCPL;"  

    Corresponding key: ALL
AXB;
    Exchanges trace A and trace B.  

    OUTPUT 718;"AXB;"  

    Corresponding key: A EXCH B
BLANK.TRA|TRB;
    Stores and blanks the specified trace register.  

    OUTPUT 718;"BLANK TRB;"  

    Corresponding keys: BLANK A, BLANK B

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BML;
    Subtracts the display line from trace B and sends the result to trace B.
    OUTPUT 718;"DL -30 DBM;CLRW TRB;TS;"
    OUTPUT 718;"BML;"
    Corresponding key: B-DL--B
CF(<real>[frequency units])[UP|DN|EP]?;
    Specifies the center frequency. Default units are Hz.
    UP/DN increment::=10% of Span or Step Size
    OUTPUT 718;"CF 2.750 GHZ;"
    OUTPUT 718;"CF DN;"
    Query response: <numeric data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"CF?;"
        ENTER 718;Freq
    Corresponding keys: FREQUENCY, CENTER FREQUENCY
CLRWTRA/TRB;
    Clear-writes the specified trace register.
    OUTPUT 718;"CLRW TRA;"
    Corresponding keys: CLR-WRT A, CLR-WRT B
CNVLOSS(<real>[DB])[UP|DN|EP]?;
    Specifies the average conversion loss of an external millimeter mixer.
    UP/DN increment::=0.1 dB
    OUTPUT 718;"CNVLOSS 24.5 DB;"
    OUTPUT 718;"CNVLOSS DN;"
    Query response: <real>
        OUTPUT 718;"CNVLOSS?;"
        ENTER 718;Mixer_loss
    Corresponding key: CNV LOSS VS FREQ
CONTs;
    Selects continuous sweep mode. Selected with IP.
    OUTPUT 718;"SP 10 MHZ;CONTs;"
    Corresponding key: CONT
COUPLE.AC|DC|OA?;
    Selects HP 8561A's input coupling to input attenuator. Select either ac or
    dc. Preset state is ac.
    OUTPUT 718;"COUPLE AC;"
    Query response: AC|DC
    OUTPUT 718;"COUPLE?;"
    ENTER 718;Couple$
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Corresponding key: COUPLING AC DC  
**DEMOD.FM|AM|OFF|?**  
 Select either FM or AM demod.  
 OUTPUT 718;"DEMOD FM;"  
 OUTPUT 718;"DEMOD OFF;"  
 Query response: FM|AM|OFF  
 OUTPUT 718;"DEMOD?;"  
 ENTER 718;Demod\$  
 Corresponding keys: AM DEMOD ON OFF, FM DEMOD ON OFF  
**DEMODAGC.ON|OFF|1|0|?**  
 Turns the demodulation automatic gain control (AGC) on or off. IP turns AGC off.  
 OUTPUT 718;"DEMODAGC ON;"  
 Query response: 1|0  
 OUTPUT 718;"DEMODAGC?;"  
 ENTER 718;Demodagc  
**DEMOT.<real>[time units](UP|DN|EP|?)**  
 Selects the time that the sweep pauses at the marker for signal demodulation.  
 UP/DN increment::=1,2,5 sequence  
 OUTPUT 718;"DEMOT 10 SC;"  
 Query response: <real>  
 OUTPUT 718;"DEMOT?;"  
 ENTER 718;Delay  
 Corresponding key: DEMOD TIME  
**DET.POS|NEG|NRM|SMP|?**  
 Selects the specified analyzer detector mode. Default is normal detector mode.  
 OUTPUT 718;"DET POS;"  
 Query response: POS|NEG|NRM|SMP  
 OUTPUT 718;"DET?;"  
 ENTER 718;Det\$  
 Corresponding key: DETECTOR MODES

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DL.(<real>[amplitude units])|UP|DN|ON|OFF|EP|?;
    Specifies a display line level that is displayed on the CRT. Default is 0
    dBm.
    UP/DN increment::= 1 Vertical division
    OUTPUT 718;"DL -25 DBM;"
    Query response: <numeric data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"DL?;"  

        ENTER 718;Line
    Corresponding key: DISP LIN OF OFF
[TS;]<command list>;DONE[.]?;
    This command is a synchronizing function that sends a 1 to the controller
    after the command list has been executed. If a TS (take sweep) precedes
    the command list, execution of the command list begins after the sweep is
    completed.
    OUTPUT 718;"TS;SP 100 MHZ;DONE?;"  

    ENTER 718;Done
ERR?;
    Returns to a controller a list of error numbers. Positive numbers are error
    codes. An error code of 0 means there are no errors.
    Query response: <block data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"ERR?;"  

        REPEAT
            ENTER 718 USING &"#,4A";Err$  

            Err_num=VAL(Err$)  

            PRINT Err_num
        UNTIL NUM(Err$[4])=10
ET?;
    Returns the elapsed time of operation in hours.
    Query response: <numeric data field>
        OUTPUT 718;"ET?;"  

        ENTER 718;Time
    Corresponding key: ELAPSED TIME
FA.(<real>[frequency units])|UP|DN|EP|?;
    Specifies the start frequency. Default units are Hz.
    UP/DN increment::=10% of Span
    OUTPUT 718;"FA 150 KHZ;"  

    Query response: <numeric data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"FA?;"
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    ENTER 718;Startfreq
    Corresponding key: START FREQ
FB_(<real>[frequency units])|UP|DN|EP|?
    Specifies the stop frequency. Default units are Hz.
    UP/DN increment::=10% of Span
    OUTPUT 718;"FB 540 MHZ;"
    Query response: <numeric data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"FB?;"
    ENTER 718;Stopfreq
    Corresponding key: STOP FREQ
FDIAG_HARM|LO|MROLL|OROLL|SMP|XROLL|?
    Frequency diagnostic routine. Returns the frequency of the specified
    oscillator.
    OUTPUT 718;"FDIAG LO ?;"
    ENTER 718;Lo_freq
    Corresponding key: FREQ DIAGNOSE
FDSP_OFF|?
    Turns all frequency related annotation off. Power-on reset is the only way
    to turn frequency annotation back on and no last state is saved under this
    condition.
    OUTPUT 718;"FDSP OFF;CF 12.25 GHZ;"
    Corresponding key: FREQ DSP OFF
FFT_(TRA|TRB),(TRA|TRB),(TRA|TRB);
    Performs discrete Fourier transform on source trace array and stores result
    in destination.
    OUTPUT 718;"FFT TRA,TRB,TRA;"
    Corresponding key: FFT
FOFFSET_(<real>[frequency units])|UP|DN|EP|?
    Specifies the frequency offset for all absolute frequency readouts such as
    center frequency. Default units are Hz.
    UP/DN increment::=20% of Span
    OUTPUT 718;"FOFFSET 25 MHZ;
    Query response: <numeric data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"FOFFSET?;"
    ENTER 718;Offset
    Corresponding key: FREQ OFFSET

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FREF INT|EXT|?;
    Specifies the frequency reference source.
    OUTPUT 718;"FREF INT;"
    Query response: INT|EXT
        OUTPUT 718;"FREF ?;"
        ENTER 718;freqref
    Corresponding key: 10 MHz INT EXT
FS;
    Selects the full frequency span as defined by the instrument.
    OUTPUT 718;"IP;CF 300MHZ;SP 1MHZ;FS;"
    Corresponding key: FULL SPAN
FULBAND_K|A|Q|U|V|E|W|F|D|G|Y|J;
    Selects the full frequency span for the external mixing frequency band the
    analyzer is currently tuned to (that is, 26.5 to 40.0 GHz band A.) Refer to
    Table 2-2.
    OUTPUT 718;"MXRMODE EXT;FULBAND V;"
    Corresponding key: FULL BAND

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**External Mixing Bands**

BAND	FREQUENCY RANGE	MIXING HARMONIC
6 (K)	18.6—26.5 GHz	6— (External)
7 (A)	26.5—40.0 GHz	8— (External)
8 (Q)	33.0—50.0 GHz	10— (External)
9 (U)	40.0—60.0 GHz	10— (External)
10 (V)	50.0—75.0 GHz	14— (External)
11 (E)	60.0—90.0 GHz	16— (External)
12 (W)	75.5—110 GHz	18— (External)
13 (F)	90.0—140 GHz	24— (External)
14 (D)	110—170 GHz	30— (External)
15 (G)	140—220 GHz	36— (External)
16 (Y)	170—260 GHz	44— (External)
17 (J)	220—325 GHz	54— (External)

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GRAT ON|OFF|1|0|?;
    Turns the graticule on or off. IP turns on the graticule.
    OUTPUT 718;"GRAT OFF;"
    Query response: 1|0

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        OUTPUT 718;"GRAT?;"  

        ENTER 718;Grat  

        Corresponding key: GRAT ON OFF
HD;  

        Holds or disables data entry and blanks the active function CRT readout.  

        Selected with IP.
        OUTPUT 718;"CF 14 GHZ;TS;HD;"  

        Corresponding key: HOLD
HNLOCK_<integer> |ON|OFF|UP|DN|EP|?  

        Locks the specified harmonic number to prevent multi-harmonic sweeps.  

