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Preface

Welcome

Thank you for using a Keithley Instruments product. The Series 2200 Multichannel Programmable DC Power Supplies are flexible DC sources designed to power a wide range of applications. The model 2230-30-1 offers three power channels and the model 2220-30-1 provides two channels. The output channels on both models are independent and isolated, allowing you to power circuits with different references or polarities. Each channel can be enabled or disabled as your application requires. All outputs feature remote sense capability which can be used to reduce the effect of lead resistance, delivering 0.03% basic voltage accuracy even when using long leads. Basic current accuracy is 0.1% for all channels and linear regulation delivers low noise – less than 3 mVp-p. Flexible display modes make it easy to use the two 30 V outputs in combination, and the USB interface makes it easy to build PC-based systems without converters or special cables.

These compact power supplies cover a wide range of applications without covering a lot of bench space. Versions of these power supplies are available for use at 100 VAC nominal line voltage which is common in Japan. These versions are indicated by the "J" suffix.

Products

This manual contains information about the following products:

Model	Description
2220-30-1	Dual Channel Programmable DC Power Supply
2220J-30-1	Dual Channel Programmable DC Power Supply for Japan
2230-30-1	Triple Channel Programmable DC Power Supply
2230J-30-1	Triple Channel Programmable DC Power Supply for Japan

Extended Warranty

Additional years of warranty coverage are available on many products. These valuable contracts protect you from unbudgeted service expenses and provide additional years of protection at a fraction of the price of a repair. Extended warranties are available on new and existing products. Contact your local Keithley Instruments representative for details.

Contact Information

If you have any questions after reviewing this information, please use the following sources:

- 1. Keithley Instruments website (http://www.keithley.com)
- 2. Keithley web forum (http://forum.keithley.com)
- Call Keithley Instruments corporate headquarters (toll-free inside the U.S. and Canada only) at 1-888-KEITHLEY (1-888-534-8453), or from outside the U.S. at +1-440-248-0400. For worldwide contact numbers, visit the Keithley Instruments website (http://www.keithley.com).

CD-ROM Contents

A CD-ROM is shipped with each Series 2200 order. The Series 2200 Product Information CD-ROM contains:

- User manual: Includes a description of connections, operation information, and maintenance information. Users looking for basic operating information and an in-depth description of the way the instrument works (including troubleshooting and optimization) should refer to this manual.
- Quick Start Front Panel and Programming Operation Guide: Includes information about front panel operation and corresponding SCPI command codes to perform essential functions.
- Specifications and performance verification manual: Includes instrument specifications and procedures to verify that instrument accuracy is within the limits stated in the instrument's one-year accuracy specifications.
- Programmer's manual: Includes instrument programming information. Programmers looking for command references should refer to this manual.
- PC Connectivity manual: Includes instructions for installing software, drivers, and files to use LabVIEW SignalExpress Edition software to remotely acquire data and measurements from supported instruments.
- Drivers and release notes: IVI Instrument Driver, driver for National Instruments LabVIEW™, and related release notes; SignalExpress Step and related release notes.
- Keithley I/O layer and release notes.
- Security and declassification instructions: Includes information about how to sanitize and secure the instrument for customers with security concerns.

For the latest drivers and additional support information, see the Keithley Instruments website (http://www.keithley.com).

Key Features

The Series 2200 instruments offer:

- Two 30 V at 1.5 A channels
- 6 V at 5 A, a third channel (2230 models only)
- 3-year factory warranty extendable to 5 years
- Linear regulation
- 0.03% Basic voltage accuracy
- 0.1% Basic current accuracy
- Less than 3 mV_{pp} ripple and noise
- Remote sense to compensate for lead resistance
- 30 user-defined setup memories
- USB Device port on rear-panel for PC connectivity and remote programming
- Works with National Instruments LabVIEW SignalExpress[™] Tektronix Limited Edition Software which is available for download at www.tektronix.com/downloads

Preface

Getting Started

Standard Accessories

For the current list of standard and optional accessories, upgrades, and options available for your power supply, visit the Keithley website, www.Keithley.com.

Table 1: Standard accessories

Accessory	Keithley part number		
Series 2200 Pro page iii, CD-RO	oduct Information CD-ROM. You can view a list of the contents of this CD. (See <i>M Contents</i> .)	2220S-950-01	
Rear Panel Mati	ng Connector with shorting clips for 2220-30-1 and 2230-30-1	CS-1655-15	
Certificate of cal	ibration	—	
Power Cord ¹	One of the following:		
	North America (Option A0). The factory sets the 110V/220V selector switch to 110 V.		
	Universal Euro (Option A1). The factory sets the 110V/220V selector switch to 220 V.		
	United Kingdom (Option A2). The factory sets the 110V/220V selector switch to 220 V.		
	Australia (Option A3). The factory sets the 110V/220V selector switch to 220 V.		
	Chile, Italy (Option A4). The factory sets the 110V/220V selector switch to 220 V.		
	Switzerland (Option A5). The factory sets the 110V/220V selector switch to 220 V.		
	Denmark (Option A7). The factory sets the 110V/220V selector switch to 220 V.		
	Israel (Option A8). The factory sets the 110V/220V selector switch to 220 V.		
	Argentina (Option A9). The factory sets the 110V/220V selector switch to 220 V.		
	China (Option A10). The factory sets the 110V/220V selector switch to 220 V.		
	India (Option A11). The factory sets the 110V/220V selector switch to 220 V.		

