User's Guide

AT525 BATTERY METER

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1. Unpacking and Preparation

This chapter describes:

- Incoming Inspection
 - Power Supply
- Working Environment
- Cleaning
- Replace Battery
- Adjust Support

1.1 Incoming Inspection

- Referring to <Packing List> in the packing box, check that all packaged items supplied with the meter have been provided as listed
- Check the appearance of whether there is damage or scratches;
 If there was damage or lack of accessories, please contact Applent Instruments
 Sales Department or local agency

1.2 Power Supply

AC power adapter: ATL909 Rechargeable Li battery: ATL805

Input: 90V-260VAC, 49Hz~62Hz, <10VA



Warning: Do Not use any other power adapter or battery

1.3 Working Environment

Environmental Requirements: Temperature: $0^{\circ}\text{C} \sim 55^{\circ}\text{C}$,

Humidity: At 23°C less than 70%RH

Altitude: $0 \sim 2000$ m

1.4 Cleaning

Do not clean the inside of the instrument



Warning: Do not use the cleaning solvent (alcohol or gasoline, etc.) on the instrument.

Please use a clean cloth dipped in some water to do the case and panel cleaning.

1.5 Replace Battery

The instrument built-in rechargeable lithium battery, the battery has been installed in the battery compartment of the instrument at the factory. You should replace the battery according to the following procedure.

Replace Battery Figure 1-1

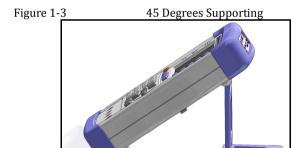
- 1. Use a screwdriver to loosen the screws of the battery cover, remove the battery cover.
- 2. Remove the plug on the old battery, plug in new battery plug
- 3. Put a new battery into the battery compartment, replace the battery cover and tighten the screws.

1.6 **Adjust Support**

The support has two positions:
60 degrees and 45 degrees.
45 degrees, makes the instrument more stable.







2. Overview

This chapter contains general information about AT525 .The information is organized as follows

- Introduction
- Main Specifications
- Feature overview

2.1 Introduction

Thank you for choosing AT525 AC Resistance Meter.

AT525 adopts high-performance 32-bit ARM processor. It is a meter with wide resistance measurement range from $0.001 \text{m}\Omega$ to 3Ω and DC voltage range from 0.0000 V to 60.000 V.

The instrument features an m-Ohm and V mode that allows simultaneous measurement and comparison of battery internal resistance and open-circuit voltage. This meter is highly suitable for battery inspection lines as one unit can act as both a low-resistance meter and a voltmeter.

The AT525 completes with comparator function and external interface (handler) utilizing the principles of the AC 4-terminal method that gives priority to line use and offers high speed, high accuracy and high resolution.

With its built-in comparator, the AT525 can output comparison/decision results for sorting components into resistance HIGH-IN-LOW bins and voltage HIGH-IN-LOW bins

AT525 measures all kinds of battery's resistance and DC voltage, such as lithium batteries, lead-acid batteries, Button Cell Batteries and etc. **Especially, AT525 can measures UPS batteries while UPS working online**.

AT525 is equipped with RS232 interface to apply to remote control, data acquisition and analysis.

AT525 is also equipped with USB-Disk interface, and you can store the test values into your USB Disk over 500 sets.

2.2 Main Specifications and Features

- Basic Accuracy: Resistance: 0.5% Voltage: 0.05%
- Test Frequency: 1kHz±2Hz
- Max Display: Resistance: 33,000 digit, DC Voltage: 60,000 digit
- 4 rangers with Auto, Manual and Nominal Modes

- Four-terminal test method
- Test Speed: 10 times/s (Fast Speed Mode)
- Trigger Mode: Internal and Manual trigger

2.3 Main Functions

2.3.1 Correction

Short-circuit Clear Zero correction for all ranges.

2.3.2 Comparator (Sorting Function)

Set up sorting function to do GD/NG sorting.

Comparator Methods:

Absolute value of tolerance ±TOL sorting

Percentage tolerance %TOL sorting

Sequence comparison sorting

Beep Feature:

Beep: OFF/GD/NG

2.3.3 System Setup

- Keypad Lock Function
- Switch Both in Chinese and English
- Time and Date Settings
- Administrator Accountant Settings

2.3.4 Remote Control

Max baud rate: 115200bps, SCPI available, ASCII transmit.

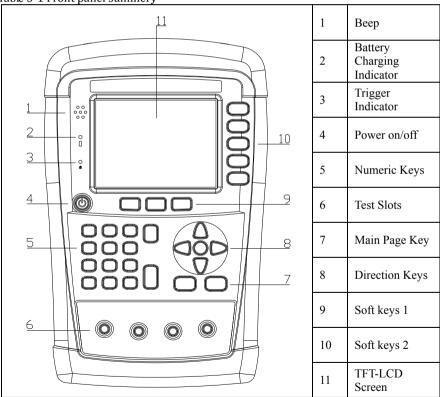
3. Startup

This chapter describes:

- Front Panel Summery
- Interfaces
- Power Supply
- Turn on/off
- Test Slots

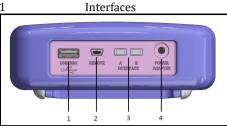
3.1 Front Panel Summery

Table 3-1 Front panel summery



3.2 Interfaces

Figure 3-1



- 1. USB Host Port
- 2. Mini-USB Slave Port
- 3. Reserved Interfaces
- 4. Power Adaptor

3.3 Power Supply

Power adaptor: ATL909

The instrument can be powered by Li battery. When the battery is low, only power adaptor can charge the battery.

Figure 3-2



3.3.1 Charge the Battery

Use the power adaptor to charge the battery. The power key is orange when charging the battery even the instrument turned off. When the battery is full, the indicator is out.

Figure 3-3

Power key is orange when charging.



Attention!

The power key is still orange while charging even when the instrument shut down.

3.4 Turn On/Off

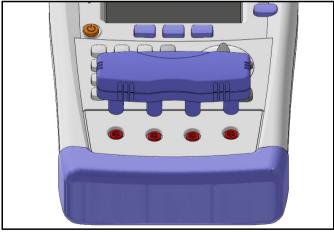
Press power key softly to start or turn off the instrument.