<integer>::=value 1 through 50
        UP/DN increment::=1
        OUTPUT 718;"MXRMODE EXT;HNLOCK 8;"  

        Query response: <integer>
        OUTPUT 718;"HNLOCK ?;"  

        ENTER 718;Harmonic_lock  

        Corresponding key: LOCK ON OFF
HNUNLK;  

        Unlocks the harmonic number.
        OUTPUT 718;"HNUNLK;CF 65 GHZ;HNLOCK ON;"  

        Corresponding key: LOCK ON OFF
ID[.]?;  

        Returns the HP model number of the analyzer being used (HP 8562A/B)
        and any options installed.
        DIM ID$[50]
        OUTPUT 718;"ID?;"  

        ENTER 718;ID$  

IDCF;  

        Sets the center frequency (CF) to the frequency of the signal identified by
        the SIG ID function.
        OUTPUT 718;"MKPK HI:SIGID AUTO;IDCF;"  

        Corresponding key: SIGID→CF
IDFREQ[.]?;  

        Returns to the controller the frequency of the identified signal.
        Returns 0 if invalid signal identification.
        OUTPUT 718;"SIGID AUTO;IDFREQ?;"  

        ENTER 718; Sig_freq

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IP;
Sets instrument parameters to their preset values.
OUTPUT 718;"IP;CP 100MHZ;SP 1MHZ;TS;"
Corresponding keys: PRESET, RECALL PWR ON

LG_(<integer>[DB])[UP|DN|EP]?;
Specifies the scale of the logarithmic display, 10, 5, 2, or 1 dB/div. Default
units are dB. 10 dB per division is selected with IP.
<integer>::=1|2|5|10
UP/DN increment::=1 Step
OUTPUT 718;"LG 2 DB;"
OUTPUT 718;"IP;LG DN DN;"
Query response::=<numeric data format>
A query response of zero indicates a linear scale.
OUTPUT 718;"LG ?;"
ENTER 718;Log_scale
Corresponding key: LOG dB/DIV

LN;
Selects the linear scale.
OUTPUT 718;"RL -30 DBM;LN;"
Corresponding key: LINEAR

MBIAS_(<real>[A|MA|UA])[ON|OFF|UP|DN|EP]?;
Select the bias level for external mixers which require diode bias for
efficient mixer operation.
UP/DN increment::=0.01 mA
OUTPUT 718;"MXRMODE EXT;HNLOCK A;MBIAS 20 MA;"
Query response: <real>
OUTPUT 718;"MBIAS ?;"
ENTER 718;Mixer_bias
Corresponding key: BIAS

MINH_TRA|TRB;
Similar to MAX HOLD except that the minimum trace values are stored.
OUTPUT 718;"CLRW TRA;MINH TRA;"

MKA[.]?;
Returns the amplitude of the active marker. Default units are dBm.
Query response: <numeric data format>
OUTPUT 718;"SNGLS;TS;MKPK HI;MKA?;"
ENTER 718;Amptd

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MKCF;
    Moves the active marker to the center frequency.
    OUTPUT 718;"CF 600 MHZ;SP 1 GHZ;"
    OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKCF;TS;"
    Corresponding key: MARKER→CF
MKD_(<real>[frequency units])|UP|DN|EP|?;
    Places a second marker the specified frequency from the active marker.
    Frequency may be positive or negative. Default units are Hz. In zero
    frequency span the units are time.
    UP/DN increment::=10% of Span
    OUTPUT 718;"CF 450 MHZ;SP 400 MHZ;"
    OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKD 300 MHZ;"
    Query response: <numeric data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"MKPK HI;MKD;MKPK NH;MKD?;"
        ENTER 718;Marker_del
    Corresponding key: MARKER DELTA
MKDR_(<real>[time units])|EP|?;
    Reciprocal marker delta, readout is in time period between markers. In
    zero frequency span the units are frequency.
    OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKD;MKPK NH;MKDR;"
    Query response: <numeric data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKD;MKPK NH;MKDR?;"
        ENTER 718;Period
    Corresponding key: MARKER 1/DELTA
MKF_(<real>[frequency units])|EP|?;
    Specifies the frequency of the active marker. Default units are Hz.
    OUTPUT 718;"CF 450 MHZ;SP 400 MHZ;MKF 600 MHZ;"
    Query response: <numeric data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKF?;"
        ENTER 718;Mfreq
MKFC_ON|OFF;
    Counts the marker frequency for a more accurate readout of the marker
    frequency. The accuracy is determined in part by the counter resolution.
    OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKFC ON;MKF?;"
    ENTER 718;Freq_count
    Corresponding key: COUNTER ON OFF

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MKFCR_(<real>[frequency units])|EP|?;
    Specifies the resolution of the marker frequency counter.
    OUTPUT 718;"MKFCR 100 HZ;MKFC ON;"
    Query response: <numeric data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"MKFCR ?;"
        ENTER 718;Count_res
    Corresponding key: COUNTER RES
MKMIN;
    Moves the active marker to the minimum signal detected.
    OUTPUT 718;"TS'MKPK HI;MKD;MKMIN;"
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MKN\_(<real>[frequency units])|UP|DN|EP|?;

Moves the active marker to the specified frequency. Default units are Hz.

UP/DN increment:=-10% of Span

OUTPUT 718;"CF 100 MHZ;SP 100 MHZ;TS;MKN 75 MHZ;"

Query response: <numeric data format>

OUTPUT 718;"MKPK HI;MKN?;"

ENTER 718;Marker

Corresponding key: MARKER NORMAL

MKNOISE\_ON|OFF|1|0|?;

Returns the average value at the marker, normalized to a 1 Hz bandwidth, after correction for resolution bandwidth and detection mode (log or linear).

OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKMIN;MKNOISE ON;MKA?;"

ENTER 718;Amptd

Query response: 1|0

OUTPUT 718;"MKNOISE?;"

ENTER 718;Mknoise

Corresponding key: MKNOISE ON OFF

MKOFF|ALL|;

Turns the active marker off.

OUTPUT 718;"MKOFF;"

Corresponding key: OFF

**MKPK\_HI|NH|NR|NL;**  
     Moves the active marker to the maximum signal detected or to the next highest, next right, or next left signal detected. Marker defaults to maximum signal detected.  
     OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;"  
     OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKPK NL;"  
     OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK;"  
     Corresponding key: PEAK SEARCH

**MKPT\_.(<real>[amplitude units])|UP|DN|EP|?;**  
     Specifies the marker peak threshold. Default value is -120 dBm.  
     UP/DN increment::=10 dB  
     OUTPUT 718;"MKPT -95 DBM;"  
     OUTPUT 718;"AUNITS DBUV;MKPT UP;"  
     Query response: <real number>  
         OUTPUT 718;"MKPT?;"  
         ENTER 718;Peak\_thresh

**MKPX\_.(<real>[dB])|UP|DN|EP|?;**  
     Specifies the minimum excursion for peak identification. Default units are dB. (IP selects 6 dB for minimum excursion.)  
     <real>::=values 0.0 through 30.0  
     UP/DN increment::=10 dB  
     OUTPUT 718;"MKPX 3DB;TS;MKPK HI;"  
     Query response: <numeric data format>  
         OUTPUT 718;"MKPX?;"  
         ENTER 718;Peak\_ex

**Corresponding key: PEAK EXCURSN**

**MKRL;**  
     Moves the active marker to the reference level.  
     OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKRL;TS;"  
     Corresponding key: MARKER→REF LVL

**MKSP;**  
     Moves the marker delta frequency into the frequency span.  
     OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKD;MKPK NH;MKSP;TS;"  
     Corresponding key: MKRΔ→SPAN

**MKSS;**  
     Moves the marker frequency into the center frequency step size.  
     OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKSS;CF UP UP;"  
     Corresponding key: MARKER→CF STEP

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MKT.<real>[time units]?;
Sets the Marker to the position corresponding to the sweep time from the
beginning of sweep.
OUTPUT 718;"ST 2 SEC;MKT 1.6 SEC;"
Query response: <real>
    OUTPUT 718;"MKT ?;"  

    ENTER 718;Mkr_time
Corresponding key: MARKER 1/DELTA
MKTRACE_TRA|TRB?;
Moves the active marker to the corresponding position on another trace.
OUTPUT 718;"CLRW TRA;TS;VIEW TRA;MKPK HI;"  

OUTPUT 718;"MKD;CLRW TRB;MKTRACE TRB;"  

Query response: TRA|TRB
    OUTPUT 718;"MKTRACE?;"  

    ENTER 718;Mkr_trace$  

MKTRACK_ON|OFF?;
Turns the marker signal track ON|OFF.
OUTPUT 718;"CF 300 MHZ;SP 100 MHZ;"  

OUTPUT 718;"MKPK HI;MKTRACK ON;"  

OUTPUT 718;"SP 100 KHZ;MKTRACK OFF;"  

Query response: 1|0
    OUTPUT 718;"MKTRACK ?;"  

    ENTER 718;Track$  

Corresponding key: SIG TRK ON OFF
ML_<integer>[amplitude units] |UP|DN|EP|?;
Specifies the mixer level. Default units are dBm.
<integer>::=-10|-20|-30|-40|-50|-60|-70|-80
UP/DN increment::=10 dB
OUTPUT 718;"ML -40 DBM;"  

OUTPUT 718;"ML 60 DBUV;"  

OUTPUT 718;"ML 10 DBMV;"  

Query response: <integer>
    OUTPUT 718;"ML?;"  