1 Models 2220J-30-1 and 2230J-30-1 come standard with a Japanese power cord. No other power cord options are available for these models.

Optional Accessories

For the current list of standard and optional accessories, upgrades, and options available for your power supply, visit the Keithley website, www.Keithley.com.

Table 2: Optional accessories

Accessory	Keithley part number
Fixed Mount Rack Kit	4299-7
Series 2200 Multichannel Rear Panel Mating Connector	CS-1655-15

Available Services

For the current list of available services and accessories, upgrades, and options for your instrument, visit the Keithley website, www.keithley.com.

Table 3: Available services

Service	Keithley part numbers ¹
1-year factory warranty extended to 1 additional year from date of	2220-30-1-EW
shipment	2230-30-1-EW
	2220J-30-1-EW
	2230J-30-1-EW
3 calibrations within 3 years of service from date of shipment	C/2220-30-1-3Y-STD
	C/2230-30-1-3Y-STD
	C/2220J-30-1-3Y-STD
	C/2230J-30-1-3Y-STD
3 (ANSI-Z540-1 compliant) calibrations within 3 years of service from	C/2220-30-1-3Y-DATA
date of shipment	C/2230-30-1-3Y-DATA
	C/2220J-30-1-3Y-DATA
	C/2230J-30-1-3Y-DATA
5 calibrations within 5 years of service from date of shipment	C/2220-30-1-5Y-STD
	C/2230-30-1-5Y-STD
	C/2220J-30-1-5Y-STD
	C/2230J-30-1-5Y-STD
5 (ANSI-Z540-1 compliant) calibrations within 5 years of service from	C/2220-30-1-5Y-DATA
date of shipment	C/2230-30-1-5Y-DATA
	C/2220J-30-1-5Y-DATA
	C/2230J-30-1-5Y-DATA

1 Select the part number that contains your instrument model. For example, you would select 2220-30-1-EW for a model 2220 instrument.

Specifications

For more specifications, refer to the Specifications and Performance Verification Technical Reference included on the CD-ROM that was shipped with your instrument.

Table 4: Electrical ratings for the power connection, frequency 50/60 Hz

Model	Line Selector Switch Setting	Voltage Range	Fuse Rating	Max Power
2220-30-1	110 V / 220 V	110: 110/115/120	For 110 V: 6.3 A TH, 250 V	350 VA
		220: 220/230/240	For 220 V: 3.15 A TH, 250 V	
2220J-30-1	110 V / 220 V	110: 100 V	For 110 V: 6.3 A TH, 250 V	350 VA
		220: 200 V	For 220 V: 3.15 A TH, 250 V	

Model	Line Selector Switch Setting	Voltage Range	Fuse Rating	Max Power
2230-30-1	110 V / 220 V	110: 110/115/120	For 110 V: 6.3 A TH, 250 V	450 VA
		220: 220/230/240	For 220 V: 3.15 A TH, 250 V	
2230J-30-1	110 V / 220 V	110: 100 V	For 110 V: 6.3 A TH, 250 V	450 VA
		220: 200 V	For 220 V: 3.15 A TH, 250 V	

Table 4: Electrical ratings for the power connection, frequency 50/60 Hz (cont.)

Table 5: Environmental performance for all models

Parameter	Description
Temperature	Operating: +0 °C to +40 °C
Humidity	Operating:
	5% to 95% relative humidity (% RH) at up to 40 °C, non-condensing
Altitude	Operating: 100% capability up to 2,000 meters

Nominal Voltage Ratings

There are two ranges for all models, selectable by the line-voltage selector switch. Check the voltage select switch on the bottom of the power supply before turning it on:

- 110 V setting, 110 / 115 / 120 VAC
- 220 V setting, 220 / 230 / 240 VAC

Fluctuations must not exceed 10% of the nominal rated voltage.

Float Voltage Rating

Float voltage rating: Any output can be floated up to 240 V (DC + pk AC with AC limited to a maximum of 3 V pk-pk and maximum of 60 Hz) relative to any other output terminal. The remote sense terminals should remain within 1 V of their respective outputs to avoid possible damage.

Operating Requirements

1. Place the instrument on a bench or similar surface with the bottom of the instrument closest to the surface.



WARNING. Do not stand the instrument on its rear-panel. This position is unstable and the instrument might tip over and be damaged or fall on someone and cause injury. To avoid damage to the instrument or bodily injury, only place the instrument so that the bottom of the instrument is laid flat on a stable surface.

2. Before operating, ensure that the ambient temperature is between +0 °C and +40 °C (+32 °F to +104 °F).



WARNING. To ensure proper cooling, keep the front, sides, and rear of the instrument clear of obstructions.