3.5 Test Slots

Insert the cable box into test slots







3.5.1 Clips and Cables:

Using clip or cable from other brands may cause mistakes After a long time $(1\sim2~\text{Years})$, the surface of the accessories may be damaged, which will lead some inaccuracy.

4. <Meas> Key

This section includes the following information:

- MEAS DISPLAY page
- VIEW DATA page

4.1 <MEAS DISPLAY> Page

Press [Meas] key to enter <MEAS DISPLAY>Page.

The <MEAS DISPLAY> page includes following setup:

- Trigger Mode [TRIGGER]
- Measurement Range [RANGE]
- Test Speed [SPEED]
- Comparator [COMP] ON/OFF
- [BEEP] Feature
- Soft-key VIEW DATA To Enter [VIEWDATA] page
- Soft-key SAVE DATA To Store measurement result into internal flash disk

Figure 4-1 < MEAS DISPLAY > Page



4.1.1 [TRIGGER]

SCPI Command: TRIGger:SOURce {INT,MAN,BUS}
SCPI Query Command: TRIGger:SOURce?

AT525 supports four trigger modes: INT (internal), EXT, MAN (manual) and BUS (RS-232)

Table 4-1 Trigger Setting

|--|

| Mode | |
|------|--|
| INT | Continuously repeats the measurement cycle. |
| MAN | Performs one cycle of measurement each |
| | time you press the [Trig] key. |
| BUS | Performs one cycle of measurement each time it receives a trigger command sent via RS-232. |

■ Procedure to set the trigger:

| - 11000ddie to set the trigger. | | | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|--|--|--|
| Step 1 | Press [Meas | Press [Meas] key to enter <meas display="">Page</meas> | | |
| Step 2 | Use cursor | Use cursor keys to select [TRIGGER] field | | |
| Step 3 | INT | Automatic Internal trigger | | |
| | MAN | Manual Trigger by pressing [Trig] key | | |
| | BUS | BUS Trigger by RS232 SCPI command | | |

4.1.2 [RANGE]

SCPI Command: FUNCtion:RANGe {<range number>,min,max}

SCPI Command: FUNCtion:RANGe:MODE {AUTO,HOLD,NOMinal}

SCPI Query Command: FUNCtion: RANGe?

SCPI Query Command: FUNCtion:RANGe:MODE?

AT525 has three resistance range modes and two voltage range.

Resistance Ranges:

Auto range, Manual range and Nominal range

Table 4-2 Resistance Range Mode

| Range | Description | Pros | Cons | |
|---------|--|------------------------|--|--|
| AUTO | Automatically select the best range according to impedance Range is automatically set. | Very convenient | convenient Test speed is slower than manual ranging, | |
| HOLD | The instrument will always use the user-specified range | Highest speed | Set the range previously | |
| NOMINAL | Automatically select the best range according to nominal value. | Best mode for sorting. | Only available in sorting mode | |

Table 4-3 Resistance Measurement Ranges of AT525

| Range | Range Name | Measurement Range |
|-------|------------|----------------------------|
| 3 | 3Ω | 320 m Ω ~ 3.3 Ω |
| 2 | 300Ω | 320Ω~ 330mΩ |
| 1 | 30mΩ | 32mΩ ~330mΩ |
| 0 | 3mΩ | 0mΩ ~3.3mΩ |

■ Procedure of setting the range:

| Step 1 | Press [Meas] key to enter measurement page | | |
|--------|--|--|--|
| Step 2 | Use the curso | Use the cursor key to select [RANGE] | |
| Step 3 | AUTO | Auto range | |
| | HOLD | Current range is hold | |
| | NOMINAL | Select the range according to resistance nominal value [RNom]. | |
| | INCR+ | Increase range | |
| | DECL- | Decline range | |

4.1.3 Measurement Speed [SPEED]

SCPI Command: FUNCtion:RATE {SLOW,MED,FAST}

SCPI Query Command: FUNCtion: RATE?

SLOW, MED, FAST and ULTRA speed mode can be selected for AT525.

SLOW mode will result in more stable and accurate measurement result. The following speed is measured in range-hold mode and comparator is ON:

SLOW: 1 times/sec (1s)
MED: 5 times/sec (100ms)
FAST: '0 times/sec (33ms)

• Procedure to set test speed:

| Troublant to but tost specu. | | | |
|------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Step 1 | Press [Meas] key to enter measurement page; | | |
| Step 2 | Use the cursor key to select [SPEED] field | | |
| Step 3 | SLOW | | |
| | MED | | |
| | FAST | | |

4.1.4 [BEEP] Feature

SCPI Command: COMParator:BEEP {OFF,GD,NG} SCPI Query Command: COMParator:BEEP

■ Procedure to set the beep:

| Step 1 | Press [Meas] key to enter measurement page; | |
|--------|---|--|
| Step 2 | Use the cursor key to select [BEEP] | |
| Step 3 | OFF Turn Beep Off | |
| | GD Beep while Pass | |
| | NG Beep while Fail | |

4.2 Status Bar on <MEAS DISPLAY>

- HOLD Hold the data under internal trigger mode, test stops.
- SYSTEM- Go to <SYSTEM CONFIG>Page
- KEY LOCK Lock the keypad.
- Time

4.2.1 Icons on <MEAS DISPLAY>

Table 4-5 Icons

| Icon | Description |
|----------|------------------------|
| E | USB-Disk is available. |
| Н | Hold current data. |

4.2.2 [VIEW DATA] Soft-key

To enter the <VIEW DATA> page by pressing [VIEW DATA] soft-key.

4.2.3 [SAVE DATA] Soft-key

Every press this key a line of measurement result will be stored into internal flash disk.

The saved data can be reviewed on <VIEW DATA> page by pressing [VIEW DATA] soft-key.

4.3 <VIEW DATA> page

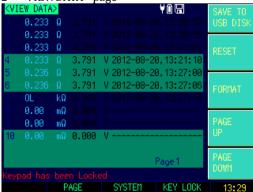
The measurement result can be stored in AT525's internal nonvolatile memory by press the [SAVE DATA] soft-key in <MEAS DISPLAY> page.

Over 500 sets data can be saved

The format of measurement result is: [Resistance][Voltage][Date][Time]

You can review the saved data on the <VIEW DATA> page by pressing the [VIEW DATA] soft-key in <MEAS DISPLAY> page.