    ENTER 718;Mixer_|v|
Corresponding key: MAX MXR LEVEL
MXMH_TRA|TRB;
Updates each trace element with the maximum level detected.
OUTPUT 718;"CLRW TRA;CLRW TRB;MXMH TRA;"
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Corresponding keys: MAX HOLD A, MAX HOLD B  
**MXRMODE INT|EXT;**  
 Specifies the mixer mode.  
 OUTPUT 718;"MXRMODE INT;"  
**OA**  
 Queries a function. Used the same as (?).  
 OUTPUT 718;"RL OA;"  
 ENTER 718;Reflvl  
**OP?;**  
 Returns the parameters which represent the dimensions of the lower left and upper right vertices of the analyzer display in plotter units.  
 Response = "P1x, P1y, P2x, P2y;"  
 Default is "0, 0, 800, 800;"  
 OUTPUT 718;"OP?;"  
 ENTER 718;P1x,P1y,P2x,P2y  
**PLOT[P1x,P1y,P2x,P2y];**  
 Plots the CRT display on any HP-IB plotter.  
 P1x and P1y::=plotter dependent values that specify the lower left plotter dimension.  
 P2x and P2y::=plotter dependent values that specify the upper right plotter dimension.  
 Default is current plotter P1, P2 settings.  
 OUTPUT 718;"PLOT 80,320,10080,7520;"  
 ENTER 718 USING "#,-X;Plot\_str\$  
 Corresponding key: PLOT  
**PLOTORG|DSP|GRT|?|;**  
 Specifies whether plotter P1, P2 settings are the origin for the graticule or the entire spectrum analyzer display. Allows plotting trace data on paper with preprinted graticule lines.  
 OUTPUT 718;"PLOTORG GRT;PLOT;"  
 SEND Sel\_code;UNT UNL LISTEN Pit\_addrs TALK Sa\_addrs DATA"  
**PLOTSRC\_ALL|TRA|TRB|GRT|ANNT|?;**  
 Specifies the source for PLOT. Default is ALL.  
 OUTPUT 718;"PLOTORG GRT;PLOTSRC ANNT;PLOTSRC TRB;"  
 Query response: ALL|TRA|TRB|GRT|ANNT  
 OUTPUT 718;"PLOTSRC?;"  
 ENTER 718;Plotsrc

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PP;
  Peaks the preselector.
  OUTPUT 718;"CF 12 GHZ;SP 100 MHZ;
  OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKCF:SP 10 MHZ;TS;PP;" 
  Corresponding key: PRESEL AUTO PK
PRINT.[0|1];
  Prints screen data in HP raster graphics format.
  0::= Monochrome (default);
  1::= Color
  OUTPUT 718;"PRINT;" 
  SEND Sel_code; UNL LISTEN Prt_addr TALK Sa_addr DATA
  Corresponding keys: PRINT, COLOR PRINT
PSDAC.<integer>|UP|DN|EP?|
  Specifies the preselector peak DAC setting.
  <integer>::=0 through 255
  UP/DN increment::=1
  OUTPUT 718;"PSDAC 35;" 
  Query response: <integer>
    OUTPUT 718;"PSDAC?;" 
    ENTER 718;Presel_dac
PSTATE.ON|OFF|!|0?;
  Protect state (Save lock.)
  OUTPUT 718;"SAVES 2;PSTATE ON;" 
  OUTPUT 718;"PSTATE OFF;SAVES 4;" 
  Query response: 1 = ON, 0 = OFF
    OUTPUT 718;"PSTATE ?;" 
    ENTER 718;Pstate
  Corresponding key: SAVELOCK ON OFF
PWRBW.(TRA|TRB),<integer>?;
  Computes bandwidth equal to specified percentage of the total displayed
  power.
  OUTPUT 718;"PWRBW TRA, 50.0;" 
  Query response: <integer>
    OUTPUT 718;"PWRBW?" 
  Corresponding key: 99% POWER BW

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RB(<real>[frequency units])|UP|DN|EP|AUTO|MAN|?;
Specifies the resolution bandwidth.
<real>::=10 kHz to 2 MHz in 1, 3, 10 sequence.
UP/DN increment::= 1, 3, 10 sequence
OUTPUT 718;"SP 1 MHZ;RB 1 MHZ;TS;"
Query response: <numeric data format>
    OUTPUT 718;"RB UP UP;RB?;"  

    ENTER 718;Res_bw
Corresponding key: RES BW AUTO MAN
RBR(<real>)|UP|DN|EP|?;
Specifies the ratio between the resolution bandwidth and the frequency
span. If span changed, RBW changes to maintain ratio.
<real>::=.002 to .10 in a 2, 5, 10 sequence
UP/DN increment::= 2, 5, 10 Sequence
OUTPUT 718;"RBR .3;SP 100KHZ;TS;"  

Query response: <real>
    OUTPUT 718;"RBR DN DN DN;RBR?;"  

    ENTER 718;Rbw_ratio
Corresponding key: RBW:SPAN
RCLS.<integer>|LAST|PWRON;
Recalls the previously saved state stored in registers 0 through 9, the last
state, or the power-on state.
<integer>::=0 through 9
OUTPUT 718;"IP;RCLS 2;"  

OUTPUT 718;"C1 10MHZ;SP 1MHZ;TS;IP;RCLS LAST;"  

Corresponding key: RECALL STATE
RCLT.(TRA|TRB),<integer>;
Recalls the previously saved trace stored in registers 0 through 7.
<integer>::= 0 through 7
OUTPUT 718;"CLRW TRA;VIEW TRB;"  

OUTPUT 718;"RCLT TRB,4;"  

Corresponding keys: RECALL TO TRA, RECALL TO TRB
REV.?
Returns the firmware revision number of the analyzer being used. Number
returned is in the date format of "YYMMDD".
Query response: <real>
    OUTPUT 718;"REV ?;"  

    ENTER 718;Revision

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RL_(<real>[amplitude units]) |UP|DN|EP|?;
    Specifies the reference level. Default units are dBm.
    UP/DN increment::=Log scale/div or 10 dB in Linear scale
    OUTPUT 718;"CF 300MHZ;SP 1MHZ;RL -10DBM;TS;"
    Query response: <numeric data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKRL;TS;"
        ENTER 718;Ref_lvl
    Corresponding key: AMPLITUDE, REF LVL
RLCAL_<integer>|?;
    Calibrates reference level.
    <integer>::=-30 through +30
    OUTPUT 718;"RLCAL ";Rl_cal
    Query response: <integer>
        OUTPUT 718;"RLCAL ?;""
        ENTER 718;Rl_cal
    Corresponding key: REF LVL CAL
ROFFSET_(<real>[DB]) |UP|DN|EP|?;
    Specifies the reference level offset. Default units are dBm.
    UP/DN increment::= Log scale/div or 10 dB in Linear scale
    OUTPUT 718;"ROFFSET -20DBM;"
    Query response: <numeric data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"ROFFSET?;"
        ENTER 718;Ref_offset
    Corresponding key: REF LVL OFFSET
RQS_<integer>|?;
    Specifies a mask which allows the bits that are not masked for service
    request.
    <integer>::= 0 through 255
    OUTPUT 718;"RQS 16;"
    OUTPUT 718;"RQS 4;"
    OUTPUT 718;"RQS 20;"
    Query response: returns the decimal weighting of the status byte bits
    which are enabled during a service request.
        OUTPUT 718;"RQS?;"
        ENTER 718;Rqs

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SAVES.<integer>|PWRON;
  Saves the current state of the analyzer in the specified state register.
  <integer>:= 0 through 9
  OUTPUT 718;"CF 20MHZ;SAVES 3;IP;"
  Corresponding key: SAVE STATE
SAVET_(TRA|TRB),<integer>;
  Saves the current trace of the analyzer in the specified trace register.
  <integer>:= 0 through 7
  OUTPUT 718;"CLRW TRB;TS;SAVET TRB,4;"
  Corresponding keys: SAVE TRACE A, SAVE TRACE B
SER?;
  Returns the serial number of the spectrum analyzer to the controller.
  OUTPUT 718;"SER?"
  ENTER 718;Serial_number$
SIGID_AUTO|MAN|OFF?;
  Identifies signals for the external mixing frequency bands.
  OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKAL;SIGID AUTO;"
  Query response: 0 = OFF, 1 = MAN
  OUTPUT 718;"SIGID?"
  ENTER 718;Status
  Corresponding key: SIG ID ON OFF
SNGLS;
  Selects single sweep mode.
  OUTPUT 718;"IP;CF 100MHZ;SP 1MHZ;SNGLS;TS;"
  Corresponding key: SINGLE
SP(<real>[amplitude units])|UP|DN|FULL|ZERO|EP?;
  Specifies the frequency span. Default units are Hz.
  UP/DN increment:=1,2,5 Sequence
  OUTPUT 718;"CF 10MHZ;SP DN DN;"
  OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKTRACK ON;SP 100KHZ;TS;MKTRACK OFF;"
  Query response: <numeric data format>
  OUTPUT 718;"SP UP UP;SP?"
  ENTER 718;Span
  Corresponding key: SPAN

