Genesys™

Optional Interface:
LXI Compliant LAN

User Manual

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USER MANUAL FOR

LAN Interface *LXI*

GENESYS™ POWER SUPPLIES

Applies to:

This document applies to LAN cards with a firmware revision LAN:3.1.2.3 onwards

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Manual Supplement
Refer to the Genesys™ Technical Manual for information on installing the power supply, safety requirements, specifications, operating the front panel, using the serial (RS-232/485) programming and the analog (J1) programming.

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1.1. Introduction

The Local Area Network (LAN) option for the Genesys™ series power supply allows the user to remotely program, measure and check status of the power supply. It uses an Ethernet connection like those used to connect computers to each other and to the Internet

A computer's web page browser may be used to operate the power supply through a built-in web page server. For applications including factory and test automation, communication may be done using several standard network protocols and instrument commands

Refer to the Genesys™ Technical Manual for information on installing the power supply, safety requirements, specifications, connecting the power-in and out, operating the front panel, using the serial (RS-232/485) programming and the analog (J1) programming
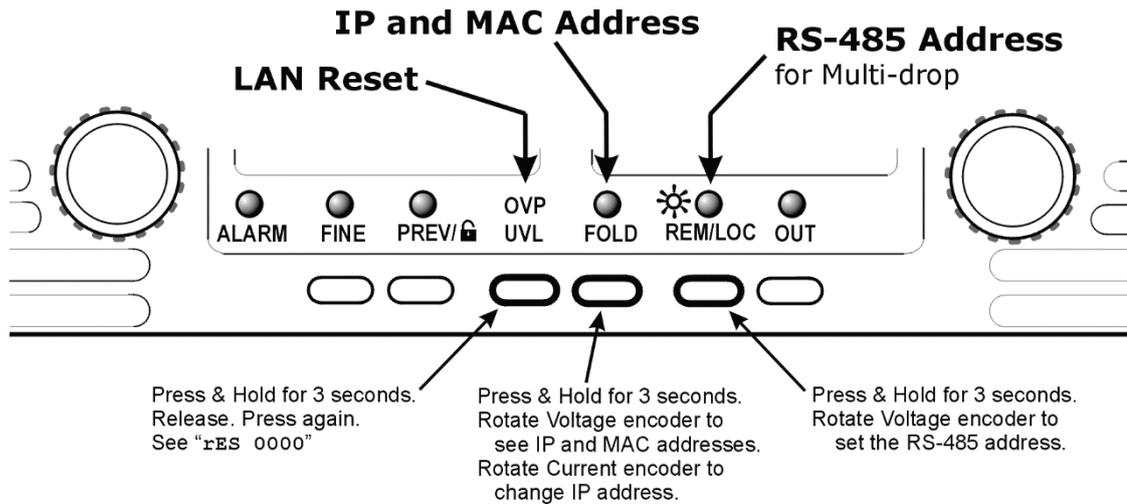
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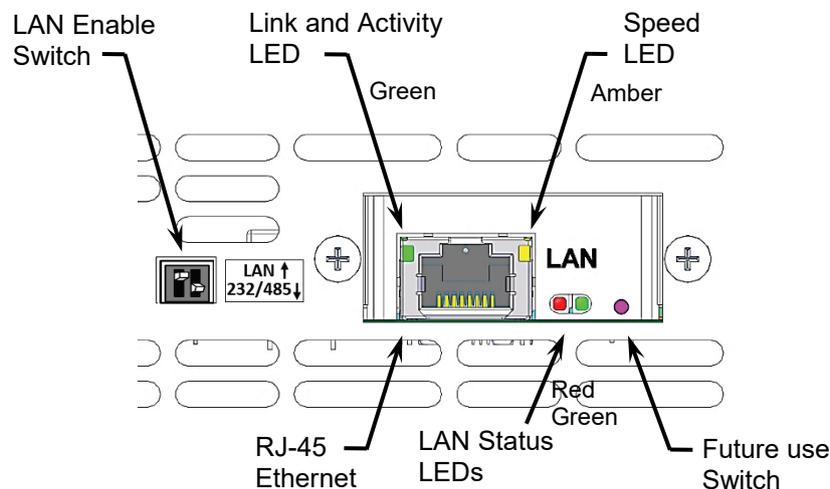
Figure 2. Rear Panel LAN Features

1.2. Feature Summary

A. Communicate over any standard TCP/IP network
1. LAN (Local Area Network)
2. WAN (Wide Area Network)
3. Communicate across the world using the Internet

B. Web page viewable with any web page browser, such as Internet Explorer
1. Configure the network connection settings
2. Active web page (GUI) that programs and reads the power supply output and status
3. Security settings to block multiple controllers and risky protocols.
4. Optional password protection prevents unauthorized operation

C. LAN Protocols
1. VISA, TCP and UDP sockets are supported.
2. ARP, DNS, mDNS and DNS-SD connectivity protocols supported
3. VXI-11 Discovery and PING server are supported

D. LXI
1. Conforms to LXI standards (revision 1.5) for network configuration
2. A "LAN Status" LED indicator shows when the network connection is established
3. IVI-COM and IVI-C drivers are available for download
4. Easily write custom automation programs

E. Full remote programming functions
1. Uses SCPI command language, an instrumentation standard
2. Compatible with VISA drivers an all the test & measurement utilities
3. TCP and UDP sockets will support PLCs, Linux and other non-VISA controllers
4. Multiple and simultaneous sockets connections are allowed

F. Front Panel features
1. View IP and MAC address on front panel
2. Set the complete IP address on front panel
3. LAN Reset on front panel
4. User may remotely "Blink" the front panel to locate the master power supply in a rack

G. Rear Panel features
1. Ethernet RJ-45 connector (standard 8-pin jack for LAN)
2. Link and Activity LED on RJ-45 connector
3. Speed LED on RJ-45 connector
4. LAN Status LEDs show LAN fault and used as "Blink Identify" on rear panel
5. A switch disables the LAN to allow use as an RS-485 Multi-drop slave

H. RS-485 Multi-drop Chain
1. Allows connecting up to 30 power supplies using simple Link cable
2. One LAN IP address shared by all RS-485 power supplies
3. The LAN option is not needed in the RS-485 power supplies

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2. SPECIFICATIONS

2.1. Power Supply Specifications

When using the LAN, the power supply ratings and accuracies are the same as for the digital remote programming using RS-232 or RS-485. See the *Technical Manual for Genesys™ Power Supply* for those specifications

2.2. LAN Specifications

ELECTRICAL

Ethernet	Meets IEEE 802.3u specifications
Auto-MDIX	Accepts patch or cross-over cable connection
Auto-Negotiate	Selects fastest of 10Base-T or 100Base-T networks (10 or 100 Megabits per second)

NETWORK CONFIGURATION

MAC Address	TDK-Lambda assigned: 00:19:f9:xx:xx:xx
IP Address	View or set from front panel or embedded web page
DHCP	Get address from network server. Lease time service
Auto-IP	Create own IP address: 169.254.xx.xx
Static IP	Any IP fixed by operator
DHCP Lease Time	20 second minimum
DHCP Auto-Reconnect	Recover connection if DHCP server stops and restarts
Address Resolution	ARP protocol
Hostname	DNS and mDNS protocols. Operator settable hostname
Service Name	DNS-SD Service Discovery protocol
Duplicate IP Detection	Reject duplicate setting or disconnect from network
Subnet Mask	Mask set by DHCP or static
Default Gateway	Address set by DHCP or static
DNS Server	Address set by DHCP
VXI-11 Discovery	Find connected instruments
Ping Server	Verify LAN connection to instrument
LAN Reset	Reset configuration from front panel or SCPI command

LAN PROTOCOLS

IPv4	Internet Protocol version 4
Instrument Protocols:	
VXI-11	Supports Core channel, *not* Abort or Interrupt channels
VISA	VXI-11 compliant, uses RPC and Portmapper, SCPI cmds
TCP Sockets	Send SCPI commands to port 8003
UDP Sockets	Send SCPI commands to port 8005
HTTP	Web page server with Java scripts

COMMANDS

SCPI	SCPI 1999 compliant command, measure and status
IEEE-488.2	Condition and event register tree
Serial Pass-Through	Send native RS-232 commands with abilities beyond SCPI

MULTIPLE CONTROLLERS

    Single Client Setting   Only one may be opened at a time:
                                                    Web page (login as 'admin'), VISA or TCP sockets

    Multiple Client Setting   Multiple VISA, TCP or UDP sockets may be open at same time

WEB PAGES

    Multiple users   Multiple web pages can be open at once
    Identity   Identify power supply model, serial number, revision etc.
    LAN Configuration   View and set LAN configuration
    Active Control GUI   Program and read output settings
    Send Commands   Send SCPI commands, read errors
    Help   Link to TDK-Lambda web sites

SUPPLY CONFIGURATIONS

    Local Control   Supply may be run from front panel even if LAN is monitoring
    LAN Remote Control   Supply may be controlled and monitored through LAN
    RS-232/485 Control   LAN may be disabled to use the standard RS-232/485 ports
    'J1' Analog Control   LAN may monitor supply while analog controller sets output
    Series / Parallel Supplies   Rules for standard Genesys™ supplies apply to LAN supplies
    Advanced Parallel   Rules for standard Genesys™ supplies apply to LAN supplies

INDICATORS

    IP and MAC Address   View addresses on front panel
    Multi-drop Address   View RS-485 address on front panel
    Link & Activity LED   Indicates the Ethernet cable connected at both ends and LAN
                                                 packets detected
    Speed LED   Lit Indicates 100Mbps, not lit indicates 10Mbps
    LAN Status LED   Red/green, indicates power supply has valid IP connection
    Blink Identify   Find the master supply by remotely blinking front and rear LEDs
    Local/Remote LED   Indicates if LAN has control of supply output

BUTTONS, SWITCHES

    LAN Reset   Front panel button
    IP Address   Change entire IP address on front panel
    Multi-drop Address   Change RS-485 address on front panel
    LAN/ RS Select   Disable LAN to enable RS-232/485 or Multi-drop slave

SECURITY

    Web Page Password   Can set password to prevent unauthorized or accidental changes
                                                 to LAN settings or power supply output settings
    Single Client Only   Set to prevent multiple programs from taking control
    Block UDP Sockets   Single client will block attacks through UDP sockets
    Disable mDNS   Stop power supply detection, reduce network traffic
    Disable VXI-11 Discovery   Stop power supply detection
    Disable Ping Server   Stop power supply detection

COMPLIANCE

    LXI   Certified for LXI rev 1.5 instrument
    UL, IEC, TUV,   Conformances that are granted to basic power supply also apply
    CE, ROHS etc   to power supply with LAN installed

2.3. LAN Command Speed

The following communication speeds are *typical* values only. In addition to the variability in the Genesys™ LAN interface, there are timing variations within the controller and the network routing.

The following speed specifications are subject to change without notice.

Testing was done using a single-client TCP socket application with the power supply set for a static IP address, peer-peer configuration.

Typical Command or query speeds:

	90% of Commands in less than:	100% of Commands in less than:
Most Commands and Queries		
This includes the commands not listed below: VOLT n.nn VOLT? MEAS:VOLT? OUTP:STAT 1 OUTP:STAT? VOLT:LIM:LOW n.nn VOLT:LIM:LOW? SOUR:MOD?	**55 mSec**	**85 mSec**
System Queries		
Examples: SYST:ERR? *ESR?	**10 mSec**	**15 mSec**
Status Register Queries		
Examples include: STAT:QUES:COND? STAT:OPER:COND?	**35 mSec**	**60 mSec**
Instrument Select for Multi-drop		
Example: INST:SEL nn	**260 mSec**	**410 mSec**
Identity Query		
Example: *IDN?	**125 mSec**	**135 mSec**
Operation Complete		
Example: *OPC?	**3 mSec**	**4 mSec**

3. SELECT THE CONTROL METHOD

3.1. A Variety of Control Methods

The Genesys™ power supply with LAN is very flexible. In addition to the LAN, there are other ways the supply can be used.

See the *Technical Manual for Genesys™ Power Supply* for more details on the local (front panel), serial (RS-232/485), or analog (J1) control.

3.2. LAN, Local, or Serial

The power supply, with the LAN option installed, may be operated through four interfaces. This section describes how to enable each.

	MODE	MODE DESCRIPTION	
1	LAN	Control using an Ethernet connection	LAN will disable the J3-IN serial port
2	Local	Control using the front panel encoders and buttons	LAN can be used to measure and read while in local mode
3	Serial	Control using RS-232 and RS-485 through the J3-IN and J3-OUT connectors	Serial will disable the LAN port
4	Analog	Control using an analog signals to the 25-pin 'J1' connector	LAN, local or serial may still be used to measure and set protections

3.2.1. Select Local (Front Panel) Mode

The supply may be operated in the local, or front panel, mode even when a computer is using the LAN connection.

If the supply is in remote mode, the front panel "REM/LOC" LED is *ON*. The supply may be returned to local by pressing and releasing the "REM/LOC" button

If the "REM/LOC" button does *not* switch the supply into local mode, then:

– If a LAN program is running to change the power supply settings, it will automatically go to remote with every command. Stop the LAN program and then press the "REM/LOC" button.

– The supply may be set to Local Lockout. Use the LAN to send SYST:SET LOC (see section 11.4.2) or turn the supply AC off and on and then press the "REM/LOC" button.

3.2.2. Select RS-232 & RS-485 (Serial) Remote Mode

The serial (RS-232 & RS-485) remote control may be selected even if the LAN option is installed. The serial remote is described in the *Technical Manual for the Genesys™ Power Supply*. The LAN has similar capabilities as the serial remote, but the LAN SCPI programming language is not compatible with the serial language.

To select the RS-232 & RS-485 mode:

A. Switch the supply AC power off.
B. Set the LAN card switches pin1 and 2 to DOWN (see Figure 3).
C. For RS-232, set rear-panel SW1 pin 6 to DOWN.
   For RS-485, set SW1 pin 6 to UP.
D. Switch the supply AC power on. The front panel will *not* show "Lan" at startup.

3.2.3. Select LAN Remote Mode

Selecting the LAN mode will allow programming over the Ethernet cable. Any settings and measurements may be done from a remote computer using the power supply's built-in web pages or using SCPI programming.

To select the LAN mode:

A. Switch the supply AC power off.
B. Set LAN Enable Switch as seen on Figure 3. Left Switch set to up position. Right Switch is not used (recommendation – keep Right Switch in down position).
C. Switch the supply AC power on. The front panel will show "Lan" at startup.

3.3. LAN Option Rear Panel View

The power supply rear panel, with the LAN option installed, is shown below.
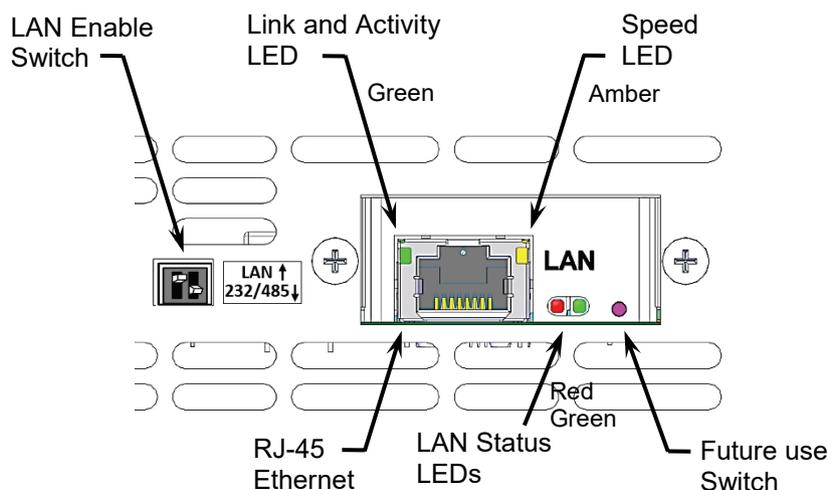
Figure 3. Rear Panel LAN Features

3.3.1. LAN Enable Switch: This two-pole DIP switch allows you to select the LAN or the RS-232/485 mode.

> *Note*
>
> *The supply's AC power must be OFF to change this switch. The change is only detected during the supply's power-up sequence*

− **SWITCH UP: Select the LAN mode**. The power supply shows "Lan" at power-up. The rear panel J3-IN port for RS-232/485 does not operate. The J3-OUT port may be used to start a multi-drop chain of supplies (see section 12).

> *Note*
>
> *When using the LAN, always set rear panel SW6 bit 6 to DOWN position. See section 12.2 for details*

− **SWITCH DOWN: Select the RS-232/485 mode.** The power supply does *not* show "Lan" at power-up. The rear panel J3 ports for RS-232 and RS-485 do operate. The power supply may be used in a chain of multi-drop supplies (see section 12). See the *Technical Manual for the Genesys™ Power Supply* for the description of the RS-232/485 mode.