Figure 4-2 <VIEWDATA> page



- SAVE TO DISK Store all data into USB Disk
- RESET The data will be stored from the start of the

table.

- FORMAT To format the internal nonvolatile memory disk, all data will be lost.
- PAGE Jump to the provided page

5. [SETUP] Key

This chapter describes:

- STEUP> page
- Short-circuit Clear Zero

5.1 < SETUP> page

Press [Setup] key to enter <SETUP>page.

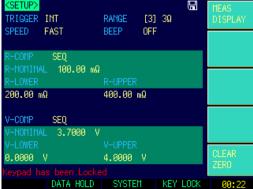
In <SETUP> page, the Instrument does not display measurement result and comparator result, testing is not in progress.

The <SETUP> page includes following setup:

- Trigger Mode [TRIGGER]
- Measurement Range [RANGE]
- Measurement Speed [SPEED]
- BEEP Feature
- Soft-key CLEAR ZERO Clear Zero Correction
- R-COMP AC Resistance Sorting Methods
- V-COMP- DC Voltage Sorting Methods
- R-NOMINAL Input Resistance Nominal Value
- R-LOWER Input Resistance Lower Limit
- R-UPPER Input Resistance Upper Limit
- V-NOMINAL Input Voltage Nominal Value
- V-LOWER Input Voltage Lower Limit
- V-UPPER Input Voltage Upper Limit

Some settings can be also set up in <MEAS DISPLAY> page. Please refer to the chapter: <Meas> Key

Figure 5-1 <SETUP>page



5.2 Short-circuit Clear Zero [CLEAR ZERO]

SCPI Command: CORR: SHOR

Press [Setup] key to enter < SETUP> page, and then press [CLEAR ZERO] soft-key to do short-circuit clear zero.

After correction, the value will be saved into internal flash disk.

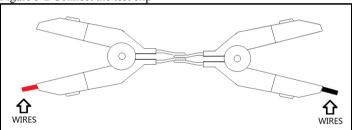


It is necessary to do short-circuit clear zero correction.

When replace the test fixture or test cables, please do short –circle clear zero

How to connect the test clips before executing short-circle clear.

Figure 5-2 Connect the test clip



5.3 Comparator Mode [R-COMP],[V-COMP]

SCPI Command: COMP:RMOD {OFF,ABS,PER,SEQ} SCPI Command: COMP:VMOD {OFF,ABS,PER,SEQ}

There are several items for choosing:

SEQ - Sequential Mode

PER – Percentage Mode [PER = (Result – Nominal) / Nominal * 100%]

ABS - Absolute Mode [ABS = Result - Nominal]

Procedure to set comparator mode:

| Step 1 | Press [Setup] | Press [Setup] key to enter <setup> page</setup> | |
|--------|---------------|--|--|
| Step 2 | Use cursor ke | Use cursor key to select [RESMODE] | |
| Step 3 | SEQ | SEQ Sequential Mode: | |
| | | Compare result with low and high limited values. | |
| | PER∆% | Percentage Mode: | |
| | | (Result – nominal) / nominal × 100% | |
| | ABSΔ | Absolute Mode: | |
| | | Result – Nominal | |

5.3.1 Comparator Nominal [R-NOMINAL],[V-NOMINAL]

SCPI Command: COMParator:TOLerence:RNOMinal <float>
SCPI Command: COMParator:TOLerence:VNOMinal <float>

When using the ABS and PER mode, the nominal value must be inputted.

The field is ignored when in SEQ mode.

The Nominal value must be positive.

■ Procedure to input nominal value:

| Step 1 | Press [Setup] key to enter <setup> page</setup> | |
|--------|--|--|
| Step 2 | Use cursor key to select [R-NOMINAL] or [V-NOMINAL] field. | |
| Step 3 | Input the nominal value by numeric keypad. | |

5.3.2 Limit [R-LOWER] [R-UPPER] [V-LOWER], [V-UPPER]

SCPI Command: COMParator:TOLerence:RLMT < lower>, < upper limit> SCPI Command: COMParator:TOLerence:VLMT < lower>, < upper limit>



The high limited value should be greater than low nominal value.

When in SEQ Mode, please input the direct value of resistance or voltage. When in ABS Δ Mode, please input the absolute value of resistance or voltage. When in PER Δ % Mode, please input the relative value of resistance or voltage in %.

Procedure to input high/low limited values:

| 1 Toccaute | to input ingi/10 w infilted values. | |
|------------|--|--|
| Step 1 | Press [Setup] key to enter < SETUP> page | |
| Step 2 | Use cursor keys to select: | |
| | [R-LOWER] [R-UPPER] or | |
| | [V-LOWER] [V-UPPER] field | |
| Step 3 | Please input the percentage value in when [PER Δ%] mode | |
| | Please input the Direct value when in ABSΔ and SEQ mode. | |

6. <SYSTEM CONFIG> page

This chapter describes:

- SYSTEM CONFIG
- SYSTEM INFORMATION
- SYSTEM SERVICE

6.1 <SYSTEM CONFIG> page

Press [SYSTEM] bottom soft-key to enter < SYSTEM CONFIG> page.

- LANGUAGE Choose English or Chinese Language
- DATE/TIME
- ACCOUNT
- BEEP Feature
- BAUD RS232/RS485 Communication Baud Rate.
- RS-485 Address
- SHAKE HAND RS232/RS485 Shake Hand
- RESULT SEND Acquire the test result by FETCH? Command or auto send.

All settings in **<SYSTEM CONFIG>** will be saved into internal flash disk automatically.

Figure 6-1 < SYSTEM CONFIG> page



6.1.1 [LANGUAGE]

Procedure to change language:

| Step 1 | Press [Meas] or [Setup] key to enter main page |
|--------|---|
| Step 2 | Press bottom soft-key [SYSTEM] to enter <system config=""></system> |
| Step 3 | Use cursor keys to select [Language] field |

| | | 1 6 25 |
|--------|----------|---------|
| Step 4 | 中文 [CHN] | Chinese |
| | ENGLISH | |

6.1.2 [ACCOUNT], [PASSWORD]

- ADMIN All settings are available and can be saved.
- USER All settings are available but **cannot** be saved.