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SQUELCH_(<real>[amplitude units]) |ON|OFF|UP|DN|EP|?;
  Squelch for demodulation.
  UP/DN increment::= Log scale/div or 10 dB in Linear scale
  OUTPUT 718;"DEMOD AM;SQUELCH -80 DBM;"
  Query response: <numeric data format>
    OUTPUT 718;"SQUELCH?;"
    ENTER 718;Squelch
  Corresponding key: SQUELCH
SRQ_<integer>;
  Sets a service request if the operand bits are allowed by RQS.
  <integer>::= 0 through 255
  OUTPUT 718;"RQS 4;SRQ 4;"
SS(<real>[frequency units]) |UP|DN|AUTO|MAN|EP|?;
  Specifies the center frequency step size.
  Default units are Hz.
  UP/DN increment::=1,2,5 Sequence
  OUTPUT 718;"CF 100MHZ;SS 100MHZ;"
  Query response: <numeric data format>
    OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;MKSS;SS?;"
    ENTER 718;Step_size
  Corresponding key: CF STEP AUTO MAN
ST(<real>[time units]) |UP|DN|EP|AUTO|MAN|?;
  Specifies the sweep time.
  Default units are seconds.
  UP/DN increment::= 1,2,5 Sequence
  OUTPUT 718;"CF 20MHZ;SP 10MHZ;ST UP UP;"
  OUTPUT 718;"ST 5SEC;"
  Query response: <numeric data format>
    OUTPUT 718;"SP 100KHZ;ST?;"
    ENTER 718;Sweep_time
  Corresponding key: SWP TIME AUTO MAN
STB?;
  Status byte query, returns to the controller the decimal equivalent of the
  bits set in the status byte.
  OUTPUT 718;"RQS 20;SRQ 20;"
  Repeat: !
  OUTPUT 718;"STB?"
  ENTER 718;Status

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        IF Status < > 20 THEN GOTO Repeat
SWPOUT_RAMP|FAV|?;
Sweep output.
RAMP::= sweep ramp 0 to 10 volts
FAV::= frequency analog voltage 0.5 volt/GHz.
OUTPUT 718;"SWPOUT RAMP;"
Query response: 0 = RAMP, 1 = FAV
OUTPUT 718;"SWPOUT ?;"  

ENTER 718;Sweep
Corresponding key: REAR PNL OUTPUT
TDF.P|B|I|A|M|?;
Formats trace information for return to controller. IP selects P.
P::= enables output format as real numbers in Hz, volts, watts, dBm,
dBuV, dBmV, dBW, or seconds.
B::= enables binary format.
OUTPUT 718;"TS;VIEW TRA;TDF P:TRA?;"  

Query response: P|B
OUTPUT 718;"TDF?;"  

ENTER 718;Format$  

TH_(<real>[amplitude units])|ON|OFF|UP|DN|EP|?;
Blanks signal responses below the specified threshold level. Default units,
are dBm. Default level is 9 divisions below the reference level.
UP/DN increment::= Log scale/div or 10 dB in Linear scale
OUTPUT 718;"TH -75DBM;"  

OUTPUT 718;"TH OFF;"  

Query response: <númeric data format>
OUTPUT 718;"TH?;"  

ENTER 718;Threshold
TITLE_<string data field>;
Sets the analyzer to title mode where characters called from the analyzer
character set are displayed near the upper right-hand corner of the CRT.
Up to two 16 character lines can be displayed.
OUTPUT 718;"TITLE %This is a sample%";  

OUTPUT 718;"title, two lines%";  

Corresponding key: SCREEN TITLE

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TM_FREE|VID|LINE|EXT|?;
Selects the trigger mode.
OUTPUT 718;"TM LINE;"
OUTPUT 718;"TM FREE;"
Query response: FREE|VID|LINE|EXT
    OUTPUT 718;"TM ?;"
    ENTER 718;Trigger$
Corresponding key: TRIG
TRA_<block data field>|?;
Input or output 601 data points to/from trace A. (See TDF.) Places trace
A in view mode before trace data transfer.
DIM A(0:600)
OUTPUT 718;"TDF P;TRA";
FOR I=0 TO 599
OUTPUT 718;A(I);DBM,";
NEXT I
OUTPUT 718;A(600);DBM;"

Query response: <block data field>
    DIM B(0:600)
    OUTPUT 718;"TDF P;TRA?;"
    ENTER 718;B(*)

TRB_<block data field>|?;
Input or output 601 data points to/from trace B. (See TDF.) Places trace
B in view mode before trace data transfer.
INTEGER A(0:600)
OUTPUT 718;"TS;TDF B;TRB;";
OUTPUT 718 USING "#,W";A(*)
Query response: <block data field>
    INTEGER A(0:600)
    OUTPUT 718;"TDF B;TRB?;"
    ENTER 718 using "#,W";A(*)
    OUTPUT 718;"RL?;"
    ENTER 718;Ref_lvl
    OUTPUT 718;"LG ?;"
    ENTER 718;Scale
    FOR X=0 TO 600
        A(X)=Ref_lvl+Scale*(A(X)/60-10)
    NEXT X

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TS;
    Takes a sweep.
    OUTPUT 718;"SNGLS;CF 10MHZ,SP 1MHZ;TS;"
TWNDOW_(TRA|TRB),(UNIFORM|HANNING|FLATTOP);
    Creates window trace array for FFT command.
    OUTPUT 718;"TWNDOW TRA, UNIFORM;"
VAVG_<average length>|ON|OFF|UP|DN|EP?>;
    Turns the video averaging on or off.
    <average length> ::= INT and represents the maximum number of sweeps
    executed for averaging. Default length is 100.
    UP/DN increment ::= 1
    OUTPUT 718;"VAVG 10;"  

    Query response: <numeric data format>[NO-BUG
        OUTPUT 718;"VAVG ?;"  

        ENTER 718;Vid_avg
    Corresponding key: VID AVG ON OFF
VB_(<real>[frequency units]) |UP|DN|AUTO|MAN|EP?;
    Specifies the video bandwidth. Default units are Hz.
    <real> ::= 1 Hz to 3 MHz, 1,3 Sequence
    UP/DN increment ::= 1,3 Sequence
    OUTPUT 718;"RB 10KHZ;VB DN;"  

    OUTPUT 718;"VB 1HZ;"  

    Query response: <numeric data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"RB 10KHZ;VB UP UP;VB?;"  

        ENTER 718;Video_bw
    Corresponding key: VIDEO BW AUTO MAN
VBR_(+)<real> |UP|DN|EP?;
    Specifies the ratio between the video bandwidth and the resolution
    bandwidth. For example, an entry of .3 sets the video bandwidth one
    bandwidth step lower than the resolution bandwidth.
    <real> ::= .003 to 3.00, 1, 3 Sequence
    UP/DN increment ::= 1,3 Sequence
    OUTPUT 718;"VBR 3;RB 10KHZ;"  

    Query response: <numeric data format>
        OUTPUT 718;"VBR DN DN;VBR?;"  

        ENTER 718;"Video_ratio
    Corresponding key: VBW:RBW

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**VIEW\_TRA|TRB;**  
Stores and views the specified trace.  
OUTPUT 718;"CLRW TRA;TS;VIEW TRA;"  
Corresponding keys: VIEW A, VIEW B

**VOL\_<integer>|?;**  
Sets speaker volume. A value of 0 turns speaker off, a value of 255 turns speaker on full volume.  
OUTPUT 718;"DEMOD FM;VOL 156;"  
Query response: <integer>::= 0 through 255  
    OUTPUT 718;"VOL?;"  
    ENTER 718;Volume  
Corresponding key: VOLUME

**VTL\_<real>[amplitude units] |UP|DN|EP|?;**  
Sets the level for video trigger.  
UP/DN increment::=Log scale/div or 10 dB in Linear scale  
OUTPUT 718;"TM VID;VTL -55 DBM;"  
Query response: <real>  
    OUTPUT 718;"VTL ?;"  
    ENTER 718;Trig\_lvl  
Corresponding key: VIDEO

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### **Secondary Key Word Summary**

A	ampere (unit); A-block data format.
ALL	All.
AM	amplitude modulation (DEMOD).
ANNT	annotation
AUTO	Auto couple.
B	8-bit byte.
CURR	current (IF adjustment)
DB	Decibel (unit).
DBM	Absolute decibel milliwatt (unit).
DBMV	Decibel millivolt (unit).
DBUV	Decibel microvolt (unit).
DM	absolute decibel milliwatt (unit).
DN	Decreases parameter one step size
DSP	display.
EP	enable parameter for front panel operator entry while in remote mode.
EXT	External trigger.
FAV	frequency analog voltage (sweep output).
FM	frequency modulation (DEMOD).
FREE	Free run.
FULL	full band span width.
GHZ	Gigahertz (unit).
GRT	graticule.
GZ	Gigahertz (unit).
HARM	harmonic number (frequency diagnostic).

HI	Highest.
HZ	Hertz (unit).
I	I-block data format.
INT	internal (reference, mixer mode).
K	external mixer frequency band.
KHZ	Kilohertz (unit).
KZ	Kilohertz (unit).
LAST	previous state before a change.
LAST SPAN	previous span before a change.
LINE	Line trigger.
LO	local oscillator (frequency diagnostic).
M	ASCII display data output format.
MA	milliamp (unit).
MAN	manual operation.
MHZ	Megahertz (unit).
MROLL	main roller oscillator (frequency diagnostic).
MS	Millisecond (unit).
MSEC	millisecond (unit).
MV	Millivolts (unit).
MW	milliwatt (unit).
MZ	Megahertz (unit).
NEG	Negative.
NH	Next highest peak.
NL	Next peak left.
NRM	Normal.
NR	Next peak right.