3.3.2. **Link and Activity LED (Green):** This small LED, embedded in the RJ-45 socket glows when the connection is made to an active network and blinks when any message packets are detected.

3.3.3. **Speed LED (Amber):** This small LED, embedded in the RJ-45 socket is lit when at 100Mbps, non-lit at 10Mbps.

3.3.4. **LAN Status LEDs:** These are a red LED (left) and a green LED (right) to the right of the RJ-45 connector. They show:

- **Normal Operation**: **Steady green LED**. The power supply has an active LAN connection.

- **Device Identify**: **Blinking green**. The identify function is turned on from a remote computer using the web page or a SCPI command. The front panel blinks along with the rear. The blinking is turned off by the web page, by sending the 'blink off' SCPI command, or by changing any front panel control.

  In a multi-drop chain of supplies, only the master LAN supply can blink.

- **LAN Fault**: **Steady red LED**. Shows the LAN mode is not enabled, the LAN connection was never made, or that the LAN connection was made and then broken.

4. CONNECT TO NETWORK

4.1. LAN Cable

The LAN cable must be supplied by the customer. It may be a standard straight "patch" CAT-5 (or better) network cable or it may be a "crossover" cable where the pins are reversed on one end. The cable type is auto-detected by the power supply.

Note
The serial link cable (0.5 m long) provided with the Genesys™ power supply cannot *be used for a LAN connection*

4.2. Types of Networks

There are basically two types of networks that are discussed here:

B. **NETWORK WITH A SERVER**: this is the typical local area network with a server computer and network administrator to keep it running. The server will download the IP address and other settings to the power supply
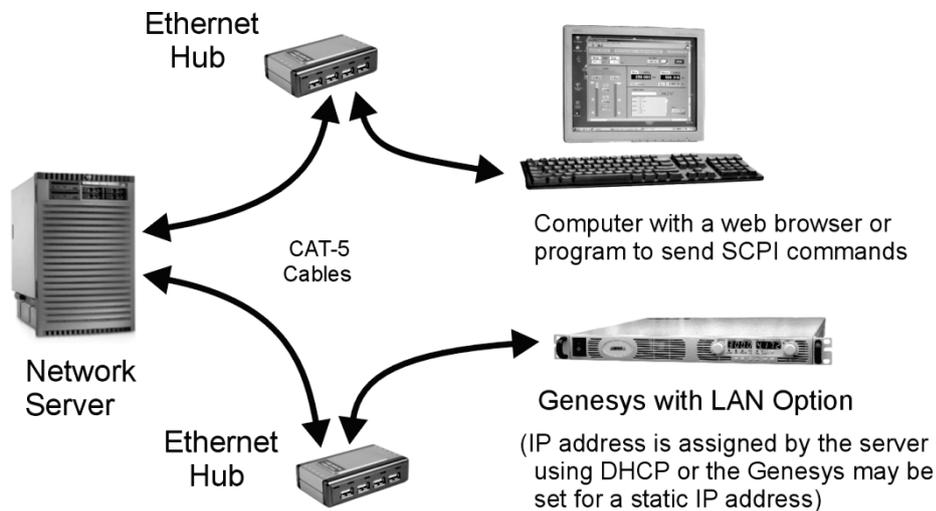
Figure 4.   Server Network Connection Diagram

B. **PEER-TO-PEER NETWORK:** this is typically the situation when you connect the Genesys™ supply directly to a computer that is not a network server. The power supply will configure its own IP address and other settings.
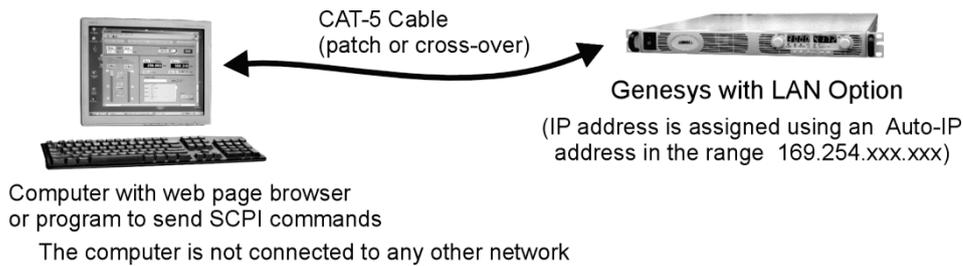
Figure 5. Peer-to-Peer Connection Diagram

4.3. Power-up the LAN Power Supply

The Genesys™ power supply LAN option will automatically detect if it is connected or disconnected from a network. It will also automatically look for a network server and it will get or create an IP address. It will also broadcast its IP address and hostname to all other devices on the network.

A. Before turning the power supply ON, verify it is set to enable LAN. See the switch setting in section 3.3.1.

B. **Turn ON the power supply AC power.** See the front panel show "Lan" for about 3 seconds. After that, the supply will show "OFF" or the last output settings.

C. The LAN cable may be connected before or after the supply is switched on.

D. **For a DHCP server or STATIC IP network, wait about <u>15 seconds</u>.**

   See the rear panel LAN Status LED turns green.

E. **For a peer-to-peer network, wait about <u>40 seconds</u>.**

   See the rear panel LAN Status LED turns green.

   The computer screen may show a LAN notification, *"This connection has limited or no connectivity."*

When the LAN Status LED turns green, the power supply IP address will change from all zeroes to a valid address. It can be viewed on the front panel (see section 5.1).

> ***Note***
>
> *If the LAN Status LED does not turn green, see section 15 for troubleshooting steps.*

4.4. IP Addresses

The simplest and most reliable way to open a network connection is with the power supply's IP address. This is a group of four numbers separated by periods (for example: 10.1.15.123). This IP address may be viewed from its front panel (see section 5.1).

There are three modes in which a power supply can get an IP address, as show in this table:

IP Address	DHCP	Auto-IP	Static IP
Mode Select	DHCP is default after "LAN Reset"	Default after "LAN Reset" if *no* DHCP server is used	May be set in the "LAN Modify" web page (see 6.6.2) or by setting the IP address on the front panel (see note below and 5.2)
Assignment	Assigned by the network server	Assigned by the power supply	Assigned in the "LAN Modify" web page (see 6.6.2) or by setting the IP address on the front panel (see 5.2)
Range	Any address	169.254.xxx.xxx	Any address
Lifetime	Address may change as the DHCP server assigns addresses dynamically to many instruments	Fixed for the power supply, except if an address collision is detected	Always fixed for the power supply
Duplicate Addresses	The DHCP server should prevent duplicate IP addresses	Finds another available auto-IP address	Returns to original IP (before change). LAN status LED (Green) and front panel blink. If duplication of IP is detected at AC ON (if the device was in Static IP mode), the IP goes to 0.0.0.0, LAN status LED (Red) turns on and the front panel blinks

> ***Note***
> **ONLY** Power Supplies with Main Firmware 5.1.3 onwards, accept 0 and 255 from the front panel in any static IP octet (IP1, IP2, IP3, and IP4).

4.5. Hostnames

The hostname is a way to address the supply using a name instead of an IP address.

The power supply's hostname can be seen on its web Home page. Using the hostname requires a network with naming service such as DNS.

The factory default hostname is in the format:

< Product > < Voltage or Current rating > – < last 3 digits of serial number >

The default hostname will use the larger number from the voltage or current rating and then append a V or A. If Voltage and Current contain decimal point, default hostname will use the larger number from the voltage or current rating and then append a V or A with the decimal point being replaced by p. The last three digits of the serial number will skip over any letters.

Example of factory default hostnames:

Model	Serial Number	Default Hostname
GEN8-180-LAN	08J4210B	GEN180A-210
GEN600-2.6-LAN	807A102-0001	GEN600V-001
GENH12.5-60-LAN	17B12830AA	GENH60A-830

A custom hostname can be created through the web pages (see section 6.6.2). For example, the hostname can be changed to Heater_3.

Hostname Conflict: The power supply can detect if its hostname is already used by another device. This is called a hostname conflict. In this case, the supply will make its name unique by appending a dash and number to it. For example, it will become Heater_3-2.

A LAN Reset (see sections 5.3 and 5.4) will *not* change the hostname, even if it is a custom name, but it may remove the dash number if a hostname conflict has been removed.

To restore the factory default hostname, open the LAN → Modify web page and enter a blank for the new hostname (see section 6.6.2) or send the DIAG:COMM:LAN:FAC command (see section 11.6.5).

Note
AC-Recycle is required after restoring the factory default hostname

The power supply may be set to one of three network modes in the table below:

Hostname	DHCP	Auto-IP	Static IP
Default Hostname	GENnnnx-nnn (see above)	GENnnnx-nnn (see above)	None, hostname cannot be used
Hostname Protocol	Hostname by DNS	Hostname by DNS	None, hostname cannot be used
Hostname on Web Pages	Shows hostname on "Home" page and "LAN Configure" page	Shows hostname on "Home" page and "LAN Configure" page	None, hostname cannot be used

4.6. Description and DNS Service Names

On the power supply web page, the Description field is also the DNS-SD service name. The service name may be used by a network running the DNS-SD protocol (also called the 'Bonjour' discovery protocol).

The factory default description is "Genesys DC Power" plus:

< Product > < Voltage or Current rating >

The default description will use the larger number from the voltage or current rating and then append a V or A. This is similar to the hostname, but without the serial number.
Example: Genesys DC Power GEN1250V

A custom service name can be created through the web pages (see section 6.6.2). For example, the service name can be changed to AuxMixer.

Service Name Conflict: The power supply can detect if the service name is already used by another device. This is called a service name conflict. In this case, the supply will make its name unique by appending parenthesis and number to it. For example, it will become AuxMixer (2).

A LAN Reset (see sections 5.3 and 5.4) will *not* change the service name, even if it is a custom name, but it may remove the dash number if a service name conflict has been removed.

To restore the factory default description, open the LAN → Modify web page and enter a blank for the new description (see section 6.6.2) or send the DIAG:COMM:LAN:FAC command (see section 11.6.6).

> *Note*
>
> *AC-Recycle is required after restoring the factory default description and service name*

5.1. View the IP and MAC Addresses

When the power supply is running with the LAN enabled, the IP and MAC addresses may be viewed on the front panel by following these steps:

A. Press and hold the FOLD button for three seconds. The 7-segment displays will show something such as:

IP-1 | 010

By turning the voltage encoder, the complete IP and MAC addresses may be seen.

All four numbers of the IP address may be changed through the web pages or from the front panel (see next section). The MAC address cannot be changed.

The IP may not show on display if faults, such as Enable or Shut-Off, are in progress.

Rotate voltage knob

IP-1	10
IP-2	225
IP-3	26
IP-4	38
AC-1	00
AC-2	19
AC-3	F9
AC-4	27
AC-5	d3
AC-6	b0
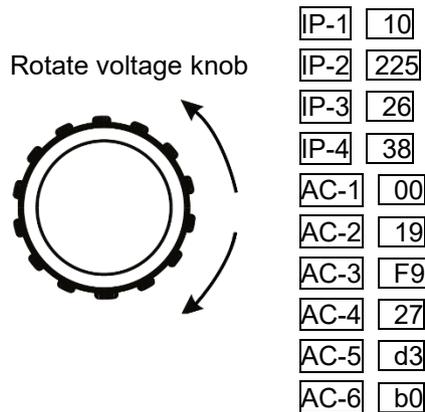
In this example,

– the IP address is:

10.225.26.38

– the MAC address is:

00:19:F9:27:D3:B0

("AC" is short for "MAC")

B. If the voltage knob is *not* changed for five seconds, the supply will revert to the normal voltage and current displays. If this happens, press and hold the FOLD button again.

5.2. Change the IP Address

The IP address has four numbers (ex: "192.168.53.44"). Each number may be set to any value from 1 to 254.

Note

ONLY Power Supplies with Main Firmware 5.1.3 onwards, accept 0 and 255 from the front panel in any static IP octet (IP1, IP2, IP3, and IP4).

The power supply must be set to Local Mode to allow changing the IP address.
See section 3.2.1 to set local mode.

A. Press and hold the FOLD button for three seconds. The 7-segment displays will show something such as:

IP-1 | 192   "192" is the 1st number in the address.

B. Rotate the voltage encoder until the display shows something such as:

IP-3 | 53   "53" is the 3rd number in the address.

C. Rotate the current encoder to change the 3rd number in the address:

IP-3   60   "60" is the new 3ʳᵈ number.

D. To apply the new address, momentarily press the "FOLD" button.
   See the display shows for a few seconds:

Lan   Hold

This shows the LAN connection is on hold while acquiring the new address.

- If you do not press "FOLD" soon enough, the display returns to normal and the old address is kept.

- If another device already has the address you are trying to set (duplicate addresses), then after "Lan Hold" clears, the front panel will blink and the address will return to what it was before the change was made.

Note
When you change the IP address from the front panel,
the Genesys™ LAN will switch to STATIC addressing.
(DHCP and Auto-IP addressing will be disabled)

5.3. LAN Reset

If it is necessary to reset the supply to the factory default LAN settings, use the front panel to:

A. Press and hold the OVP/UVL button for 2 seconds.

B. The 7-segment displays will show:

Lan   rES

This display may not show if faults, such as Enable or Shut-Off, are in progress

C. Release the OVP/UVL button

D. Briefly pressed and release the OVP/UVL button again.

E. The displays will briefly show:

rES   0000

and the LAN will be reset to the default settings (listed below).

If the OVP/UVL button is *not* pressed again, the LAN settings will *not* be reset.

F. It may be required to AC cycle the power supply off and on. This ensures a new network connection is established with the reset values.

In addition the SYST:COMM:LAN:RES command may be sent to reset the LAN.
See section 11.6.6.

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5.4. Default LAN Settings

- DHCP is enabled

- If DHCP fails to get a lease, the auto-IP settings will be obtained:

IP address	169.254.xxx.xxx	(see section 4.4)
Subnet mask	255.255.0.0	
Default gateway	0.0.0.0	
DNS Server	0.0.0.0	

- Hostname   GEN\<nnn>\<V or A>−\<nnn>   (see section 4.5)

- Description   "Genesys DC Power GEN\<nnn>\<V or A>"

  (see section 4.6)

- Controller Access   One Client Only

- Keep-Alive   1800 Seconds (30 minutes)

- Auto-Negotiate   Automatically select network speed

- Ping Server   Enabled

- VXI-11 Discovery   Enabled

- Multicast DNS   Enabled

- Password   None

6. WEB PAGES

6.1. Benefit of Web Pages

The Genesys™ web pages are useful for:

- Reading the supply's model, identity, revision and LAN setup information

- Configuring the LAN connection

- Programming and reading the supply's DC output

This is all done graphically. There are no commands to look up

6.2. Opening the HOME Page

Once the rear panel LAN Status LED has turned green (see Section 3.3.4), you may open the Genesys™ web page

A. Read the IP address from the supply's front panel by holding the FOLD button (see section 5.1 for details)

B. Open a web page browser program such as Internet Explorer or Google Chrome. Type the power supply's IP address as shown below. Click the GO button
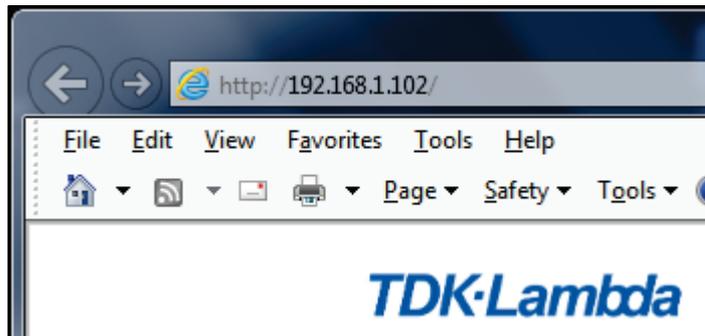
The power supply's Home page will appear.
If it does not, see Troubleshooting section 15.

C. Alternately, the hostname may then be used for addressing the web page as shown below (if the power supply is set for "DHCP/Auto-IP", and if a DNS naming service is running on the computer). See Section 4.5 for a description of the hostname
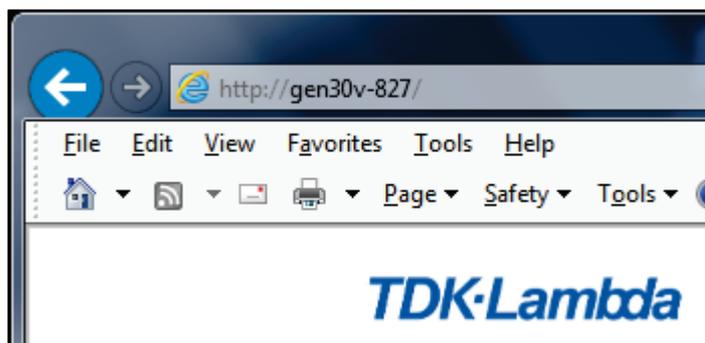
The power supply's Home page will appear. If it does not, see Troubleshooting section 15.