WARNING. Observe all safety precautions listed in this manual before using this product and any associated instruments. Although some instruments and accessories would be used with non-hazardous voltages, there are situations where hazardous conditions may be present. This product is intended for use by qualified personnel who recognize shock hazards and are familiar with the safety precautions required to avoid possible injury. Read and follow all installation, operation, and maintenance information carefully before using the product. Refer to this manual for complete product specifications. Before performing any maintenance, disconnect the line cord and all test cables. Operators of this instrument must be protected from electric shock at all times. The responsible body must ensure that operators are prevented access and/or insulated from every connection point. In some cases, connections must be exposed to potential human contact. Product operators in these circumstances must be trained to protect themselves from the risk of electric shock. If the circuit is capable of operating at or above 1000 volts, no conductive part of the circuit may be exposed.



WARNING. Use properly rated load wires. All load wires must be heavy enough not to overheat when carrying the maximum short-circuit output current of the power supply. If there is more than one load, then any pair of load wires must be capable of safely carrying the full-rated short-circuit output current of the power supply.



WARNING. Do not loosen any screw on this product, except those in the rear connector, which are intended to retain attached external wires to the connector. There are no user serviceable components inside.



WARNING. To reduce risk of fire and shock, ensure the mains supply voltage fluctuations do not exceed 10% of the operating voltage range.

Front-panel Features

Controls and display elements are shown in the following illustrations and tables.



Figure 1: Front-panel of the model 2230-30-1, which has three output channels.

- 1. Display
- 2. Top row: Voltage readings or settings for each channel.

Bottom row: Current readings or settings for each channel.

- 3. Up, down, right, and left arrow keys and Enter button
- 4. Multipurpose knob. Rotate to increase or decrease digits or to select menu items
- 5. Output connectors
- 6. Save and Recall function buttons
- 7. Number keys (0 to 9 and Esc) for direct numeric entry
- 8. Channel select buttons
- 9. V-Set, I-Set, Menu (Local), and Output On/Off function buttons
- 10. Power button

Function button descriptions

Button	Description
V-Set	Sets the voltage limit
I-Set	Sets the current limit

Button	Description
Save	Saves the present settings to a specified setup memory location (1 to 30). Select the memory location with the multipurpose knob, the up or down arrow keys, or the numeric keypad. The power supply saves the settings after you push Enter .
Recall	Recalls a saved setting from a specified setup memory location (1 to 30). Select the memory location with the multipurpose knob, the up or down arrow keys, or the numeric keypad. The power supply recalls the settings after you push Enter .
Menu	Used to access the settings menu. Navigate the settings menu with the up and down keys. Push Enter to select the displayed menu item.
Select CH1 CH2 CH3	Selects the channel to be adjusted. The cursor indicates the currently selected channel.
Output On/Off	Turns on or off all enabled output channels. The regulation mode, constant voltage (CV) or constant current (CC), is shown on the display when the output is turned on.
Esc	Backs out of the selected function. If the instrument's focus is in a menu, pushing Esc will back up one menu level.

Function button descriptions (cont.)

Menu descriptions

Primary Menu	Secondary Menu	Description		
>Default Set		Returns the instrument to the factory default setup values. This does not change the setup memory.		
>Enable Channels		Enables or disables one or more output channels.		
> Protection Settings	>Max Volt Set	Sets the maximum output voltage value to which you can set on a specified output channel.		
	>Output Timers	After you select "On", you can set a time period after which a specified output channel will turn off.		
	>Key Lock	When activated, this feature locks the front-panel controls and prompts for a password to enable settings changes. This feature does not lock the power switch or the output on/off switch.		
>Track CH1/CH2		Maintains a constant ratio between Channel 1 and Channel 2. The ratio is the ratio the tratio that is present when tracking is turned on.		
> Combine CH1+CH2		Series V1+V2: By wiring Channel 1 and Channel 2 in series, you can output up to 60 V. When this setting is activated the meter will read the combined voltage across Channel 1 and Channel 2.		
		Parallel I1+I2: By wiring Channel 1 and Channel 2 in parallel, you can drive up to 3 A. When this setting is activated the meter will read the combined current from Channel 1 and Channel 2.		

Menu descriptions (cont.)

Primary Menu	Secondary Menu	Description
>User Settings	>Output Recall	Sets the power output On/Off state after power up. "On" restores the state to that which was in use before the power was last turned off. "Off" disables this function and configures the output channel to power up in the off state.
		NOTE . Wait 3 seconds after changing the settings to allow the settings to be completely stored before powering off the instrument
	>Save Last	Recalls the operating parameters of the power supply after power up. It does this by saving the last setting of operating parameters before you turn the instrument off and then restoring the saved setting when you turn the instrument back on.
		NOTE . Wait 3 seconds after changing the settings to allow the settings to be completely stored before powering off the instrument.
	>Key Beep	Turns on or off a beeper sound when you push a button or press a key. "On" enables the key sound. "Off" disables it.
	>Knob Lock	Locks the multipurpose knob.
>System Info	>Address	Select a GPIB address. (This feature is not currently available.)
	> Error Log	Lists all errors that have occurred.
	Firmware- /SW version	Shows the versions of firmware installed on the instrument.
	>Cal Date	Shows the date and time of the last calibration.