OA	function query (same as ?).
OFF	Turn function off.
ON	Turn function on.
OROLL	offset roller oscillator (frequency diagnostic).
P	real number output format.
POS	Positive.
PWRON	sets same state as turning power on.
RAMP	sweep ramp voltage (sweep output)
S	second (ununit)
SC	Seconds (unit).
SEC	second (unit).
SMP	Sample detection mode.
TRA	Trace A.
TRB	Trace B.
UA	microamp (unit).
UP	Increases the parameter one step size.
US	Microseconds (unit).
UV	Microvolts (unit).
V	Volts (unit).
VID	Video trigger.
W	Word (for MDS command).
XROLL	transfer roller oscillator (frequency diagnostic).
ZERO	zero span.
;	Semicolon (ASCII code 59).
,	Comma (ASCII code 44).
0	Off. Command argument.

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|---|--|
| 1 | On. Command argument.  |
| ? | Returns a query response containing the value or state of the associated parameter. The query response is followed by a carriage-return/line-feed. |

# A

## Locating a Softkey

Use this appendix to locate a softkey. For each softkey listed, a corresponding front panel key is listed. Pressing this key presents the menu containing the desired softkey.

Table A-1. Softkey Locations

Softkey	Located Under this Hardkey
0--10V LD SWP	SWEEP
5 V/GHz (FAV)	SWEEP
10 MHz IN EXT	FREQUENCY
99% POWER SW	ON
A	
ADJCURRYE STATE	AMPLITUDE
A EXCH B	TRACE
AGC ON OFF	DEMOD
ALL	AUTO COUPLE
AM DEMOD ON OFF	DEMOD
AMPTD CORRECT	EXT
ANNOT ON OFF	DISPLAY
ATTEN	AMPLITUDE
ATTEN AUTO MAN	AMPLITUDE

**Table A-1. Softkey Locations (continued)**

Softkey	Located Under this Hardkey
AVERAGE-CMV LOSS	EXT
A-B-A	TRACE
A-B-A ON/OFF	TRACE
A-B-DIS-ON-OFF	TRACE
B	
BACK SPACE	DISPLAY
BIAS	EXT
BIAS-OFF	EXT
BLANK-A	TRACE
BLANK-B	TRACE
B-DL-B	TRACE
C	
CENTER-FREQ	FREQUENCY
CF-STEP	FREQUENCY
CF-STEP AUTO HAN	FREQUENCY
CHAR-SET 1-2	TRACE
CLR-WRT A	TRACE
CLR-WRT B	TRACE
CTV LOSS VS FREQ	EXT
COLOR-PRINT	DISPLAY
CONT	SWEEP, TRIG

**A-2 Locating a Softkey**

Table A-1. Softkey Locations (continued)

Softkey	Located Under this Hardkey
COUNTER ON OFF	FREQ COUNT
COUNTER RES	FREQ COUNT
CRT ADJ PATTERN	RECALL
D	
dBm	AMPLITUDE
dBmV	AMPLITUDE
dBuV	AMPLITUDE
DEMOD TIME	DEMOD
DETECTOR MODES	TRACE
DETECTOR NEG PEAK	TRACE
DETECTOR NORMAL	TRACE
DETECTOR POS PEAK	TRACE
DETECTOR SAMPLE	TRACE
DISPLAY LINE	DISPLAY
DISP LIN ON OFF	DISPLAY
E	
ELAPSED TIME	RECALL
ERASE TITLE	DISPLAY
EXTERNAL	TRIG
F	
FACTORY PRSEL PK	RECALL

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Table A-1. Softkey Locations (continued)

Softkey	Located Under this Hardkey
FPE	TRACE
FREQ DEMOD ON/OFF	DEMOD
FOCUS	DISPLAY
FREE RUN	TRIG
FREQ DIAGNOSE	RECALL
FREQ DSP OFF	DISPLAY
FREQ OFFSET	FREQUENCY
FULL BAND	EXT
FULL IF ADJ	AMPLITUDE
FULL SPAN	SPAN
G	
GRAT ON/OFF	DISPLAY
H	
HP-IB ADDRESS	PRESET
I	
IF ADJ ON/OFF	AMPLITUDE
IF ADJUST	AMPLITUDE
INTER	DISPLAY
L	
LAST SPAN	SPAN

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Table A-1. Softkey Locations (continued)

Softkey	Located Under this Hardkey
LAST STATE	PRESET
LINE	TRIG
LINEAR	AMPLITUDE
LOCK HARMONIC	EXT
LOCK ON/OFF	EXT
LO FREQ	RECALL
LOG dB/DIV	AMPLITUDE
M	
MAIN ROLLER	RECALL
MARKER DELTA	[FREQ COUNT], [MKR--], [ON], [PEAK SEARCH]
MARKER NORMAL	[DEMOD], [FREQ COUNT], [ON], [MKR--], [EXT]
MARKER→CF	[MKR--], [PEAK SEARCH]
MARKER→CF STEP	[MKR--]
MARKER→REF LVL	[MKR--]
MARKER 1/DELTA	[ON]
MAX HOLD A	[TRACE]
MAX HOLD B	[TRACE]
MAX MKR LEVEL	[AMPLITUDE], [AUTO COUPLE]
MAX NO. VID AVGS	[BW]
MKRNOISE ON OFF	[ON], [PEAK SEARCH]
MKRA→CF	[MKR--]
MKRA→CF STEP	[MKR--]

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Table A-1. Softkey Locations (continued)

Softkey	Located Under this Hardkey
MKR→—SPAN	[MKR→]
MKR 1/A→—CF	[MKR→]
MKR 1/A→—CF STEP	[MKR→]
MORE—TRG, MATH	[TRACE]
N	
NEGATIVE BIAS	[EXT]
NEXT-PEAK	[DEMOD], [FREQ COUNT], [PEAK SEARCH], [EXT]
NEXT PEAK LEFT	[PEAK SEARCH]
NEXT PEAK RIGHT	[PEAK SEARCH]
O	[RECALL]
OFFSET ROLLER	
P	
PEAK EXCURSN	[PEAK SEARCH]
PEAK SEARCH	[DEMOD], [FREQ COUNT], [MKR→], [EXT]
PEAK THRESHOLD	[PEAK SEARCH]
PLOT	[DISPLAY]
PLOT ANNOT	[DISPLAY]
PLOT GRATICULE	[DISPLAY]
PLOT OPTIONS	[DISPLAY]
PLOT ORG DSP GRAT	[DISPLAY]
PLOT TRACE A	[DISPLAY]

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Table A-1. Softkey Locations (continued)

Softkey	Located Under this Hardkey
PLOT TRACE B	[DISPLAY]
POSITIVE BIAS	[EXT]
PRESL AUTO PK	[INT]
PRESL MAN ADJ	[INT]
PRINT	[DISPLAY]
PRINT PLOT	[DISPLAY]
PWR ON STATE	[SAVE]
R	
RBW:SPAN	[AUTO COUPLE]
REALIGN LO & IF	[PRESET]
REAR PNL OUTPUT	[SWEEP]
RECALL ERRORS	[RECALL]
RECALL PRSEL PK	[RECALL]
RECALL PWR ON	[PRESET]
RECALL STATE	[RECALL]
RECALL TO TRA	[RECALL]
RECALL TO TRS	[RECALL]
REF LVL	[AMPLITUDE]
REF LVL CAL	[AMPLITUDE]
REF LVL OFFSET	[AMPLITUDE]
RES BW	[BW]
RES BW AUTO MAN	[BW]

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Table A-1. Softkey Locations (continued)

Softkey	Located Under this Hardkey
S	
SAMPLER-FREQ	RECALL
SAMPLER-HARMONIC	RECALL
SAVELOCK-ON/OFF	SAVE
SAVE-PASELPK	SAVE
SAVE-STATE	SAVE
SAVE-TRACEA	SAVE
SAVE-TRACEB	SAVE
SCREEN-TITLE	DISPLAY
SELECT-CHAR	DISPLAY
SIG-ID AT NKR	EXT., INT.
SID-ID ON/OFF	EXT., INT.
SIGID-CP	EXT., INT.
SIGNAL-IDENT	EXT
SIG-TRK ON/OFF	ON, PEAK SEARCH
SINGLE	SWEEP, TRIG
SPACE	DISPLAY
SPAN-WIDTH	SPAN
SQUELCH	DEMOD
SQUELCH-ON/OFF	DEMOD
START-FREQ	FREQUENCY
STATE #	RECALL, SAVE

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**Table A-1. Softkey Locations (continued)**

Softkey	Located Under this Hardkey
STOP FREQ	[FREQUENCY]
SWEEP TIME	[SPAN], [SWEEP]
SWP TIME AUTO MAN	[SPAN], [SWEEP]
T	
THRESHLD	[DISPLAY]
THRESHLD ON OFF	[DISPLAY]
TITLE DONE	[DISPLAY]
TRACE A	[TRACE]
TRACE B	[TRACE]
TRANSFER ROLLER	[RECALL]
U	
UNITS	[AMPLITUDE]
UNITS AUTO MAN	[AMPLITUDE]
V	
VBW:RBW	[AUTO COUPLE]
VIDEO AVG ON OFF	[BW]
VIDEO	[TRIG]
VIDEO BW	[BW]
VIDEO BW AUTO MAN	[BW]
VIEW A	[TRACE]
VIEW B	[TRACE]

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Table A-1. Softkey Locations (continued)