Procedure to set up account:

| Step 1 | Press [Mea | Press [Meas] or [Setup] key to enter main page | |
|--------|-------------|---|--|
| Step 2 | Press botto | m soft-key [SYSTEM] to enter <system config=""> page</system> | |
| Step 3 | Use cursor | Use cursor key to select [ACCOUNT] field | |
| Step 4 | ADMIN | Administrator | |
| | USER | | |

Procedure to set password:

| Step 1 | Press [Meas] or | Press [Meas] or [Setup] key to enter main page | | |
|--------|------------------|---|--|--|
| Step 2 | Press bottom sof | Press bottom soft key [SYSTEM] to enter <system config=""></system> | | |
| Step 3 | Use cursor key t | o select [PASSWORD] field | | |
| | CHANGE | No more than 9 digits and only digits and letters can be in | | |
| | PASSWORD | Contact us if you forget password. | | |
| | DELETE | | | |
| | PASSWORD | | | |

6.1.3 [DATE], [TIME]

The instrument uses a 24-hour time.

Procedure to set data:

| Step 1 | Press [Meas] or [Setup] k | Press [Meas] or [Setup] key to enter main page | | |
|--------|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| Step 2 | Press bottom soft key [SY | Press bottom soft key [SYSTEM] to enter <system config=""> page</system> | | |
| Step 3 | Use cursor keys to select | Use cursor keys to select [DATE] field | | |
| Step 4 | YEAR INCR+ | | | |
| | YEAR DECR- | | | |
| | MONTH INCR+ | | | |
| | DAY+ | | | |
| | DAY- | | | |

Procedure to set time:

| Step 1 | Press [Meas] or [Setup] key to enter main page | | |
|--------|---|---------------------|--|
| Step 2 | Press bottom soft key [SYSTEM] to enter <system config=""> page</system> | | |
| Step 3 | Use cursor keys to | select [TIME] field | |
| Step 4 | HOUR INCR+ | | |
| | HOUR DECR- | | |
| | MINUTE | | |
| | DECR+ | | |
| | MINUTE | | |
| | DECR- | | |
| | SECOND | | |

| | INCR+ | |
|--|--------|--|
| | SECOND | |
| | DECR- | |

6.1.4 RS232 [BAUD] rate

Before you can control the AT525 by issuing RS-232 commands from built-in RS-232 controller connected via its DB-9 connector, you have to configure the RS-232 baud rate.

The AT525's built-in RS-232 interface uses the SCPI language.

The configuration of RS-232

The keypad will be locked when the commutation established. Use SCPI language in Mini-USB programming.

RS-232 configuration is as follows:

Data bits: 8Stop bits: 1Parity: none

Procedure to set band rate:

| 1 1000aaic | to set odda it | | | |
|------------|----------------|--|--|--|
| Step 1 | | YSTEM] bottom soft-key to enter [CONFIG> page | | |
| Step 2 | Use cursor | Use cursor to select [BAUD] field | | |
| Step 3 | 1200 | For communication converter with opt coupler isolation | | |
| | 9600 | | | |
| | 38400 | | | |
| | 57600 | | | |
| | 115200 | Best for communication with PC | | |

6.1.5 RS-232 Shake Hand [SHAKE HAND]

AT525 support software "shake hand". AT525 will return the whole command to host and then response the command when the [SHAKE HAND] was turned ON.

■ Procedure to turn ON the "Shake Hand":

Step 1. Press the [Meas] or [Setup] key

Step 2. Press the [SYSTEM] bottom soft-key.

Step 3. Use the cursor key to select [SHAKE HAND] field

Step 4. Use the soft keys to turn ON.

| ON | |
|-----|--|
| OFF | |

NOTE: If you use Applent Software, please make sure that the [SHAKE HAND] was turned OFF.

6.1.6 RS-232 Result Send Mode [RESULT SEND]

SCPI Command: SYSTem:SENDmode {FETCH,AUTO}

When you set the [RESULT SEND] to AUTO, the test result will be sent to host every end of measurement instead of by sending "FETCH?" command.

The format is:

- +3.549568e-01,+3.827993e+00,RV GD
- +3.549911e-01,+3.827931e+00,RV GD
- +1.000000e+20,+1.000000e+20,RV NG

. . .

Where,

- "+1.000000e+20" stands for overload or open.
- "RV GD" stands for Resistance and Voltage are Good (GD).
- "RV NG" stands for Resistance and Voltage are Not Good (NG) or invalid
- Procedure to set up the result send mode:
 - Step 1. Press the [Meas] or [Setup] key
 - Step 2. Press the [SYSTEM] bottom soft-key.
 - Step 3. Use the cursor key to select [RESULT SEND] field
 - Step 4. Use the soft keys to turn ON.

| FETCH | Acquire the test result by sending "FETCH?" command only. |
|-------|---|
| AUTO | AT525 return the result every EOM |

6.2 < SYSTEM INFORMATION>

There are no configurable options in the <SYSTEM INFO> page.

Figure 6-2 < SYSTEM INFORMATION > page

| KSYSTEM IFOR | 1ATION> Jage | - | SYSTEM |
|---------------|---------------------------|----|---------|
| MODEL | AT526 AC Resistance Meter | | CONFIG |
| SERIAL NO. | 0000000 | | |
| FW VERSION | REV C2.0 | | SYSTEM |
| 0S | APPLENT ATOS(TM) | | INFO |
| OS VERSION | V6.0 | | |
| LOGIC UNIT | REV A0 | | |
| SIGNAL UNIT | REV AØ | | |
| USB I/F | REV AØ | | |
| | | | SYSTEM |
| | | | SERVICE |
| | | | EXIT |
| Keypad has be | en Locked | | EATT |
| | KEY LO | CK | 00:58 |

Procedure to view system information:

| Step 1 | Press [Meas] or [Setup] key to enter main page |
|--------|---|
| Step 2 | Press bottom soft key [SYSTEM] to enter <system config=""></system> |
| Step 3 | Press soft-key [SYSTEM INFORMATION] to enter < SYSTEM INFORMATION |

page

6.3 <SYSTEM SERVICE> page



Warning: Not available for users Any unprofessional person is not allowed to have access to this page.