Channel status messages

Symbol	Description
OFF	The power supply output is off
CV	Constant voltage mode
CC	Constant current mode

Displayed error messages

Symbol	Description
EEPROM Test Fail	An EEPROM Error was detected during power-on self test. The instrument should be returned to Keithley for service.
User Data Lost	A user data error was detected during power-on self test. Turn the instrument off and then turn it back on to clear the error. If the error occurs repeatedly, the instrument should be returned to Keithley for service.
Channel Initialization Failed	An output channel failure was detected during power-on self test. The instrument should be returned to Keithley for service.
Calibration Data Lost	A calibration data error was detected during power-on self test. Turn the instrument off and then turn it back on to clear the error. If the error occurs repeatedly, the instrument should be returned to Keithley for service.
Setup x Save Failure!	Saving a setup to memory x failed. The instrument should be returned to Keithley for service.

Symbol	Description
Invalid Operation	A Save operation may have been attempted while the instrument was in tracking, series, or parallel mode. A tracking, parallel, or series setup cannot be saved in setup memory.
	A Recall operation may have been attempted while the instrument was in tracking, series, or parallel mode. The recall function is disabled in these modes.
Over Temperature	An internal over-temperature has been detected and the outputs have been turned off. Check to make sure ambient temperature does not exceed the operating temperature specification of the instrument, and insure the fan has sufficient clearance. Allow the instrument to cool down and press any button to clear the error. If the message occurs repeatedly, return the instrument to Keithley for service.

Displayed error messages (cont.)

Rear-panel Features



Figure 2: Rear-panel of the 2230-30-1.

- 1. Cooling vents
- 2. Factory test port

CAUTION. Unauthorized use of the factory test port could damage this product.

- 3. USB Device port
- 4. 110 V/220 V power connector
- 5. 15-pin connector. Includes remote sense and earth ground connections. For each output channel, there is an Output Drive +, a Sense +, an Output Drive -, a Sense -, and an earth ground.

The **Output Drive +** terminals are equivalent to the front-panel output + connectors.

The Output Drive - terminals are equivalent to the front-panel output - connectors.

The Output Sense + and - terminals are used for remote sensing.

The Earth Ground terminals are tied to each other, to the chassis of the instrument, and to the earth terminal on the power cord.

6. Shorting clips (one per output channel). Use these for proper regulation when not using remote sense. The shorting clips come installed. They short the drive + to the sense + and the drive - to the sense - for each channel. To use remote sense for one or more channels, remove the shorting clip for the corresponding channel(s).

7. 110 V/220 V selector switch



Front-panel Operation

Within a few seconds after powering on, the power supply shows the actual voltage for each channel on the top line of the display and the actual current for each channel on the bottom line of the display.

You can enable or disable the output of the power supply from the front-panel by pushing the **Output On/Off** button. When the output is off, the **OFF** message will appear on the display.

The display shows the present operating status of each channel with display messages. When a channel operates in constant voltage mode, the **CV** indicator is displayed. When it operates in the constant current mode, the **CC** indicator is displayed.

NOTE. If the front-panel was locked with a password, enter the correct password after you push the function buttons (**V-set**, *I-set*, *Save*, *Recall*, or *Menu*), then you can change the settings.

NOTE. To cancel a function operation (V-set, I-set, Save, Recall, or Menu), push the Esc button.

Initializing to the Default Setup

Use the default setup to get the power supply into a default initial state.

- 1. Remove all leads from the output connectors.
- 2. Turn on the power supply.
- 3. Push Menu. Default Set should appear on the display.
- 4. Push Enter to bring up the default settings menu. No and Yes should appear on the display.
- 5. Push the down arrow button to select Yes. Push Enter to enable the default settings.

The default settings are:

- Output On/Off = OFF
- V-Set = 1.000V for all channels
- I-Set = 0.1000A for all channels
- Knob Lock = Off
- Max Volt Set = Off for all channels
- Out Time Set = Off for all channels
- Output Recall = Off
- Save Last = On
- Key Beep = Off
- Tracking = Off
- Series V1 + V2 = Off
- Parallel I1 + I2 = Off
- Address = 1

Connect to an External Computer with USB

- Load VISA on your computer. You can download NI VISA from the National Instruments website at www.NI.com.
- 2. Connect the instrument to the computer with a USB cable. The computer will then recognize the power supply as a USB device. If National Instruments SignalExpress is installed, the computer will also give you the option of running that program.

For more information on loading and running SignalExpress, see the Connectivity Installation Manual on the Documentation Browser CD that was shipped with your instrument. You can also download a copy of this manual from www.Keithley.com/manuals.



Installing the System

This section contains information on how to install your instrument. Before performing the procedures on the next several pages to verify that the instrument is ready to use, do the following:

- Unpack the instrument and check that you received all the items listed as standard accessories.
- Check that you also received any other accessories that you ordered with your instrument.
- Check the Keithley website (www.Keithley.com) for the most current information.