Softkey	Located Under this Hardkey
VOLTS	AMPLITUDE
VOLUME	DEMODE
W	
WATTS	AMPLITUDE
Z	
ZERO SPAN	SPAN

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**B****Programming Command to Key**

Table B-1. Programming Command to Key

Command	Name	Key
ADJALL	Execute Turn-on Adjustments	
ADJCRT	CRT Adjustment Pattern	CRT-ADJ-PATTERN
ADJIF	Execute IF Adjustments	FULL-IF-ADJ
AMB	Trace A Minus Trace B	A-B-A-GND-OFF
AMBPL	Trace A Minus Trace B Plus Display Line	A-B+DL-A-GND-OFF
ANNOT	Annotation On/Off	ANNOT-ON-OFF
APB	Trace A Plus Trace B	A+B->A
AT	Input Attenuator	ATTEN-ATTEN-AUTO-RAN
AUNITS	Absolute Amplitude Units	UNITS
AUTOCPL	Autocouple All "AUTO" Functions	ALL
AXB	Trace A Exchange Trace B	A-EXCH-B
BLANK	Blank Trace	BLANK-A-BLANK-B
BML	Trace A Minus Display Line	B-DL-B
CF	Center Frequency	FREQUENCY CENTER-FREQ
CLRW	Clear/Write Trace	CLR-WRT-A CLR-WRT-B

Programming Command to Key B-1

**Table B-1. Programming Command to Key (continued)**

Command	Name	Key
CNVLOSS	External Mixer Conversion Loss	CNVLOSS VS FREQ
CONTS	Continuous Sweep	CONTS
COUPLE	HP 8561A. Couple ac or dc input	COUPLING AC DC
DEMOD	Demodulation	AM DEMOD ON OFF PM DEMOD ON OFF
DEMODAGC	Demodulation Automatic Gain Control	
DEMODT	Demodulation Time	DEMOD TIME
DET	Detection Mode	DETECTOR MODES
DL	Display Line	DISP LINE ON OFF
DONE	Done	
ERR	Command Error	
ET	Elapsed Time	ELAPSED TIME
FA	Start Frequency	START FREQ
FB	Stop Frequency	STOP FREQ
FDIAG	Frequency Diagnostics	FREQ DIAGNOSIS
FDSP	Frequency Display	FREQ DSP ON OFF
FFT	Fast Fourier Transform	FFT
FOFFSET	Frequency Offset	FREQ OFFSET
FREF	Frequency Reference	10 MHZ INT EXT
FS	Full Span	FULL SPAN
FULBAND	Full Band	FULL BAND

**B-2 Programming Command to Key**

**Table B-1. Programming Command to Key (continued)**

Command	Name	Key
GRAT	Graticule On/Off	GRAT ON OFF
HD	Hold	HOLD
HNLOCK	Harmonic Number Lock	LOCK ON OFF
HNUNLK	Unlock Harmonic Number	LOCK ON OFF
ID	Output Identification	
IDCF	Signal Identification Frequency to Center Frequency	SIGID--CF
IDFREQ	Signal Identification to Frequency Found	
IP	Instrument Preset	PRESET RECALL PWR ON
LG	Logarithmic Display Scale	LOG dB/DIV
LN	Linear Display Scale	LINEAR
MBIAS	Mixer Bias	BIAS
MINH	Minimum Trace Hold	
MKA	Marker Amplitude	
MKCF	Marker to Center Frequency	MARKER--CF
MKD	Marker Delta	MARKER DELTA
MKDR	Marker Delta Reciprocal	MARKER 1/DELTA
MKF	Marker Frequency	
MKFC	Marker Frequency Count	COUNTER ON OFF
MKFCR	Marker Frequency Count Resolution	COUNTER RES
MKMIN	Marker to Minimum	

Programming Command to Key B-3

**Table B-1. Programming Command to Key (continued)**

Command	Name	Key
MKN	Marker Normal	<b>MARKER-NORMAL</b>
MKNOISE	Marker Noise	<b>MKNOISE-ON OFF</b>
MKOFF	Marker Off	<b>OFF</b>
MKPK	Marker Peak Search	<b>PEAK SEARCH</b> <b>PEAK SEARCH</b>
MKPX	Marker Peak Excursion	<b>PEAK EXCURSION</b>
MKREAD	Marker Readout	
MKRL	Marker to Reference Level	<b>MARKER-REF LVL</b>
MKSP	Marker Deltas to Span	<b>MKRA-SPAN</b>
MKSS	Marker to Center Frequency Step Size	<b>MARKER-CF STEP</b>
MKT	Marker Time	<b>MARKER-1/DELTA</b> (when span >0 Hz)
MKTRACK	Marker Signal Track	<b>SIG-TRK-ON OFF</b>
ML	Mixer Level	<b>MAX-NXR-LEVEL</b>
MXMH	Maximum Hold	<b>MAX-HOLD-A MAX-HOLD-B</b>
OP	Output Display Parameters	
PLOT	Plot Display	<b>PLOT</b>
PP	Preselector Peak	<b>PRESSEL-AUTO PK</b>
PRESEL	Preselector Data	<b>RECALL-PRESSEL PK</b> <b>FACTORY-PRESSEL PK</b>
PRINT	Print display	<b>PRINT COLOR PRINT</b>
PSTATE	Protect State	<b>SAVELOCK-ON OFF</b>
PWRBW	Trace Power Bandwidth	<b>99%-POWER BW</b>

**B-4 Programming Command to Key**

**Table B-1. Programming Command to Key (continued)**

Command	Name	Key
RB	Resolution Bandwidth	RES BW AUTO MAX
RBR	Resolution Bandwidth to Span Ratio	RBW:SPAN
RCLS	Recall State Register	RECALL STATE
RCLT	Recall Trace Register	RECALL TO TRACE RECALL TO TRB
REV	Output Revision Number	
RL	Reference Level	[AMPLITUDE] REF LVL
RLCAL	Reference Level Calibration	REF LVL CAL
ROFFSET	Reference Level Offset	REF LVL OFFSET
RQS	Request Service Conditions	
SAVES	Save State	SAVE STATE
SAVET	Save Trace	SAVE TRACE A; SAVE TRACE B
SER	Serial Number	
SIGDEL	Signal Amplitude Delta	
SIGID	Signal Identify	SIG ID: ON OFF
SNGLS	Single Sweep	SINGLE
SP	Frequency Span	[SPAN]
SQUELCH	Squelch for Demodulation	SQUELCH
SRQ	Service Request	
SS	Center Frequency Step Size	CF STEP AUTO MAX
ST	Sweep Time	SWP TIME AUTO MAX
SB	Status Byte Query	

**Table B-1. Programming Command to Key (continued)**

Command	Name	Key
SWPOUT	Sweep Output	REAR_PNL_OUTPUT
TDF	Trace Data Format (Parameter Units ASCII or Binary)	
TITLE	Title Entry	SCREEN_TITLE
TM	Trigger Mode	TRIG
TRA	Trace A Data Input/Output	
TRB	Trace B Data Input/Output	
TS	Take Sweep	
TWNDOW	Trace window	
VAVG	Video Average	VIDEO_AVG_SW
VB	Video Bandwidth	VIDEO_BW_AUTO
VBR	Video Bandwidth Resolution Bandwidth Ratio	VIDEO_BW
VIEW	View Trace	VIEW_A_VIEW_B
VOL	Volume	(+/-) VOLUME
VTL	Video Trigger Level	VIDEO

**B-6 Programming Command to Key**

## Key to Programming Command

Table C-1. Key to Programming Command

Key	Name	Command
	Execute Turn-on Adjustments	ADJALL
CRT ADJ PATTERN	CRT Adjustment Pattern	ADJCRT
FULL IF ADJ	Execute IF Adjustments	ADJIF
A-B→A ON OFF	Trace A Minus Trace B	AMB
A-B+DL→A ON OFF	Trace A Minus Trace B Plus Display Line	AMBPL
ANNOT ON OFF	Annotation On/Off	ANNOT
A+B→A	Trace A Plus Trace B	APB
ATTEN ATTEN AUTO MAN	Input Attenuator	AT
UNITS	Absolute Amplitude Units	AUNITS
ALL	Autocouple All "AUTO" Functions	AUTOCLP
A EXCH B	Trace A Exchange Trace B	AXB
BLANK A BLANK B	Blank Trace	BLANK
B-DL→B	Trace A Minus Display Line	BML
(FREQUENCY) CENTER FREQ	Center Frequency	CF
CLR-WRT A CLR-WRT B	Clear/Write Trace	CLRW

Key to Programming Command C-

**Table C-1. Key to Programming Command (continued)**

Key	Name	Command
CNV LOSS VS FREQ	External Mixer Conversion Loss	CNVLOSS
CONT	Continuous Sweep	CONTS
COUPLING AC DC	HP 8561A. Couple ac or dc input	COUPLE
AM DEMOD ON OFF FM DEMOD ON OFF	Demodulation	DEMODOFF
	Demodulation Automatic Gain Control	DEMODAGC
DEMOTIME	Demodulation Time	DEMOTIME
DETECTOR MODES	Detection Mode	DET
DISP LINE ON OFF	Display Line	DL
	Done	DONE
	Command Error	ERR
ELAPSED TIME	Elapsed Time	ET
START FREQ	Start Frequency	FA
STOP FREQ	Stop Frequency	FB
FREQ DIAGNOSE	Frequency Diagnostics	FDIAG
FREQ DSP OFF	Frequency Display	FDSP
FFT	Fast Fourier Transform	FFT
FREQ OFFSET	Frequency Offset	FOFFSET
10 MHZ INT EXT	Frequency Reference	FREF
FULL SPAN	Full Span	FS
FULL BAND	Full Band	FULBAND