6.3. The HOME Page

The following page appears when the web page is first opened or when it is refreshed:

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With ports for
VISA and Socket clients

Genesys ™
Programmable DC Power **LXI**

| Home |
| DC Power |
| LAN |
| Help |

Welcome	
TDK-LAMBDA Model:	GENH30-25-LAN
Manufacturer:	TDK-LAMBDA
Serial Number:	TEST1
Maximum Output Ratings:	30V - 25A - 750W
Firmware Revision:	1U1K:5.1.2-LAN:3.1.2.2
Multi-drop Address:	27

LAN	
IP Address	10.97.4.146
MAC Address	00:19:F9:00:00:8A
Hostname	GENH30V-ST1.local GENH30V-ST1
LXI Version	1.5 LXI Device Specification 2016
Auto-MDIX	Enabled
Auto-Negotiate	Auto select
Multicast DNS	Enabled

VISA	
Description:	Genesys DC Power GENH30V
VISA Name using IP Address:	TCPIP::10.97.4.146::INSTR
VISA Name using Hostname:	TCPIP::GENH30V-ST1::INSTR

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Figure 6.   Web HOME Page

VISA Name Using IP Address: For automation programming, VISA is a type of communication protocol. For LAN instruments, the IP address may be used in the VISA resource descriptor. See section 7.

VISA Name Using Hostname: For automation programming, an alternate VISA resource descriptor using the power supply's hostname. See section 4.5.

RS-485 Address: This address only applies to a multi-drop chain of supplies. This is the RS-485 address of the LAN supply (also called the master supply). To set this address on the front panel, see section 12.2.2

Hostname: A unique name for a device on a network. The default hostname is described in section 4.5 and it is configured in section 6.6.2.

Auto-MDIX: The LAN will automatically detect if a patch or cross-over LAN cable is used

Auto-Negotiate: The LAN will automatically adjust its speed to the fastest available

Multicast DNS: The LAN will broadcast its hostname even if no network server is present. This is useful for connecting over simple peer-to-peer networks

6.4. Logging In

To change power supply output or the LAN settings, a user must first log in.

When the DC Power tab or LAN tab (on the left side of the web page) is clicked, a login box will appear:

1. Click LOGIN button.
2. Enter the user name, "`admin`". (this is the only acceptable name)
3. Enter the password. The default is blank.
4. Click the "Login" button
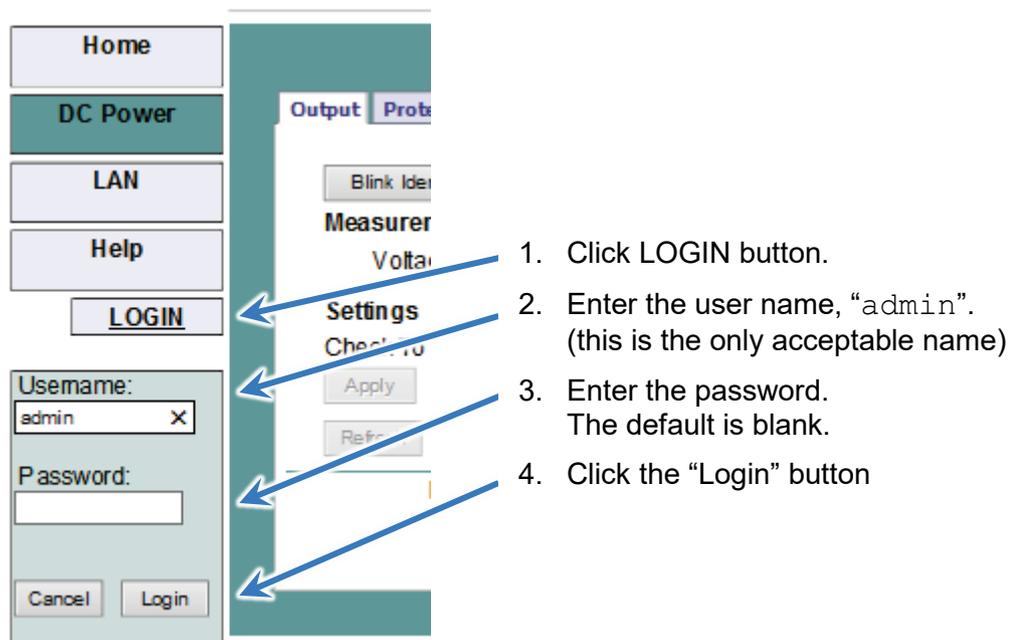
The password may be set or removed on the LAN → Users web page.

A front panel LAN Reset or a LAN reset command will clear the password (see section 5.3).

6.4.1. Login Rules

– Up to three users may view the web pages of a power supply at the same time. However, the update rate becomes slower as more web pages are opened.

– Only one user at a time may be logged-in to modify the power supply settings.

– If an automation program with VISA or socket connection is running, then you may view the web pages but you cannot login to change any settings.

– If a user is logged in, then a VISA or socket connection cannot be opened by an automation program.

– A user may logout by clicking the "Logout" button, by closing the web browser or by leaving the web browser idle for "LAN Keep-alive" seconds (see section 6.6.2).

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6.5. DC Power Page

> When the "DC Power" tab is clicked, the following web page opens. This page, and its sub-menus, allow you to operate the power supply and adjust its output settings.

6.5.1. DC Power → Output Page

> When the "DC Power" tab is selected, the "Output" soft front panel (GUI) loads first.
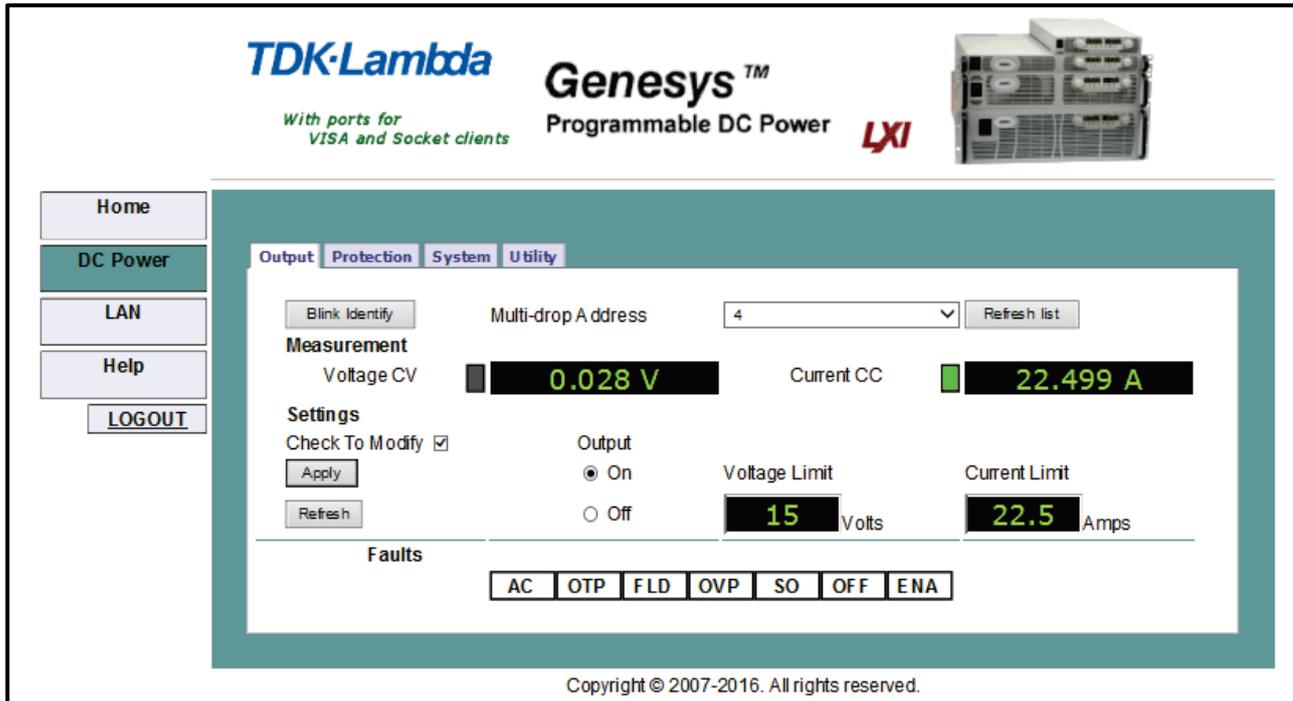
> **Blink Identify:** When this button is clicked, the power supply front panel blinks and the rear panel LAN LED (Green) blinks. This function allows you to quickly identify which power supply is being communicated to in a rack of instruments.
> In a multi-drop chain, only the master LAN power supply will blink.
> You do _not_ have to log in as 'admin' to use this control.

> Blinking may be stopped by: clicking on the button again, touching any front panel button or knob, or sending the SYST:COMM:LAN:IDLED OFF command (section 11.6.1).

> **Multi-drop Address:** This address is described in section 12.2.2. This address, 0 to 30, Allows you to select one supply in a chain of RS-485 multi-drop supplies. If there is no multi-drop supplies, only the address from the single LAN supply is available.

> **Refresh List:** When this button is clicked, the web page will scan to find connected multi-drop power supplies and put the discovered addresses into the listbox. This button only applies to a multi-drop chain as described in section 12.

> **Measurement:** These indicators show the selected power supply's actual voltage and current and the operating mode (constant-voltage or constant-current or off).

Settings: These fields show (and allow you to change) the selected power supply's output voltage and current setpoints and if the output is set on or off.

The settings cannot be changed until you have logged-in as 'admin' (See section 6.4 above).

1. Login as 'admin'

2. Click to show check

3. Enter desired voltage or current setpoints and if the output should be on or off

Settings
Check To Modify ☑   Output
Apply   ⦿ On   Voltage Limit   Current Limit
Refresh   ○ Off   **15** Volts   **22.5** Amps

4. Click "Apply". See the supply's output change

The "Refresh" button is used if the "Check to Modify" box is checked.
In this case, clicking the button will read back and show the power supply settings.
This is useful if the supply is in local mode (front panel control).
If the "Check to Modify" box is _not_ checked, refreshing is automatic.

Faults: For the selected supply, these boxes show any faults which may be active in the supply. These are the first eight bits in the Questionable Condition register, which is read by the STAT:QUES:COND? query and described in section 11.8.15.

Faults
| AC | OTP | FLD | OVP | SO | OFF | ENA |

In this picture, the Foldback fault protection has tripped. The power supply output will be set off.

See Genesys™ Technical Manual for a description of the faults and how to recover from them.

6.5.2. DC Power → Protection Page

On the "DC Power" tab, a "Protection" button is available at the top of the panel. When opened, the window allows you to view and set four protections. The "Apply" buttons are not enabled until you login

| Home |
| DC Power |
| LAN |
| Help |
| LOGOUT |

Output | Protection | System | Utility

Multi-drop Address   [4 ▾]   [Refresh list]

Over-Voltage Protection
OVP Settings   New Setting

36.0   [12.5 ✕]   ○ Set to Maximum   ⦿ Set to value   [Apply]

Under-Voltage Limit
UVL Settings   New Setting

0.0   [ ]   ○ Set to Zero   ⦿ Set to value   [Apply]

Foldback Protection
Check To Modify ☐

○ Enable   ⦿ Disable   [Apply]

Auto Start Setting
Check To Modify ☐

⦿ Safe start   ○ Auto start   [Apply]

The four settings are:

A. Over-Voltage Protection   (see section 11.5.1)
B. Under-Voltage Limit   (see section 11.5.3)
C. Foldback Protection ON or OFF   (see section 11.5.4)
D. Auto-Start or Safe-Start   (see section 11.4.3)

In a multi-drop chain, these settings affect only the supply selected in the RS-485 address listbox

6.5.3. DC Power → System Page

Under the "DC Power" tab, a "System" button is available at the top of the panel. When it is clicked, the window allows you to operate four functions:

A. Reset One Instrument   (see section 11.7.2)
     (this resets only the supply selected in the multi-drop listbox)

B. Reset All Instruments   (see section 12.4.7)
     (this resets any supplies connected to the multi-drop bus)

C. Save   (see section 11.7.3)
     (this saves the settings for only the supply selected in the multi-drop listbox)

D. Recall   (see section 11.7.4)
     (this recalls the settings for only the supply selected in the multi-drop listbox)

6.5.4. DC Power → Utility Page

This page is used to send any SCPI command and see the response. It is a learning tool for SCPI operation and it allows commands which are otherwise not on the web pages. The SCPI commands are described in section 11.
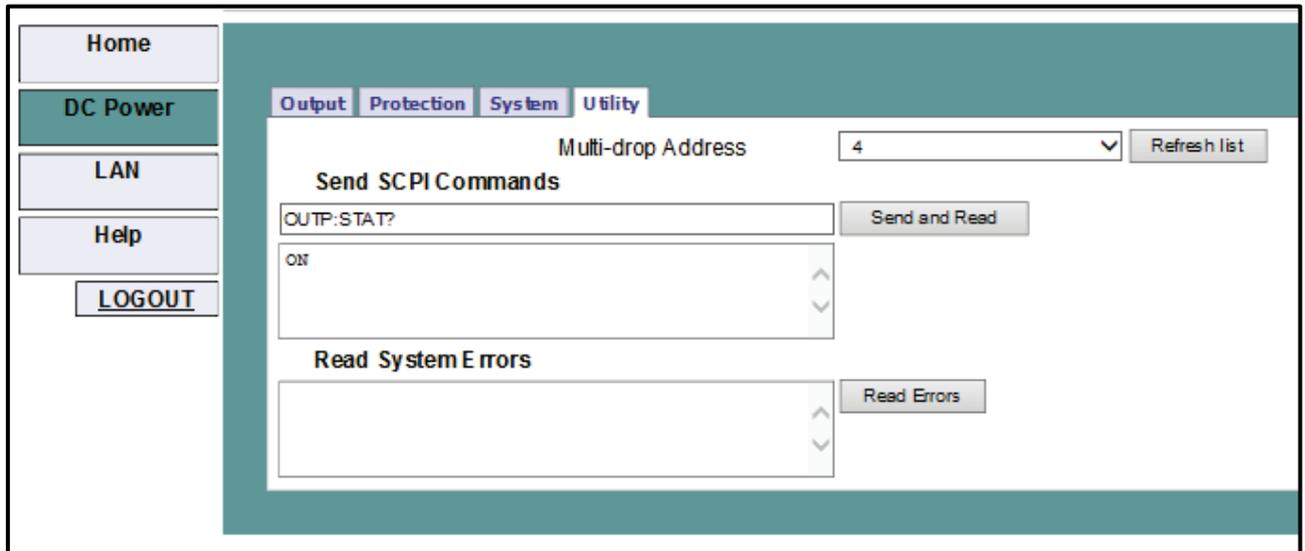
You must log-in as 'admin' to send SCPI commands (see section 6.4 to log in)

Type any SCPI message into the top text box. Then click the "Send and Read" button.

For commands, there is no response.
For queries, the response is shown in the middle text box

You may read any System Error message by clicking the "Read Errors" button. The error message (or 0,"No error") will show in the bottom text box. See section 11.8.1 and section 13.

6.6. LAN Page

When the "LAN" tab is clicked, the following web page opens. This page, and its sub-pages, allow you to view and configure the power supply's LAN settings.

You must login as 'admin' to change any setting. See section 6.4 for login.