7. Remote Control

This chapter provides the following information to remotely control the AT525 via the RS-232C or USB interface.

- About RS-232C
- About USB Interface
- Select Baud Rate.
- About SCPI

AT525 can use the RS-232 interface or USB interface to communicate with the computer to complete all the instrument functions.

■ Make sure the controller you connect to AT525 also uses these settings.

The RS-232 interface transfers data using:

8 data bits.

1 stop bit.

And no parity.

7.1 To Select Baud Rate

Before you can control the AT525 by issuing RS-232 commands from built-in RS-232 controller connected via its USB connector, you have to configure the RS-232 baud rate.

The AT525's built-in RS-232 interface uses the SCPI language.

The configuration of RS-232

RS-232 configuration is as follows:

Data bits: 8-bit
Stop bits: 1-bit
Parity: none
To set up the baud rate

Step 1. Press the [Meas] or [Setup] key

Step 2. Press the [SYSTEM] bottom soft-key.

Step 3. Use the cursor key to select [BAUD] field

Step 4. Use the soft keys to select baud rate.

| Soft key | Function |
|----------|-----------|
| 1200 | |
| 9600 | |
| 38400 | |
| 57600 | |
| 115200 | Recommend |

7.2 SCPI Language

Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments (SCPI) is fully supported by the



NOTE:

AT525 ONLY supports the SCPI Language.

8. Command Reference

This chapter contains reference information on programming AT525 with the SCPI commands.

This chapter provides descriptions of all the AT525's available RS-232 commands which correspond to Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments (SCPI) command sets, listed in functional subsystem order.

8.1 Terminator

 $\leq NL >$: The EOI line is asserted by New Line or ASCII Line Feed character (decimal 10, Hex 0x0A, or ASCII '\n')

8.2 Notation Conventions and Definitions

The following conventions and definitions are used in this chapter to describe RS-232 operation.

- < > Angular brackets enclose words or characters that are used to symbolize a program code parameter or an RS-232 command.
- A square bracket indicates that the enclosed items are optional.
- \n Command Terminator

8.3 Command Structure

The AT525 commands are divided into two types: Common commands and SCPI commands

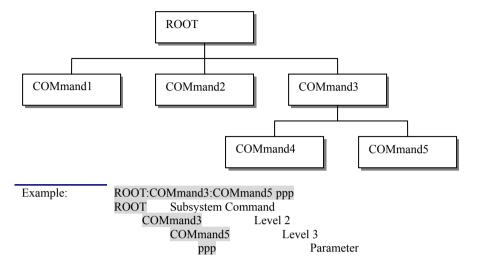
The common commands are defined in IEEE std. 488.2-1987, and these commands are common for all devices. The SCPI commands are used to control all of the AT525's functions.

The SCPI commands are tree structured three levels deep. The highest level commands are called the subsystem commands in this manual. So the lower level commands are legal only when the subsystem commands have been selected.

A colon (:) is used to separate the higher level commands and the lower level commands.

Semicolon (;) A semicolon does not change the current path but separates two commands in the same message.

Figure 8-1 Command Tree Example



- The basic rules of the command tree are as follows.
- Letter case (upper and lower) is ignored.

For example,

ROOT:COMMAND3= root:command3

Spaces (_ used to indicate a space) must not be placed before and/or after the colon (:). For example.

▼ root:_command3 → **▼** root:command3

 The command can be completely spelled out or in abbreviated. (The rules for command abbreviation are described later in this section)

For example,

root:command3 = root:com3

 The command header should be followed by a question mark (?) to generate a query for that command.

For example,

root:com3?

• The semicolon (;) can be used as a separator to execute multiple commands on a single line. The multiple command rules are as follows.

Commands at the same level and in the same subsystem command group can be separated by a semicolon (;) on a multiple command line.

For example,

root:com3:com5 ppp ; com4 ppp

To restart commands from the highest level, a semicolon (;) must be used as the separator, and then a leading colon (:), which shows that the restarted command is a command at the top of the command tree, must follow.

For example,

root:com3:com5 ppp; : root:com1 ppp

The AT525 accepts the three forms of the same SCPI commands: all upper case, all lower case, and mixed upper and lower case.

8.4 Header and Parameters

The commands consist of a command header and parameters. (See the following.)

For example comp:nom 100.0e3 Header Parameter

 Headers can be of the long form or the short form. The long form allows easier understanding of the program code and the short form allows more efficient use of the computer.

- Parameters may be of two types as follows.
 - (A) Character Data and String Data Character data consists of ASCII characters. The abbreviation rules are the same as the rules for command headers.
 - (B) Numeric Data
 - (a) $\langle \text{integer} \rangle$: For example, 1,+123,-123
 - (b) <float>: For example, 1.23e3, 5.67e-3, 123k, 1.23M, 2.34G, 1.234
 - (c) <scifloat>: For example, +1.23456e+03

The available range for numeric data is 9.9E37. When numeric data is used as a parameter, the suffix multiplier mnemonics and suffix units (The suffix multiplier must be used with the suffix unit) can be used for some commands as follows

Table 8-1 Multiplier Mnemonics

| Definition | Mnemonic |
|---------------|----------|
| 1E18 (EXA) | EX |
| 1E15 (PETA) | PE |
| 1E12 (TERA) | T |
| 1E9 (GIGA) | G |
| 1E6 (MEGA) | MA |
| 1E3 (KILO) | K |
| 1E-3 (MILLI) | M |
| 1E-6 (MICRO) | U |
| 1E-9 (NANO) | N |
| 1E-12 (PICO) | P |
| 1E-15 (PEMTO) | F |
| 1E-18 (ATTO) | A |

8.5 Command Reference

All commands in this reference are fully explained and listed in the following functional command order.

- DISPlay Subsystem
- FUNCtion Subsystem
- FETCh Subsystem
- COMParator Subsystem
- CORRection Subsystem
- TRIGger Subsystem
- ERRor Subsystem

Common Command:

- IDN?
- SAV
- TRG

8.6 DISPlay Subsystem

The DISP Subsystem command group sets the display page.

Figure 8-2 DISP Command Tree

| DISPlay | :PAGE | {MEASurement, SETUp, COMParator,SYSTem, SYSTEMINFO(SINF)} |
|---------|-------|---|
| | :LINE | <string></string> |

8.6.1 DISP:PAGE

The :PAGE command sets the display page.