Powering the Instrument On and Off

To power on the instrument follow these steps:

- 1. Make all the connections.
- 2. Properly set the 110 V / 220 V selector switch on the bottom of the instrument.



- 3. Connect the power cord that was provided with the instrument to the power connector on the rear-panel. Connect the power cord plug to a properly grounded electrical outlet.
- 4. Push the power button on the front-panel.

To power off the instrument, push the front-panel power button.



WARNING. To satisfy safety requirements, always use load wires heavy enough not to overheat when carrying the maximum short-circuit output current of the power supply. If there is more than one load, then every pair of load wires must be capable of safely carrying the full-rated current of the power supply.

What To Do If The Instrument Does Not Turn On

To solve problems you might encounter when turning on the instrument, follow these steps:

1. Verify that there is AC power to the power supply.

First, check that the AC power cord is firmly plugged into the power connector on the rear-panel of the power supply. You should also make sure that the AC power source you plugged the power supply into is energized. Then, check that the power supply is turned on.

2. Verify the power-line voltage settings.

Check that the line voltage selector switch on the bottom of the instrument is set to the proper value for your country (110 V_{AC} or 220 V_{AC}). Change the voltage setting if it is not correct.

NOTE. Under certain circumstances, powering the instrument from a mains voltage for which it is not configured can cause the mains fuse to open.

3. Verify that the correct power-line fuse is installed.

If the fuse is damaged, replace the fuse for your power supply.

If you set the line selection to 110 V, use a 6.3 A, TH 250 V fuse.

If you set the line selection to 220 V, use a 3.15 A, TH 250 V fuse.

4. If you need more help, contact Keithley.

Check the Output

The following procedures check that the power supply develops its rated outputs and properly responds to operation from the front-panel.

Voltage output check. To verify basic voltage functions without a load, follow these steps.

- 1. Remove all leads from the output connectors.
- 2. Turn on the power supply.
- 3. Push Menu. Default Set should appear on the display.
- 4. Push Enter to bring up the default settings menu. No and Yes should appear on the display.
- 5. Push the down arrow button to select Yes. Push Enter to enable the default settings.

- 6. Push the front-panel On/Off button to turn on the outputs. The OFF messages on the display should be replaced by current readings and the CV indicators should turn on. The upper line of the display should show the actual output voltage.
- 7. Check that the front-panel voltmeter properly responds to the number keys. First, select a channel using one of the channel select buttons.

Push **V-set**, use the number keys to set the voltage value to 0 and push **Enter**. Check if the displayed voltage value is approximately 0 V and check if the displayed current value is approximately 0 A. You can confirm the 0 V setting with a voltmeter.

- 8. Push V-set and use the numeric keys and Enter button to set the voltage value to the maximum allowable for your power supply, as indicated on the unit's front-panel.
- 9. Check if the displayed voltage value is approximately the same value as the voltage setting.
- 10. Repeat steps 7 through 9 for each output channel.

Current output check. To verify the basic current functions with a short across the power supply output, follow these steps:

- 1. Remove all leads from the output connectors.
- 2. Turn on the power supply.
- 3. Push Menu. Default Set should appear on the display.
- 4. Push Enter to bring up the default settings menu. No and Yes should appear on the display.
- 5. Push the down arrow button to select Yes. Push Enter to enable the default settings.
- 6. Ensure that the output is disabled and the display OFF messages are shown for all channels. If needed, push the On/Off button to ensure that the outputs are disabled and the OFF messages are displayed.
- 7. Use an insulated test lead to connect a short across the (+) and (-) output terminals of the channel you will be testing.

Use a wire size sufficient to handle the maximum current. You should use at least a 22 gauge wire.



WARNING. To satisfy safety requirements, always use load wires heavy enough not to overheat when carrying the maximum short-circuit output current of the power supply. If there is more than one load, then every pair of load wires must be capable of safely carrying the full-rated current of the power supply.

- 8. Push the On/Off button to enable the outputs. The CC indicator should be on the channel with the shorted output.
- 9. Select a channel using one of the channel select buttons.
- 10. Push I-set and use the numeric keys and Enter button to set the current value to 0 A. Check if the displayed current value is approximately 0 A.
- **11.** Push **I-set** and use the numeric keys and **Enter** button to set the current value to the maximum allowable for the output channel. Check if the displayed current value is approximately the same value as the maximum allowable.
- Turn all outputs off by pressing the Output On/Off button. Note that the outputs are off when the display for all channels shows <OFF>.
- 13. Repeat steps 7 through 12 for each output channel.
- 14. Turn off the instrument and remove the short wire from the (+) and (-) output terminals.

Cleaning

Inspect the power supply as often as operating conditions require. To clean the exterior surface, perform the following steps:

- 1. Remove loose dust on the outside of the power supply with a lint-free cloth. Use care to avoid scratching the display.
- 2. Use a soft cloth dampened with water to clean the power supply. Use an aqueous solution of 75% isopropyl alcohol for more efficient cleaning.