6.6.1. LAN → Configure Page

When the "LAN" tab is selected, the "Configure" panel opens:

Home		
DC Power	**Configure**	**Advanced**	**Users**

Present LAN Configuration

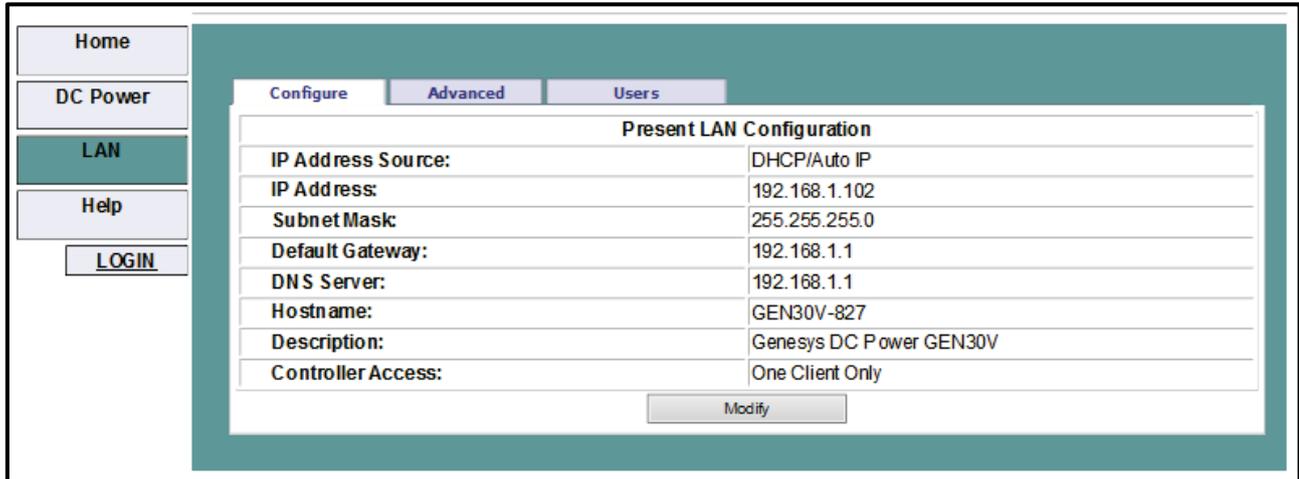|	
IP Address Source:	DHCP/Auto IP
IP Address:	192.168.1.102
Subnet Mask:	255.255.255.0
Default Gateway:	192.168.1.1
DNS Server:	192.168.1.1
Hostname:	GEN30V-827
Description:	Genesys DC Power GEN30V
Controller Access:	One Client Only

Modify

(Navigation: Home, DC Power, LAN, Help, LOGIN)

The following settings are shown on the "LAN → Configure" web page:

IP Address Source: Displays the way the IP address was selected. Choices are DHCP/Auto-IP and Static IP

IP Address: Displays the IP address assigned to the power supply through either DHCP, Auto-IP or Static IP sources

Subnet Mask: Displays the subnet mask assigned to the power supply through either DHCP, Auto-IP or Static IP

Default Gateway: Address of the network router to allow the power supply to communicate outside the local subnet

DNS Server: Address of the server running the Domain Naming Service. This is used for hostname addressing

Hostname: The power supply hostname may be used instead of the IP address to create a communication link. The default hostname is derived from the model and serial number (see the hostname in section 4.5) or it may be changed in the "LAN → Configure → Modify" web page. See section 6.6.2.

Description: By default, this is "Genesys DC Power <GEN...>" (see section 4.6), but it may be changed in the "LAN → Configure → Modify" web page. See section 6.6.2.

Controller Access: The "One Client Only" setting is the default setting for the highest networking security. This setting allows only one VISA or TCP socket to be open at a time and it disables the connectionless UDP sockets. See section 9.3.

Modify: After logging in (see section 6.4), click this button to modify the settings as shown in the next section.

6.6.2. LAN → Configure → Modify Page

The "Modify" button on the "LAN → Configure" page allows you to change the LAN settings. You must be logged-in as 'admin' to enable the button.

DHCP Enabled / Auto IP

This is the default setting for the Genesys™ LAN.

Home		
DC Power	**LAN Modify**	
LAN	TCP / IP Mode	○ Static IP ● DHCP Enabled / Auto IP
Help	IP Address	192 168 1 102
LOGOUT	Subnet Mask	255 255 255 0
	Default Gateway	192 168 1 1
	DNS Server	192 168 1 1
	Hostname	GEN30V-827
	Description	Genesys DC Power GEN30V
	Controller Access	● One client only ○ Multiple clients
		Apply Close

When the DHCP Enabled / Auto IP radio button is selected, only the following settings may be changed. The disabled settings (grayed) are set by the network's DHCP server.

Hostname: the hostname may be used instead of the IP address to make a connection if the network supports the DNS service for name translation. You may enter a custom name that describes the power supply in a meaningful way.

*To restore the hostname to the factory default,
clear the hostname text box and click "Apply"*

Description: the description may be viewed on the web Home page. It is also advertised as the power supply's service name if your network supports the DNS-SD protocol. You may enter a custom description that describes the power supply in a meaningful way.

*To restore the description to the factory default,
clear the description text box and click "Apply"*

Controller Access: Select the security feature for "One client only" or "Multiple clients". The multiple client setting is needed to allow more than one controller connection at a time and to enable UDP socket connections. See section 9.3 for details.

Apply: Click this button to save the new settings. A pop-up box may ask you to close or refresh the page. Your 'admin' login will be logged-out.

Close: Click this button to return to the LAN Configure Page shown in section 6.6.1.

Static IP

For many automation systems, the instrument IP addresses are set to static. This prevents the IP addresses from changing, which may happen if a DHCP server is used to generate the address.

If the Static IP radio button is selected, the web page will allow you to change the following settings:

Home	
DC Power	
LAN	
Help	
LOGOUT	

LAN Modify

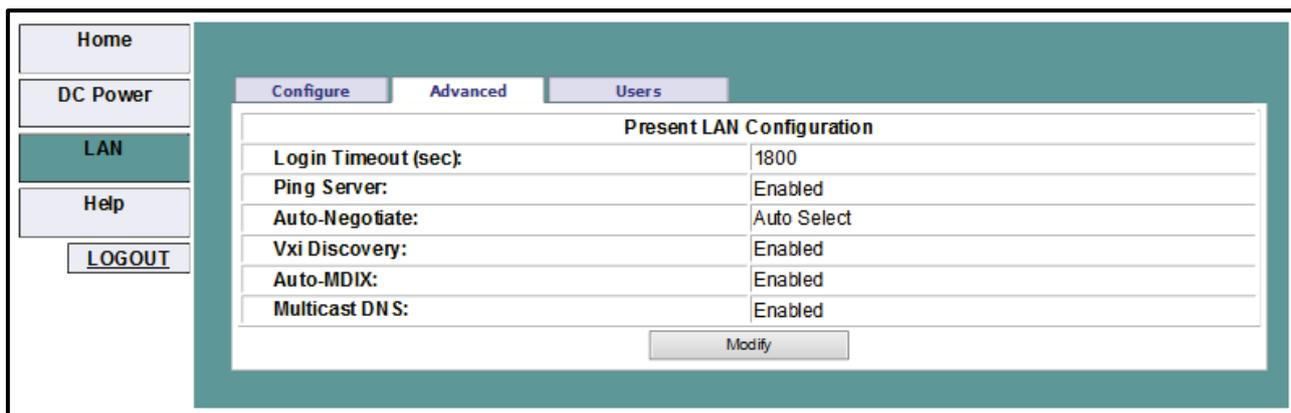|	
TCP / IP Mode	● Static IP ○ DHCP Enabled / Auto IP
IP Address	10 97 4 77
Subnet Mask	255 255 254 0
Default Gateway	10 97 4 1
DNS Server	10 97 2 244
Hostname	GENH30V-ST1
Description	Genesys DC Power GENH30V
Controller Access	● One client only ○ Multiple clients
	Apply Close

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Note

If the new IP address is already used by another device on the subnet (creating a duplicate IP), the new address is rejected and the power supply continues to use its old address. The front and rear panel will blink until any front panel button is pressed

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Note

Hostname addressing is not *supported when using a static IP.*

6.6.3. LAN → Advanced Page

Click the "LAN → Advanced" tab to view six advanced LAN settings:

Home
DC Power
LAN
Help
LOGOUT

Configure	Advanced	Users

Present LAN Configuration	
Login Timeout (sec):	1800
Ping Server:	Enabled
Auto-Negotiate:	Auto Select
Vxi Discovery:	Enabled
Auto-MDIX:	Enabled
Multicast DNS:	Enabled

Modify

You may change the settings by logging in as 'admin' and clicking the Modify button:

Home
DC Power
LAN
Help
LOGOUT

LAN Modify

Login Timeout	1800	Seconds
Ping Server	◉ Enable ○ Disable	
Auto-Negotiate	Auto select ⌄	
VXI-11 Discovery	◉ Enable ○ Disable	
Multicast DNS	◉ Enable ○ Disable	

Apply   Close
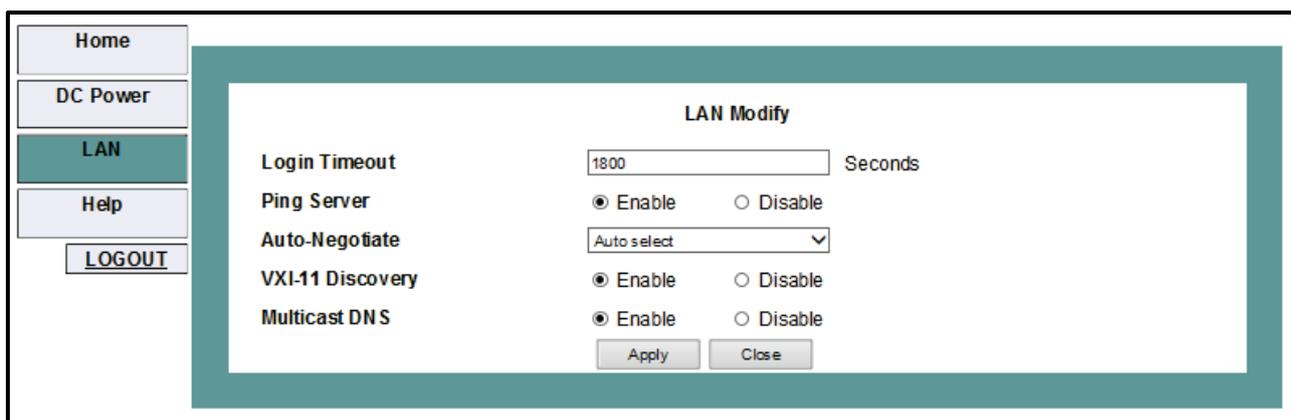
LAN Keep-Alive: If you are logged in as an 'admin', or using VISA or TCP sockets, this is how many seconds the connection may be unused (idle) before the power supply automatically logs you out or closes the port.
The default time is 1800 seconds = 30 minutes. Maximum = 60000 (~16 hours).

Ping Server: 'Ping' is a network utility that allows the computer to verify communication with the LAN power supply. This service may be disabled for security reasons.

Auto-Negotiate: This sets what network speed the LAN card is allowed to operate at. The choices are: 100 Mbs, 10 Mbs (for slower networks) or Auto select.

VXI Discovery: This is a protocol which allows the network server to detect what instruments are connected to the LAN. It may be disabled for security reasons.

Auto-MDIX: This service is always enabled in the power supply. The power supply LAN connection will always detect a patch or cross-over cable.

Multicast DNS: mDNS is a protocol, which allows devices on a network to advertise and use hostname addressing even if no DNS server is connected.

This service may be disabled for security reasons or just to reduce network traffic.

Apply: Click this button to save the new settings. A pop-up box will ask you to close or refresh the page. Your 'admin' log-in will be logged-out.

Close: Click this button to return to the LAN Advanced Page shown above.

6.6.4. LAN → Users Page

This page allows you to create password protection for the web pages. There is *no* password protection for automation programming with VISA or sockets (see section 7 and section 9).

By default, the "*old password*" is blank. The new password has to be 6~16 characters long. The allowed characters are a ~ z, A ~ Z and 0 ~ 9. The password *is* case sensitive.

Reset the password: Once a password is created, it may be removed by performing the "LAN Reset" function from the power supply front panel (see section 5.3) or by LAN reset command.
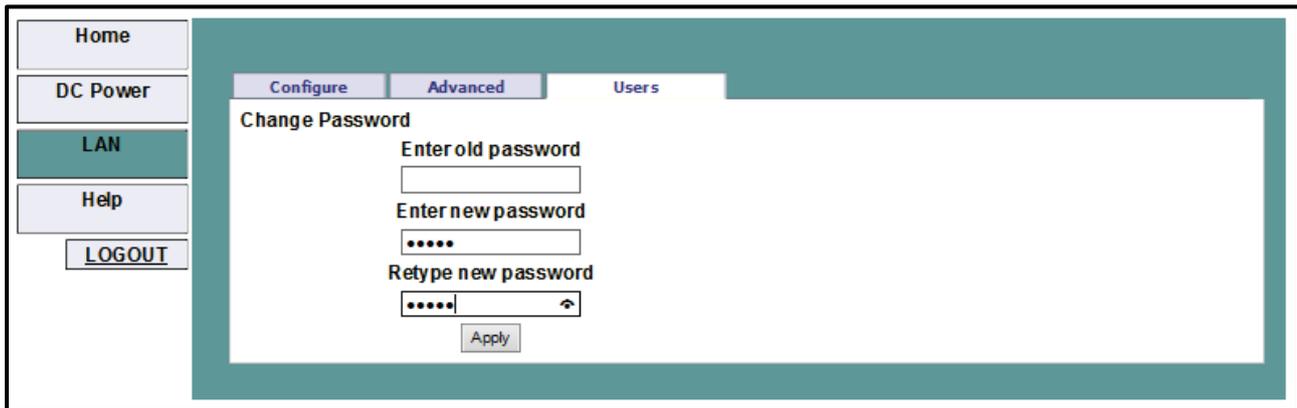
6.7. HELP Page

A Help tab is available. This page is a set of Internet links to TDK-Lambda website pages. Your network administrator or DHCP server must assign the power supply's default gateway (see section 6.6.2) and give privileges to view and download from the internet.

7. PROGRAMMING USING VISA DRIVERS

7.1. VISA Description

In the test and measurement industry, Virtual Instrument Software Architecture (VISA) is a popular framework that includes hardware drivers, configuration utilities and connection managers. A variety of communication busses are supported. VISA drivers are available from several instrument vendors.

Any programming language that supports Windows COM or DLL libraries can call the VISA functions. VISA drivers may be downloaded for Windows, Linux and MAC OS. Some licensing issues may apply.

Remote programming uses a computer's LAN connection to send text commands to the power supply, and to read text responses back. The format of the text messages is called SCPI (see section 11).

7.2. VXI-11 Compatibility

VXI-11 is a protocol that allows communications between a computer port and an instrument. VISA is built upon the VXI-11 specification. The Genesys™ power supply is compatible with the VXI-11 protocols:

- VXI–11 Device_link   Open link to instrument
- VXI–11 Device_write   Write text to the instrument
- VXI–11 Device_read   Read text from an instrument
- VXI–11 Destroy_link   Close link to instrument

7.3. Opening the VISA Connection

Test and automation programs may easily be written if they use the VISA libraries. The supported VISA functions include Open, Read, Write and Close.

A VISA resource descriptor is used to describe a particular supply. For a Genesys™ LAN power supply, the descriptors are found on the supply's Home web page. The VISA resource may use the supply's IP address or hostname.

Example VISA resource descriptors for the Genesys™ power supply with LAN are:

Format: TCPIP[board]::host address[::LAN device name][::INSTR]

[board]	is the LAN card number, zero is optional
[::LAN device name]	is by default "inst0"
[::INSTR]	is optional

Examples: TCPIP::10.225.26.60::inst0::INSTR

TCPIP::169.254.57.10::INSTR

TCPIP1::GEN60-25-470::INSTR

See the sample programs, section 14, for examples

7.4. Communicating Using VISA

The VISA Write function will send SCPI commands to the power supply, the VISA read will read the response returned from a SCPI query.

For programming examples and support, refer to the VISA vendor's web site.

8. *PROGRAMMING USING IVI DRIVERS*

8.1. IVI Description

In the test and measurement industry, the "Interchangeable Virtual Instrument" is a set of specifications which standardize instrument driver technology. IVI is built upon the VISA hardware drivers. IVI has interfaces so almost any programming language can use standard calls to .NET, COM and DLL libraries.

The IVI instrument can be configured with a management utility such as National Instruments Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX) program or the Agilent I/O Libraries. IVI settings may also be made programmatically through optional parameters. These allow several benefits:

- IVI standardizes common functions to reduce the time needed to learn a new IVI instrument. You do not need to learn the Genesys™ power supply's SCPI commands.
- Instrument simulation allows developers to run code without an instrument.
- Automatically perform a status check to verify each power supply setting is acceptable.
- IVI drivers feature a variety of wrappers to allow simple interfacing to a variety of Windows programming environments.
- IVI drivers provide for interchangeability. Interchangeability allows easy swapping of instruments without changing the control program.