The :PAGE? Query returns the abbreviated page name currently displayed on the LCD screen.

| Command Syntax | DISP:PAGE <page name=""></page> | | |
|-------------------|--|--|--|
| Parameter | Where, <page name=""> is:</page> | | |
| | MEASurement [or MEAS] Sets display page to MEAS DISPLAY | | |
| | SETUP [or SETU] Sets display page to SETUP | | |
| | SYSTem [or SYST] Sets display page to SYSTEM | | |
| | CONFIG | | |
| | SYSTEMINFO [or SINF] Sets display page to SYSTEM | | |
| | INFORMATION | | |
| Example | SEND> DISP:PAGE SYST< <u>NL></u> //Set to the SYSEMT CONFIG | | |
| Query Syntax | DISP:PAGE? | | |
| Query | <pre><page name=""></page></pre> | | |
| Response | -page name | | |
| Example | SEND> DISP:PAGE?< <u>NL></u> | | |
| | RET> SYST< <u>NL></u> | | |

8.6.2 DISP:LINE

The :LINE command enters an arbitrary comment line of up to 30 ASCII characters in the comment field.

| Command Syntax | DISP:LINE " <string>"</string> |
|-------------------|--|
| Parameter | Where, <string> is ASCII character string (30 ASCII characters)</string> |
| Example | SEND> DISP:LINE "This is a comment." < NL> |

8.7 FUNCtion Subsystem

The FUNCtion subsystem command group sets the measurement function, the

measurement range, monitors parameter control.

Figure 8-3 FUNCtion Subsystem Tree

| FUNCtion | :RANGe | {#Range Number, max, min} | |
|----------|--------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| | | :MODE | {AUTO,HOLD,NOMinal} |
| | :RATE | {SLOW,MI | ED,FAST,ULTRA} |

8.7.1 FUNCtion:RANGe

The FUNCtion: RANGe command sets the range.

| Command Syntax | FUNC:RANGe <0-4,MIN,MAX> | | |
|-------------------|---|--|--|
| Parameter | Where, <0-3,MIN, MAX> is: | | |
| | 0-4, The range number | | |
| | MIN, =Range 0 | | |
| | MAX, =Range 3 | | |
| Example | SEND> FUNC: RANG $2 < NL >$ //Set range to [2] $300 \text{m}\Omega$ | | |
| Query Syntax | FUNC:RANGe? | | |
| Query Response | <0-3>< <u>NL></u> | | |
| Example | SEND> FUNC:RANG?< <u>NL></u> | | |
| • | RET> $0 \le NL \ge$ | | |

8.7.2 FUNCtion:RANGe:MODE

The FUNCtion:RANGe:MODE command sets the range mode.

| Command Syntax | FUNCtion:RANGe:MODE {HOLD, AUTO, NOMinal} | | | |
|-------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Parameter | Where, {HOLD, AUTO, NOMinal} is: | | | |
| | HOLD: Sets the auto range to off. | | | |
| | AUTO: Sets the auto range to on. | | | |
| | NOMinal: Sets the range mode to nominal. | | | |
| Example | SEND> FUNC:RANG:MODE AUTO< <i>NL</i> > //Sets to auto range. | | | |
| Query Syntax | FUNC:RANGe:AUTO? | | | |
| Query Response | {HOLD,AUTO,NOM} | | | |
| Example | SEND> FUNC:RANG:MODE?< <u>NL></u> | | | |
| | RET> auto< <u>NL></u> | | | |

8.7.3 FUNCtion:RATE

The FUNCtion:RATE command sets the test speed.

| Command Syntax | FUNCtion:RATE {SLOW,MED,FAST,ULTRa,ULTRaNodisp(ULTN)} |
|-------------------|--|
| Example | SEND> FUNC:RATE FAST< <u>NL></u> //Sets to FAST Speed |
| Query Syntax | FUNC:RATE? |
| Query Response | {SLOW,MED,FAST,ULTR,ULTN} |

| Example | SEND> | FUNC:RATE?< <i>NL</i> > |
|---------|-------|-------------------------|
| | RET> | SLOW< <u>NL</u> > |

8.8 COMParator Subsystem

The COMParator subsystem command group sets the comparator function, including its ON/OFF setting, limit mode, and limit values.

Figure 8-4 COMParator Subsystem Command Tree

| COMParator | :BEEP | {OFF,GD,NG} | |
|------------|------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| | :RMODe | {OFF,SEQ,PER,ABS} | |
| | :VMODe | {OFF,SEQ,PER,A | BS} |
| | :TOLerance | RNOMinal | <float></float> |
| | | VNOMinal | <float></float> |
| | | RLIMIT(RLMT) | <lower,upper></lower,upper> |
| | | VLIMIT(VLMT) | <lower,upper></lower,upper> |

8.8.1 COMParator:RMODe

The :COMParator:RMODe command sets resistance limit mode of the comparator function.

| Command Syntax | COMParator:RMODe {OFF,ABS,PER,SEQ} | |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter | Where, {OFF,ABS,PER,SEQ} is: | |
| | ABS Absolute tolerance mode | |
| | PER Percent tolerance mode | |
| | SEQ Sequential mode | |
| Example | SEND> COMP:RMODe PER< <i>NL</i> > | |
| Query Syntax | COMParator:RMODe? | |
| Query Response | {off,abs,per,seq} | |
| Example | SEND> COMP:RMODe?< <i>NL</i> > | |
| | RET> abs< <u>NL></u> | |

8.8.2 COMParator:VMODe

The :COMParator:VMODe command sets voltage limit mode of the comparator function.

| 1011011011 | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Command Syntax | COMParator:VMODe {OFF,ABS,PER,SEQ} | |
| Parameter | Where, {OFF,ABS,PER,SEQ} is: | |
| | ABS Absolute tolerance mode | |
| | PER Percent tolerance mode | |
| | SEQ Sequential mode | |
| Example | SEND> COMP: VMODe PER< <u>NL></u> | |
| Query | COMParator:VMODe? | |
| Syntax | CONTRATATION. VIVIODE! | |
| Query Response | {off;abs,per,seq} | |
| response | | |

| Example | SEND> | COMP:VMODe?< <u>NL></u> | |
|---------|-------|----------------------------|--|
| | RET> | abs< <u>NL</u> > | |