**C-2 Key to Programming Command**

**Table C-1. Key to Programming Command (continued)**

Key	Name	Command
GRAT ON OFF	Graticule On/Off	GRAT
HOLD	Hold	HD
LOCK ON OFF	Harmonic Number Lock	HNLOCK
LOCK ON OFF	Unlock Harmonic Number	HNUNLK
	Output Identification	ID
SIGID--CF	Signal Identification Frequency to Center Frequency	IDCF
	Signal Identification to Frequency Found	IDFREQ
(PRESET) RECALL PWR ON	Instrument Preset	IP
LOG DB/DIV	Logarithmic Display Scale	LG
LINEAR	Linear Display Scale	LN
BIAS	Mixer Bias	MBIAS
	Minimum Trace Hold	MINH
	Marker Amplitude	MKA
MARKER--CF	Marker to Center Frequency	MKCF
MARKER DELTA	Marker Delta	MKD
MARKER 1/DELTA	Marker Delta Reciprocal	MKDR
	Marker Frequency	MKF
COUNTER ON OFF	Marker Frequency Count	MKFC
COUNTER RES	Marker Frequency Count Resolution	MKFCR
	Marker to Minimum	MKMIN

Key to Programming Command C-3

**Table C-1. Key to Programming Command (continued)**

Key	Name	Command
<b>MARKER-NORMAL</b>	Marker Normal	MKN
<b>MKNOISE ON OFF</b>	Marker Noise	MKNOISE
<b>OFF</b>	Marker Off	MKOFF
<b>PEAK SEARCH PEAK SEARCH</b>	Marker Peak Search	MKPK
<b>PEAK-EXCURSION</b>	Marker Peak Excursion	MKPX
	Marker Readout	MKREAD
<b>MARKER-REF LVL</b>	Marker to Reference Level	MKRL
<b>MIXR-SPAN</b>	Marker Delta to Span	MKSP
<b>MARKER-CF STEP</b>	Marker to Center Frequency Step Size	MKSS
<b>MARKER-1/DELTA (when span &gt;0 Hz)</b>	Marker Time	MKT
<b>SIG TRK ON OFF</b>	Marker Signal Track	MKTRACK
<b>MAX MXR LEVEL</b>	Mixer Level	ML
<b>MAX HOLD A MAX HOLD B</b>	Maximum Hold	MXMH
	Output Display Parameters	OP
<b>PLOT</b>	Plot Display	PLOT
<b>PRESEL AUTO PK</b>	Preselector Peak	PP
<b>RECALL PRESEL PK</b>	Preselector Data	PRESEL
<b>FACTORY PRESEL PK</b>		
<b>PRINT COLOR PRINT</b>	Print display	PRINT
<b>SAVLOCK ON OFF</b>	Protect State	PSTATE
<b>99% POWER BW</b>	Trace Power Bandwidth	PWRBW
<b>RES BW AUTO MAN</b>	Resolution Bandwidth	RB

**C-4 Key to Programming Command**

**Table C-1. Key to Programming Command (continued)**

Key	Name	Command
<b>RBW:SPAN</b>	Resolution Bandwidth to Span Ratio	RBR
<b>RECALL STATE</b>	Recall State Register	RCLS
<b>RECALL TO TRA RECALL TO TRB</b>	Recall Trace Register	RCLT
	Output Revision Number	REV
<b>(AMPLITUDE) REF LVL</b>	Reference Level	RL
<b>REF LVL CAL</b>	Reference Level Calibration	RLCAL
<b>REF LVL OFFSET</b>	Reference Level Offset	ROFFSET
	Request Service Conditions	RQS
<b>SAVE STATE</b>	Save State	SAVES
<b>SAVE TRACE A SAVE TRACE B</b>	Save Trace	SAVET
	Serial Number	SER
	Signal Amplitude Delta	SIGDEL
<b>SIG-ID ON OFF</b>	Signal Identity	SIGID
<b>SINGLE</b>	Single Sweep	SNGLS
<b>SPAN</b>	Frequency Span	SP
<b>SQUELCH</b>	Squelch for Demodulation	SQUELCH
	Service Request	SRQ
<b>CF STEP AUTO MAN</b>	Center Frequency Step Size	SS
<b>SWP TIME AUTO MAN</b>	Sweep Time	ST
	Status Byte Query	STB

Key to Programming Command C-

**Table C-1. Key to Programming Command (continued)**

Key	Name	Command
 REAR PNL OUTPUT	Sweep Output	SWPOUT
	Trace Data Format (Parameter Units ASCII or Binary)	TDF
 SCREEN TITLE	Title Entry	TITLE
 TRIG	Trigger Mode	TM
	Trace A Data Input/Output	TRA
	Trace B Data Input/Output	TRB
	Take Sweep	TS
	Trace window	TWNDOW
 VID AVG ON OFF	Video Average	VAVG
 VIDEO BW AUTO MAN	Video Bandwidth	VB
 VBR RBW	Video Bandwidth Resolution Bandwidth Ratio	VBR
 VIEW A VIEW B	View Trace	VIEW
 VOLUME	Volume	VOL
 VIDEO	Video Trigger Level	VTL

**C-6 Key to Programming Command**

## HP-IB Errors

This appendix contains the possible error messages that can appear in the lower-right corner of the display during remote operation. Another aid for determining programming errors is the **ERRORS** softkey. If an HP-IB error is generated in the analyzer during remote operation, **ERRORS** appears on the analyzer screen. Press this key to read the errors. The cause of the error appears in the active function block. After reviewing the errors, press **CANCEL** or **EXIT** to return to the previous spectrum analyzer display.

**Table D-1. Error Codes**

Error Code	Error	Probable Cause
100	NO PWRON	Power-on state not valid; a default state was loaded instead
101	NO STATE	Recalled state not valid or not saved
106	ABORTED!	Aborted operation
107	HELLO ??	NO HP-IB listener on bus
108	TIME OUT	Controller time out
109	CTRLFAIL	Take control of HP-IB failed
110	NOT CTRL	Not a controller
111	# ARGMTS	Command does not have enough arguments
112	?CMD??	Command not recognized
113	FREQ NO!	Command cannot have frequency units
114	TIME NO!	Command cannot have time units
115	AMPL NO!	Command cannot have amplitude units
116	UNITS??	Units not recognized
117	NOP NUM	Command cannot have numeric units
118	NOP EP	Enable parameter cannot be used
119	NOP UPDN	Up/down are not valid arguments for the command
120	NOP ONOF	On/off are not valid arguments for the command
121	NOP ARG	Auto/man are not valid arguments for the command

**Table D-1. Error Codes (continued)**

Error Code	Error	Probable Cause
122	NOP TRC	Trace register not valid for the command
123	NOP ABLK	A-block not valid for the command
124	NOP IBLK	I-block not valid for the command
125	NO STRNG	Strings are not valid for the command
126	NO ?	Query is not allowed for the command
127	BAD DTMD	Detector mode is not valid
128	PK WHAT?	Peak-search parameter is not valid
129	PRE TERM	Premature termination
130	BAD TDF	Arguments are valid only for the TDF command
131	?? AM/FM	AM/FM are not valid arguments for the command
132	FAV/RMP	FAV/RAMP are not valid arguments for the command
133	INT/EXT	ENT/EXT are not valid arguments for the command
134	??? ZERO	ZERO is not a valid argument for the command
135	??? CURR	CURR is not a valid argument for the command
136	??? FULL	FULL is not a valid argument for the command
137	??? LAST	LAST is not a valid argument for the command
138	GRT/DSP	GRT/DDSP is not a valid argument for the command
139	PLOTONLY	Use argument only with the PLOT command
140	??PWRON	PWRON is not a valid argument for the command
141	BAD ARG	Argument is valid only for the FDIAG command
142	BAD ARG	Query is expected for the FDIAG command
143	NO PRESL	Preselector hardware is required
144	NEXT 44	Next error space

**D-2 HP-IB Errors**



## Softkey Menus

The following menus appear on the display when the indicated front-panel keys are pressed.

### AMPLITUDE

REF LVL  
ATTEN  
ATTEN, AUTO MAN  
LOG, dB/DIV  
LINEAR  
MORE

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**AUTO  
COUPLE**

ALL  
VBW:RBW  
RBW:SPAN  
MAX MXR, LEVEL

**BW**

RES BW  
RES BW, AUTO MAN  
VIDEO BW  
VIDEO BW, AUTO MAN  
MAX. NO., VID AVGS  
VID AVG, ON OFF

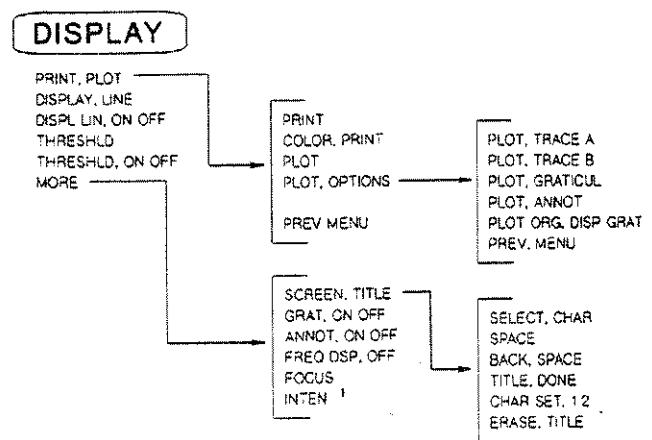
**E-2 Softkey Menus**

## DEMOD

AM DEMOD, ON OFF  
FM DEMOD, ON OFF  
MARKER, NORMAL<sup>1</sup>  
PEAK, SEARCH  
NEXT, PEAK  
MORE

DEMOD, TIME  
VOLUME  
SQUELCH  
SQUELCH, ON OFF  
AGC, ON OFF  
PREV, MENU

<sup>1</sup> Reads "MARKER DELTA" when two markers are active or "CENTER FREQ" when SPAN = 0.