8.2. IVI Support

There is a variety of websites, that give additional information on IVI including:

- The IVI Foundation home page has good "Getting Started" tutorials for a variety of programming languages:

    http://www.ivifoundation.org/

- Pacific Mindworks is a leading developer of IVI technology. It offers several white papers on IVI:

    http://www.pacificmindworks.com/

- The "LambdaGenPS" IVI drivers and some "Getting Started" tutorials are available from the TDK-Lambda website:

    http://www.us.tdk-lambda.com/hp/product_html/drivers.htm

9. PROGRAMMING USING SOCKETS

9.1. Socket Description

The VISA (and IVI) drivers for the Genesys™ power supply with LAN are popular in the Test and Measurement world. However, some customers cannot use VISA because of installation or licensing issues or because the controller (i.e.: industrial PLC) does not have support for VISA.

If you cannot use VISA drivers, then the Genesys™ with LAN offers socket connections. These are a lower-level LAN protocol that are universally available in all operating systems and programming environments.

9.2. Communicating Using Sockets

Communicating through sockets involves opening a socket connection and sending SCPI text commands and reading the text responses (see section 11).

The functions that a programming language uses to manage the socket is called the TCP stack. The basic socket calls for any language are: create, connect, send, read, and close. The exact functions depend on the programming language. Some socket examples can be found at the TDK-Lambda website:

http://www.us.tdk-lambda.com/hp/product_html/drivers.htm

There are two types of socket protocols which may be used, TCP and UDP. Each has its own port number, as described below.

9.3. Controller Access: Single and Multiple Clients

The web page has a security setting to limit or enable the types of connections and numbers of control computers (called "clients") that may be connected at one time.

The single or multiple client setting may be viewed on the LAN → Configure → Modify web page. See sections 6.4 and 6.6.2 for instructions on how to log in as the 'admin' and change this setting.

The default after a LAN reset (see section 5.4) is one client only

Controller Access   ○ One client only   ● Multiple clients
         Apply   Close

NOTE

*The performance of the Genesys™ LAN interface is impacted as more web pages, ports and sockets are opened at the same time. It is recommended **no more than three** be open at the same time.*

The rules for the One Client or Multiple Clients are:

LAN Setting →	**One Client Only**	**Multiple Clients**
Web Page **Not logged-in**	Up to 3 web pages may be open at any time. You may view but cannot change the power supply operation.	
Web Page **Log-in as "admin"**	You cannot log in as 'admin' if a VISA or TCP socket port is already open. If you are logged in, any VISA, TCP or UDP connections are blocked.	
VISA Connection or **TCP Socket**	One VISA or TCP socket may be opened, if no web 'admin' is logged in.	Multiple VISA, TCP and UDP sockets may be opened at the same time, if no web page is logged in as 'admin'.
UDP Socket	UDP messages are blocked.	Up to 3 TCP, 3 VISA or 3 UDP connections may be open at a time. These can be mixed up to 3 in total. Additional sessions may impact communication.

9.4. Input Buffer Requirements

With a controller using TCP or UDP sockets, the power supply can receive commands much faster than it can process the commands. To make sure the Genesys™ LAN is not overloaded, it is required that the controller sometimes sends a query and then waits for the response. The response is the acknowledgement from the Genesys™ that it has finished processing all commands.

⚠ **WARNING**
When using sockets, no more than Twenty SCPI commands may be sent before a query must be sent.

This warning is to prevent the *controller* (such as a PLC) from sending commands faster than the power supply can process them.

It is recommended that your controller routinely sends the SYST:ERR? query. This takes less than 15 milliseconds to return the response and it verifies that all commands have been accepted correctly.

9.5. Message Terminators

When you are using a program that sends separate SCPI commands out through a TCP socket, the socket drivers may combine all the messages into one long packet. Therefore, it is necessary to add a terminator character to the end of each SCPI command.

<table>
<tr>
<td align="center">⚠️</td>
<td align="center">WARNING
<i>When using sockets, all SCPI commands must
have a terminator character</i>.</td>
</tr>
</table>
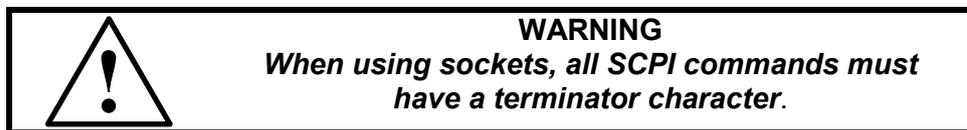
The rules for the message terminator are:

	Terminator Character (and ASCII hex)

Commands
  from the Controller
	One or more terminators required:
	  Line-feed, Carriage-return or Semicolon
	  0x0A 0x0D 0x3B

Responses
  from the Genesys™ LAN
	All responses have Line-Feed at end.
	      0x0A

9.6. Using TCP Sockets

This is the most popular socket type. It features a managed connection, message acknowledgements, transmission error detection and correction.

Open **TCP socket port 8003** to send SCPI commands.

Responses to queries are sent back automatically with a line-feed terminator appended.

If the web page LAN controller access is set to "Multiple Clients" (see section 6.6.2), then up to three controllers may open TCP sockets to one power supply at the same time.

Instrumentation utilities from the Test and Measurement market support TCP sockets. For example, VISA and IVI allow 'data socket' instruments with a resource name such as: TCPIP::169.254.33.192::8003::SOCKET.

9.7. Using UDP Sockets

This is a simpler socket type with reduced network traffic. It is a 'connectionless' protocol because messages are sent and there is no acknowledgement that they have been received.

Open **UDP socket port 8005** to send SCPI commands.

Responses to queries are sent back automatically with a line-feed terminator appended.

Before opening a UDP socket, it is required to open the web page and set the controller access to "Multiple Clients" (see section 6.6.2), then up to three controllers may open UDP sockets to one power supply at the same time.

10. CONNECTING OVER WAN

To connect over the Wide Area Network (i.e.: the global internet), the following settings must be made in the network server.

10.1. View Web Pages Over WAN

The Genesys™ power supply LAN interface has a server listening in Port 80. The network administrator must obtain and assign a Global IP for the power supply. On the network server, the network administrator also must ensure port 80 is exposed to WAN connectivity.

10.2. Use Sockets Over WAN

The network administrator must obtain and assign a Global IP for the power supply. On the network server, the network administrator also must ensure port 8003 (for TCP sockets) or port 8005 (for UDP sockets) are exposed to WAN connectivity.

11. SCPI COMMAND REFERENCE

11.1. Command Syntax

11.1.1. General SCPI Rules

Terminator: For VISA, no terminator is required. For TCP or UDP sockets, a terminator is recommended.
Acceptable terminators are line-feed, carriage-return, or semi-colon.

Characters: commands are made of printable letters, numbers, spaces and some punctuation. Letters may be capital or small; commands are not case-sensitive.

Spaces: there must be *no* spaces within the command. There *must* be a space between a command and its parameter (or setting).

Abbreviations: most SCPI words have an abbreviated form. The full word or the full abbreviation must be used, no partial abbreviations are allowed.

Numbers: numbers may have leading and trailing decimal zeroes, up to 12 characters total. The "+" is optional for positive values. The decimal point is optional for whole numbers. Commas for European style decimals are *not* allowed.

Exponential numbers (example: "1.35E+2") are *not* allowed.

Errors: If a command syntax is not correct, or if a setting is not acceptable, then the command is ignored. To check if the command is accepted, it is necessary to read from the SYSTEM:ERROR queue (see section 11.8.1). The Standard Event Status Register also has a bit to indicate command errors (*ESR, see section 11.8.8).

Command Queries: almost every command has a query form to read back the command's last setting. The query form replaces the command's parameter with a question mark. No space is allowed between the command and the "?". For example, if the command "VOLT 23" is sent, the query form "VOLT?" will respond with "23".

Multiple Commands in One Line: Several commands may be sent as one line if they are separated by a semi-colon. These are also called concatenated commands. If one of the commands returns an error, the subsequent commands will execute, if possible. Do not put two queries in one concatenated command because the response from first query cannot be read back.

11.1.2. Document Syntax

Courier Font		Represent SCPI commands or responses
ABBReviations		Capital letters are required, small letters are optional.
Square Brackets	[ ]	Items in square brackets are optional.
Angle Brackets	< >	Items in angle brackets are command parameters.
Bar	|	Vertical bar means "OR", select one of either item. 1|0|ON|OFF means 1 *or* 0 *or* ON *or* OFF acceptable.
Asterisk commands.	*	Required identifier for IEEE-488.2 common
Whole Numbers	nn	Whole numbers with no decimal point allowed.
Decimals	nn.nn	Decimal numbers with optional decimal point.

11.1.3. Examples of Alternative Forms of SCPI Command

For a command:

[SOURce:]VOLTage:PROTection:LEVel <nn.nn|MAX>

The following are *correct* forms of the same command:
SOURCE:VOLTAGE:PROTECTION:LEVEL MAX (longest form of command)
:VOLTAGE:PROTECTION:LEVEL MAX   (SOURCE and colon are optional)
VOLT:PROTECTION:LEVEL MAX   (Abbreviate VOLTAGE)
VOLT:PROT:LEV MAX   (Shortest form of command)
:volt:prot:lev max   (Small letters acceptable)

The following are *invalid* forms of the command and will cause an error:
CURRENT:PROTECTION:STATE   (missing parameter, MAX or number)
:CURRENT: PROTECTION:STATE MAX   (no spaces in command)
:CURR:PROTEC:STATE ON   (PROTEC is not complete abbreviation)

11.2. Configuring the Output

11.2.1. Set the Voltage Limit

This command sets the voltage limit. When the power supply is running in constant-voltage mode, this will be its output voltage.

The voltage limit, rounded to four digits, may be viewed on the supply front panel by pressing and releasing the PREView button.

Syntax: [SOURce:]VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate][:AMPLitude] <nn.nn>

Parameter: <nn.nn> is volts, the acceptable range is: from 5% more than the under-voltage (UVL) setting to 5% less than the over-voltage protection (OVP) setting.

Examples: VOLT 18.5
:VOLT 18.5

Query: VOLT? will return 18.5 in the example (this may be different than the actual output voltage).

Errors: SYSTEM:ERROR? may return errors including:
-222, "Data out of range"
+301, "PV above OVP"
+302, "PV below UVL"

11.2.2. Set the Current Limit

This command sets the current limit. When the power supply is running in constant-current mode, this will be its output current.

The current limit, rounded to four digits, may be viewed on the supply front panel by pressing and releasing the PREView button.

Syntax: [SOURce:]CURRent[:LEVel][:IMMediate][:AMPLitude]
            <nn.nn>

Parameter: <nn.nn> is amps, from zero to 5% more than the current rating

Examples: CURR 172.75
            :CURR 172.75

Query: CURR? will return 172.75 in example (this may be different than the actual output current)

Errors: SYSTEM:ERROR? may return errors including:
            222, "Data out of range"

11.2.3. Set the Output ON or OFF

This command turns the power supply output on or off.

The output on command may not work as expected. The latching power supply faults, including AC fault, over-temperature, J1-Enable and J1-Shut Off, will prevent turning the output on until the fault clears. For non-latching faults, including over-voltage and current fold-back, turning the output on will clear the fault

Syntax: OUTPut:STATe <0|1|OFF|ON>

Parameter: 0 or OFF will set the power supply output to OFF
            1 or ON will set the power supply output to ON, if it is able to

Example: OUTP:STAT 1 (or OUTP:STAT ON)

Query: OUTP:STAT? will return ON in the example, otherwise OFF

Errors: SYSTEM:ERROR? may return errors including:
            +307, "On during fault"

11.3.   Measuring the Output

11.3.1. Measure the Output Voltage

This returns the measured voltage at the output terminals (or remote sense point)

Syntax: MEASure:VOLTage?

Example: MEAS:VOLT? may return 02.006

Response: Volts as a 5-digit number, which is one decimal place more than the power supply's front panel voltmeter

11.3.2. Measure the Output Current

This query returns the measured current at the output terminals

Syntax: MEASure:CURRent?

Example: MEAS:CURR? may return 009.48

Response: Amps as a 5-digit number, which is one decimal place more than the power supply's front panel ammeter

11.4. Operating Modes

11.4.1. Read CV or CC Modes

The power supply may operate in the constant-voltage or constant-current mode. The mode is selected automatically depending on the voltage limit, current limit and load settings. The mode is not defined when the supply's output is off

The CV or CC mode is shown on the supply front panel LEDs above the encoders

Syntax: SOURce:MODe?

Example: SOUR:MOD?

Responses: CV   when in constant-voltage mode
                   CC   when in constant-current mode
                   OFF when the output is off

11.4.2. Setting Local or Remote Modes

This command changes the power supply operation to local, remote or local-lockout. The parameter may be a number or text as described below.

While the power supply is in local mode, the LAN communication may be used to measure the power supply outputs and statuses. However, as soon as one LAN command is used to change the supply output, the supply will automatically go into remote mode.

See section 3.2 for further discussion of the local and remote modes.

Syntax: SYSTem:SET <0|1|2|LOC|REM|LLO>

Parameter:

Mode	Numeric Setting	Text Setting	Mode Description
Local	0	LOC	Operate supply from front panel. Measurements may be made remotely
Remote	1	REM	Operate supply from LAN port. Measurements may be made on front panel
Local Lockout	2	LLO	Same as Remote, but front-panel "Go to Local" button is disabled

Example: SYST:SET 2   (or SYST:SET LLO)

Query: SYST:SET? will return LLO in example

11.4.3. Set Auto-Restart or Safe-Start Modes

This command sets the way the power supply will power-up when the AC is switched on. It also affects how the supply recovers when latching faults are cleared

Latching faults include: AC fault, over-temperature, J1-Enable and J1-Shut Off. The auto-restart mode changes the response of the power supply when, for example, the AC power recovers from a momentary drop-out or the J1-Enable signal is restored to normal

The start mode may be viewed on the supply front panel by pressing and holding the OUT button (while in local mode). When the AC is first switched on, the power supply output may be forced off, even with the auto-start enabled, by pressing and holding the OUT button during the power-up sequence

This command is in addition to SCPI requirements

Syntax: OUTPut:PON <0|1|OFF|ON>

Parameter:

Mode	Numeric Setting	Text Setting	Mode Description
Safe-Start	0	OFF	Supply will power-up with the output *off* but it keeps all other last power-down settings. If all faults clear, output will stay off but it keeps all other settings made before the fault occurred
Auto-Restart	1	ON	Supply will power-up with the output *on* at the last power-down settings. If all faults clear, output will automatically turn back on to the last settings before the fault occurred

Example: OUTP:PON 1   (or OUTP:PON ON)

Query: OUTP:PON? will return ON in the example

11.5. Output Protection

11.5.1. Set Over-Voltage Protection

This command sets the over-voltage protection level. If the power supply output exceeds this voltage at its output (or at a remote sense point), then the output will immediately turn off, the supply front panel will show "OUP" and the Questionable Condition register bit 4 will be set high.

The voltage limit setting, made by the front panel encoder or the :VOLT command (in section 11.2.1), is restricted to 95% of the OVP setting. Likewise, the OVP setting cannot be made lower than 105% of the voltage limit setting. The over-voltage protection may *not* be disabled.

The OVP setting may be viewed on the supply front panel by pressing and releasing the OVP/UVL button. This fault is cleared by turning the output on again.

Syntax: [SOURce:]VOLTage:PROTection:LEVel <nn.nn|MAX>

Parameter: nn.nn   will set the OVP to a value in volts
            MAX   will set the OVP to the maximum value, typically 10% above the power supply's voltage rating

Examples: VOLT:PROT:LEV 70
            :VOLT:PROT:LEV MAX

Query: VOLT:PROT:LEV? will return 70 in the example

Errors: SYSTEM:ERROR? may return errors including:
+304,"OVP below PV"
-222,"Data out of range"

11.5.2. Read Over-Voltage Tripped

This query reports if an over-voltage protection fault has occurred. If a fault has occurred, it may be cleared by turning the power supply output on again (see the OUTP:STAT ON command, section 11.2.3)

Syntax: [SOURce:]VOLTage:PROTection:TRIPped?

Example: VOLT:PROT:TRIP?

Responses: 0   when no OVP fault is active
1   when supply is shut-down because of an OVP fault

11.5.3. Set Under-Voltage Limit

The under-voltage limit keeps the voltage setting from being less than a certain value. If the actual power supply output (or remote sense point) drops below the UVL, no fault is reported. (you may use the foldback protection to report a fault when this occurs, see section 11.5.5)

The voltage limit setting, made by the front panel encoder or the VOLT command (in section 11.2.1), must always be higher than 105% of the UVL setting. Likewise, the UVL setting cannot be made higher than 95% of the voltage setting.

The UVL setting may be viewed on the supply front panel by pressing and releasing the OVP/UVL button twice.