8.8.3 COMParator:BEEP

COMP:BEEP sets the beep feature.

| Command Syntax | COMParator:BEEP <off,gd,ng></off,gd,ng> | |
|-------------------|---|--|
| Example | SEND> COMP:BEEP GD< <u>NL></u> SEND> COMP:BEEP OFF< <u>NL></u> | |
| Query Syntax | COMParator:BEEP? | |
| Query Response | <off,gd,ng></off,gd,ng> | |
| Example | SEND> COMP:BEEP? SEND> COMP:BEEP?SEND> COMP:SEND> COMP: | |

8.8.4 COMParator:TOLerence:RNOMinal

The COMParator:TOLerence:RNOMinal command sets resistance nominal value for the tolerance mode of the comparator function.

| Command Syntax | COMParator:TOLerence:RNOMinal <float></float> | |
|-------------------|--|--|
| Example | SEND> COMP:TOL:RNOM 100m< <i>NL</i> > SEND> COMP:TOL:RNOM 1E-6< <i>NL</i> > | |
| Query Syntax | COMParator:TOLerence:RNOMinal? | |
| Query Response | <scifloat></scifloat> | |
| Example | SEND> COMP:TOL:RNOM?< <u>NL></u> RET> +1.00000e-03< <u>NL></u> | |

8.8.5 COMParator:TOLerence:RLiMiT

The COMParator:TOLerence:RLiMiT command sets resistance lower/upper limit values.

| Command Syntax | COMParator:TOLerence:RLiMiT < lower>, < upper limit> | |
|-------------------|--|--|
| Parameter | Where, <lower>,<upper> is: lower</upper></lower> | |
| Example | SEND> COMP:TOL:RLMT 100m,330m <nl></nl> | |
| Query Syntax | COMParator:TOL:RLMT? <n></n> | |
| Query Response | <float: limit="" lower="">,<float: limit="" upper=""></float:></float:> | |
| Example | SEND> COMP:TOL:RLMT?< <u>NL></u> RET> 1.000000e-01,3.300000e-01< <u>NL></u> | |

8.8.6 COMParator:TOLerence:VNOMinal

The COMParator:TOLerence:VNOMinal command sets resistance nominal

value for the tolerance mode of the comparator function.

| Command Syntax | COMParator:TOLerence:RNOMinal <float></float> | |
|-------------------|---|--|
| Example | SEND> COMP:TOL:VNOM 1.23m< <i>NL</i> > | |
| | SEND> COMP:TOL:VNOM 50 <nl></nl> | |
| Query Syntax | COMParator:TOLerence:RNOMinal? | |
| Query Response | <scifloat></scifloat> | |
| Example | SEND> COMP:TOL:VNOM?< <u>NL></u> | |
| | RET> +1.00000e+01< <i>NL</i> > | |

8.8.7 COMParator:TOLerence:VLiMiT

The COMParator:TOLerence:VLiMiT command sets voltage lower/upper limit values.

| varios. | | |
|-------------------|--|--|
| Command Syntax | COMParator:TOLerence:VLiMiT < lower>, < upper limit> | |
| Parameter | Where, <lower>,<upper> is:</upper></lower> | |
| | lower <float> lower limit value</float> | |
| | upper <float> upper limit value</float> | |
| Example | SEND> COMP:TOL:VLMT 1.1,3.9< <i>NL</i> > | |
| Query Syntax | COMParator:TOL:VLMT? <n> <float: limit="" lower="">,<float: limit="" upper=""></float:></float:></n> | |
| Query Response | | |
| Example | SEND> COMP:TOL:VLMT?< <i>NL</i> > | |
| | RET> 1.100000e+00,3.900000e+00< <i>NL</i> > | |

8.9 TRIGger Subsystem

The TRIGger subsystem command group is used to enable a measurement and to set the trigger mode.

Figure 8-5 TRIGger Subsystem Command Tree

| TRIGger | [:IMMediate] | |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| C | :SOURce | {INT,MAN,BUS} |
| TRG | | |

8.9.1 TRIGger[:IMMediate]

The TRIGger[:IMMediate] command causes the trigger to execute one measurement under BUS trigger mode.

| Command Syntax | TRIGger[:IMMediate] |
|-------------------|--|
| Example | SEND> TRIG< <u>NL></u> |
| Note | This command can be ONLY used in BUS trigger mode. |

8.9.2 TRIGger:SOURce

The TRIGger:SOURce command sets the trigger mode.

| | The Triager Secrete command sets the trigger mode. | |
|-------------------|--|--|
| Command Syntax | TRIGger:SOURce {INT,MAN,EXT,BUS} | |
| Parameter | Where, {INT,MAN,EXT,BUS} is | |
| | INT Internal Trigger Mode | |
| | MAN Manual Trigger Mode | |
| | | |
| | BUS Remote Trigger Mode | |
| Example | SEND> TRIG:SOUR BUS <nl></nl> | |
| Query Syntax | TRIGger:SOURce? | |
| Query Response | {INT,MAN,BUS} | |
| Example | SEND> TRIG:SOUR? 1< <u>NL></u> | |
| | RET> INT< <u>NL></u> | |

8.9.3 TRG

The TRG command (trigger command) performs the same function as the

Group Execute Trigger command but return the test result.

| Command Syntax | TRG | |
|-------------------|--|--|
| Query Response | <pre><primary value="">,<comparator result=""></comparator></primary></pre> | |
| Example | SEND> TRG RET> +3.514007e-01,+3.827861e+00,RV GD +1.000000e+20,+1.000000e+20,RV NG //OPEN or OVERLOAD | |
| Note | This command can be used ONLY in BUS trigger mode. | |

8.10 FETCh Subsystem

The FETCh subsystem command group is a sensor-only command which retrieves the measurement data taken by measurement(s) initiated by a trigger, and places the data into the output buffer.