<sup>1</sup> For outdoor use, maximum intensity is 255.  
For indoor use, keep intensity around 80.

E-4 Softkey Menus

**EXT**

FULL BAND  
LOCK HARMONIC  
LOCK, ON OFF  
AMPTD. CORRECT  
SIGNAL, IDENT  
BIAS

AVERAGE, CNV LOSS  
CNV LOSS, VS FREQ  
PREV MENU

SIG ID, AT MKR  
SIG ID, → CF  
SIG ID, ON OFF  
MARKER, NORMAL  
PEAK, SEARCH  
NEXT, PEAK 1

BIAS, OFF  
POSITIVE, BIAS  
NEGATIVE, BIAS

PREV. MENU

<sup>1</sup> Active when marker is on.

Softkey Menus E-5

## FREQUENCY

CENTER, FREQ  
START, FREQ  
STOP, FREQ  
CF STEP  
CF STEP, AUTO MAN  
MORE

FREQ, OFFSET  
10 MHz, EXT INT

PREV, MENU

## FREQ COUNT

COUNTER, CN OFF  
COUNTER, RES  
MARKER, NORMAL  
MARKER DELTA  
PEAK, SEARCH  
NEXT, PEAK

## INT

PRESSEL, MAN ADJ  
PRESSEL, AUTO PK  
SIG ID, AT MKR  
SIG ID, → CF  
SIG ID, ON OFF

**MKR** →

(Single Marker Active)

MARKER, NORMAL  
MARKER, DELTA  
PEAK, SEARCH  
MARKER →, REF LVL  
MARKER →, CF<sup>1</sup>  
MARKER →, CF STEP<sup>1</sup>

**MKR** →

(Marker Delta Active)

MARKER, NORMAL  
MARKER, DELTA  
PEAK, SEARCH  
MKR Δ →, SPAN<sup>1</sup>  
MKR Δ →, CF<sup>2</sup>  
MKR Δ →, CF STEP<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Active when SPAN > 0 Hz.

<sup>2</sup> Δ changes to "if Δ" when SPAN = 0 Hz

**ON**

MARKER, NORMAL  
MARKER, DELTA  
MARKER, Δ DELTA  
MKRNOISE, ON OFF  
SIG TRK, ON OFF  
99%, POWER SW

Softkey Menus E-7

## PEAK SEARCH

MARKER → CF 1  
MARKER, DELTA  
NEXT, PEAK  
MKRNOISE, ON OFF  
SIG TRK, ON OFF  
MORE

NEXT PK, RIGHT  
NEXT PK, LEFT  
PEAK, EXCURSN  
PEAK, THRESHLD

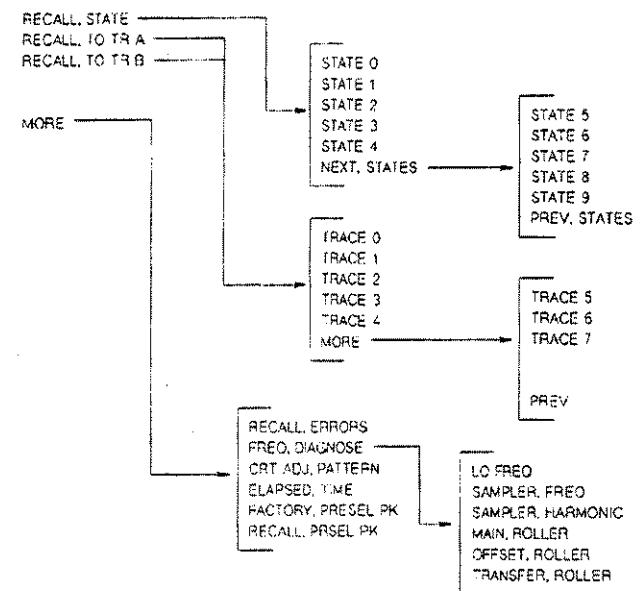
PREV, MENU

<sup>1</sup> Active when SPAN > 0 Hz. Reads  
MARKER NORMAL when SPAN = 0 Hz.

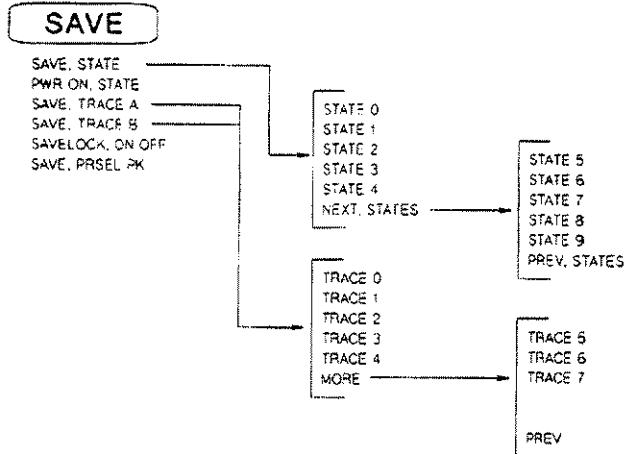
## RESET

RECALL, PWR ON  
LAST, STATE  
REALIGN, LO & IF  
HP-IB, ADDRESS

## RECALL



For states and traces stored from titled displays, "STATE", "TRACE", and numbers are replaced with the first 16 characters of the title.



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**SPAN**

SPAN, WIDTH  
FULL, SPAN  
ZERO, SPAN  
LAST, SPAN  
SWEEP, TIME  
SWP TIME, AUTO MAN

## SWEEP

CONT  
SINGLE  
SWEEP, TIME  
SWP TIME, AUTO MAN  
REAR PNL, OUTPUT

0 ← 10V, LO SWP  
5V/GHz, FAV

PREV, MENU

## TRACE

CLR-WRT, A  
MAX HOLD, A  
VIEW, A  
BLANK, A  
TRACE, B  
MORE

CLR-WRT, B  
MAX HOLD, B  
VIEW, B  
BLANK, B  
TRACE, A<sup>1</sup>  
MORE

A-B → A, ON OFF  
A-B+DL → A, ON OFF  
MORE TRC MATH  
DETECTOR, MODES  
FF1  
PREV MENU

A+B → A  
A EXCH B  
B-DL → B  
PREV MENU

DETECTOR, NORMAL  
DETECTOR, SAMPLE  
DETECTOR, POS PEAK  
DETECTOR, NEG PEAK  
PREV MENU

<sup>1</sup> TRACE A returns to TRACE A menu.

## E-12 Softkey Menus

**TRIG**

CONT  
SINGLE  
FREE RUN  
VIDEO  
LINE  
EXTERNAL



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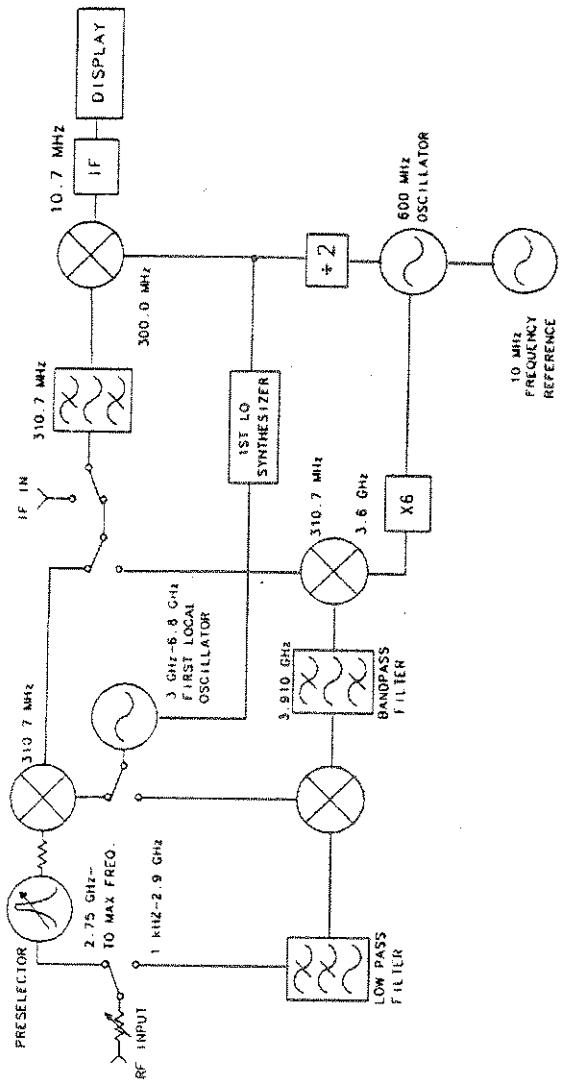
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