Syntax: [SOURce:]VOLTage:LIMit:LOW <nn.nn>

Parameter: nn.nn   will set the UVL to a value in volts. Range is zero to 95% of the present voltage setting

Example: VOLT:LIM:LOW 5.100

Query: VOLT:LIM:LOW? will return 5.100 in the example

Errors: SYSTEM:ERROR? may return errors including:
+302,"PV below UVL"
+306,"UVL above PV"
-222,"Data out of range"

11.5.4. Set Foldback Protection

This command enables or disables the foldback protection. When the FB protection is enabled, if the power supply goes into constant-current (CC) mode for about a ½ second, then the output will turn off, the front panel will show "Fb" and the Questionable Condition register bit 3 will be set high.

This protection is normally used to prevent a hazard condition if the output load goes into a short-circuit. For applications where the power supply is normally operating in CC mode, such as driving electro-magnets, the FB protection cannot be used.

The FB setting is seen on the supply's front panel FOLD LED. A foldback fault is cleared by turning the power supply output on again.

Syntax:　　　[SOURce:]CURRent:PROTection:STATe <0|1|OFF|ON>

Parameter:　0 or OFF will turn the foldback protection OFF
　　　　　　　1 or ON will turn the foldback protection ON

Example:　　CURR:PROT:STAT 1 (or CURR:PROT:STAT ON)

Query:　　　CURR:PROT:STAT? will return ON in the example, otherwise OFF

11.5.5. Read Foldback Tripped

This query reports if a foldback protection fault has occurred. If a fault has occurred, it may be cleared by turning the power supply output on again (see the OUTP:STAT ON command, section 11.2.3)

Syntax:　　　[SOURce:]CURRent:PROTection:TRIPped?

Example:　　CURR:PROT:TRIP?

Responses:　0　when no FB fault is active
　　　　　　　1　when supply is shut-down because of a FB fault

11.6.　LAN Specific Commands

11.6.1. Blinking the Identify LED

When communicating to a stack of Genesys™ power supplies, it may be difficult to know which supply is selected for communicating. The LAN computer may send a command to cause the selected supply's front panel displays to blink on and off. Also, the LAN LED on the rear panel will blink. In a multi-drop chain of supplies (see section 12), only the LAN supply will blink.

If blinking is turned on, then it may be turned off by sending the OFF command or by changing any front panel control.

Syntax:　　　SYSTem:COMMunicate:LAN:IDLED <0|1|OFF|ON>

Example:　　SYST:COMM:LAN:IDLED ON

Query:　　　There is no query to read if flashing is turned on.

11.6.2. Read the Hostname

The hostname (see section 4.5) may be read with this query.

Syntax: SYSTem:COMMunicate:LAN:HOST?

Example: SYST:COMM:LAN:HOST?

Response: The hostname string, up to 15 characters long.
            Example: GEN500A-339 is a typical factory hostname.

11.6.3. Read the IP Address

The IP address (see section 4.4) may be read with this query.

Syntax: SYSTem:COMMunicate:LAN:IP?

Example: SYST:COMM:LAN:IP?

Response: The IP address string, up to 15 characters long.
            Example: 192.168.37.219 is a typical IP address

11.6.4. Read the MAC Address

The MAC address may be read with this query.

Syntax: SYSTem:COMMunicate:LAN:MAC?

Example: SYST:COMM:LAN:MAC?

Response: The MAC address string, 17 characters long.
            Example: 00:19:f9:01:24:3b is a typical MAC address

11.6.5. Reset the Hostname and Description

The factory default hostname and description (which is also the DNS service name) may be reset to factory defaults by entering blanks into the LAN → Configure web page (see section 6.6.2) or by sending this SCPI command:

This command will close any open ports and LAN communication will be lost.

Syntax: DIAGnostic:COMMunicate:LAN:FACtory

Example: DIAG:COMM:LAN:FAC

> **Note**
>
> *AC-Recycle is required after restoring the*
> *factory default hostname*

11.6.6. Reset the LAN Settings

> ⚠ **WARNING**
> *Sending this command will disable the*
> *LAN connection to the power supply.*

This command will reset the LAN settings to the factory default state. The effect of this includes closing any open ports and getting the address through DHCP. Therefore, LAN communication will be lost, your ports will have to be re-opened. The reset will *not* restore the factory default hostname and description (see section 11.6.5 above). See section 5.4 for a description of the LAN reset condition.

Syntax: SYSTem:COMMunicate:LAN:RESet

Example: SYST:COMM:LAN:RES

11.6.7. Serial Command Pass-Through

The Genesys™ power supply RS-232/485 (serial) command set has functions that cannot be implemented by the LAN SCPI command set. The serial command pass-through allows any serial command to be sent through the LAN SCPI port.

The response message from a pass-through command is the same response as seen over the serial port. Unlike the SCPI commands, all pass-through commands return a response message (typically "OK").

Refer to the Genesys™ Technical Manual for a description of the RS-232 & RS-485 remote control command set.

When using a socket connection, you may *not* use a semi-colon terminator or add space characters after the command.

Syntax:	DIAGnostic:COMMunicate:PASSthrough <string>
Parameter:	<string> is any RS-232/485 command or query (no quotes are used to enclose the string)
Example #1:	DIAG:COMM:PASS PV 25 will program the voltage limit to 25 volts
Response #1:	OK will be returned by the above command (or an error such as E01 may be returned)
Example #2:	DIAG:COMM:PASS MV? will measure the output voltage
Response #2:	24.923 is a sample response to the above query

11.7. Common Commands

Common commands were first defined in the IEEE-488.2 standard, which is the predecessor of the SCPI standard. They are not specific to power supplies. They are common commands which are useful for any remote communication

Many common commands refer to bit-mapped registers in which setting bits to "1" or "0" indicates an operating mode or fault condition. These are described in the Error and Status section 11.8 below

11.7.1. Identity Query

This is a request for the power supply to identify itself. It is used by the remote computer to verify the correct instrument is being communicated to and to determine the model ratings of the power supply.

Syntax: *IDN?

Response: Four fields separated by commas:
            Field 1:   Manufacturer name
                            Example: LAMBDA
            Field 2:   Model name, GEN<Voltage rating>–<Current rating>
                            Example: GEN100-15
            Field 3:   Serial number, typically 8 or 9 alpha-numeric
characters
                            Example: S/N:17D9734B
            Field 4:   Revisions, <Main firmware>–<LAN firmware>
                            Example: 1U1K:5.1.2-LAN:3.1.2.3

Example Response:
LAMBDA,GEN100-15,S/N:17D9734B,1U1K:5.1.2-LAN:3.1.2.3

11.7.2. Reset the Power Supply

This command will reset all settings in the power supply to a known, safe state. This includes setting the programming limits to zero, output off, and auto-restart off. Other protections are disabled. Sending *RST is the same as sending *all* nine of the following commands:

VOLT 0	CURR 0	*CLS
OUTP:STAT OFF	SYST:SET REM	
OUTP:PON OFF	CURR:PROT:STAT OFF	
VOLT:LIM:LOW 0	VOLT:PROT:LEV MAX	

This has no effect on the LAN configuration or connection settings.

Syntax: *RST

11.7.3. Save All Settings

This saves the present power supply settings. This is used along with the *RCL 0 command (in section 11.7.4) which allows you to bring the power supply back to some setup configuration with only one command

When the supply is powered-down, the *SAV 0 settings are over-written by the power-down settings

Syntax: *SAV 0

11.7.4. Recall All Settings

This recalls the last saved power supply settings. These may be from the last *SAV 0 command (in section 11.7.3) or, if no *SAV 0 has been sent, the last settings restored at power-up.

The recall command will change the following settings with only one command, where <last> are the last settings from *SAV 0 or from power-up.

VOLT <last>	CURR <last>
OUTP:STAT <last>	SYST:SET <last>
OUTP:PON <last>	CURR:PROT:STAT <last>
VOLT:LIM:LOW <last>	VOLT:PROT:LEV <last>

The status and event registers are not affected by the recall command

Syntax: *RCL 0

11.7.5. Self-Test

This is query to launch a simple self-test. It verifies the basic connections between the LAN microcontroller and the control board microcontroller. The self-test result (pass or fail) is read from the message queue.

If the self-test failed and it returns 1, contact TDK-Lambda Americas Inc. Customer Service for further instructions.

Syntax: *TST?

Responses: 0   when the self-test passed
           1   when the self-test failed

11.8. Error and Status Commands

Any program that operates a remote power supply should routinely verify that the supply is accepting commands as expected. There is always a chance that the program sent a command incorrectly, the supply is set so a command cannot be carried out, or a fault condition has shut down the supply. A reliable program will check for these errors.

There are three methods for checking the Genesys™ power supply status:

- **IEEE-488.2 Registers:** These are a few simple registers in which a bit is set because of a command error or instrument fault condition. The registers are read, set and cleared using the Common Commands (these start with an asterisk).

- **SCPI Registers:** These are an extension of the IEEE-488.2 registers. SCPI adds registers which describe exactly what fault conditions occur in the power supply. It also adds status registers that report operating modes during normal operation.

- **SYSTEM:ERROR Queue:** This is a message-based error and status reporting system where the status and error conditions are expressed in readable text. This is the preferred method to verify commands are accepted.

11.8.1. Read System Error

This is query to read error messages from the power supply. It is recommended that after any command is sent over the LAN, the SYSTEM:ERROR should be read to verify the command is accepted. The SYSTEM:ERROR queue can also be set to report faults which have shut-down the supply's output.

The SYSTEM:ERROR is a queue, or stack, that holds the last ten messages. The first error message entered is the first one read. It is a good idea to read the SYSTEM:ERROR queue regularly. When a faulty command is sent and the SYSTEM:ERROR is read, the error message could relate to an earlier command.

The SYSTEM:ERROR queue may be cleared by:

− Sending the *CLS command (this also clears other registers)
− Sending the SYSTEM:ERROR:ENABLE command
− Reading the errors until the response is 0,"No error"

11.8.2. Read Power Supply Shut-Down Faults

Power supply shut-down faults will be reported by the SYSTEM:ERROR queue if the STAT:QUES:ENAB 255 command is first sent (or a value other than 255, see section 11.8.6 for bit descriptions).

If a fault is reported, then check for other faults by sending SYSTEM:ERROR? until the response is 0,"No error"

Then, the event registers must be cleared by sending STAT:QUES? or *CLS. This must be done before any more shut-down faults are reported by SYSTEM:ERROR?

For a multi-drop chain of supplies, these commands must be send to each supply individually (see the INSTRUMENT:SELECT command in section 12.4.1).

See Section 13 for a complete list of SYSTEM:ERROR messages

Syntax: SYSTem:ERRor?

Example: SYST:ERR?

Response: <error number>,"<error description>;<serial address>"

<error number> is a value from –350 to +399
-Negative values are errors. The command was *not* understood or it could *never* be executed by the power supply.
-Positive values are warnings. The command was understood but it could not be executed at this time, or a fault has shut-down the output.

<error description> is brief description of the error.

<serial address> is the address of the reporting power supply.
It is the supply's RS-485 address set using the front panel
(see section 12.2.2).

The address will be "99" if multiple RS-485 supplies report the same fault condition.

Examples: 0,"No error"   (this response has no serial address)

-222,"Data out of range;address 06"

+321,"AC fault shutdown;address 02"

11.8.3. Enable System Error

This command clears any error messages from the SYSTEM:ERROR queue.
No other status registers are affected.

For the LAN option, the SYSTEM:ERROR messages are automatically enabled at power-up.

Syntax: SYSTem:ERRor:ENABle

Example: SYST:ERR:ENAB

Query: This command has no query form

11.8.4. Read SCPI Version

This query returns the SCPI version that the Genesys™ power supply is compatible with.

Syntax: SYSTem:VERSion?

Example: SYST:VERS?

Response: <SCPI version>

Example: 1999.0

USING THE ERROR AND STATUS REGISTERS

The SCPI error and status registers report many conditions, statuses and events into short numeric codes. Momentary events may be latched so the remote computer can read about them at a later time. A "fan out" architecture is used to summarize all the data into one Status Byte register.

NOTE

The Genesys™ power supply, with the LAN option, does *not* support the service request event defined in the Status Byte register, bit 6.

There are three types of registers. Data, as in a bit is set high or low, flows top to bottom in the following list. See Figure 7 for the diagram.

Condition Registers: contain bits that are set when a condition or error occurs. The bits are only cleared when the condition or error is cleared. The contents may be read but not changed.

Enable Registers: individual bits may be set to allow the status and errors to be latched for reading even after the status or error condition has cleared. The power-up default is all zeroes, that is, no latching occurs.

Event Registers: bits that are set when an event or error occurs. The bits are cleared when the contents of the register are read or when a clear status command is sent.

11.8.5. Clear Status

This command resets the error, status and message registers in the LAN board. No power supply settings are changed.

The *CLS command will:

– Erase any response message in the output queue
– Erase any errors in the SYSTEM:ERROR queue
– Reset all event registers to zeroes
– Will *not* change any Enable or Condition register bits

Syntax: *CLS

Query: This command has no query form
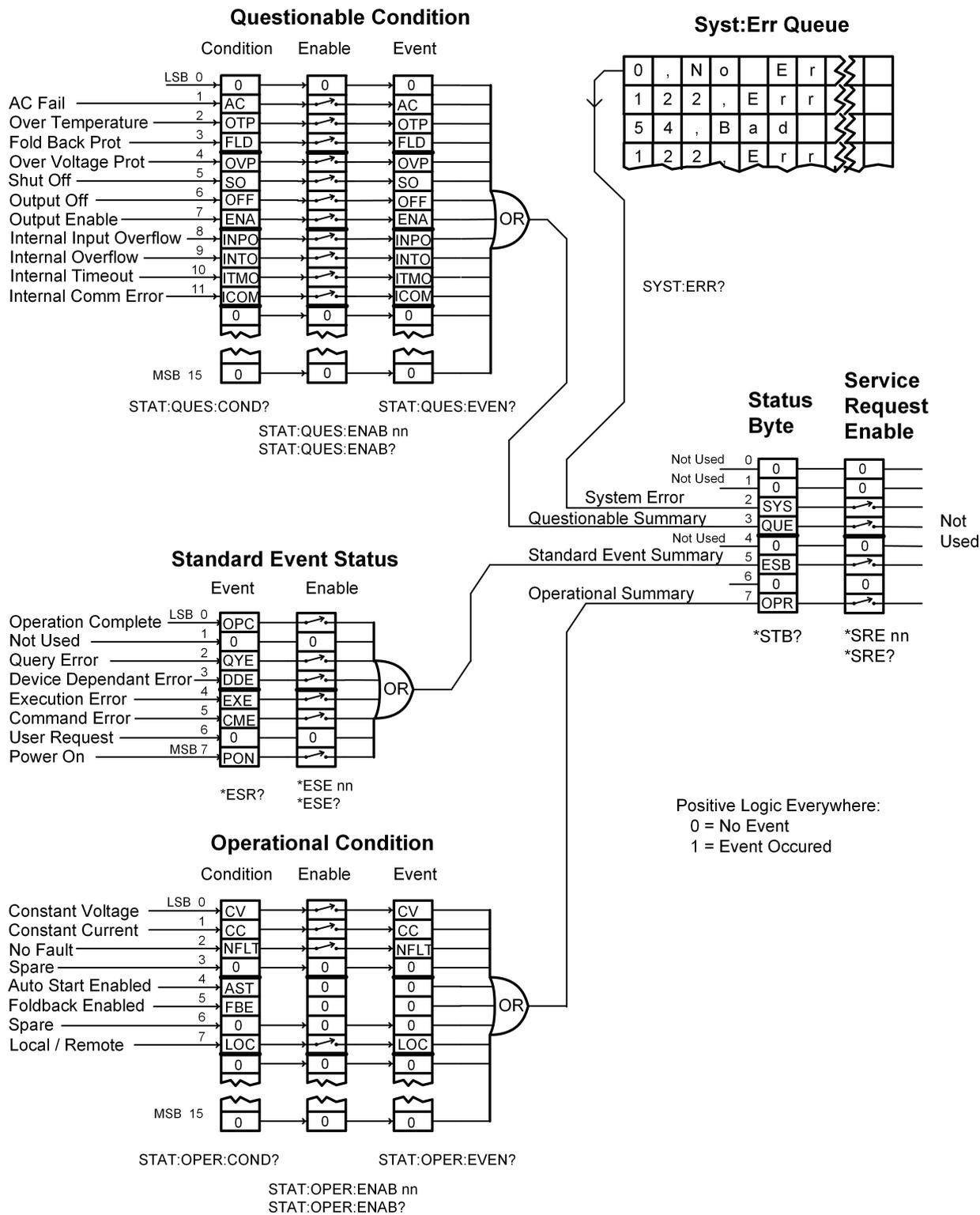
THE IEEE-488.2 ERROR AND STATUS REGISTERS

Questionable Condition

	Condition	Enable	Event
LSB 0	0	0	0
AC Fail — 1	AC	→	AC
Over Temperature — 2	OTP	→	OTP
Fold Back Prot — 3	FLD	→	FLD
Over Voltage Prot — 4	OVP	→	OVP
Shut Off — 5	SO	→	SO
Output Off — 6	OFF	→	OFF
Output Enable — 7	ENA	→	ENA
Internal Input Overflow — 8	INPO	→	INPO
Internal Overflow — 9	INTO	→	INTO
Internal Timeout — 10	ITMO	→	ITMO
Internal Comm Error — 11	ICOM	→	ICOM
	0	0	0
MSB 15	0	0	0

STAT:QUES:COND?   STAT:QUES:EVEN?