CAUTION. To avoid damage to the surface of the power supply, do not use any abrasive or chemical cleaning agents.



CAUTION. Avoid getting moisture inside the unit during external cleaning. Use only enough cleaning solution to dampen the cloth or swab.

Operating Basics

Basic Settings

Set the Voltage Output or Voltage Limit for a Specific Channel

You may set the voltage limit from 0 V to the maximum voltage rating shown on the instrument nameplate. To set the voltage limit, do the following:

- 1. The position of the cursor determines which channel will be adjusted. If the cursor is not located in the correct channel, select the correct channel by pressing the appropriate channel Select button.
- 2. Push V-set.
- 3. Use the numeric keys and push Enter to set the voltage limit. You can also use the up, down, right and left arrow keys or the multipurpose knob.

Set the Current Output or Current Limit for a Specific Channel

You may set the current limit from 0 A to the maximum current value of each model. The maximum current rating is shown on the instrument name plate. To set the current limit, do the following:

- 1. The position of the cursor determines which channel will be adjusted. If the cursor is not located in the correct channel, select the correct channel by pressing the appropriate channel Select button.
- 2. Push I-set.
- 3. Use the numeric keys and push Enter to set the current limit. You can also use the up, down, right and left arrow keys or the multipurpose knob.

Save and Recall Setups

You can store up to 30 different setups in setup memory locations (1 to 30). Each setup includes the set voltage limits, the set current limits, and the protection menu settings for all channels. When shipped from the factory, setup memories 1 through 30 are empty. Save and recall setups as follows:

Saving setups.

- 1. After you set up the power supply, (voltage and current limits and the protection menu settings), push the Save button.
- 2. Use the number keys or the arrow keys to select the setup memory (1 to 30) that you want to store the values in.
- 3. Push Enter to confirm the memory location.

Recalling setups.

- 1. Push Recall.
- 2. Use the number keys or the arrow keys to select the setup memory that you want to recall from.
- 3. Push Enter.

Menu Operations

Restore Default Setup

You can restore the factory default setting by doing the following:

- 1. Remove all leads from the output connectors.
- 2. Turn on the instrument.
- 3. Push Menu.
- 4. Push Enter to select Default Set.
- 5. Push the down arrow key to select Yes.
- 6. Push Enter.

Enable and Disable Output Channels

You can enable or disable each output channel using this menu setting. If a channel is disabled, it will remain off after the **Output On/Off** button is turned on. The default setting is to have all channels enabled.

Protection Settings

The following protection settings allow you to set maximum voltage, use output timers, and lock the front-panel.

Set the maximum voltage. This control determines the maximum voltage that you can set using the V-set control. This can help keep accidental over-voltage from being applied to sensitive loads. To set the maximum voltage, follow these steps:

- 1. Push Menu.
- 2. Use the arrow keys to select Protection Settings.
- 3. Push Enter. Max Volt Set should appear on the display.
- 4. Push Enter. A list of Max V settings for each channel will appear.
- 5. Use the arrow keys to select the correct channel. Push Enter to select.
- 6. Use the numeric keys or the arrow keys or multipurpose knob to change the voltage value. The value must be less than the maximum voltage output noted on the nameplate of the power supply.
- 7. Push Enter.
- 8. Push Esc to exit the menu system.

NOTE. The default maximum voltage is the full voltage range of the particular power supply being used.

Use output timers. Independent timers may be activated and set for each output channel. The timers start when the **Output On/Off** button is turned on. When each active timer expires, its corresponding channel turns off.

Lock the front-panel. This function prevents any adjustments from being made to the instrument. Once the lock is activated, a four-digit, user-specified password must be entered to change any instrument settings. Even after the front-panel is locked, the **Output On/Off** control and power button continue to operate normally. Turning the power off deactivates the lock and resets the password.

Use Tracking

When tracking is turned on, Channel 1 and Channel 2 respond together to any adjustments in voltage. A constant ratio will be maintained between the voltage setting on the two channels. The ratio is determined by the voltage settings present on Channel 1 and Channel 2 when tracking is turned on.

For example, if Channel 1 and Channel 2 are both set to 1 V when tracking is turned on, a one to one ratio will be maintained and any voltage change on Channel 1 will result in an identical change on Channel 2. If Channel 1 is set to 10 V and Channel 2 is set to 5 V when tracking is turned on, a two to one ratio will be maintained and any voltage change on Channel 1 will result in a voltage change of half the size on Channel 2.

- 1. Push CH1, then V-Set, and then enter the desired voltage for Channel 1.
- 2. Push Enter.
- 3. Push CH2, then V-Set, and then enter a voltage in the desired ratio to Channel 1.
- 4. Push Enter.
- 5. Push Menu, use the down arrow key to navigate to Track CH1/CH2, and then push Enter.
- 6. Push the down arrow key to select Track On and then push Enter to turn on tracking.
- 7. Check that a T shows between the Channel 1 and Channel 2 voltage readings on the display. This indicates the power supply is in the tracking mode.