Figure 8-6 FETCh Subsystem Command Tree

| . O- | o o r L i Gii Subsystein Command Tree | | |
|------|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| | FETCh? | | |

8.10.1 FETCh?

The FETCh? retrieves the latest measurement data and comparator result.

| Query Syntax | FETCh? | |
|-------------------|---|--|
| Query Response | <float>,<comparator result=""></comparator></float> | |
| Example | SEND> FETC?< <u>NL></u> RET> +3.506759e-01,+3.827991e+00,RV GD< <u>NL></u> | |

8.11 CORRection Subsystem

The CORRection subsystem command group to execute the short circuit clear zero correction function.

Figure 8-7 CORRection Subsystem Command Tree

| CORRect | :SHORt | |
|---------|----------|--|
| CORRECT | .DITOILL | |

8.11.1 CORRection:SHORt

The CORRection:SHORt command execute the short-circuit clear zero for all ranges.

| runges. | | |
|-------------------|--|--|
| Command Syntax | CORRection:SHORt | |
| Example | SEND> CORRection:SHOR< <u>NL></u> RET> Short Clear Zero Start. < <u>NL></u> RET> PASS< <u>NL></u> | |
| Note | Before sending this command, please short-circuit the terminals. | |

8.12 SYSTem subsystem

Figure 8-8 SYSTem commad tree

| SYSTem :SENDmode | {FETCH,AUTO} |
|------------------|--------------|
|------------------|--------------|

8.12.1 SYSTem:SENDmode

SYST:SEND command sets the RS-232 Result Send Mode.

Please refer to Page.24 Section 0

NOTE: If you use Applent Software, please make sure that the [SHAKE HAND] was turned OFF.

RS-232 Result Send Mode [RESULT SEND]

| Command Syntax | SYSTem:SENDmode {FETCH,AUTO} |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Example | SEND> SYST:SEND AUTO< <i>NL</i> > |
| Query Syntax | SYST:SEND? |
| Query Response | <fetch,auto></fetch,auto> |

8.13 ERRor Subsystem

The ERRor subsystem retrieves last error information.

| Query Syntax | ERRor? |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Query Response | Error string |

| Example | SEND> | ERR?< <u>NL</u> > |
|---------|-------|--------------------------|
| | RET> | no error.< <u>NL></u> |

8.14 IDN?

The *IDN? query returns the instrument ID.

| The 1511. query recuire the metrament 15. | | |
|---|---|--|
| Query Syntax | IDN? Or *IDN? | |
| Query Response | <model>,<revision>,<sn>,< Manufacturer></sn></revision></model> | |

8.15 SAV

The SAV command will save all changed settings into internal flash disk.

| Query Syntax | SAV |
|----------------|-----|
| Query Response | OK |

9. Specification

This chapter describes:

Basic Specifications

Dimensions

9.1 General Specifications

Accuracy is defined as meeting all of the following conditions.

Temperature: 23 °C±5 °C
Humidity: ≤65% R.H.

Correction: Short-circuit Clear Zero

Warming Time: >60minAdjustment Time: 12months

Working Environment:

Nominal: Temperature 15°C~35°C Humidity<80%RH
 Working: Temperature 10°C~40°C Humidity10~90%RH
 Storage: Temperature 0°C~50°C Humidity10~90%RH

9.2 About Accuracy

Accuracy is calculated from the reading error (±% rdg.) determined by the measurement value and range, and the digit error (± dgt.).

Calculation Example:

Measurement value: 1 Ω , Measurement range: 3 Ω

Specified accuracy (from table below): $\pm 0.5\%$ rdg., ± 5 dgt.

(A) Reading error (±% rdg.): 1 [Ω] × 0.5% = ±0.005 [Ω]

(B) Digit error (\pm dgt.): \pm 5 dgt. = \pm 0.0005 [Ω] (at 0.0001 Ω resolution)

(C) Total error (A + B): ± 0.0055 [Ω]

Applying total error (C) to the measurement value of 1 Ω gives an error limit of 0.9945 to 1.0055 Ω .

9.3 AC Resistance Range

| RA | NGE | Max Reading | Res. | FAST/ MED | SLOW | Test Current |
|----|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 0 | $3m\Omega$ | $3.300 \mathrm{m}\Omega$ | 1μΩ | $0.5\% \pm 10$ | $0.5\% \pm 10$ | 150mA |
| 1 | $30 \mathrm{m}\Omega$ | $33.00 \mathrm{m}\Omega$ | 10μΩ | $0.5\% \pm 10$ | $0.5\% \pm 5$ | 150mA |
| 2 | 300mΩ | $330.0 \mathrm{m}\Omega$ | 100μΩ | $0.5\% \pm 10$ | $0.5\% \pm 5$ | 15mA |
| 3 | 3Ω | 3.300Ω | 1mΩ | $0.5\% \pm 10$ | $0.5\% \pm 5$ | 1.5mA |

9.4 DC Voltage Range

| RANGE | | NGE | Max Reading | Resolution | FAST/ MED | SLOW |
|-------|---|-----|-------------|------------|--------------|---------|
| | 0 | 60V | 60.000V | 1µV | 0.05%±10 | 0.05%±5 |

9.5 Features

Display: True color TFT-LCD, Size: 3.5"

Measurement Range: $0.0005 \text{m}\Omega \sim 33\Omega$

Measurement Speed: Range-hold mode and comparator is ON:

 SLOW:
 1 times/sec (1s)

 MED:
 5 times/sec (200ms)

 FAST:
 10 times/sec (100ms)

Ranging: Auto, Hold and Nominal range. Total 5 Ranges.

Correction Function: SHORT-CIRCUIT Clear Zero Terminals: Four-terminal test method

Comparator: ABS, PER and SEQ sorting methods

Beep Feature: OFF/GD/NG

Trigger Mode: Internal, Manual, BUS trigger.

Built-in Interface: USB-RS232 interface

Programming language: SCPI

Others Data hold function, Keypad lock

9.6 Environment

Temperature and humidity range: $15^{\circ}\text{C} \sim 35^{\circ}\text{C}$, 80% RH or less Storage temperature and humidity range: $10^{\circ}\text{C} \sim 40^{\circ}\text{C}$, $10 \sim 90^{\circ}\text{KH}$

Power Supply: 8.4V Li, 2200mAh rechargeable battery

Charging time: < 5h

Working time: ≥8h @25% Brightness

Power: <5W

Dimension: 210.76mm*130.23mm*37.88mm

Weight: 500g

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