STAT:QUES:ENAB nn
STAT:QUES:ENAB?

Syst:Err Queue

0	,	N	o		E	r
1	2	2	,	E	r	r
5	4	,	B	a	d	
1	2	2	,	E	r	r

SYST:ERR?

Standard Event Status

	Event	Enable
Operation Complete — LSB 0	OPC	→
Not Used — 1	0	0
Query Error — 2	QYE	→
Device Dependant Error — 3	DDE	→
Execution Error — 4	EXE	→
Command Error — 5	CME	→
User Request — 6	0	0
Power On — MSB 7	PON	→

*ESR?   *ESE nn
               *ESE?

Status Byte / Service Request Enable

		Status Byte	Service Request Enable
Not Used	0	0	0
Not Used	1	0	0
System Error	2	SYS	→
Questionable Summary	3	QUE	→
Not Used	4	0	0
Standard Event Summary	5	ESB	→
	6	0	0
Operational Summary	7	OPR	→

Not Used

*STB?   *SRE nn
               *SRE?

Positive Logic Everywhere:
  0 = No Event
  1 = Event Occured

Operational Condition

	Condition	Enable	Event
Constant Voltage — LSB 0	CV	→	CV
Constant Current — 1	CC	→	CC
No Fault — 2	NFLT	→	NFLT
Spare — 3	0	0	0
Auto Start Enabled — 4	AST	0	0
Foldback Enabled — 5	FBE	0	0
Spare — 6	0	0	0
Local / Remote — 7	LOC	→	LOC
	0	0	0
MSB 15	0	0	0

STAT:OPER:COND?   STAT:OPER:EVEN?

STAT:OPER:ENAB nn
STAT:OPER:ENAB?

Figure 7. Error and Status Registers

11.8.6. Read the Status Byte Register

The Status Byte register is a summary of all events that have been enabled. Figure 7 shows the commands that are used to enable events. The Status Byte is a condition register, that is, reading it will *not* clear the contents. To clear the Status Byte register, the connected event registers must be read or cleared.

These are the bit assignments of the Status Byte:

BIT	VALUE	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
0	1	0	Not Used
1	2	0	Not Used
2	4	SYS	System Error, at least one error in error queue
3	8	QUE	Questionable Summary
4	16	0	Not Used
5	32	ESB	Standard Event Summary
6	64	0	Not Used
7	128	OPR	Operational Summary

Syntax: *STB?

Response: <nnn>, a number from 0 to 255

Example: 12(a supply fault had occurred and there is an error which may be read using the SYSTEM:ERROR? query)

11.8.7. Set the Service Request Enable Register

The IEEE-488.2 specification defines this register so instruments may generate a service request when selected events occur.

The Genesys™ power supply LAN option does *not* support the service request feature, so the *SRE command has no effect.

Syntax: *SRE <nnn>

Parameter: <nnn>   is a number from 0 to 255. The bit assignments are the same as the Status Byte, in the table above

Example: *SRE 255   will cause Status Byte bits 2, 3, 5 and 7 to be set

Query: *SRE?   will return 172 in the example
(bits 0,1,4 and 6 are not settable in the *SRE register)

11.8.8. Read the Standard Event Status Event Register

This is a basic status and fault register, which was first defined in IEEE-488.2. It is an event register, which means bits are set to "1" when a condition occurs and they are not cleared until the register value is read using the *ESR? query or the *CLS command

These are the bit assignments of the ESR register:

BIT	VALUE	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
0	1	OPC	Operation complete. See section 11.8.10
1	2	0	Not used
2	4	QYE	Query error (response not read)
3	8	DDE	Device dependant error (fault shut-down)
4	16	EXE	Execution error (could not execute command)
5	32	CME	Command error (invalid command received)
6	64	0	Not used
7	128	PON	Power On. Set once when power is switched on.

Syntax: *ESR?

Response: \<nnn> (a number from 0 to 255).

Example: 32 (an illegal command was received).

11.8.9. Set the Standard Event Status Enable Register

When one or more bits in the Standard Event Status Event Register (*ESR, see above) are set, a bit can be set in the Status Byte (*STB, see section 11.8.6). This is done by setting bits in the enable register.

Syntax: *ESE \<nnn>

Parameter: \<nnn>   is a number from 0 to 255. The bit assignments are the same as the *ESR, in the table above.

Example: *ESE 60   will cause bit 5 in the Status Byte to be set if there is a query error, fault shut-down, execution error or a command error.

Query: *ESE?   will return 60 in the example.

11.8.10. Enable the Operation Complete

This command will cause bit 0 of the Standard Event Status Register to go to 1 when all pending commands are completed. Because of the Genesys™ power supply architecture, this bit will go to 1 when the *OPC is received, even if the output is in transition because of a prior command.

Syntax: *OPC

11.8.11. Read the Operation Complete

This query will read back if all pending operations are completed. This query will always return 1, even if the DC output is in transition because of a prior command.

Syntax: *OPC?

11.8.12. Read the Operational Condition - Condition Register

This register reports several operating modes and settings of the power supply. Although separate SCPI commands may also report this information, the register is beneficial because it may allow any brief mode change to be latched into an event register for later reading.

This is a conditional register. The bits are set to "1" when the mode occurs and cleared when the mode turns off. The values are read-only.

These are the bit assignments of the Operational Condition - Condition Register:

BIT	VALUE	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
0	1	CV	"1" = constant voltage operation
1	2	CC	"1" = constant current operation
2	4	NFLT	"1" = No fault, is set when all faults cleared
3	8	0	Not used
4	16	AST	"1" = Auto start is enabled
5	32	FBE	"1" = Foldback protection is enabled
6	64	0	Not used
7	128	LOC	"1" = Local mode, "0" = Remote mode
8 to 15	0	0	Not used

Syntax: STATus:OPERation:CONDition?

Example: STAT:OPER:COND?

Response: <nnnnn> (a number from 00000 to 00255).

Example: 00128 (local mode and output off (CV and CC both zero)).

11.8.13. Set the Operational Condition Enable Register

When one or more bits in the Operational Condition - Condition Register (see 11.8.12 above) are set, a bit can be set in the Status Byte (*STB,see section 11.8.6). This is done by setting bits in the enable register. Changing the value of the enable register has no effect on the value in the condition register.

Syntax: STATus:OPERation:ENABle <nn>

Parameter: <nnn> (a number from 0 to 255). The bit assignments are the same as the table above.

Example: STAT:OPER:ENAB 1 will cause bit 7 in the Status Byte to be set if the supply goes into constant-voltage mode

Query: STAT:OPER:ENAB? will return 1 in the example
                                              will return 135 when all bits are set to 1.

11.8.14. Read the Operational Condition Event Register

This is a settings and modes event register, which means bits are set to "1" when a condition occurs and they are not cleared until the register value is read or the *CLS command is sent. For the condition to be latched as an event, the event bit must be enabled as described in section 11.8.13 above.

The bit assignments are the same as the Operational Condition Condition Register, described in section 11.8.12 above.

Syntax: STATus:OPERation[:EVENt]?

Example: STAT:OPER?

Response: <nnn> (a number from 0 to 255).

Example: 2 (the supply went into constant current mode)

11.8.15. Read the Questionable Condition Condition Register

This register reports fault conditions which will cause the power supply output to turn off. The faults include:

− User settable faults (enable, shut-down, over-voltage, fold-back, output off).
− Environmental faults (over-temperature, AC fail).
− Internal firmware faults (four faults).

This is a conditional register. The bits are set to "1" when the fault occurs and cleared when the fault is cleared. The values are read-only. See the Genesys™ Technical Manual for more details on faults.

These are the bit assignments of the Questionable Condition Condition Register:

BIT	VALUE	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
0	1	0	Not used
1	2	AC	AC Fail fault
2	4	OTP	Over-temperature fault
3	8	FLD	Fold-back protection fault
4	16	OVP	Over-voltage protection fault
5	32	SO	Shut-off fault, using the "J1" analog input
6	64	OFF	Output Off, using the front panel button
7	128	ENA	Output Enable fault, using the "J1" analog input
8	256	INPO	Internal Input Overflow
9	512	INTO	Internal Overflow
10	1024	ITMO	Internal Time Out
11	2048	ICOM	Internal Comm Error
12 to 15	N/A	0	Not used

Syntax: STATus :QUEStionable :CONDition ?

Example: STAT :QUES :COND ?

Response: <nnn> (a number from 0 to 4095).

Example: 64 (operator turned the output off using the front panel OUT button).

11.8.16. Set the Questionable Condition Enable Register

When one or more bits in the Questionable Condition Condition Register (see section 11.8.15 above) are set, a bit can be set in the Status Byte (*STB,see

section 11.8.6). This is done by setting bits in the enable register. Changing the value of the enable register has no affect on the value in the condition register

Syntax: STATus:QUEStionable:ENABle <nn>

Parameter: <nnn> (a number from 0 to 4095). The bit assignments are the same as the table above

Example: STAT:QUES:ENAB 4095 will cause bit 3 in the Status Byte to be set if the supply shuts down for any fault

Query: STAT:QUES:ENAB? will return 4094 in the example

11.8.17. Read the Questionable Condition Event Register

This is a fault event register, which means bits are set to "1" as faults occur and they are not cleared until the register value is read or the *CLS command is sent. For the fault to be latched as an event, the event bit must be enabled as described in section 11.8.16.

The bit assignments are the same as the Questionable Condition Condition Register, described in section 11.8.15 above.

Syntax: STATus:QUEStionable[:EVENt]?

Example: STAT:QUES?

Response: <nnn>, (a number from 0000 to 04095).

Example: 00010 (the supply went into fold-back fault and then the AC voltage dropped).

11.8.18. Enable All the Event Registers

This command that will enable some of the events for the operational (section 11.8.13) and all of the events for the questionable (section 11.8.16) registers.

Sending this command is the same as sending:

- STAT:OPER:ENAB 132 and
- STAT:QUES:ENAB 4095

Syntax: STATus:PRESet

Example: STAT:PRES

Query: This command has no query form

12. RS-485 MULTI-DROP COMMANDS

12.1. Introduction

The Genesys™ power supply LAN option allows you to control up to 29 other supplies which do *not* have the LAN option installed. All are controlled through one IP address from the supply with the LAN option.

This is called the Multi-drop configuration. The Ethernet cable goes to the LAN supply. All the other supplies are connected using a RS-485 Serial Link Cable between the J3-OUT to J3-IN sockets. The multi-drop feature adds the ability to operate all the linked power supplies with one global command.
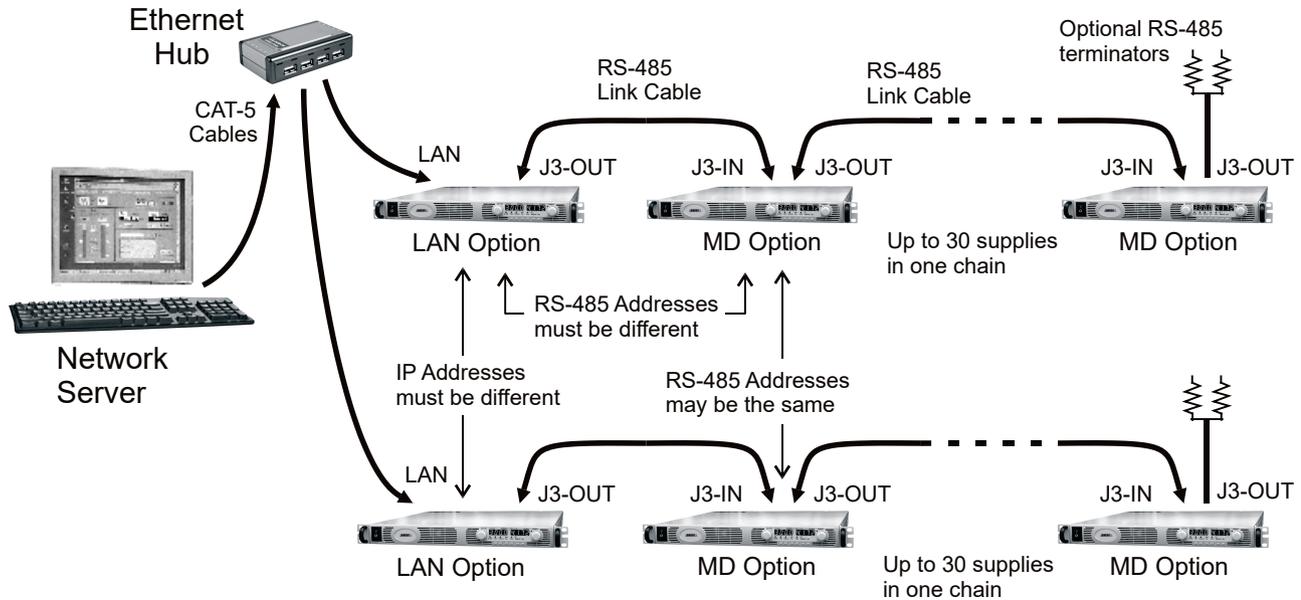

Figure 8. Configuring a Multi-drop System of Supplies

12.2. Configure the LAN Supply

The LAN power supply, at the head of the multi-drop chain, is called the Master supply.

12.2.1. To Set Up the Master Power Supply:

A. Connect the LAN to a computer as described in section 4.
B. Enable the LAN option with it's rear panel switch, see Figure 3.
C. Set the supply's rear-panel switch SW1 bit 6 to DOWN.
D. Connect a RS-485 Link cable from the rear J3-OUT jack to the next supply's J3-IN.
E. Switch AC power on the supply.
F. Set the supply's RS-485 address as described below.

12.2.2. To Set the RS-485 Address:

In addition to the supply's IP address, the multi-drop requires setting an RS-485 address. It is viewed on the front panel of the power supply by setting it to local mode (see section 3.2.1) and pressing and holding the REM/LOC button. The address may then be changed by turning the voltage encoder.

The default RS-485 address is 6. It may be set to any value from 0 to 30. The RS-485 address is not related to the IP address. However, it is required that no other power supply on the multi-drop chain have the same RS-485 address.

12.3. Connect and Configure the RS-485 Supplies

The RS-485 linked power supplies are called the Slave supplies. They may be individually commanded and queried using the LAN port on the Master supply.

12.3.1. To Set Up an RS-485 Chain:

A. If the supply has the LAN option, disable the option by sliding the LAN enable switch to DOWN, see section 3.3.1 and Figure 3

B. Set the supply into RS-485 mode by setting rear-panel SW1 bit 6 to UP

C. Connect the RS-485 Link Cables from the master's J3-OUT to the slave's J3-IN

D. Power-up the supplies

E. Set the supply's RS-485 address as described in section 12.2.2

F. While you are setting the address, it is *required* to also set the BAUD rate to 19.2K by turning the current encoder

12.3.2. Optional RS-485 Terminator

For very long RS-485 cable distances, or if many supplies are chained together, a signal terminator may added to improve signal integrity. The terminator is plugged into the J3-OUT of the last supply in the chain (see diagram above). To make a terminator:

A. Crimp a short cable to a RJ-45 connector (or just use the end of a LAN cable)

B. Use two ¼ watt resistors, recommended value is 120 ohms, and solder them:
    from pin-3 to pin–6   (TXD+ to TXD–)
    from pin-4 to pin–5   (RXD+ to RXD–)

C. Although the RS-485 bus should not be at hazardous voltages, insulate the terminator properly for your application

12.4. Multi-drop Programming Using SCPI Commands

12.4.1. Selecting One Power Supply in a Multi-drop Chain

All the SCPI commands in section 11 may be sent to any one of the supplies in an RS-485 chain by first sending the INST:SEL address command. All commands and queries will then apply only to the selected supply, until a new INST:SEL is sent

At power-up, the LAN master supply is automatically the one selected

After sending INST:SEL, it is recommended that you verify the command by sending INST:SEL? or SYST:ERR?, otherwise the next commands could go to the wrong supply

12.4.2. Global Commands in a Multi-drop Chain

The GLOBAL commands affect all of the chained supplies at the same time, including the LAN supply.