NOTE. When the tracking mode is enabled, the output timer takes on the setting for Channel 1. The Channel 2 timer setting is ignored.

Combine Channels

You can combine the meter readings of any channels. The following procedures show you how to do that for certain applications, such as when outputs are wired in series or in parallel.

Combine metering of Channel 1 and Channel 2 when outputs are wired in series. You can combine the outputs of Channel 1 and Channel 2 by doing the following:

NOTE. The wiring between the supplies drives the accuracy of measurements in this mode. Ensure that wire sizes are sufficient, wires are short, and connections are tightened to maximize accuracy.

- 1. Wire the outputs in series. (See page 23, Wiring in Series.)
- 2. Push Menu and use the up arrow key to navigate to Combine CH1+CH2.
- 3. Push Enter.
- 4. Use the down arrow key to navigate to V1+V2 Series and push Enter.
- 5. Check that the word Series appears on the display, replacing the Channel 2 voltage and current readings. This indicates that the power supply is in the V1 + V2 Series state. The total output voltage is displayed on Channel 1.
- 6. Set the Channel 1 voltage to the desired voltage value (up to 60 V).

Combine metering of Channel 1 and Channel 2 when outputs are wired in parallel. You can combine the outputs of Channel 1 and Channel 2 by doing the following:

NOTE. All measurements are at the terminals. If the wires used to connect the channels together are too small, too long, or improperly tightened, accuracy of measurements will be adversely affected.

- 1. Wire the outputs in parallel. (See page 24, Wiring in Parallel.)
- 2. Push Menu and use the up arrow key to navigate to Combine CH1+CH2.
- 3. Push Enter.
- 4. Use the down arrow key to navigate to 11+12 Parallel and push Enter.
- Check that the word Para appears on the display, replacing the Channel 2 voltage and current readings. This indicates
 that the power supply is in the I1 + I2 state. The total output current is displayed on Channel 1.
- 6. Set the Channel 1 current to the desired total current value (up to 3 A).

User Settings

Recall the Power Supply ON/OFF Output State at Power On

This parameter determines the On or Off output state after the power supply is powered on. If you select **On**, the power supply will restore the state of the output to that which was in use before the power was last turned off. If the output was turned **On** when the power supply is turned off or loses power then the output will return to the **On** state when the power supply is turned back on or power is restored. **Off** will disable this function and the output channel will always be set to **Off** after the power supply is powered on.

To enable or disable this control,

- 1. Push Menu.
- Use the up and down arrow keys to select >User Settings.
- 3. Push Enter.
- 4. Use the up and down arrow keys to select Output Recall.
- 5. Push Enter.
- 6. Use the up or down arrow keys to select On or Off.
- 7. Push Enter.
- 8. Push Esc to exit the menu system.

NOTE. The default selection is set to Off.

Recall the Power Supply Operating Parameters at Power On

This parameter determines whether the power supply saves its most recent settings, such as voltage and current, and restores these settings at power on. If you set this parameter to **Off** then the power supply returns to the default settings at power on. If you select **On**, the power supply will restore the state to that which was in use before the power was last turned off.

To enable or disable this control,

- 1. Push Menu.
- 2. Use the arrow keys to select >User Settings.
- 3. Push Enter.
- 4. Use the arrow keys to select Save Last.
- 5. Push Enter.
- 6. Use the arrow keys to select On or Off.
- 7. Push Enter.
- 8. Push Esc to exit the menu system.

NOTE. The default selection is set to On.

Set the Key Sound

This control can switch on or off the beeper that sounds when you push any button or press any key. To enable or disable this feature,

- 1. Push Menu.
- 2. Use the arrow keys to select >User Settings.
- 3. Push Enter.
- 4. Use the arrow keys to select >Key Beep.
- 5. Push Enter.
- 6. Use the arrow keys to select On or Off.
- 7. Push Enter.
- 8. Push Esc to exit the menu system.

NOTE. The default selection is set to Off.

Lock the Multipurpose Knob

To lock the multipurpose knob so it cannot be used to change settings or to select menu items,

- 1. Push Menu.
- 2. Use the arrow keys to select >User Settings.
- 3. Push Enter.
- 4. Use the arrow keys to select Knob Lock.
- 5. Push Enter.
- 6. Use the arrow keys to select On or Off.

- 7. Push Enter.
- 8. Push Esc to exit the menu system.

System Information

Check the Error Log

You can view the error log by doing the following:

- 1. Push Menu.
- 2. Use the arrow keys or multipurpose knob and navigate to System Info and then push Enter.
- 3. Use the arrow keys or multipurpose knob and navigate to Error Log and then push Enter. You will see a list of any errors that have occurred.
- 4. To exit the menu push Esc.

Check the Firmware Version of the Instrument

This instrument includes two sets of firmware: Main and Auxiliary. To see the versions of installed firmware, do the following:

- 1. Push Menu.
- 2. Use the arrow keys or multipurpose knob and navigate to System Info and then push Enter.
- 3. Use the arrow keys or multipurpose knob and navigate to Main:. The numbers you see after Main: and Aux: are the main firmware version and auxiliary firmware version, respectively.
- 4. To exit the menu push Esc.