There are differences between a normal SCPI command (in section 11) and a global command. The differences are:

– *There is no SYSTEM:ERROR? response message* (see section 11.8.1) if one or more supplies cannot execute a global command.

– *It is required that the user's application add a 200 millisecond delay* after a global command before sending any other messages. This is because there is no feedback from the multi-drop chain to indicate the command is still being processed.

– *There is no query version of these commands.* Global settings must be queried by selecting one power supply and reading it's setting
– *The error and status registers operate differently.* See section 12.4.10 for details
– The global commands are *not* SCPI compliant

The global commands do not affect which power supply has been selected using the INST:SEL command. For example, if the following commands are sent:

> INST:SEL 4
> :VOLT 50
> GLOB:VOLT 70
> (wait 200 mSec)
> :VOLT 90

then all the supplies on the multi-drop chain will be set to 70 volts except the supply at RS-485 address 4 will be set to 90 volts (after the global command, another INST:SEL was *not* required)

12.4.3. Selecting a Supply

This command will select one power supply in a multi-drop chain. Subsequent commands and queries will operate only on that supply, until a new one is selected. At power-up, the LAN supply is automatically selected

Syntax: INSTrument:nSELect <nn>

Parameter: <nn> is the supply's RS-485 address. It is a number from 0 to 30. See sections 12.2.1 and 12.2.2 for set-up instructions

Example: INST:SEL 6

Query: INST:SEL? will return 06 in the example

Errors: SYSTEM:ERROR? may return errors including:
            -241,"Hardware missing;address nn", where nn is master supply address

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NOTE 1

If a number of power supplies are connected in a multi-drop chain with the web-page open but not logged in, only the master power supply will be seen in the drop-down menu. To select and see the details of the multi-drop chained power supplies, the user has to login as an admin

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NOTE 2

In case a number of copies of the web-page are open and one copy is logged in as an admin, if the user selects any power supply in the drop down menu, the same power supply will be reflected in the other copies of the web-page

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<u>GLOBAL COMMANDS</u>

The following global commands affect all power supplies on a multi-drop chain. See section 12.4.2 for requirements. There is no query version of these commands

12.4.4. Global Set the Voltage Limit

This is the global version of the :VOLT command in section 11.2.1

Syntax: GLOBal:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate][:AMPLitude]<nn.nn>

Parameter: <nn.nn> is volts, the setting applied to all power supplies

Example: GLOB:VOLT 9.45

12.4.5. Global Set the Current Limit

This is the global version of the :CURR command in section 11.2.2

Syntax: GLOBal:CURRent[:LEVel][:IMMediate][:AMPLitude]<nn.nn>

Parameter: <nn.nn> is amps, the setting applied to all power supplies

Example: GLOB:CURR 350

12.4.6. Global Set the Output ON or OFF

This is the global version of the OUTP:STAT command in section 11.2.3

Syntax: GLOBal:OUTPut:STATe <0|1|OFF|ON>

Example: GLOB:OUTP:STAT 1 (or GLOB:OUTP:STAT ON)

12.4.7. Global Reset Power Supplies

This is the global version of the *RST command in section 11.7.2

Syntax: GLOBal:*RST

Example: GLOB:*RST

12.4.8. Global Save All Settings

This is the global version of the *SAV 0 command in section 11.7.3

Syntax: GLOBal:*SAV 0

Example: GLOB:*SAV 0

12.4.9. Global Recall All Settings

This is the global version of the *RCL 0 command in section 11.7.4

Syntax: GLOBal:*RCL 0

Example: GLOB:*RCL 0

12.4.10. Error and Status Registers

The error and status registers described in sections 11.8.6 through 11.8.18 operate somewhat differently in a multi-drop system.

− The Status Byte and Standard Event registers are global. These do not change as different power supplies are selected with INST:SEL
− The Questionable Condition and Operational Condition registers are embedded in the selected supply. These will change as different power supplies are selected with INST:SEL

13. SYSTEM:ERROR? MESSAGES

These are the system error messages which may be returned from the "SYST:ERR?" query.

See section 11.8.1 for a description of this system error queue

ERROR	ERROR MESSAGE	ERROR DESCRIPTION
0	"No error"	No error reported
-100	"Command error"	LAN card receives command with unspecified error
-101	"Invalid Character"	A character was received that is *not*: a-z, A-Z, 0-9, ?, *, :, ;,period, space, CR, LF
-102	"Syntax error"	LAN card receives unrecognized command word
-104	"Data type error"	LAN card receives command parameter with wrong type of data. Example: a letter where a number is expected.
-109	"Missing parameter"	Valid command received but not enough parameters.
-112	"Program word too long"	Command word had more than 14 characters before separator (space or colon) or more than 12 characters as command parameter
-131	"Invalid Suffix"	Attempt to select multi-drop address > 30
-222	"Data out of range"	Attempt to program voltage, current or OVP beyond supply limits
-241	"Hardware Missing"	When operating in RS-485 Multi-drop mode, an attempt was made to address a non-existent supply.
-350	"Queue Overflow"	Too many SYST:ERR messages are stored in this queue and the newest messages are discarded. The max. number of stored messages is 10.
+300	"Execution error"	General execution error.
+301	"PV above OVP"	Attempt to program voltage above OVP setting. (or more exactly, PV not "5% of voltage rating" below OVP)
+302	"PV below UVL"	Attempt to program voltage below UVL setting. (or more exactly, PV not "5% of voltage rating" above UVL)
+304	"OVP below PV"	Attempt to set OVP below voltage setting. (or more exactly, OVP not "5% of voltage rating" above PV)
+306	"UVL above PV"	Attempt to set UVL above voltage setting. (or more exactly, UVL not "5% of voltage rating" below PV)
+307	"On during fault"	Attempt to set supply output "ON" when a fault exists
+320	"Fault shutdown"	General message for non-specified shutdown
+321	"AC fault shutdown"	Brown-out or phase-loss shutdown occurred
+322	"Over-Temperature"	Over-temperature shutdown occurred
+323	"Fold-Back shutdown"	Fold-Back shutdown occurred
+324	"Over-Voltage shutdown"	Over-Voltage shutdown occurred
+325	"Analog shut-off shutdown"	Shut-Off occurred from rear panel J1
+326	"Output-Off shutdown"	Output-Off occurred from front panel button
+327	"Enable Open shutdown"	Enable Open occurred from rear panel J1
+340	"Internal message fault"	General non-specified Internal message fault. May be from unexpected port disconnects and reconnects.
+341	"Input overflow"	LAN card input data buffer is too full.

+342	"Internal overflow"	Serial receive buffer in LAN card is full because the Main micro sent too many characters
+343	"Internal timeout"	LAN card did not receive response from power supply before timeout period
+344	"Internal checksum"	LAN card received checksum error from supply
+345	"Internal checksum error"	LAN card detected checksum error in response from supply
+399	"Unknown Error"	Error not known

14. SAMPLE PROGRAMS

14.1. Web Downloads

Refer to Lambda website for the latest support software at:

http://www.us.TDK-Lambda.com/HP/product_html/drivers.htm

Downloads include:

A. GUI program
This is a "Graphical User Interface" program that gives you remote control of the power supply using the LAN network

B. IVI-COM Drivers
These are "Interchangeable Virtual Instrument" drivers that allow you quickly write automation programs in National Instruments LabVIEW, Microsoft Visual Studio and other environments. Some "Getting Started" tutorials are available. See section 8 for more details

C. Socket Program Examples
Programs using TCP and UDP sockets are available for Visual Studio 2005 C# (with .NET drivers), Visual Studio 6 C++ (with Winsock drivers) and Linux C.

D. VXI-11 Discovery Utility
This is a simple utility program that will send a broadcast packet onto the LAN network and check any responses from VXI-11 compliant instruments. The utility will display a list of detected instruments along with the IP and manufacturer identity information. The Visual Studio 2005 C# solution (source code and executable) is given

14.2. Customer Support

For further assistance regarding the LAN interface, please contact the factory or a local service center in your area.

15. TROUBLESHOOTING

15.1. Cannot See the IP Address, LAN Status LED Stays Red

If you press and hold the front panel FOLD button for 3 seconds, the voltage display should show "IP-1" (see section 5.1).

If "IP-1" does not show, then the LAN enable switch has not been set. To fix this:

A. Switch the power supply AC OFF.

B. Verify the LAN Enable switch is UP (see section 3.3.1). You may want to slide it down and up a few times to clean the switch.

C. Switch the power supply AC ON again.
   See the voltage display shows "LAn" for a few seconds during power-up.

15.2. IP Address is All Zeroes, LAN Status LED Stays Red

When viewing the IP address on the front panel (hold the FOLD button, see section 5.1), and you see the IP address is all zeroes, then the power supply is not connecting to the network.

A. Verify the LAN cable is connected to an active network. Look at the rear panel Link LED (part of the RJ-45 connector, see section 3.3.2) and verify it is green (and possibly blinking a little). If the LED is not lit, then the LAN cable is not connected properly.

B. Wait longer and try to read the IP address again. In the Auto-IP mode (see section 4.4), the power supply will wait a full 40 seconds to assign an IP address after power-up.

C. There could be an address collision on the network where two devices on the network have the same IP address. If the power supply detects this, it will refuse to assign an IP address and it stays all zeroes. This only occurs if the power supply is in Static addressing mode (see section 4.4). To correct this situation, do either of:

   i. Do a front panel LAN Reset (see section 5.3). The power supply will try to get an address from a network DHCP server or it will create its own address in the 169.254.xxx.xxx subnet. If this subnet is not the one you are using, then use the front panel to set an IP address that is compatible with your network (see section 5.2)

   ii. Disconnect any LAN device that may have a conflicting address from the network. Switch the power supply off and on. After 15 or 40 seconds, the power supply will acquire its static address.

15.3. Cannot Communicate to the Power Supply

If the LAN Status LED is green and the front panel shows a valid IP address, but you still cannot open a web page, VISA or socket connection then try "pinging" the power supply. The ping utility verifies the computer can send a message and get a response from the power supply over the network.

On a Windows computer, open a command line window by:

A. Click the "Start" button, Select "Run…"

B. A "Run" window opens. Type: cmd <Enter>. See the command window open

C. Type "ping <IP address>" (IP from the supply front panel, see section 5.1). Verify the ping packets had successful responses

If the "ping" does not get responses from the power supply, then there is a mismatch between the power supply and the computer LAN settings. In addition, the ping function may be disabled in the power supply (see section 6.6.3). In this case, do a power supply "LAN Reset" (see section 5.3) and try to connect again

15.4. Cannot View Web Pages Over a Peer-to-Peer Network

If there is no gateway to a network, verify the proxy server is disabled in the web browser. With Microsoft Internet Explorer, open the browser and, on the toolbar, navigate:

> "Tools" → "Internet Options…" → "Connections" → "LAN Settings…"

and see the windows open:
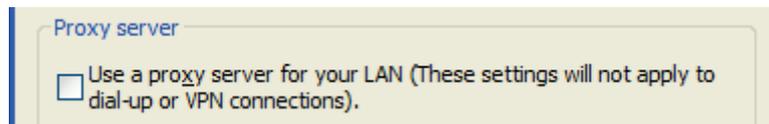
Verify the "Proxy server" checkbox is *NOT* checked.

15.5. Cannot Open Web using Laptop or Dual-LAN Card Computer

If you have a computer with two network cards, the computer may not know which card to use when trying to open the Genesys™ web page. Verify the two cards do not have over-lapping IP address ranges, otherwise it may be necessary to disable or disconnect the network card that is not being used.

If you have a laptop computer with an Ethernet jack *and* a wireless network, it may be necessary to disable the wireless LAN port.

For running VISA programs (see section 7), two network cards is not a problem because the VISA resource descriptor includes the network [board] identifier.

15.6. Web Page "Refresh List" Does Not Find Slave Supplies

When you are using a LAN Multi-drop chain of supplies (see section 12), the web page Refresh List button should detect all the connected RS-485 slave supplies. If it does not:

A. Verify that you are Logged-in.

B. Verify in the LAN master that the rear panel dip switch SW1 bit 6 is DOWN.

C. Verify all slave supplies are set for RS-485. That is, verify the rear panel dip switch SW1 bit 6 are UP.

D. Verify all slave supplies are set for unique addresses and they are set for 19.2K Baud. Do this by pressing each of the front panel REM/LOC buttons.

E. Verify the RS-485 linking cables are made correctly. A standard 8-wire Ethernet cable will not be reliable for a larger number of supplies in the chain. The proper linking cable only uses five wires. See the section "Multi Power Supply Connection to RS232 or RS485 Bus" in the Genesys™ User Manual.

Auto-IP: This is when the power supply configures its own settings because they cannot be obtained using a network server (DHCP). With auto-IP, the power supply will select a random address in the range of 169.254.xxx.xxx. Also called Link-Local addressing

Auto-MDIX: A connection that automatically detects either a patch (straight-through) or a cross-over LAN cable. Either type of LAN cable is acceptable

Auto-Negotiate: The power supply will automatically choose the fastest speed that the network can support. The Genesys™ power supply can operate at 10 megabits per second (Mbps) or 100Mbps

Command: A message sent to the power supply which changes one or more of its settings. It may be sent using a SCPI command or from the web pages. No response message is returned, but an error message may be created

DHCP: The Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol is a method where the IP address and other settings are loaded from the network server to the power supply. The IP address and other settings may change each time the network connection is created

Hostname: A unique name for a device on a network. A descriptive name may be created by the operator. For the default hostname, see section 4.5

Ethernet: The most common configuration for a LAN. It includes connection detection and message collision protection

IP Address: The Internet Protocol address is a numeric identifier that says where messages are sent to or received from. It has four numbers, each zero to 255.
Example: 192.168.34.17. See section 4.4

IVI: The "Interchangeable Virtual Instrument". Specifications which standardize instrument driver technology. Built upon VISA drivers. IVI has interfaces so any programming language can use standard calls to COM and DLL libraries

LAN: A "Local Area Network" is usually a small group of computers, printers and other devices connected to share information and services. With a gateway, these devices can also connect to a Wide Area Network (WAN)

LXI: "LAN Extensions for Instrumentation". A standard adopted by many test and **LXI** measurement companies. To be LXI certified, an instrument must conform to many requirements including network connectivity, web page operation and software drivers. See www.lxistandard.org for details

MAC Address: The Media Access Control address is a identifier for the manufacturer and the instrument. It is like a serial number and it may be used to configure the LAN connection. It has six hexadecimal values.
Example: 00:19:f9:01:3e:26

mDNS Multicast Domain Name Service is a service that any LAN connected device can use. It is a zero-configuration protocol where no network server is required to connect by device name instead of IP address. Uses the .local top level domain name

Query: A message sent to the power supply which reads back a setting or a measurement. A query does not change any settings. It may be sent using a SCPI command or from the web pages

Socket: A universal protocol for messages over LAN. Libraries for writing socket programs are available for almost all program environments and operating systems, including industrial PLCs. Two types of sockets are common: TCP and UDP. These are a lower level protocol upon which VISA is built

SCPI: The Standard Commands for Programmable Instrument is a structure of text-based commands. For example, the "MEAS:VOLT?" query will return a voltage measurement from any SCPI compliant instrument that has a volt meter

VISA: The Virtual Instrument Software Architecture is a single interface library for controlling instruments over many types of communication busses. In an automation program, a "resource descriptor" string is given for each instrument. The descriptor defines the instrument including its address and bus type

17. COMPATIBILITY

Genesys^{TM} series power supplies LAN option firmware 3.1.2.3 and onward is compatible to 2.1.0.1. The list below summarizes the main differences in firmware 3.1.2.3 and onwards:

1. LXI 1.5 compliant.

2. mDNS protocol support.

3. Updated Web Page, which does not rely on JAVA applets.

4. Ability to set 0 and 255 IP octets from the front panel (IP1, IP2, IP3 and IP4 fields). Supported from Main Firmware revision 5.1.3 and onwards only.

5. Monitor of Multi-Drop power supplies through the Web Page is possible only if the user has Logged-in.

6. Leading colon (beginning of a command or query) is not mandatory. Commands are accepted without a leading colon. For example, both commands are accepted: VOLT 5.0 or :VOLT 5.0.

7. LAN Reset (by Front Panel or SCPI command) does not reset user defined Hostname and Description.

8. Following Power-Up, Master power supply is monitored in the Multi-Drop monitoring Web Page.

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