Check the Calibration Date of the Instrument

This instrument stores the date that it was last calibrated. To see the calibration date, do the following:

- 1. Push Menu.
- 2. Use the arrow keys or multipurpose knob and navigate to System Info and then push Enter.
- 3. Use the arrow keys or multipurpose knob and navigate to the menu item below Main: . The date and time displayed are the date and time of the last calibration performed on this instrument.
- 4. To exit the menu push Esc.

Configure The Instrument for Your Application

The menu system includes settings, like **Max Volt**, that determine the maximum voltage output of the power supply and settings, like **Save Last** and **Output Recall**, that determine how the instrument initializes itself at power-up.

This power supply features a constant voltage/constant current automatic crossover. This feature permits continuous operation in the transition from constant-voltage mode to constant-current mode as the load changes. The intersection of the constant-current and constant-voltage modes is called the crossover point.

For example, if the load is such that the power supply is operating in constant-voltage mode, the power supply provides a regulated output voltage. As the load draws more current, the output voltage remains constant until the preset current limit is reached. Then the crossover occurs. At that point, the output current becomes constant and the output voltage drops in proportion to further load increases.

Crossover is indicated by the front-panel CC and CV messages. If the CV message appears, the instrument is operating in constant-voltage mode. If the CC message appears, the instrument is operating in constant-current mode.

Crossover from the constant-current mode to the constant-voltage mode also occurs automatically in response to a decrease in load current.

Connect to a Device Under Test

You can connect this instrument to a device that you want to test. In this section are procedures for configurations using local and remote sense, and examples for parallel, serial, and bipolar wiring connections.

NOTE. When connecting to a device under test, you should use at least a 22 gauge wire, which is the minimum wire size sufficient to handle the maximum current.



WARNING. Use properly rated load wires. All load wires must be heavy enough not to overheat when carrying the maximum short-circuit output current of the power supply. If there is more than one load, then any pair of load wires must be capable of safely carrying the full-rated short-circuit output current of the power supply.



WARNING. To satisfy safety requirements, always use load wires heavy enough not to overheat when carrying the maximum short-circuit output current of the power supply. If there is more than one load, then every pair of load wires must be capable of safely carrying the full-rated current of the power supply.

Set Up to Use Local Sense

Configuring the power supply for local sense allows connection to the device under test with two lead wires, but does not compensate for voltage drop in the leads.

- 1. On the rear-panel terminal strip, install wires or the supplied shorting clips between drive OUT + and SENSE +, and between drive OUT and SENSE -. When using the included shorting clips, they should be installed as shown previously.(See page 9, *Rear-panel Features*.)
- 2. Connect to your device under test using two wires from the front-panel binding posts.

Set Up to Use Remote Sense

Use remote sensing to regulate the output voltage at the device under test. This feature lets you compensate for the voltage drop in the leads between the power supply front-end terminals and the device-under-test. To set the remote sensing mode:

- 1. Remove any jumpers or shorting clip on the rear-panel terminal strip connectors between drive OUT + and SENSE + and between drive OUT and SENSE –.
- 2. Connect a pair of sense leads from SENSE + and SENSE to the device under test.



CAUTION. To assure system stability, use jacketed, twisted-pair cables between the remote sense terminals of the instrument and the load.

3. Connect a pair of drive leads from the drive OUT + and drive OUT - to the device under test.



Load (Device Under Test)

Wiring in Series

By wiring Channel 1 and Channel 2 in series, you can use your power supply to provide up to 60 V to a device under test. The following figure shows how to wire the outputs for Series operation. (See Figure 3.)

Your instrument can also be configured to read the combined voltage from two channels. See *Combine metering of Channel 1 and Channel 2 when outputs are wired in series* to learn how to set the instrument to measure the combined voltage. (See page 18.)



Figure 3: Series setup for model 2230-30-1 and device under test. Series setup for model 2220-30-1 is the same, but Channel 2 is on the far right.

Wiring in Parallel

By wiring Channel 1 and Channel 2 in parallel, you can use your power supply to provide up to 3 A to a device under test. The following figure shows how to wire the outputs for Parallel operation. (See Figure 4.)

Your instrument can also be configured to read the combined current from two channels. See *Combine metering of Channel 1 and Channel 2 when outputs are wired in parallel* to learn how to set the instrument to measure the combined current. (See page 18.)



Figure 4: Parallel setup for model 2230-30-1 and device under test. Parallel setup for model 2220-30-1 is the same, but Channel 2 is on the far right.

Wiring for Bipolar Applications

The outputs of your instrument can be wired as a bipolar source. When testing a system in which independent positive and negative supplies are needed, the outputs should be wired as shown here. (See Figure 5.)

To make the positive and negative supplies track together, you can activate tracking. See *Use Tracking* to learn more about tracking and find out how to turn tracking on. (See page 18.)



Figure 5: Bipolar setup for model 2230-30-1 and device under test. Bipolar setup for model 2220-30-1 is the same, but Channel 2 is on the far right.

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